

- they both invoke Allāh, their Lord, "If You should give us a good³⁹⁵ [child], we will surely be among the grateful."
190. But when He gives them a good [child], they³⁹⁶ ascribe partners to Him concerning that which He has given them. Exalted is Allāh above what they associate with Him.
191. Do they associate with Him those who create nothing and they are [themselves] created?
192. And they [i.e., the false deities] are unable to [give] them help, nor can they help themselves.
193. And if you [believers] invite them to guidance, they will not follow you. It is all the same for you whether you invite them or you are silent.
194. Indeed, those you [polytheists] call upon besides Allāh are servants [i.e., creations] like you. So call upon them and let them respond to you, if you should be truthful.
195. Do they have feet by which they walk? Or do they have hands by which they strike? Or do they have eyes by which they see? Or do they have ears by which they hear? Say, [O Muḥammad], "Call your 'partners' and then conspire against me and give me no respite.
196. Indeed, my protector is Allāh, who has sent down the Book; and He is an ally to the righteous.
197. And those you call upon besides Him are unable to help you, nor can they help themselves."
198. And if you invite them to guidance, they do not hear; and you see them looking at you while they do not see.
199. Take what is given freely,³⁹⁷ enjoin what is good, and turn away from the ignorant.

³⁹⁵Physically sound or righteous.

³⁹⁶The ungrateful man and woman or the polytheistic man and woman.

³⁹⁷From the dispositions of men or from their wealth. In other words, be easy in dealing with them and avoid causing them difficulty.

200. And if an evil suggestion comes to you from Satan, then seek refuge in Allāh. Indeed, He is Hearing and Knowing.
201. Indeed, those who fear Allāh – when an impulse touches them from Satan, they remember [Him] and at once they have insight.
202. But their brothers³⁹⁸ – they [i.e., the devils] increase them in error; then they do not stop short.
203. And when you, [O Muḥammad], do not bring them a sign [i.e., miracle], they say, "Why have you not contrived it?" Say, "I only follow what is revealed to me from my Lord. This [Qur'ān] is enlightenment from your Lord and guidance and mercy for a people who believe."
204. So when the Qur'ān is recited, then listen to it and pay attention that you may receive mercy.
205. And remember your Lord within yourself in humility and in fear without being apparent in speech – in the mornings and the evenings. And do not be among the heedless.
206. Indeed, those who are near your Lord [i.e., the angels] are not prevented by arrogance from His worship, and they exalt Him, and to Him they prostrate.

³⁹⁸Those among mankind who listen to the devils and obey their orders.