

18. That [is so], and [also] that Allāh will weaken the plot of the disbelievers.
19. If you [disbelievers] seek the decision [i.e., victory] – the decision [i.e., defeat] has come to you. And if you desist [from hostilities], it is best for you; but if you return [to war], We will return, and never will you be availed by your [large] company at all, even if it should increase; and [that is] because Allāh is with the believers.
20. O you who have believed, obey Allāh and His Messenger and do not turn from him while you hear [his order].
21. And do not be like those who say, "We have heard," while they do not hear.
22. Indeed, the worst of living creatures in the sight of Allāh are the deaf and dumb who do not use reason [i.e., the disbelievers].
23. Had Allāh known any good in them, He would have made them hear. And if He had made them hear, they would [still] have turned away, while they were refusing.
24. O you who have believed, respond to Allāh and to the Messenger when he calls you to that which gives you life. And know that Allāh intervenes between a man and his heart and that to Him you will be gathered.
25. And fear a trial⁴⁰⁶ which will not strike those who have wronged among you exclusively, and know that Allāh is severe in penalty.
26. And remember when you were few and oppressed in the land, fearing that people might abduct you, but He sheltered you, supported you with His victory, and provided you with good things – that you might be grateful.
27. O you who have believed, do not betray Allāh and the Messenger or betray your trusts while you know [the consequence].

⁴⁰⁶i.e., an affliction or punishment during life upon this earth. When corruption spreads among a people, its consequences will affect everyone.

28. And know that your properties and your children are but a trial and that Allāh has with Him a great reward.
29. O you who have believed, if you fear Allāh, He will grant you a criterion⁴⁰⁷ and will remove from you your misdeeds and forgive you. And Allāh is the possessor of great bounty.
30. And [remember, O Muḥammad], when those who disbelieved plotted against you to restrain you or kill you or evict you [from Makkah]. But they plan, and Allāh plans. And Allāh is the best of planners.
31. And when Our verses are recited to them, they say, "We have heard. If we willed, we could say [something] like this. This is not but legends of the former peoples."
32. And [remember] when they said, "O Allāh, if this should be the truth from You, then rain down upon us stones from the sky or bring us a painful punishment."
33. But Allāh would not punish them while you, [O Muḥammad], are among them, and Allāh would not punish them while they seek forgiveness.
34. But why should Allāh not punish them while they obstruct [people] from al-Masjid al-Ḥarām and they were not [fit to be] its guardians? Its [true] guardians are not but the righteous, but most of them do not know.
35. And their prayer at the House [i.e., the Ka'bah] was not except whistling and handclapping. So taste the punishment for what you disbelieved [i.e., practiced of deviations].
36. Indeed, those who disbelieve spend their wealth to avert [people] from the way of Allāh. So they will spend it; then it will be for them a [source of] regret; then they will be overcome. And those who have disbelieved – unto Hell they will be gathered.

⁴⁰⁷By which to judge between truth and falsehood. Also interpreted as a "way out" of difficulties.