

108. And do not insult those they invoke other than Allāh, lest they insult Allāh in enmity without knowledge. Thus We have made pleasing to every community their deeds. Then to their Lord is their return, and He will inform them about what they used to do.

وَلَا تَسُبُّوا الَّذِينَ يَدْعُونَ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ
فَيَسُبُّوا اللَّهَ عَدْوًا بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ كَذَلِكَ زَيَّنَّا
لِكُلِّ أُمَّةٍ عَمَلَهُمْ ثُمَّ إِلَىٰ رَبِّهِم مَّرْجِعُهُمْ
فَيُنَبِّئُهُم بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ ﴿١٠٨﴾

109. And they swear by Allāh their strongest oaths that if a sign came to them, they would surely believe in it. Say, "The signs are only with [i.e., from] Allāh." And what will make you perceive that even if it [i.e., a sign] came, they would not believe.

وَأَقْسَمُوا بِاللَّهِ جَهْدَ أَيْمَنِهِمْ إِن لَّيَأْتِيَهُمْ
آيَةٌ لِّيُؤْمِنُوا بِهَا قُلْ إِنَّمَا الْآيَاتُ عِندَ
اللَّهِ وَمَا يُشْعِرُكُمْ أَنَّهَا إِذَا جَاءَتْ لَا
يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿١٠٩﴾

110. And We will turn away their hearts and their eyes just as they refused to believe in it [i.e., the revelation] the first time. And We will leave them in their transgression, wandering blindly.

وَنُفِّلِبْ أَفْئِدَتَهُمْ وَأَبْصَرَهُمْ كَمَا لَمْ يُؤْمِنُوا
بِهِ أَوَّلَ مَرَّةٍ وَنَذَرُهُمْ فِي طُغْيَانِهِمْ
يَعْمَهُونَ ﴿١١٠﴾

111. And even if We had sent down to them the angels [with the message] and the dead spoke to them [of it] and We gathered together every [created] thing in front of them, they would not believe unless Allāh should will. But most of them, [of that], are ignorant.

﴿ وَلَوْ أَنَّا نَزَّلْنَا إِلَيْهِمُ الْمَلَائِكَةَ وَكَلَّمَهُمُ
الْمَوْتَىٰ وَحَشَرْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ قُبُلًا مَا
كَانُوا لِيُؤْمِنُوا إِلَّا أَن يَشَاءَ اللَّهُ وَلَكِنَّ
أَكْثَرَهُمْ بَجْهَلُونَ ﴾ ﴿١١١﴾

112. And thus We have made for every prophet an enemy – devils from mankind and jinn, inspiring to one another decorative speech in delusion. But if your Lord had willed, they would not have done it, so leave them and that which they invent.

وَكَذَلِكَ جَعَلْنَا لِكُلِّ نَبِيٍّ عَدُوًّا شَاطِئِينَ
الْإِنسِ وَالْجِنِّ يُوحِي بَعْضُهُمْ إِلَىٰ بَعْضٍ
زُخْرَفَ الْقَوْلِ غُرُورًا وَلَوْ شَاءَ رَبُّكَ مَا
فَعَلُوهُ فَذَرْهُمْ وَمَا يَفْتَرُونَ ﴿١١٢﴾

113. And [it is] so the hearts of those who disbelieve in the Hereafter will incline toward it [i.e., deceptive speech] and that they will be satisfied with it and that they will commit that which they are committing.

وَلَيَصْحَىٰ إِلَيْهِ أَقْفِدُهُ الَّذِينَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ
بِالْآخِرَةِ وَلَيَرْضَوْهُ وَلَيَقْتَرِفُوا مَا هُمْ
مُقْتَرِفُونَ ﴿٦٣﴾

114. [Say], "Then is it other than Allāh I should seek as judge while it is He who has revealed to you the Book [i.e., the Qur‘ān] explained in detail?" And those to whom We [previously] gave the Scripture know that it is sent down from your Lord in truth, so never be among the doubters.

أَفَعَتَرَ اللَّهُ أَتَنفِي حَكَمًا وَهُوَ الَّذِي أَنْزَلَ
إِلَيْكُمْ الْكِتَابَ مُفَصَّلًا وَالَّذِينَ ءَاتَيْنَهُمُ
الْكِتَابَ يَعْلَمُونَ أَنَّهُ مُنْزَلٌ مِنْ رَبِّكَ بِالْحَقِّ
فَلَا تَكُونَنَّ مِنَ الْمُتَمَرِّينَ ﴿٦٤﴾

115. And the word of your Lord has been fulfilled in truth and in justice. None can alter His words, and He is the Hearing, the Knowing.

وَتَمَّتْ كَلِمَتُ رَبِّكَ صِدْقًا وَعَدْلًا لَا
مُبْدِلَ لِكَلِمَاتِهِ وَهُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ ﴿٦٥﴾

116. And if you obey most of those upon the earth, they will mislead you from the way of Allāh. They follow not except assumption, and they are not but falsifying.³³⁸

وَإِنْ تُطِيعَ أَكْثَرُ مَنْ فِي الْأَرْضِ يَضِلُّوكَ
عَنْ سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ إِنْ يَتَّبِعُونَ إِلَّا الظَّنَّ وَإِنْ
هُمْ إِلَّا تَخْرُصُونَ ﴿٦٦﴾

117. Indeed, your Lord is most knowing of who strays from His way, and He is most knowing of the [rightly] guided.

إِنَّ رَبَّكَ هُوَ أَعْلَمُ مَنْ يَضِلُّ عَنْ سَبِيلِهِ
وَهُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِالْمُهْتَدِينَ ﴿٦٧﴾

118. So eat of that [meat] upon which the name of Allāh has been mentioned,³³⁹ if you are believers in His verses [i.e., revealed law].

فَكُلُوا مِمَّا ذُكِّرَ أَنْتُمْ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ
بِعَايَاتِهِ مُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿٦٨﴾

³³⁸Out of ignorance and blind imitation.

³³⁹At the time of slaughter.

119. And why should you not eat of that upon which the name of Allāh has been mentioned while He has explained in detail to you what He has forbidden you, excepting that to which you are compelled.³⁴⁰ And indeed do many lead [others] astray through their [own] inclinations without knowledge. Indeed, your Lord – He is most knowing of the transgressors.
120. And leave [i.e., desist from] what is apparent of sin and what is concealed thereof. Indeed, those who earn [blame for] sin will be recompensed for that which they used to commit.
121. And do not eat of that upon which the name of Allāh has not been mentioned, for indeed, it is grave disobedience. And indeed do the devils inspire their allies [among men] to dispute with you. And if you were to obey them, indeed, you would be associators [of others with Him].³⁴¹
122. And is one who was dead and We gave him life and made for him light by which to walk among the people like one who is in darkness, never to emerge therefrom? Thus it has been made pleasing to the disbelievers that which they were doing.

وَمَا لَكُمْ أَلَّا تَأْكُلُوا مِمَّا ذُكِّرَ أَسْمُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَقَدْ فَصَّلَ لَكُمْ مَا حَرَّمَ عَلَيْكُمْ إِلَّا مَا اضْطُرَرْتُمْ إِلَيْهِ وَإِنَّ كَثِيرًا لِّيَضِلُّونَ بِأَهْوَاءِهِمْ بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ هُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِالْمُعْتَدِينَ ﴿١١٩﴾

وَذُرُوا ظَاهِرَ الْإِثْمِ وَبَاطِنَهُ إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَكْسِبُونَ الْإِثْمَ سَيُجْزَوْنَ بِمَا كَانُوا يَقْتَرِفُونَ ﴿١٢٠﴾

وَلَا تَأْكُلُوا مِمَّا لَمْ يُذَكَّرَ أَسْمُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَإِنَّهُ لَفِسْقٌ وَإِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ لِيُوحِيَ إِلَى أَوْلِيَائِهِمْ لِيُجَادِلُوكُمْ وَإِنْ أَطَعْتُمُوهُمْ إِنَّكُمْ لَمُشْرِكُونَ ﴿١٢١﴾

أَوْ مَن كَانَ مَيِّتًا فَأَحْيَيْنَاهُ وَجَعَلْنَا لَهُ نُورًا يَمْشِي بِهِ فِي النَّاسِ كَمَن مَّثَلُهُ فِي الظُّلُمَاتِ لَيْسَ بِخَارِجٍ مِّنْهَا كَذَلِكَ زُيِّنَ لِلْكَافِرِينَ مَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ ﴿١٢٢﴾

³⁴⁰ In cases of dire necessity, what is normally prohibited becomes permissible, but only to the extent of the need.

³⁴¹ i.e., by your obedience to them – obedience being the basis of worship.

123. And thus We have placed within every city the greatest of its criminals to conspire therein. But they conspire not except against themselves, and they perceive [it] not.

وَكَذَلِكَ جَعَلْنَا فِي كُلِّ قَرْيَةٍ أَكْبَرَهُمْ
مُجْرِمِينَ لِيَمْكُرُوا فِيهَا وَمَا يَمْكُرُونَ
إِلَّا بِأَنْفُسِهِمْ وَمَا يَشْعُرُونَ ﴿١٢٣﴾

124. And when a sign comes to them, they say, "Never will we believe until we are given like that which was given to the messengers of Allāh." Allāh is most knowing of where [i.e., with whom] He places His message. There will afflict those who committed crimes debasement before Allāh and severe punishment for what they used to conspire.

وَإِذَا جَاءَتْهُمْ آيَةٌ قَالُوا لَنْ نُؤْمِنَ حَتَّى
تُنَزِّلَ لَنَا مِثْلَ مَا نُزِّلَ عَلَى الْمُرْسَلِينَ
أَلَمْ يَعْلَمُوا أَنَّهُمْ فِي شَكٍّ مِمَّا كَانُوا
يَمْكُرُونَ ﴿١٢٤﴾

125. So whoever Allāh wants to guide – He expands his breast to [contain] Islām; and whoever He wants to send astray³⁴² – He makes his breast tight and constricted as though he were climbing into the sky. Thus does Allāh place defilement upon those who do not believe.

فَمَنْ يُرِدِ اللَّهُ أَنْ يَهْدِيَهُ يَشْرَحْ صَدْرَهُ
لِلْإِسْلَامِ وَمَنْ يُرِدْ أَنْ يُضِلَّهُ يَجْعَلْ
صَدْرَهُ ضَيِّقًا حَرَجًا كَأَنَّمَا يَصْعَدُ فِي
السَّمَاءِ كَذَلِكَ جَعَلَ اللَّهُ لِلرِّجْسِ
عَلَى الَّذِينَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿١٢٥﴾

126. And this is the path of your Lord, [leading] straight. We have detailed the verses for a people who remember.

وَهَذَا صِرَاطُ رَبِّكَ مُسْتَقِيمٌ قَدْ فَصَّلْنَا
الْآيَاتِ لِقَوْمٍ يَذْكُرُونَ ﴿١٢٦﴾

127. For them will be the Home of Peace [i.e., Paradise] with their Lord. And He will be their protecting friend because of what they used to do.

﴿هُمْ دَارُ السَّلَامِ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ وَهُوَ وَلِيُّهُمْ
بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ ﴿١٢٧﴾﴾

128. And [mention, O Muḥammad],

وَيَوْمَ تَحْشُرُهُمْ جَمِيعًا بِمَعَشَرِ أَلِجْنٍ قَدْ

³⁴²As a result of the person's arrogance and persistence in sin.

the Day when He will gather them together [and say], "O company of jinn, you have [misled] many of mankind." And their allies among mankind will say, "Our Lord, some of us made use of others, and we have [now] reached our term which You appointed for us." He will say, "The Fire is your residence, wherein you will abide eternally, except for what Allāh wills. Indeed, your Lord is Wise and Knowing."

129. And thus will We make some of the wrongdoers allies of others for what they used to earn.³⁴³

130. "O company of jinn and mankind,³⁴⁴ did there not come to you messengers from among you, relating to you My verses and warning you of the meeting of this Day of yours?" They will say, "We bear witness against ourselves"; and the worldly life had deluded them, and they will bear witness against themselves that they were disbelievers.

131. That is because your Lord would not destroy the cities for wrongdoing³⁴⁵ while their people were unaware.

132. And for all are degrees [i.e., positions resulting] from what they have done. And your Lord is not unaware of what they do.

أَسْتَكْثَرْتُمْ مِنَ الْإِنْسِ وَقَالَ أَوْلِيَاؤُهُمْ مِنَ
الْإِنْسِ رَبَّنَا اسْتَمْتَعَ بَعْضُنَا بِبَعْضٍ وَبَلَّغْنَا
أَجَلَنَا الَّذِي أَجَلْتَ لَنَا قَالَ النَّارُ مَثْوَاكُمْ
خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا إِلَّا مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ إِنَّ رَبَّنَا
حَكِيمٌ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٦٨﴾

وَكَذَلِكَ نُؤَيِّنُ بَعْضَ الظَّالِمِينَ بَعْضًا بِمَا
كَانُوا يَكْسِبُونَ ﴿٦٩﴾

يَمْعَشِرَ الْجِنِّ وَالْإِنْسِ أَلَمْ يَأْتِكُمْ رُسُلٌ
مِّنْكُمْ يَقُصُّونَ عَلَيْكُمْ ءَايَاتِي
وَيُنذِرُونَكُمْ لِقَاءَ يَوْمِكُمْ هَذَا قَالُوا شَهِدْنَا
عَلَىٰ أَنْفُسِنَا وَغَرَّبْنَاهُمُ الْحَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا
وَيَشْهَدُونَ عَلَىٰ أَنْفُسِهِمْ أَنَّهُمْ كَانُوا
كَفَّارِينَ ﴿٧٠﴾

ذَٰلِكَ أَن لَّمْ يَكُن رَّبُّكَ مُهْلِكَ الْقُرَىٰ
بِظُلْمٍ وَأَهْلُهَا غَافِلُونَ ﴿٧١﴾

وَلِكُلِّ دَرَجَةٍ مِّمَّا عَمِلُوا وَمَا رَبُّكَ
بِغَافِلٍ عَمَّا يَعْمَلُونَ ﴿٧٢﴾

³⁴³ Another interpretation pertaining to this world is "And thus do We make some of the wrongdoers allies of others for what they have been earning."

³⁴⁴ They will be reproached thus at the Judgement.

³⁴⁵ Or "unjustly."

133. And your Lord is the Free of need, the possessor of mercy. If He wills, He can do away with you and give succession after you to whomever He wills, just as He produced you from the descendants of another people.

وَرَبُّكَ الْغَنِيُّ ذُو الرَّحْمَةِ إِنْ يَشَاءُ يُذْهِبْكُمْ وَيَسْتَخْلِفْ مِنْ بَعْدِكُمْ مَا يَشَاءُ كَمَا أَنْشَأَكُمْ مِنْ ذُرِّيَةِ قَوْمٍ ؕ ءَاخِرِينَ ﴿٦٧﴾

134. Indeed, what you are promised is coming, and you will not cause failure [to Allāh].³⁴⁶

إِنَّ مَا توعَدُونَ لَآتٍ وَمَا أَنْتُمْ بِمُعْجِزِينَ ﴿٦٨﴾

135. Say, "O my people, work according to your position; [for] indeed, I am working. And you are going to know who will have succession in the home.³⁴⁷ Indeed, the wrongdoers will not succeed."

قُلْ يَتَقَوِّمِ أَعْمَلُوا عَلَىٰ مَكَانَتِكُمْ إِنِّي عَامِلٌ ۖ فَسَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ مَنْ تَكُونُ لَهُ عَقِيبَةُ الدَّارِ إِنَّهُ لَا يُفْلِحُ الظَّالِمُونَ ﴿٦٩﴾

136. And they [i.e., the polytheists] assign to Allāh from that which He created of crops and livestock a share and say, "This is for Allāh," by their claim, "and this is for our 'partners' [associated with Him]." But what is for their "partners" does not reach Allāh, while what is for Allāh – this reaches their "partners." Evil is that which they rule.

وَجَعَلُوا لِلَّهِ مِمَّا ذَرَأَ مِنَ الْحَرْثِ وَالْأَنْعَامِ نَصِيبًا فَقَالُوا هَذَا لِلَّهِ بِرَعْمِهِمْ وَهَذَا لِشُرَكَائِنَا ۚ فَمَا كَانَ لِشُرَكَائِهِمْ فَلَا يَصِلُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَمَا كَانَ لِلَّهِ فَهُوَ يَصِلُ إِلَىٰ شُرَكَائِهِمْ ۚ سَاءَ مَا يَحْكُمُونَ ﴿٧٠﴾

137. And likewise, to many of the polytheists their partners³⁴⁸ have made [to seem] pleasing the killing of their children in order to bring about their destruction and to cover them with confusion in their religion. And if Allāh had willed, they would not have

وَكَذَٰلِكَ زَيْنَ لِكَثِيرٍ مِنَ الْمُشْرِكِينَ قَتَلَ أَوْلَادَهُمْ شُرَكَاءُهُمْ لِزُدُّوهُمْ وَلِتَلْبِسُوا عَلَيْهِمْ دِينَهُمْ وَلَوْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ مَا فَعَلُوهُ ۚ فَذَرْهُمْ وَمَا يَفْتَرُونَ ﴿٧١﴾

³⁴⁶i.e., You will neither escape nor prevent its occurrence.

³⁴⁷i.e., in the land or in the Hereafter.

³⁴⁸Their evil associates.

done so. So leave them and that which they invent.

138. And they say, "These animals³⁴⁹ and crops are forbidden; no one may eat from them except whom we will," by their claim. And there are those [camels] whose backs are forbidden [by them]³⁵⁰ and those upon which the name of Allāh is not mentioned³⁵¹ – [all of this] an invention of untruth about Him.³⁵² He will punish them for what they were inventing.

وَقَالُوا هَذِهِ أُنْعَمٌ وَحَرَّتْ حِجْرٌ لَا
يَطْعُمَهَا إِلَّا مَنْ نَشَاءُ بَرَعْمِهِمْ وَأَنْعَمٌ
حُرِّمَتْ ظُهُورُهَا وَأَنْعَمٌ لَا يَذْكُرُونَ أَسْمَ
اللَّهِ عَلَيْهَا افْتِرَاءٌ عَلَيْهِ سَيَجْزِيهِمْ بِمَا
كَانُوا يَفْتَرُونَ ﴿٦٧﴾

139. And they say, "What is in the bellies of these animals³⁵³ is exclusively for our males and forbidden to our females. But if it is [born] dead, then all of them have shares therein." He will punish them for their description.³⁵⁴ Indeed, He is Wise and Knowing.

وَقَالُوا مَا فِي بُطُونِ هَذِهِ الْأَنْعَمِ
خَالِصَةٌ لِّذُكُورِنَا وَمُحَرَّمٌ عَلَى أُنثَوَانَا
وَأِنْ يَكُنْ مَيْتَةً فَهُمْ فِيهِ شُرَكَاءُ سَيَجْزِيهِمْ
وَصَفَّهُمْ إِنَّهُمْ حَكِيمٌ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٦٨﴾

140. They will have lost who killed their children in foolishness without knowledge and prohibited what Allāh had provided for them, inventing untruth about Allāh. They have gone astray and were not [rightly] guided.

قَدْ خَسِرَ الَّذِينَ قَتَلُوا أَوْلَادَهُمْ سَفَهًا بِغَيْرِ
عِلْمٍ وَحَرَّمُوا مَا رَزَقَهُمُ اللَّهُ افْتِرَاءً عَلَى اللَّهِ
قَدْ ضَلُّوا وَمَا كَانُوا مُهْتَدِينَ ﴿٦٩﴾

141. And He it is who causes gardens to grow, [both] trellised and untrellised, and palm trees and crops of different [kinds of] food

﴿ هُوَ الَّذِي أَنْشَأَ جَنَّاتٍ مَّعْرُوشَاتٍ وَغَيْرَ
مَّعْرُوشَاتٍ وَالنَّخْلَ وَالزَّرْعَ مُخْتَلِفًا أُكْلُهُ ﴾

³⁴⁹The four categories of grazing livestock called "an'ām" collectively.

³⁵⁰See 5:103.

³⁵¹At the time of slaughter. Rather, they are dedicated to others among their "deities."

³⁵²i.e., false assertions that such practices are part of Allāh's religion.

³⁵³i.e., their milk and offspring.

³⁵⁴Of what is lawful and unlawful according to their whims.

and olives and pomegranates, similar and dissimilar. Eat of [each of] its fruit when it yields and give its due [zakāh] on the day of its harvest. And be not excessive.³⁵⁵ Indeed, He does not like those who commit excess.

وَالزَّيْتُونَ وَالزُّمَارَ مُتَشَبِهًا وَغَيْرَ مُتَشَبِهٍ كُلُوا مِنْ ثَمَرِهِ إِذَا أَثْمَرَ وَءَاتُوا حَقَّهُ يَوْمَ حَصَادِهِ وَلَا تُسْرِفُوا إِنَّهُ لَا يُحِبُّ الْمُسْرِفِينَ ﴿٦٥﴾

142. And of the grazing livestock are carriers [of burdens] and those [too] small. Eat of what Allāh has provided for you and do not follow the footsteps of Satan.³⁵⁶ Indeed, he is to you a clear enemy.

وَمِنَ الْأَنْعَامِ حَمُولَةٌ وَفَرَسَاتٌ كُلُوا مِمَّا رَزَقَكُمُ اللَّهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعُوا خُطُوتَ الشَّيْطَانِ إِنَّهُ لَكُمْ عَدُوٌّ مُبِينٌ ﴿٦٦﴾

143. [They are] eight mates – of the sheep, two and of the goats, two. Say, "Is it the two males He has forbidden or the two females or that which the wombs of the two females contain? Inform me with knowledge, if you should be truthful."

ثَمَانِيَةَ أَزْوَاجٍ مِّنَ الضَّأْنِ اثْنَيْنِ وَمِنَ الْمَعْزِ اثْنَيْنِ قُلْ ءَالَّذَكَرْتُمْ حَرَّمَ أَمْ الْأُنثَيْنِ أَمَّا اشْتَمَلَتْ عَلَيْهِ أَرْحَامُ الْأُنثَيْنِ نَبِّئُونِي بِعِلْمٍ إِن كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ ﴿٦٧﴾

144. And of the camels, two and of the cattle, two. Say, "Is it the two males He has forbidden or the two females or that which the wombs of the two females contain? Or were you witnesses when Allāh charged you with this? Then who is more unjust than one who invents a lie about Allāh to mislead the people by [something] other than knowledge? Indeed, Allāh does not guide the wrongdoing people."

وَمِنَ الْإِبِلِ اثْنَيْنِ وَمِنَ الْبَقَرِ اثْنَيْنِ قُلْ ءَالَّذَكَرْتُمْ حَرَّمَ أَمْ الْأُنثَيْنِ أَمَّا اشْتَمَلَتْ عَلَيْهِ أَرْحَامُ الْأُنثَيْنِ أَمْ كُنْتُمْ شُهَدَاءَ إِذْ وَصَّيْكُمُ اللَّهُ بِهِذَا فَمَنْ أَظْلَمُ مِمَّنْ افْتَرَى عَلَى اللَّهِ كَذِبًا لِّيُضِلَّ النَّاسَ بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿٦٨﴾

145. Say, "I do not find within that

قُلْ لَا أَجِدُ فِي مَا أُوحِيَ إِلَيَّ مُحَرَّمًا عَلَى

³⁵⁵In eating, as well as in all things generally.

³⁵⁶As the disbelievers have done in making their own rulings about what is permissible and what is prohibited.

which was revealed to me [anything] forbidden to one who would eat it unless it be a dead animal or blood spilled out or the flesh of swine – for indeed, it is impure – or it be [that slaughtered in] disobedience, dedicated to other than Allāh.³⁵⁷ But whoever is forced [by necessity], neither desiring [it] nor transgressing [its limit], then indeed, your Lord is Forgiving and Merciful."

146. And to those who are Jews We prohibited every animal of uncloven hoof; and of the cattle and the sheep We prohibited to them their fat, except what adheres to their backs or the entrails or what is joined with bone. [By] that We repaid them for their transgression. And indeed, We are truthful.

147. So if they deny you, [O Muḥammad], say, "Your Lord is the possessor of vast mercy; but His punishment cannot be repelled from the people who are criminals."

148. Those who associated [others] with Allāh will say, "If Allāh had willed, we would not have associated [anything] and neither would our fathers, nor would we have prohibited anything." Likewise did those before deny until they tasted Our punishment. Say, "Do you have any knowledge that you can produce for us? You

طَاعِمٍ يَطْعَمُهُ إِلَّا أَنْ يَكُونَ مَيْتَةً أَوْ
دَمًا مَسْفُوحًا أَوْ لَحْمَ خِنْزِيرٍ فَإِنَّهُ
رَجِسٌ أَوْ فِسْقًا أَهْلًا لِّغَيْرِ اللَّهِ بِهِ فَمَنْ
أَضْطُرَّ غَيْرَ بَاغٍ وَلَا عَادٍ فَإِنَّ رَبَّكَ غَفُورٌ
رَّحِيمٌ ﴿١٤٦﴾

وَعَلَى الَّذِينَ هَادُوا حَرَّمْنَا كُلَّ ذِي
ظُفْرٍ وَمِنَ الْبَقَرِ وَالْغَنَمِ حَرَّمْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ
شُحُومَهُمَا إِلَّا مَا حَمَلَتْ ظُهُورُهُمَا أَوْ
الْحَوَايَا أَوْ مَا اخْتَلَطَ بِعَظْمٍ ذَلِكَ
جَزَيْنَهُم بِغَيْرِهِمْ وَإِنَّا لَصَادِقُونَ ﴿١٤٧﴾

فَإِنْ كَذَّبُوكَ فَقُلْ رَبُّكُمْ ذُو رَحْمَةٍ
وَّاسِعَةٍ وَلَا يُرَدُّ بَأْسُهُ عَنِ الْقَوْمِ
الْمُجْرِمِينَ ﴿١٤٨﴾

سَيَقُولُ الَّذِينَ أَشْرَكُوا لَوْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ مَا
أَشْرَكْنَا وَلَا آبَاؤُنَا وَلَا حَرَمْنَا مِنْ شَيْءٍ
كَذَلِكَ كَذَّبَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ
حَتَّى ذَاقُوا بَأْسَنَا قُلْ هَلْ عِنْدَكُمْ مِنْ
عِلْمٍ فَتُخْرِجُوهُ لَنَا إِنْ تَتَّبِعُونَ إِلَّا
الظَّنَّ وَإِنْ أَنْتُمْ إِلَّا تَخْرُصُونَ ﴿١٤٩﴾

³⁵⁷Refer to 2:173 and 5:3.

follow not except assumption, and you are not but misjudging."

149. Say, "With Allāh is the far-reaching [i.e., conclusive] argument. If He had willed, He would have guided you all."

قُلْ فَلِلَّهِ الْحُجَّةُ الْبَالِغَةُ فَلَوْ شَاءَ لَهَدَيْتُكُمْ أَجْمَعِينَ ﴿١٤٩﴾

150. Say, [O Muḥammad], "Bring forward your witnesses who will testify that Allāh has prohibited this." And if they testify, do not testify with them. And do not follow the desires of those who deny Our verses and those who do not believe in the Hereafter, while they equate [others] with their Lord.

قُلْ هَلُمْ شُهَدَاءُكُمْ الَّذِينَ يَشْهَدُونَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ حَرَّمَ هَذَا فَإِنْ شَهِدُوا فَلَا تَشْهَدْ مَعَهُمْ وَلَا تَتَّبِعِ أَهْوَاءَ الَّذِينَ كَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا وَالَّذِينَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ بِالْآخِرَةِ وَهُمْ بِرَبِّهِمْ يَعْدِلُونَ ﴿١٥٠﴾

151. Say, "Come, I will recite what your Lord has prohibited to you. [He commands] that you not associate anything with Him, and to parents, good treatment, and do not kill your children out of poverty; We will provide for you and them. And do not approach immoralities – what is apparent of them and what is concealed. And do not kill the soul which Allāh has forbidden [to be killed] except by [legal] right. This has He instructed you that you may use reason."

قُلْ تَعَالَوْا أَتْلُ مَا حَرَّمَ رَبِّي عَلَيْكُمْ أَلَّا تُشْرِكُوا بِهِ شَيْئًا وَبِالْوَالِدَيْنِ إِحْسَانًا وَلَا تَقْتُلُوا أَوْلَادَكُمْ مِنْكُمْ إِمْلَقِي نَحْنُ نَرْزُقُكُمْ وَإِيَّاهُمْ وَلَا تَقْرَبُوا أَلْفَوْاحِشَ مَا ظَهَرَ مِنْهَا وَمَا بَطَنَ وَلَا تَقْتُلُوا النَّفْسَ الَّتِي حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ إِلَّا بِالْحَقِّ ذَلِكُمْ وَصَّيْتُكُمْ بِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَعْقِلُونَ ﴿١٥١﴾

152. And do not approach the orphan's property except in a way that is best [i.e., intending improvement] until he reaches maturity. And give full measure and weight in justice. We do not charge any soul except [with that within] its capacity. And when you speak

وَلَا تَقْرَبُوا مَالَ الْيَتِيمِ إِلَّا بِالَّتِي هِيَ أَحْسَنُ حَتَّىٰ يَبْلُغَ أَشُدَّهُ وَأَوْفُوا الْكَيْلَ وَالْمِيزَانَ بِالْقِسْطِ لَا تُكَلِّفُ نَفْسًا إِلَّا وُسْعَهَا وَإِذَا قُلْتُمْ فَاعْدِلُوا وَلَوْ كَانَ ذَا

[i.e., testify], be just, even if [it concerns] a near relative. And the covenant of Allāh fulfill. This has He instructed you that you may remember.

فُرِّقَ وَيَعْهَدِ اللَّهُ أَوْفُوا ذَٰلِكُمْ وَصْنَكُمْ
بِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٥٦﴾

153. And, [moreover], this is My path, which is straight, so follow it; and do not follow [other] ways, for you will be separated from His way. This has He instructed you that you may become righteous.

وَأَنَّ هَٰذَا صِرَاطِي مُسْتَقِيمًا فَاتَّبِعُوهُ وَلَا
تَتَّبِعُوا السُّبُلَ فَتَفَرَّقَ بِكُمْ عَنْ سَبِيلِهِ
ذَٰلِكُمْ وَصْنَكُمْ بِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ ﴿١٥٧﴾

154. Then³⁵⁸ We gave Moses the Scripture, making complete [Our favor] upon the one who did good [i.e., Moses] and as a detailed explanation of all things and as guidance and mercy that perhaps in the meeting with their Lord they would believe.

ثُمَّ ءَاتَيْنَا مُوسَى الْكِتَابَ تَمَامًا عَلَى
الَّذِي أَحْسَنَ وَتَفْصِيلًا لِّكُلِّ شَيْءٍ
وَهَدًى وَرَحْمَةً لَّعَلَّهُمْ بِلِقَاءِ رَبِّهِمْ يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿١٥٨﴾

155. And this [Qur'ān] is a Book We have revealed [which is] blessed, so follow it and fear Allāh that you may receive mercy.

وَهَٰذَا كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ مُبَارَكٌ فَاتَّبِعُوهُ وَاتَّقُوا
لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ ﴿١٥٩﴾

156. [We revealed it] lest you say, "The Scripture was only sent down to two groups before us, but we were of their study unaware,"

أَنْ تَقُولُوا إِنَّمَا أُنْزِلَ الْكِتَابُ عَلَى
طَائِفَتَيْنِ مِنْ قَبْلِنَا وَإِنْ كُنَّا عَنْ دِرَاسَتِهِمْ
لَغَافِلِينَ ﴿١٦٠﴾

157. Or lest you say, "If only the Scripture had been revealed to us, we would have been better guided than they." So there has [now] come to you a clear evidence from your Lord and a guidance and mercy. Then who is more unjust than one who denies the verses of Allāh and turns away from them? We will recompense those who

أَوْ تَقُولُوا لَوْ أَنَّا أُنْزِلَ عَلَيْنَا الْكِتَابُ لَكُنَّا
أَهْدَىٰ مِنْهُمْ فَقَدْ جَاءَكُمْ بَيِّنَةٌ مِنْ
رَبِّكُمْ وَهُدًى وَرَحْمَةٌ فَمَنْ أَظْلَمُ مِمَّنْ
كَذَّبَ بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ وَصَدَفَ عَنْهَا سَعَجَرَى
الَّذِينَ يَصْدِفُونَ عَنْ آيَاتِنَا سُوءَ الْعَذَابِ
بِمَا كَانُوا يَصْدِفُونَ ﴿١٦١﴾

³⁵⁸Meaning "additionally" or "moreover," not denoting time sequence.

turn away from Our verses with the worst of punishment for their having turned away.

158. Do they [then] wait for anything except that the angels should come to them or your Lord should come or that there come some of the signs³⁵⁹ of your Lord? The Day that some of the signs of your Lord will come no soul will benefit from its faith as long as it had not believed before or had earned through its faith some good. Say, "Wait. Indeed, we [also] are waiting."

هَلْ يَنْظُرُونَ إِلَّا أَنْ تَأْتِيَهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ أَوْ
يَأْتِيَ رَبُّكَ أَوْ يَأْتِيَ بَعْضُ آيَاتِ رَبِّكَ
يَوْمَ يَأْتِي بَعْضُ آيَاتِ رَبِّكَ لَا يَنْفَعُ نَفْسًا
إِيمَانُهَا لَمْ تَكُنْ ءَامَنَتْ مِنْ قَبْلُ أَوْ كَسَبَتْ
فِي إِيمَانِهَا خَيْرًا قُلِ أَنْتَظِرُوا إِنَّا مُنْتَظِرُونَ



159. Indeed, those who have divided their religion and become sects – you, [O Muḥammad], are not [associated] with them in anything. Their affair is only [left] to Allāh; then He will inform them about what they used to do.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ فَرَّقُوا دِينَهُمْ وَكَانُوا شِيعًا لَسَتْ
مِهِمْ فِي شَيْءٍ إِنَّمَا أَمْرُهُمْ إِلَى اللَّهِ ثُمَّ
يُنَبِّئُهُم بِمَا كَانُوا يَفْعَلُونَ



160. Whoever comes [on the Day of Judgement] with a good deed will have ten times the like thereof [to his credit], and whoever comes with an evil deed will not be recompensed except the like thereof; and they will not be wronged.³⁶⁰

مَنْ جَاءَ بِالْحَسَنَةِ فَلَهُ عَشْرُ مَثَلٍهَا وَمَنْ
جَاءَ بِالسَّيِّئَةِ فَلَا تُجْزَىٰ إِلَّا مِثْلُهَا وَهُمْ لَا
يُظْلَمُونَ



161. Say, "Indeed, my Lord has guided me to a straight path – a correct religion – the way of Abraham, inclining toward truth. And he was not among those who associated others with Allāh."

قُلْ إِنِّي هَدَانِي رَبِّي إِلَى صِرَاطٍ مُسْتَقِيمٍ
دِينًا قِيمًا مِلَّةَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ حَنِيفًا وَمَا كَانَ مِنَ
الْمُشْرِكِينَ



³⁵⁹Those denoting the approach of the Last Hour.

³⁶⁰i.e., treated unjustly.

162. Say, "Indeed, my prayer, my rites of sacrifice, my living and my dying are for Allāh, Lord of the worlds.

قُلْ إِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي
لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٦٢﴾

163. No partner has He. And this I have been commanded, and I am the first [among you] of the Muslims."³⁶¹

لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ ۖ وَبِذَلِكَ أُمِرْتُ وَأَنَا أَوَّلُ
الْمُسْلِمِينَ ﴿١٦٣﴾

164. Say, "Is it other than Allāh I should desire as a lord while He is the Lord of all things? And every soul earns not [blame] except against itself, and no bearer of burdens will bear the burden of another. Then to your Lord is your return, and He will inform you concerning that over which you used to differ."

قُلْ أَغْتَرَّ اللَّهُ أَبْغَى رَبًّا وَهُوَ رَبُّ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ
وَلَا تَكْسِبُ كُلُّ نَفْسٍ إِلَّا عَلَيْهَا وَلَا تَزِرُ
وِازِرَةً وِزْرَ أُخْرَىٰ ثُمَّ إِلَىٰ رَبِّكُمْ مَرْجِعُكُمْ
فَيُنَبِّئُكُمْ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ فِيهِ تَخْتَلِفُونَ ﴿١٦٤﴾

165. And it is He who has made you successors upon the earth and has raised some of you above others in degrees [of rank] that He may try you through what He has given you. Indeed, your Lord is swift in penalty; but indeed, He is Forgiving and Merciful.

وَهُوَ الَّذِي جَعَلَكُمْ خَلَائِفَ الْأَرْضِ
وَرَفَعَ بَعْضَكُمْ فَوْقَ بَعْضٍ دَرَجَاتٍ
لِّيَبْلُوَكُمْ فِي مَا آتَاكُمْ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ سَرِيعُ
الْعِقَابِ وَإِنَّهُ لَغَفُورٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿١٦٥﴾

³⁶¹i.e., those who submit to the will of Allāh.