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## سُورَةُ طَهٌ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1. Tā, Hā.<sup>832</sup>
2. We have not sent down to you the Qur'ān that you be distressed
3. But only as a reminder for those who fear [Allāh] –
4. A revelation from He who created the earth and highest heavens,
5. The Most Merciful [who is] above the Throne established.<sup>833</sup>
6. To Him belongs what is in the heavens and what is on the earth and what is between them and what is under the soil.
7. And if you speak aloud – then indeed, He knows the secret and what is [even] more hidden.
8. Allāh – there is no deity except Him. To Him belong the best names.
9. And has the story of Moses reached you? –
10. When he saw a fire and said to his family, "Stay here; indeed, I have perceived a fire; perhaps I can bring you a torch or find at the fire some guidance."

<sup>831</sup>Tā Hā: (the letters) tā and hā.<sup>832</sup>See footnote to 2:1.<sup>833</sup>i.e., having ascendancy over all creation. See footnotes to 2:19 and 7:54.

طه

مَا أَنْزَلَنَا عَلَيْكَ الْقُرْآنَ لِتَشْفَعَ ⑦

إِلَّا تَذَكِّرَةً لِمَنْ يَخْشَى ⑧

تَنْزِيلًا مِمَّنْ خَلَقَ الْأَرْضَ وَالسَّمَوَاتِ  
الْعُلُوِّ ⑨

الْرَّحْمَنُ عَلَى الْعَرْشِ أَسْتَوَى ⑩

لَهُ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَمَا  
بَيْنَهُمَا وَمَا حَتَّى الْثَّرَى ⑪

وَإِنْ تَجْهَرْ بِالْقَوْلِ فَلَنَهُ يَعْلَمُ الْسِرَّ وَأَخْفَى

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ ۖ هُوَ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَى ⑫

وَهَلْ أَتَنْكَ حَدِيثُ مُوسَى ⑬

إِذْ رَأَهَا نَارًا فَقَالَ لِأَهْلِهِ أَمْكُنُوا لِيَ إِنِّي أَنْتَسْتُ  
نَارًا لَعَنِي ۚ إِنِّي كُمُّ مِنْهَا بِقَبِيسٍ أَوْ أَجِدُ عَلَى  
النَّارِ هُدًى ⑭

11. And when he came to it, he was called, "O Moses,
12. Indeed, I am your Lord, so remove your sandals. Indeed, you are in the blessed valley of Tuwā.
13. And I have chosen you, so listen to what is revealed [to you].
14. Indeed, I am Allāh. There is no deity except Me, so worship Me and establish prayer for My remembrance.
15. Indeed, the Hour is coming – I almost conceal it<sup>834</sup> – so that every soul may be recompensed according to that for which it strives.
16. So do not let one avert you from it<sup>835</sup> who does not believe in it and follows his desire, for you [then] would perish.
17. And what is that in your right hand, O Moses?"
18. He said, "It is my staff; I lean upon it, and I bring down leaves for my sheep and I have therein other uses."
19. [Allāh] said, "Throw it down, O Moses."
20. So he threw it down, and thereupon it was a snake, moving swiftly.

فَلَمَّا آتَنَاهَا نُودِيَ يَمْوُسَى ﴿١﴾

إِنَّمَا أَنْتَ رَبُّكَ فَأَخْلَعْتَ نَعَيْلَكَ إِنَّكَ بِالْوَادِ  
الْمُقَدَّسِ طُورِي ﴿٢﴾

وَأَنَا أَخْتَرُكَ فَاسْتَمِعْ لِمَا يُوحَى ﴿٣﴾

إِنِّي أَنَا اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنَا فَاعْبُدْنِي وَأَقِيرِ  
الْأَصْلَوَةَ لِذِكْرِي ﴿٤﴾

إِنَّ الْسَّاعَةَ إِاتِيَّةٌ أَكَادُ أَخْفِيَهَا لِتُعْجِزَنِي كُلُّ  
نَفْسٍ بِمَا تَسْعَى ﴿٥﴾

فَلَا يَصُدِّنَكَ عَنْهَا مَنْ لَا يُؤْمِنُ بِهَا وَأَتَبْعَ  
هُونَهُ فَتَرَدَّى ﴿٦﴾

وَمَا تِلْكَ بِيَمِينِكَ يَمْوُسَى ﴿٧﴾

قَالَ هَيَ عَصَمَى أَتَوْكَفُوا عَلَيْهَا وَأَهْشُ بِهَا  
عَلَى غَنْمِي وَلَيْ فِيهَا مَقَارِبُ أُخْرَى ﴿٨﴾

قَالَ أَلْقِهَا يَمْوُسَى ﴿٩﴾

فَأَلْقَنَهَا فَإِذَا هِيَ حَيَّةٌ تَسْعَى ﴿١٠﴾

<sup>834</sup> Meaning that Allāh (*subḥānahu wa ta'ālā*) keeps knowledge of the Hour hidden from everyone except Himself.

<sup>835</sup> From preparation for the Hour or for the Hereafter.

21. [Allāh] said, "Seize it and fear not; We will return it to its former condition.
22. And draw in your hand to your side; it will come out white without disease – another sign,
23. That We may show you [some] of Our greater signs.
24. Go to Pharaoh. Indeed, he has transgressed [i.e., tyrannized]."
25. [Moses] said, "My Lord, expand [i.e., relax] for me my breast [with assurance]
26. And ease for me my task
27. And untie the knot from my tongue
28. That they may understand my speech.
29. And appoint for me a minister [i.e., assistant] from my family –
30. Aaron, my brother.
31. Increase through him my strength
32. And let him share my task
33. That we may exalt You much
34. And remember You much.
35. Indeed, You are of us ever Seeing."
36. [Allāh] said, "You have been granted your request, O Moses.
37. And We had already conferred favor upon you another time,

قَالَ خُذْهَا وَلَا تَحْفُّ سَعْيُهَا سِيرَتَهَا  
الْأَوَّلِيَّةِ ﴿١﴾

وَأَضْمُمْ يَدَكَ إِلَى جَنَاحِكَ تَخْرُجْ بَيْضَاءَ  
مِنْ غَيْرِ سُوءٍ إِلَيْهِ أُخْرَى ﴿٢﴾

لِرِبَّكَ مِنْ ءَايَتِنَا الْكَبِيرِيَّةِ ﴿٣﴾

أَذْهَبْ إِلَى فَرْعَوْنَ إِنَّهُ طَغَى ﴿٤﴾

قَالَ رَبِّي أَشْرَحْ لِي صَدْرِي ﴿٥﴾

وَيَسِّرْ لِي أَمْرِي ﴿٦﴾

وَأَحْلُلْ عُقْدَةً مِنْ لِسَانِي ﴿٧﴾

يَفْقَهُوا قَوْلِي ﴿٨﴾

وَأَجْعَلْ لِي وَزِيرًا مِنْ أَهْلِي ﴿٩﴾

هُرُونَ أَخِي ﴿١٠﴾

أَشْدُدْ بِهِ أَزْرِي ﴿١١﴾

وَأَشْرِكْهُ فِي أَمْرِي ﴿١٢﴾

كَيْ دُسِّيْحَكَ كَيْتِيرًا ﴿١٣﴾

وَنَذِكْرَكَ كَيْتِيرًا ﴿١٤﴾

إِنَّكَ كُنْتَ بِنَا بَصِيرًا ﴿١٥﴾

قَالَ قَدْ أُوتِيَ سُؤْلَكَ يَمُوسَى ﴿١٦﴾

وَلَقَدْ مَنَّا عَلَيْكَ مَرَّةً أُخْرَى ﴿١٧﴾

38. When We inspired to your mother what We inspired,
39. [Saying], 'Cast him into the chest and cast it into the river, and the river will throw it onto the bank; there will take him an enemy to Me and an enemy to him.' And I bestowed upon you love from Me<sup>836</sup> that you would be brought up under My eye [i.e., observation and care].
40. [And We favored you] when your sister went and said, 'Shall I direct you to someone who will be responsible for him?' So We restored you to your mother that she might be content and not grieve. And you killed someone,<sup>837</sup> but We saved you from retaliation and tried you with a [severe] trial. And you remained [some] years among the people of Madyan. Then you came [here] at the decreed time, O Moses.
41. And I produced you for Myself.<sup>838</sup>
42. Go, you and your brother, with My signs and do not slacken in My remembrance.
43. Go, both of you, to Pharaoh. Indeed, he has transgressed.
44. And speak to him with gentle speech that perhaps he may be reminded or fear [Allāh]."

إِذْ أَوْحَيْنَا إِلَيْ أُمَّكَ مَا يُوحَى ﴿١﴾

أَنْ أَفْذِفْهِ فِي الْتَّابُوتِ فَأَفْذِفْهِ فِي الْبَرِّ  
فَلَيَلِقَهُ اللَّهُمَّ بِالسَّاحِلِ يَا حُنْدَهُ عَدُوٌّ  
لِي وَعَدُوُّهُ وَالْقَيْتُ عَلَيْكَ مَحْبَّةً مِّنِي  
وَلِتُصْنَعَ عَلَى عَيْنِي ﴿٢﴾

إِذْ تَمْشِي أَخْتَكَ فَتَقُولُ هَلْ أَذْلُكُمْ عَلَى  
مَنْ يَكْفَاهُ فَرَجَعْتَكَ إِلَيْ أُمَّكَ كَيْ تَقْرَأَ  
عَيْنَهَا وَلَا تَخْرَنَ وَقَتَلْتَ نَفْسًا فَتَجْيِنْتَكَ  
مِنَ الْغَمَّ وَقَتَنْتَكَ فُتُونًا فَلَيَشَتَ سِينَ فِي  
أَهْلِ مَدِينَ ثُمَّ جَعَتْ عَلَى قَدَرِ يَمْوُسَى ﴿٣﴾

وَأَصْطَنْعُتَكَ لِنَفْسِي ﴿٤﴾

أَذْهَبْ أَنْتَ وَأَخْوَكَ بِعَيْتِي وَلَا تَنْيَا فِي  
ذَكْرِي ﴿٥﴾

أَذْهَبَا إِلَى فَرْعَوْنَ إِنَّهُ طَفَّا ﴿٦﴾

فَقُولَا لَهُ فَوْلَا لَيْنَا لَعَلَّهُ يَتَذَكَّرُ أَوْ يَخْتَنَى  
﴿٧﴾

<sup>836</sup>Allāh put love of Moses into the hearts of the people.

<sup>837</sup>The Copt who died after being struck by Moses.

<sup>838</sup>Allāh had already selected Moses and made him strong in body and character according to the requirements of his mission.

45. They said, "Our Lord, indeed we are afraid that he will hasten [punishment] against us or that he will transgress."

فَالَا رَبِّنَا إِنَّنَا نَخَافُ أَن يَفْرُطَ عَلَيْنَا أَوْ أَن  
يَطْغَى ﴿١٦﴾

46. [Allāh] said, "Fear not. Indeed, I am with you both; I hear and I see.

قَالَ لَا تَخَافَا إِنِّي مَعَكُمَا أَسْمَعُ  
وَأَرِي ﴿١٧﴾

47. So go to him and say, 'Indeed, we are messengers of your Lord, so send with us the Children of Israel and do not torment them. We have come to you with a sign from your Lord. And peace<sup>839</sup> will be upon he who follows the guidance.

فَاتَّهَا فَقُولَا إِنَّ رَسُولًا رَبِّكَ فَارْسِلْ  
مَعَنَا بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ وَلَا تُعَذِّبْهُمْ قَدْ جَعَنَكَ  
بِغَایَةِ مَنْ رَبِّكَ وَالسَّلَمُ عَلَى مَنْ آتَيْعَ  
الْمَهْدَى ﴿١٨﴾

48. Indeed, it has been revealed to us that the punishment will be upon whoever denies and turns away."

إِنَّا قَدْ أَوْحَى إِلَيْنَا أَنَّ الْعَذَابَ عَلَى مَنْ  
كَذَّبَ وَتَوَلَّ ﴿١٩﴾

49. [Pharaoh] said, "So who is the Lord of you two, O Moses?"

قَالَ فَمَنْ رَبُّكُمَا يَنْمُوسِي ﴿٢٠﴾

50. He said, "Our Lord is He who gave each thing its form and then guided [it]."

قَالَ رَبُّنَا الَّذِي أَعْطَى كُلَّ شَيْءٍ خَلْقَهُ  
ثُمَّ هَدَى ﴿٢١﴾

51. [Pharaoh] said, "Then what is the case of the former generations?"

قَالَ فَمَا بَالُ الْقُرُونِ الْأُولَى ﴿٢٢﴾

52. [Moses] said, "The knowledge thereof is with my Lord in a record. My Lord neither errs nor forgets."

قَالَ عَلِمْهَا عِنْدَ رَبِّ فِي كِتَابٍ لَا يَضُلُّ  
رَبِّ وَلَا يَنسِي ﴿٢٣﴾

53. [It is He] who has made for you the earth as a bed [spread out] and inserted therein for you roadways and sent down from the sky, rain and produced thereby categories of various plants.

الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمُ الْأَرْضَ مَهْدَى وَسَلَكَ  
لَكُمْ فِيهَا سُبُلًا وَأَنْزَلَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً  
فَأَخْرَجَنَا بِهِ أَرْوَاحًا مِنْ نَبَاتٍ شَتَّى ﴿٢٤﴾

<sup>839</sup>i.e., safety and security from Allāh's punishment.

54. Eat [therefrom] and pasture your livestock. Indeed in that are signs for those of intelligence.

كُلُوا وَأَرْعُوا أَنْعَمْكُمْ إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَذِيْنَ  
لِأُولَئِكَ الَّذِيْنَ ﴿١﴾

55. From it [i.e., the earth] We created you, and into it We will return you, and from it We will extract you another time.

\* مِنْهَا حَلَقْنَكُمْ وَفِيهَا نُعِيدُكُمْ وَمِنْهَا  
تُخْرِجُكُمْ تَارَةً أُخْرَى ﴿٢﴾

56. And We certainly showed him [i.e., Pharaoh] Our signs – all of them – but he denied and refused.

وَلَقَدْ أَرَيْنَاهُ إِيْنَاهَا كُلَّهَا فَكَذَّبَ وَلَنَّ ﴿٣﴾

57. He said, "Have you come to us to drive us out of our land with your magic, O Moses?"

قَالَ أَجِئْنَا لِتُخْرِجَنَا مِنْ أَرْضِنَا بِسِحْرِكَ  
يَمُوسَى ﴿٤﴾

58. Then we will surely bring you magic like it, so make between us and you an appointment, which we will not fail to keep and neither will you, in a place assigned."<sup>840</sup>

فَلَنَّا تَبَيَّنَكَ بِسِحْرِ مِثْلِهِ فَاجْعَلْ بَيْنَنَا  
وَبَيْنَكَ مَوْعِدًا لَا خُلُقُّهُ خَنُّ وَلَا أَنَّ  
مَكَانًا سُوَى ﴿٥﴾

59. [Moses] said, "Your appointment is on the day of the festival when the people assemble at mid-morning."<sup>841</sup>

قَالَ مَوْعِدُكُمْ يَوْمُ الْزِيَّةِ وَأَنْ تُخْشِرَ النَّاسُ  
ضُحَى ﴿٦﴾

60. So Pharaoh went away, put together his plan, and then came [to Moses].

فَتَوَلَّ فِرْعَوْنُ فَجَمَعَ كَيْدَهُ ثُمَّ أَقَى ﴿٧﴾

61. Moses said to them [i.e., the magicians summoned by Pharaoh], "Woe to you! Do not invent a lie against Allāh or He will exterminate you with a punishment; and he has failed who invents [such falsehood]."

قَالَ لَهُمْ مُوسَى وَلَكُمْ لَا تَفْتَرُوا عَلَى اللَّهِ  
كَيْذِبَّا فَيُسْتَحْيِي بِعَذَابٍ وَقَدْ خَابَ مَنْ  
أَفْتَرَى ﴿٨﴾

<sup>840</sup>Literally, "marked," as to be known. Another meaning is "a place midway [between us]" or "a level place."

<sup>841</sup>So that the signs of Allāh would be seen clearly.

62. So they disputed over their affair among themselves and concealed their private conversation.

فَتَنَزَّلُوا أَمْرُهُمْ بَيْنَهُمْ وَأَسْرُوا الْنَّجْوَى

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63. They said, "Indeed, these are two magicians who want to drive you out of your land with their magic and do away with your most exemplary way [i.e., religion or tradition].

قَالُوا إِنَّ هَذِنِ لَسَاحِرَانِ يُرِيدَانِ أَنْ  
تُخْرِجَاكُمْ مِّنْ أَرْضِكُمْ يُسْخِرُهُمَا وَيَدْهَبَا  
بِرِيقِتِكُمُ الْمُتَّقِىٰ

(٨)

64. So resolve upon your plan and then come [forward] in line. And he has succeeded today who overcomes."

فَأَجْهَعُوا كَيْدَكُمْ ثُمَّ آتَيْنَا صَفَّاً وَقَدْ  
أَفْلَحَ الْيَوْمَ مِنْ أَسْتَعْلَى

(٩)

65. They said, "O Moses, either you throw or we will be the first to throw."

قَالُوا يَمْوِسَى إِمَّا أَنْ تُلْقِي وَإِمَّا أَنْ نَكُونَ  
أُولَئِنَّ مِنَ الْقَافِ

(١٠)

66. He said, "Rather, you throw." And suddenly their ropes and staffs seemed to him from their magic that they were moving [like snakes].

قَالَ بَلَّ أَلْقُوا فَإِذَا جَبَاهُمْ وَعَصِبُوهُمْ  
تُكْبِلُ إِلَيْهِ مِنْ سَخِيرِهِمْ أَهْنَاهَا تَسْعَى

(١١)

67. And he sensed within himself apprehension, did Moses.

فَأَوْجَسَ فِي نَفْسِهِ خِيفَةً مُّوسَى

(١٢)

68. We [i.e., Allāh] said, "Fear not. Indeed, it is you who are superior.

فَلَنَّا لَا تَحْفَظْ إِلَّاكَ أَنْتَ أَلَّا عَلَىٰ

69. And throw what is in your right hand; it will swallow up what they have crafted. What they have crafted is but the trick of a magician, and the magician will not succeed wherever he is."

وَأَلْقِ مَا فِي يَمِينِكَ تَلَقَّفَ مَا صَنَعُوا إِنَّمَا  
صَنَعُوا كَيْدُ سَاحِرٍ وَلَا يُفْلِحُ السَّاحِرُ  
حِيثُ أَتَ

(١٣)

70. So the magicians fell down in prostration.<sup>٨٤٢</sup> They said, "We have believed in the Lord of Aaron and Moses."

فَأَلْقَى السَّاحِرُ سُجَّداً قَالُوا إِمَّا يَرَبِّ  
هَرُونَ وَمُوسَى

(١٤)

<sup>842</sup> After they had seen the miracles which Allāh had given Moses and that they were realities and not merely impressions of magic.

71. [Pharaoh] said, "You believed him [i.e., Moses] before I gave you permission. Indeed, he is your leader who has taught you magic. So I will surely cut off your hands and your feet on opposite sides, and I will crucify you on the trunks of palm trees, and you will surely know which of us is more severe in [giving] punishment and more enduring."

قَالَ إِنَّمَا ءَامَنْتُمْ لَهُ دُقِبْلَ أَنَّ إِذْنَنِ لَكُمْ إِنَّهُ  
كَبِيرُكُمُ الَّذِي عَلِمْكُمُ السِّحْرَ فَلَا قُطْعَنَّ  
أَيْدِيْكُمْ وَأَرْجُلُكُمْ مِنْ جِلْفٍ وَلَا صَلَبَنَّكُمْ  
فِي جُدُوْعِ النَّخْلِ وَلَتَعْلَمُنَّ أَيْنًا أَشْدُ  
عَذَابًا وَأَبْقَى

(٦١)

72. They said, "Never will we prefer you over what has come to us of clear proofs and [over] He who created us.<sup>843</sup> So decree whatever you are to decree. You can only decree for this worldly life.

قَالُوا لَنْ نُؤْثِرَكَ عَلَى مَا جَاءَنَا مِنْ  
الْبَيِّنَاتِ وَالَّذِي فَطَرَنَا فَاقْضِ مَا أَنْتَ  
قَاضٍ إِنَّمَا تَقْضِي هَذِهِ الْحَيَاةُ الدُّنْيَا

(٦٢)

73. Indeed, we have believed in our Lord that He may forgive us our sins and what you compelled us [to do] of magic. And Allāh is better and more enduring.<sup>844</sup>

إِنَّا ءَامَنَّا بِرَبِّنَا لِيغْفِرَ لَنَا خَطَايَا وَمَا  
أَكْرَهْنَا عَلَيْهِ مِنَ السِّحْرِ وَاللهُ حَمْدٌ وَأَبْقَى

(٦٣)

74. Indeed, whoever comes to his Lord as a criminal – indeed, for him is Hell; he will neither die therein nor live.

إِنَّهُ مَنْ يَأْتِ رَبَّهُ مُحْرِمًا فَإِنَّ لَهُ جَهَنَّمُ لَا  
يَمُوتُ فِيهَا وَلَا يَخْيَى

(٦٤)

75. But whoever comes to Him as a believer having done righteous deeds – for those will be the highest degrees [in position]:

وَمَنْ يَأْتِهِ مُؤْمِنًا قَدْ عَمِلَ الْصَّالِحَاتِ  
فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْدَّارِجُونَ الْعُلَى

(٦٥)

76. Gardens of perpetual residence beneath which rivers flow, wherein they abide eternally. And that is the reward of one who purifies himself.<sup>845</sup>

جَنَّتْ عَدْنِ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَتْهَرُ  
خَلِيلِينَ فِيهَا وَذَلِكَ حَرَاءُ مَنْ تَرَكَ

(٦٦)

<sup>843</sup>This phrase has also been interpreted as an oath, i.e., "...by Him who created us."

<sup>844</sup>In reward and in punishment.

<sup>845</sup>From all uncleanness, the greatest of which is worship and obedience to other than Allāh.

77. And We had inspired to Moses, "Travel by night with My servants and strike for them a dry path through the sea; you will not fear being overtaken [by Pharaoh] nor be afraid [of drowning]."

وَلَقَدْ أَوْحَيْنَا إِلَى مُوسَى أَنَّ أَسْرِيَّ بِعِبَادِي  
فَأَضَرَّبْتُ لَهُمْ طَرِيقًا فِي الْبَحْرِ يَسِّرَ لَا  
تَخْفُ دَرَكًا وَلَا تَخْشَى ﴿٧﴾

78. So Pharaoh pursued them with his soldiers, and there covered them from the sea that which covered them,<sup>846</sup>

فَاتَّبَعَهُمْ فِرْعَوْنُ بِجُنُودِهِ فَغَشَّهُمْ مِنْ آتِيهِ  
مَا غَشَّيْهِمْ ﴿٨﴾

79. And Pharaoh led his people astray and did not guide [them].

وَأَضَلَّ فِرْعَوْنُ قَوْمَهُ وَمَا هَدَى ﴿٩﴾

80. O Children of Israel, We delivered you from your enemy, and We made an appointment with you<sup>847</sup> at the right side of the mount, and We sent down to you manna and quails,

يَبْنَى إِسْرَائِيلَ قَدْ أَجْنَيْنَاهُمْ مِنْ عَدُوِّهِمْ  
وَوَعَدْنَاهُمْ جَانِبَ الْأَطْوَرِ الْأَيْمَنَ وَنَزَّلْنَا  
عَلَيْكُمْ أَمْنًا وَآسَلَوْنَا ﴿١٠﴾

81. [Saying], "Eat from the good things with which We have provided you and do not transgress [or oppress others] therein, lest My anger should descend upon you. And he upon whom My anger descends has certainly fallen [i.e., perished]."

كُلُّوا مِنْ طَيْبَتِ مَا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ وَلَا تَنْطَعِّوا  
فِيهِ فَيَحْلُّ عَلَيْكُمْ غَضَبِيٌّ وَمَنْ يَحْلِلَ عَلَيْهِ  
غَضَبِيٌّ فَقَدْ هَوَى ﴿١١﴾

82. But indeed, I am the Perpetual Forgiver of whoever repents and believes and does righteousness and then continues in guidance.

وَإِنِّي لَغَفَارٌ لِمَنْ تَابَ وَأَمَّنَ وَعَمِلَ صَلِحًا  
ثُمَّ أَهْتَدَى ﴿١٢﴾

83. [Allāh said], "And what made you hasten from your people, O Moses?"

وَمَا أَعْجَلَكَ عَنْ قَوْمِكَ يَنْمُوسَى ﴿١٣﴾

<sup>846</sup>i.e., not only the water but that which only Allāh knows – terror, pain, regret, etc.

<sup>847</sup>i.e., with your prophet, to receive the scripture for you.

84. He said, "They are close upon my tracks, and I hastened to You, my Lord, that You be pleased."
- قَالَ هُمْ أُولَاءِ عَلَىٰ أَثْرِي وَعِجلْتُ إِلَيْكَ  
رَبِّ لِتَرْضَىٰ ﴿٦٣﴾
85. [Allāh] said, "But indeed, We have tried your people after you [departed], and the Sāmīrī<sup>848</sup> has led them astray."
- قَالَ فَإِنَّا قَدْ فَتَنَّا قَوْمَكَ مِنْ بَعْدِكَ  
وَأَضَلَّهُمُ الْسَّامِرِيُّ ﴿٦٤﴾
86. So Moses returned to his people, angry and grieved.<sup>849</sup> He said, "O my people, did your Lord not make you a good promise?<sup>850</sup> Then, was the period too long for you, or did you wish that wrath from your Lord descend upon you, so you broke your promise [of obedience] to me?"
- فَرَجَعَ مُوسَىٰ إِلَىٰ قَوْمِهِ غَضِبَنَ أَيْسَفًا  
قَالَ يَقُولُونَ أَلَمْ يَعْدُكُمْ رَبُّكُمْ وَعْدَهُ حَسْنًا  
أَفَطَالَ عَلَيْكُمُ الْعَهْدُ أَمْ أَرْدَثْتُمْ أَنْ  
سَخَّلَ عَلَيْكُمْ غَصَبًا مِنْ رَبِّكُمْ فَأَخْلَقْتُمْ  
مَوْعِدِي ﴿٦٥﴾
87. They said, "We did not break our promise to you by our will, but we were made to carry burdens from the ornaments of the people [of Pharaoh], so we threw them [into the fire], and thus did the Sāmīrī throw."
- قَاتُلُوا مَا أَخْلَفُنَا مَوْعِدَكَ بِمَلِكِنَا وَلِنَكَنا  
حُمِّلْنَا أَوْزَارًا مِنْ زِينَةِ الْقَوْمِ فَقَدْ فَتَنَاهَا  
فَكَذَّلَكَ أَلْقَى الْسَّامِرِيُّ ﴿٦٦﴾
88. And he extracted for them [the statue of] a calf which had a lowing sound, and they said, "This is your god and the god of Moses, but he forgot."
- فَأَخْرَجَ لَهُمْ عِجَالًا جَسَدًا لَهُ حُوَارٌ فَقَاتُلُوا  
هَذَا إِنَّهُ كُمْ وَإِنَّهُ مُوسَىٰ فَسَيَ ﴿٦٧﴾
89. Did they not see that it could not return to them any speech [i.e., response] and that it did not possess for them any harm or benefit?
- أَفَلَا يَرَوْنَ أَلَا يَرْجِعُ إِلَيْهِمْ فَوْلًا وَلَا  
يَمْلِكُهُمْ ضَرًّا وَلَا نَفْعًا ﴿٦٨﴾

<sup>848</sup>Translated as "the Samaritan" (from Samaria), a hypocrite among them who led the Children of Israel into idol-worship.

<sup>849</sup>The meaning may also be "angry and enraged."

<sup>850</sup>That He would send down the Torah, containing guidance for you.

90. And Aaron had already told them before [the return of Moses], "O my people, you are only being tested by it, and indeed, your Lord is the Most Merciful, so follow me and obey my order."

91. They said, "We will never cease being devoted to it [i.e., the calf] until Moses returns to us."

92. [Moses] said, "O Aaron, what prevented you, when you saw them going astray,

93. From following me? Then have you disobeyed my order?"

94. [Aaron] said, "O son of my mother, do not seize [me] by my beard or by my head. Indeed, I feared that you would say, 'You caused division among the Children of Israel, and you did not observe [or await] my word.'"

95. [Moses] said, "And what is your case, O Sāmīrī?"

96. He said, "I saw what they did not see, so I took a handful [of dust] from the track of the messenger<sup>851</sup> and threw it,<sup>852</sup> and thus did my soul entice me."

97. [Moses] said, "Then go. And indeed, it is [decreed] for you in [this] life to say, 'No contact.'<sup>853</sup> And indeed, you have an appointment [in the Hereafter]

وَلَقَدْ قَالَ هُمْ هَرُونُ مِنْ قَبْلٍ يَقُولُونَ إِنَّمَا  
فُتِنْتُمْ بِهِ ۖ وَإِنَّ رَبَّكُمُ الْرَّحْمَنُ فَاتَّبِعُونِي  
وَأَطِيعُوا أَمْرِي ﴿٤٦﴾

قَالُوا لَنْ نَرْجِعَ عَلَيْهِ عَيْكُفِينَ حَتَّىٰ يَرْجِعَ  
إِلَيْنَا مُوسَىٰ ﴿٤٧﴾

قَالَ يَهُرُونُ مَا مَنَعَكُمْ إِذْ رَأَيْتُمُوهُ صَلَوًا ﴿٤٨﴾

أَلَا تَتَبَعُنِ ﴿٤٩﴾ أَفَعَصَيْتَ أَمْرِي ﴿٥٠﴾

قَالَ يَبْتَئُمُ لَا تَأْخُذْ بِلِحْيَتِي وَلَا بِرَأْسِي ﴿٥١﴾  
خَشِيتُ أَنْ تَقُولُ فَرَقْتَ بَيْنَ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ  
وَلَمْ تَرْقِبْ قَوْلِي ﴿٥٢﴾

قَالَ فَمَا حَطَبُكَ يَسَمِّرِي ﴿٥٣﴾

قَالَ بَصَرْتُ بِمَا لَمْ يَبْصُرُوا بِهِ فَقَبَضْتُ  
فَبَضَّةً مِنْ أَثْرِ الرَّسُولِ فَنَبَذَتْهَا  
وَكَذَلِكَ سَوَّلْتُ لِي نَفْسِي ﴿٥٤﴾

قَالَ فَادْهَبْ لِإِنْ لَكَ فِي الْجَوَهْرِ أَنْ  
تَقُولُ لَا مِسَاسٌ ۖ وَإِنَّ لَكَ مَوْعِدًا لَنْ  
خُلْفَهُ ۖ وَانْظُرْ إِلَيْهِكَ الَّذِي ظَلَّتْ عَلَيْهِ

<sup>851</sup>i.e., a hoof-print in the sand left by the angel Gabriel's horse.

<sup>852</sup>Into the fire upon the melted ornaments in order to form the calf.

<sup>853</sup>i.e., Do not touch me. As chastisement, he was to be completely shunned by all people.

you will not fail to keep. And look at your 'god' to which you remained devoted. We will surely burn it and blow it [i.e., its ashes] into the sea with a blast.

عَاكِفًا لَنْحَرِقَهُ ثُمَّ لَتَسْفَهَهُ فِي الْيَمِّ  
نَسْفًا ﴿١٧﴾

98. Your god is only Allāh, except for whom there is no deity. He has encompassed all things in knowledge."
99. Thus, [O Muḥammad], We relate to you from the news of what has preceded. And We have certainly given you from Us a message [i.e., the Qur'ān].
100. Whoever turns away from it – then indeed, he will bear on the Day of Resurrection a burden [i.e., great sin],
101. [Abiding] eternally therein,<sup>854</sup> and evil it is for them on the Day of Resurrection as a load –
102. The Day the Horn will be blown. And We will gather the criminals, that Day, blue-eyed.<sup>855</sup>
103. They will murmur among themselves, "You remained not but ten [days in the world]."
104. We are most knowing of what they say when the best of them in manner [i.e., wisdom or speech] will say, "You remained not but one day."
105. And they ask you about the

إِنَّمَا إِلَّا هُنُوكُمْ أَللَّهُ أَلَّذِي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ  
وَسَعَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ عِلْمًا ﴿١٨﴾

كَذَلِكَ تُقصُّ عَلَيْكَ مِنْ أَبْيَاءِ مَا قَدْ سَبَقَ  
وَقَدْ أَتَيْتَكَ مِنْ لَدُنَّا ذِكْرًا ﴿١٩﴾

مَنْ أَعْرَضَ عَنْهُ فَإِنَّهُ يَحْمِلُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَمَةِ  
وَزْرًا ﴿٢٠﴾

خَلِيلِينَ فِيهِ وَسَاءَ هُمْ يَوْمَ الْقِيَمَةِ حَمْلًا  
يَوْمَ يُنْفَخُ فِي الصُّورِ وَخَتْرُ الْمُجْرِمِينَ  
يَوْمَ مِنْ رُزْقًا ﴿٢١﴾

يَتَحَفَّظُونَ بَيْنَهُمْ إِنْ لَيْثُمْ إِلَّا عَشْرًا  
كَذِيلًا ﴿٢٢﴾

كُنْ أَعْلَمُ بِمَا يَقُولُونَ إِذْ يَقُولُ أَمْلَهُمْ  
طَرِيقَةً إِنْ لَيْثُمْ إِلَّا يَوْمًا ﴿٢٣﴾

وَدَسَّلُوكَ عَنْ الْجَبَالِ فَقُلْ يَسْفُهَا رَبِيٌّ

<sup>854</sup>i.e., in the state of sin.

<sup>855</sup>From terror, or blinded completely.

mountains, so say, "My Lord will blow them away with a blast.<sup>856</sup>

نَسْفًا

106. And He will leave it [i.e., the earth] a level plain;

فَيَذْرِهَا قَاعًا صَفَصَفًا

107. You will not see therein a depression or an elevation."

لَا تَرَى فِيهَا عِوَجًا وَلَا أَمْتًا

108. That Day, they [i.e., everyone] will follow [the call of] the Caller<sup>857</sup> [with] no deviation therefrom, and [all] voices will be stilled before the Most Merciful, so you will not hear except a whisper [of footsteps].

يَوْمَئِنْ يَتَبَعُونَ الْدَّاعِي لَا عِوَجَ لَهُ  
وَخَشَعَتْ الْأَصْوَاتُ لِرَحْمَنِ فَلَا تَسْمَعُ  
إِلَّا هَمْسًا

109. That Day, no intercession will benefit except [that of] one to whom the Most Merciful has given permission and has accepted his word.

يَوْمَئِنْ لَا تَنْفعُ الشَّفَعَةُ إِلَّا مَنْ أَذْنَ لَهُ  
الرَّحْمَنُ وَرَضَى لَهُ قَوْلًا

110. He [i.e., Allāh] knows what is [presently] before them and what will be after them,<sup>858</sup> but they do not encompass it [i.e., what He knows] in knowledge.

يَعْلَمُ مَا بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَمَا خَلْفُهُمْ وَلَا  
تُحِيطُونَ بِهِ عِلْمًا

111. And [all] faces will be humbled before the Ever-Living, the Self-Sustaining.<sup>859</sup> And he will have failed who carries injustice.<sup>860</sup>

\* وَعَنْتَ الْوُجُوهُ لِلَّهِ الْقَيُومِ وَقَدْ  
خَابَ مَنْ حَمَلَ ظُلْمًا

112. But he who does of righteous deeds while he is a believer – he will neither fear injustice nor deprivation.

وَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِنَ الصَّالِحَاتِ وَهُوَ مُؤْمِنٌ  
فَلَا يَحَافُظُ ظُلْمًا وَلَا هَضْمًا

<sup>856</sup>Once they have been reduced to dust.

<sup>857</sup>To the gathering for judgement.

<sup>858</sup>See footnote to 2:255.

<sup>859</sup>See footnotes to 2:255.

<sup>860</sup>i.e., sin or wrongdoing towards Allāh or any of His creation.

113. And thus We have sent it down as an Arabic Qur'ān<sup>861</sup> and have diversified therein the warnings that perhaps they will avoid [sin] or it would cause them remembrance.

وَكَذَلِكَ أَنْزَلْنَا قُرْءَانًا عَرَبِيًّا وَصَرَفْنَا فِيهِ  
مِنَ الْوَعِيدِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَّقُونَ أَوْ سُخِّنَتْ هُمْ  
ذِكْرًا

114. So high [above all] is Allāh, the Sovereign,<sup>862</sup> the Truth.<sup>863</sup> And, [O Muhammad], do not hasten with [recitation of] the Qur'ān before its revelation is completed to you, and say, "My Lord, increase me in knowledge."

فَتَعْلَمَ اللَّهُ الْمَلِكُ الْحَقُّ وَلَا تَعْجَلْ  
بِالْقُرْءَانِ مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ يُقْضَى إِلَيْكَ وَحْيُهُ  
وَقُلْ رَبِّ زَدْنِي عِلْمًا

115. And We had already taken a promise from Adam before, but he forgot; and We found not in him determination.<sup>864</sup>

وَلَقَدْ عَاهَدْنَا إِلَيْهِ آدَمَ مِنْ قَبْلِ فَنَسِيَ وَلَمْ  
يَنْجِدْ لَهُ عَزَمًا

116. And [mention] when We said to the angels, "Prostrate to Adam," and they prostrated, except Iblees;<sup>865</sup> he refused.

وَإِذْ قُلْنَا لِلْمَلَائِكَةِ اسْجُدُوا لِآدَمَ  
فَسَاجَدُوا إِلَّا إِبْلِيسَ أَلَى

117. So We said, "O Adam, indeed this is an enemy to you and to your wife. Then let him not remove you from Paradise so you would suffer.

فَقُلْنَا يَعَادُمْ إِنَّ هَذَا عَدُوُّكَ وَلِزَوْجِكَ  
فَلَا يُخْرِجَنَّكَ مِنَ الْجَنَّةِ فَتَشْفَقَ

118. Indeed, it is [promised] for you not to be hungry therein or be unclothed.

إِنَّ لَكَ أَلَّا تَحْجُو فِيهَا وَلَا تَعْرَى

119. And indeed, you will not be thirsty therein or be hot from the sun."

وَأَنَّكَ لَا تَظْمَأُ فِيهَا وَلَا تَصْحَى

<sup>861</sup>i.e., revealed in the Arabic language.

<sup>862</sup>And owner of everything in existence.

<sup>863</sup>Or "the True Reality," i.e., the real and permanent existence upon which all other existence depends.

<sup>864</sup>To resist temptation.

<sup>865</sup>See footnote to 2:34.

120. Then Satan whispered to him; he said, "O Adam, shall I direct you to the tree of eternity and possession that will not deteriorate?"

121. And they [i.e., Adam and his wife] ate of it, and their private parts became apparent to them, and they began to fasten over themselves from the leaves of Paradise. And Adam disobeyed his Lord and erred.

122. Then his Lord chose him and turned to him in forgiveness and guided [him].

123. [Allāh] said, "Descend from it [i.e., Paradise] – all, [your descendants] being enemies to one another. And if there should come to you guidance from Me – then whoever follows My guidance will neither go astray [in the world] nor suffer [in the Hereafter].

124. And whoever turns away from My remembrance – indeed, he will have a depressed [i.e., difficult] life, and We will gather [i.e., raise] him on the Day of Resurrection blind."

125. He will say, "My Lord, why have you raised me blind while I was [once] seeing?"

126. [Allāh] will say, "Thus did Our signs come to you, and you forgot [i.e., disregarded] them; and thus will you this Day be forgotten."

فَوَسْوَسَ إِلَيْهِ أَلْشَيْطُنُ قَالَ يَعَادُ هَلْ  
أَدْلُكَ عَلَى شَجَرَةِ الْحَلْمِ وَمُلِكٌ لَا يَبْلِي

فَأَكَلَاهَا فَبَدَتْ لَهُمَا سَوْءَةُ تُهْمَاهَا  
وَطَفِقَا سَخْصَفَانِ عَلَيْهِمَا مِنْ وَرَقِ الْجَنَّةِ  
وَعَصَمَ آدَمُ رَبُّهُ فَغَوَى

ثُمَّ أَجْتَبَهُ رَبُّهُ فَتَابَ عَلَيْهِ وَهَدَى

قَالَ أَهْبِطَا مِنْهَا حَمِيعًا بَعْضُكُمْ لِيَعْضُ  
عَدُوٌّ فَإِمَّا يَأْتِيَنَّكُمْ مِنِي هُدًى فَمَنِ  
اتَّبَعَ هُدَى إِلَهٍ فَلَا يَضُلُّ وَلَا يَشْقَى

وَمَنْ أَعْرَضَ عَنْ ذِكْرِي فَإِنَّهُ لَهُ مَعِيشَةٌ  
ضَنَّاً وَخَشْرُهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَمَةِ أَعْمَى

قَالَ رَبِّي لِمَ حَسَرَتِي أَعْمَى وَقَدْ كُنْتُ  
بَصِيرًا

قَالَ كَذَلِكَ أَتَتَنَّكَ إِيَّسْتَنَا فَنَسِيَتَهَا وَكَذَلِكَ  
آلَيْوَمْ تُنسَى

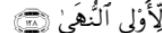
127. And thus do We recompense he who transgressed and did not believe in the signs of his Lord. And the punishment of the Hereafter is more severe and more enduring.<sup>866</sup>

وَكَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي مَنْ أَسْرَفَ وَلَمْ يُؤْمِنْ  
بِكَيْمَتِ رَبِّهِ وَلَعْدَابُ الْآخِرَةِ أَشَدُ وَأَبْقَى



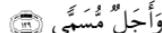
128. Then, has it not become clear to them how many generations We destroyed before them as they walk among their dwellings? Indeed in that are signs for those of intelligence.

أَفَمَا يَهْدِي لَهُمْ كَمْ أَهْلَكْنَا قَبْلَهُمْ مِنْ الْقُرُونِ  
مَمْشُونَ فِي مَسِكِنِهِمْ إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَذِيْنَ  
لَا يُؤْلِمُ الْأَنْهَى



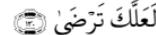
129. And if not for a word<sup>867</sup> that preceded from your Lord, it [i.e., punishment] would have been an obligation [due immediately],<sup>868</sup> and [if not for] a specified term [decreed].

وَلَوْلَا كَلِمَةً سَيَقَتْ مِنْ رَبِّكَ لَكَانَ لِرَبِّاً  
وَأَجَلٌ مُسَيَّ



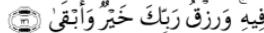
130. So be patient over what they say and exalt [Allāh] with praise of your Lord before the rising of the sun and before its setting; and during periods of the night [exalt Him] and at the ends of the day, that you may be satisfied.

فَاصْبِرْ عَلَىٰ مَا يَقُولُونَ وَسَيَحْكُمُ  
رَبِّكَ قَبْلَ طُلُوعِ الْشَّمْسِ وَقَبْلَ غُرُوبِهَا  
وَمِنْ ءاَنَاءِ الْلَّيْلِ فَسَيَحْكُمُ وَأَطْرَافَ الْهَارِ  
لَعَلَّكَ تَرَضَىٰ



131. And do not extend your eyes toward that by which We have given enjoyment to [some] categories of them, [its being but] the splendor of worldly life by which We test them. And the provision of your Lord is better and more enduring.

وَلَا تَمْدَدَنَ عَيْنَيْكَ إِلَىٰ مَا مَعَنَا يَهْدِ  
أَزْوَاجًا مِنْهُمْ رَهْرَةً حَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا لِنَفْتَهُمْ  
فِيهِ وَرْزُقُ رَبِّكَ خَيْرٌ وَأَبْقَى



<sup>866</sup>Than that of this world.

<sup>867</sup>See footnote to 10:19.

<sup>868</sup>Allāh would have punished the disbelievers in this world as He did with previous peoples.

132. And enjoin prayer upon your family [and people] and be steadfast therein. We ask you not for provision; We provide for you, and the [best] outcome is for [those of] righteousness.

وَأَمْرُ أَهْلَكَ بِالصَّلَاةِ وَأَصْطَرَ عَيْنَاهُ لَا  
نَسْفَلُكَ رِزْقًا خَنْ نَرْزُقُكَ وَالْعِقَبَةُ  
لِلتَّقْوَى ﴿٧٧﴾

133. And they say, "Why does he not bring us a sign from his Lord?" Has there not come to them evidence of what was in the former scriptures?<sup>869</sup>

وَقَالُوا لَوْلَا يَأْتِينَا بِغَايَةٍ مِّنْ رَّبِّهِ أَوْلَمْ  
تَأْمِيمَ بَيْنَهُ مَا فِي الْصُّحْفِ الْأُولَى ﴿٧٨﴾

134. And if We had destroyed them with a punishment before him,<sup>870</sup> they would have said, "Our Lord, why did You not send to us a messenger so we could have followed Your verses [i.e., teachings] before we were humiliated and disgraced?"

وَلَوْ أَنَا أَهْلَكْتُهُمْ بِعِدَابٍ مِّنْ قَبْلِهِ لَقَالُوا  
رَبَّنَا لَوْلَا أَرْسَلْتَ إِلَيْنَا رَسُولًا فَنَتَّشَّعَ  
إِيمَانَكَ مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ نَذَلَّ وَنَخْزِنَ ﴿٧٩﴾

135. Say, "Each [of us] is waiting;<sup>871</sup> so wait. For you will know who are the companions of the sound path and who is guided."

قُلْ كُلُّ مُتَّرَصٌ فَتَرَصُّوْا فَسَعَمُونَ  
مَنْ أَصْحَابُ الْصِّرَاطَ السَّوِيِّ وَمَنْ  
أَهْنَدَى ﴿٨٠﴾

<sup>869</sup> Is not the Qur'aan an adequate proof of Muhammed's prophethood and sufficient as a lasting miracle?

<sup>870</sup> Prophet Muhammed (ﷺ). Also interpreted as "before it," i.e., the Qur'aan.

<sup>871</sup> For the outcome of this matter.