give us (the grace) to lead the righteous.”

75. Those are the ones who will be rewarded with the highest place in heaven, because of their constant patience: therein shall they be met with salutations and peace.

76. Dwelling therein:—how beautiful an abode and place of rest!

77. Say (to the Rejecters): “My Lord is not uneasy because of you if you do not call on Him: but you have indeed rejected (Him), and soon will come the inevitable (punishment)!”

Shu’araa, or The Poets
In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

2. These are Verses of the Book that makes (things) clear.
3. It may be you will kill yourself with grief, that they do not become Believers.
4. If (such) were Our Will, We could send down to them from the sky a Sign, to which they would bend their necks in humility.
5. But there doesn’t come to them a newly-revealed Message from (Allah) Most Gracious, but they turn away therefrom.
6. They have indeed rejected (the Message): so they will know soon (enough) the truth of what they mocked at!
7. Do they not look at the earth,—how many noble things of all kinds We have produced therein?
8. Verily, in this is a Sign: but most of them do not believe.

9. And verily, your Lord is He, the Exalted in Might, Most Merciful.
10. Behold, your Lord called Moses: “Go to the people of iniquity,”
11. “The people of Pharaoh: will they not fear Allah?”
12. He said: “O my Lord! I do not fear that they will charge me with falsehood:
13. “My breast will be straitened. And my speech may not go (smoothly): so send unto Aaron.
14. “And (further), they have a charge of crime against me; and I fear they may slay me.”
15. Allah said: “By no means! proceed then, both of you, with Our Signs; We are with you, and will listen (to your call).
16. “So go forth, both of you, to Pharaoh, and say: ‘We have been sent by the Lord and Cherisher of the worlds;’
17. “‘You send with us the Children of Israel.’”
18. (Pharaoh) said: “Did we not cherish you as a child among us, and did you not stay in our midst many years of your life?
19. “And you did a deed of yours which (you know) you did, and you are an ungrateful (wretch)!”
20. Moses said: “I did it then, when I was in error.
21. “So I fled from you all) when I feared you; but my Lord has (since) invested me with judgment (and wisdom) and appointed me as one of the Messengers.
22. “And this is the favour with which you do reproach me,- that you have enslaved the Children of Israel!”
23. Pharaoh said: “And what is the ‘Lord and Cherisher of the worlds?’”
24. (Moses) said: “The Lord and Cherisher of the heavens and the earth, and all between,- if you want to be quite sure.”
25. (Pharaoh) said to those around: “Did you not listen (to what he says)?”
26. (Moses) said: “Your Lord and the Lord of your fathers from the beginning!”
27. (Pharaoh) said: “Truly your Messenger who has been sent
28. (Moses) said: “Lord of the East and the West, and all between! if you only had sense!”

29. (Pharaoh) said: “If you do put forward any god other than me, I will certainly put you in prison!”

30. (Moses) said: “Even if I showed you something clear (and) convincing?”

31. (Pharaoh) said: “Show it then, if you tell the truth!”

32. So (Moses) threw his rod, and behold, it was a serpent, plain (for all to see)!

33. And he drew out his hand, and behold, it was white to all beholders!

34. (Pharaoh) said to the Chiefs around him: “This is indeed a sorcerer well-versed:

35. “His plan is to get you out of your land by his sorcery; then what is it you counsel?”

36. They said: “Keep him and his brother in suspense (for a while), and dispatch to the Cities heralds to collect-

37. “And bring up to you all (our) sorcerers well-versed.”

38. So the sorcerers were got together for the appointment of a day well-known,

39. And the people were told: “Are you (now) assembled?-

40. “That we may follow the sorcerers (in religion) if they win?”

41. So when the sorcerers arrived, they said to Pharaoh:
"Of course - shall we have a (suitable) reward if we win?

42. He said: "Yes, (and more), - for you shall be in that case be (raised to posts) nearest (to my person)."

43. Moses said to them: You "throw that which you are about to throw!"

44. So they threw their ropes and their rods, and said: "By the might of Pharaoh, it is we who will certainly win!"

45. Then Moses threw his rod, when, behold, it straightway swallows up all the falsehoods which they fake!

46. Then did the sorcerers fall down, prostrate in adoration,

47. Saying: "We believe in the Lord of the Worlds,

48. "The Lord of Moses and Aaron."

49. Said (Pharaoh): "You believe in Him before I give you permission? Surely he is your leader, who has taught you sorcery! but soon you shall know! "Be sure I will cut off your hands and your feet on opposite sides, and I will cause you all to die on the cross!"

50. They said: "No matter! for us, we shall but return to our Lord!

51. "Only, our desire is that our Lord will forgive us our faults, that we may become foremost among the Believers!"

52. By inspiration We told Moses: "Travel by night with My servants; for surely you shall be pursued.

53. Then Pharaoh sent heralds to (all) the Cities,

54. (Saying): "These (Israelites) are but a small band,

55. "And they are raging furiously against us;

56. "But we are a multitude amply forewarned."
57. So We expelled them from gardens, springs,
58. Treasures, and every kind of honourable position;
59. Thus it was, but We made the Children of Israel inheritors of such things.
60. So they pursued them at sunrise.
61. And when the two bodies saw each other, the people of Moses said: “We are sure to be overtaken.”
62. (Moses) said: “By no means! My Lord is with me! soon will He guide me!”
63. Then We told Moses by inspiration: “Strike the sea with your rod.” So it divided, and each separate part became like the huge, firm mass of a mountain.
64. And We made the other party approach there.
65. We delivered Moses and all who were with him;
66. But We drowned the others.
67. Verily in this is a Sign: but most of them do not believe.
68. And verily your Lord is He, the Exalted in Might, Most Merciful.
69. And rehearse to them (something of) Abraham’s story.
70. Behold, he said to his father and his people: “What do you worship?”
71. They said: “We worship idols, and we remain constantly in attendance on them.”
72. He said: “Do they listen to you when you call (on them),
73. Or do they do you good or harm?”
74. They said: “Nay, but we found our fathers doing thus (what we do).”
75. He said: “Do you then see whom you have been worshiping.”
76. “You and your fathers before you?”
77. “For they are enemies to me; not so the Lord and Cherisher of the Worlds;
78. “Who created me, and it is He Who guides me;
79. “Who gives me food and drink,
80. “And when I am ill, it is He Who cures me;
81. “Who will cause me to die, and then to live (again);
82. “And who, I hope, will forgive me my faults on the day of Judgment.
83. “O my Lord! bestow wisdom on me, and join me with the righteous;
84. “Grant me honourable mention on the tongue of truth among the latest (generations);
85. “Make me one of the inheritors of the Garden of Bliss;
86. “Forgive my father, for that he is among those astray;
87. “And let me not be in disgrace on the Day when (men) will be raised up;
88. “The Day whereon neither wealth nor sons will avail,
89. “But only he (will prosper) that brings to Allah a sound heart;
90. “To the righteous, the Garden will be brought near,
91. “And to those straying in Evil, the Fire will be placed in full view;
92. “And it shall be said to them: Where are the (gods) you worshipped-
93. “Besides Allah? Can they help you or help themselves?”
94. “Then they will be thrown headlong into the (Fire),—they and those straying in Evil,
95. “And the whole hosts of Iblis together;
96. “They will say there in their mutual bickerings:
97. “By Allah, we were truly in an error manifest.”
117. He said: "O my Lord! truly my people have rejected me.
118. "You judge, then, between me and them openly, and deliver me and those of the Believers who are with me."
119. So We delivered him and those with him, in the Ark filled (with all creatures).
120. Thereafter We drowned those who remained behind.
121. Verily in this is a Sign: but most of them do not believe.
122. And verily your Lord is He, the Exalted in Might, Most Merciful.
123. The ‘Ad (people) rejected the Messengers.
124. Behold, their brother Hud said to them: "Will you not fear (Allah)"
125. "I am to you a Messenger worthy of all trust:
126. "So fear Allah and obey me.
127. "No reward do I ask of you for it: my reward is only from the Lord of the Worlds.
128. "Do you build a landmark on every high place to amuse yourselves?
129. "And do you get for yourselves fine buildings in the hope of living therein (for ever)?
130. "And when you strike, you strike like tyrants.
131. "Now fear Allah, and obey me.
132. "Yes, fear Him Who has bestowed on you freely all that you know
133. "Freely has He bestowed on you cattle and sons,
135. "Truly I fear for you the Penalty of a Great Day."

117. Qaala Rabbi inna qawmee kazzaboон.
118. Faftah baynee wa baynahum fathah-wa najjinee wa mam-ma’iyya minal-munneen.
119. Fa-anjanaahu wa mam-mu’ahoo fil-fu’kil-mashbooون.
120. Summa aghrahaa ba’adul-baqeen.
121. Inna fee zaalika la-Aayaah, wa maa kaana aksaruhum-mu’ mineen.
122. Wa inna Rabbaka la-Huwal-‘Azeezur-Raheem.
123. Kazzabat ‘Aadunil-mursaleen.
124. Iz qaala lahum akhoohum Hoodun alaa tattaqoon.
125. Innee lakum Rasoolun aameen.
126. Fattaqullaaha wa atee’oon.
127. Wa maa aas’alukum ‘alayhi min al-‘alayi illaa ‘alaa Rabbil-‘aalameen.
128. Atamaanaa bikulli ree’in aayatan ta’basoon.
129. Wa tattakhizoon maasani’la la’allakum takhluudoон.
130. Wa igaa batashum batashum jabbaarteen.
131. Fattaqul-laaha wa atee’oon.
133. Amadakum bi-an’aa-minw-wa baneen.
134. Wa jamaatihw-wa ‘uyoon.
136. They said: “It is the same to us whether you admonish us or be not among (our) admonishers!
137. *“This is no other than a customary device of the ancients,*
138. “And we are not the ones to receive Pains and Penalties!”
139. So they rejected him, and We destroyed them. Verily in this is a Sign: but most of them do not believe.

140. And verily your Lord is He, the Exalted in Might, Most Merciful.
141. The Thamud (people) rejected the Messengers.
142. Behold, their brother Salih said to them: “Will you not fear (Allah)?
143. “I am to you a Messenger worthy of all trust.
144. “So fear Allah, and obey me.
145. “No reward do I ask of you for it: my reward is only from the Lord of the Worlds.
146. “Will you be left secure, in (the enjoyment of) all that you have here?—
147. “Gardens and Springs,
148. “And corn-fields and date-palms with spathes near breaking (with the weight of fruit)?
149. “And you carve houses out of (rocky) mountains with great skill.
150. “But fear Allah and obey me;
151. “And do not follow the bidding of those who are extravagant,—
152. “Who make mischief in the land, and do not mend (their ways).”

153. They said: “You are only one of those bewitched!
154. “You are no more than a mortal like us: then bring us a Sign, if you tell the truth!”
155. He said: “Here is a she-camel: she has a right of watering, and you have a right of watering, (severally) on a day appointed.
156. “Do not touch her with harm, lest the Penalty of a Great Day seize you.”
157. But they ham-strung her; then they became full of regrets.
158. But the Penalty seized them. Verily in this is a Sign: but most of them do not believe.
159. And verily your Lord is He, the Exalted in Might, Most Merciful.
160. The people of Lut rejected the Messengers.
161. Behold, their brother Lut said to them: “Will you not fear (Allah)?
162. “I am to you a Messenger worthy of all trust.
163. “So fear Allah and obey me.
164. “No reward do I ask of you for it: my reward is only from the Lord of the Worlds.
165. “Of all the creatures in the world, will you approach males,
166. “And leave those whom Allah has created for you to be your mates? Nay, you are a people transgressing (all limits)”
167. They said: “If you do not desist, O Lut! you will assuredly be cast out!”
168. He said: “I do detest your doings.”
169. “O my Lord! deliver me and my family from such things as they do!”
170. So We delivered him and his family; all
171. Except an old woman who lingered behind.
172. But the rest We destroyed utterly.
173. We rained down on them a shower (of brimstone): and evil was the shower on those who were admonished (but heeded not)!  
155. Qaala haazihee naaqatulu-lahaa shirbun-wa lakum shir-bu yawm nim-ma’looom.
156. Wa laa tamassoohaa bisooloo in faya-khuzaakum ‘azaabu Yawmin ‘Azeem.
157. Fa’aqaroohaa fa-aqabhoon naadimeen.
158. Fa-akhzahumul-‘azaab: inna fee zaalika la-Aayah; wa maa kaana aksaruhum-mu minneen.
159. Wa inna Rabbaka la-Huwala’s-‘Azeezur-Raheem.
161. Iz qala lahum akhoohum Loozun alaa tattaqoon.
162. Innee lakum Rasoolun anneeen.
163. Fattaqullaaha wa atee’oon.
164. Wa maa aalukum ‘alayhi min ariin in ariya illaa ‘alaa Rabbil-‘aalameen.
165. Ato-oonaz-zukraana minal-‘aalameen.
166. Wa tazaroona maa khalaqa lakum Rabbukum-min azwaaji-kum: bal antum qawmun ‘aadoon.
167. Qaalo la’il-lam fantahi yaa Loozun latakoonhanna minal-mukhrajeen.
168. Qaala innee li’amalikum-minal-qaleecn.
169. Rabbi najjine wa ahlee mimmaa ya’maloon.
170. Fanajjaanahu wa ahhoo a’ma’een.
171. Illaa ‘ajoozan filghaab-bireen.
172. Summa dammarnal-aakhareen.
173. Wa amtaaama ‘alayhim-matatran fasaaaa’a matarul-munzaareen.
174. Verily in this is a Sign: but most of them do not believe.

175. And verily your Lord is He, the Exalted in Might, Most Merciful.

176. The Companions of the Wood rejected the Messengers.

177. Behold, Shu’aib said to them: “Will you not fear (Allah)?

178. “I am to you a Messenger worthy of all trust.

179. “So fear Allah and obey me.

180. “No reward do I ask of you for it: my reward is only from the Lord of the Worlds.

181. “Give just measure, and cause no loss (to others by fraud).

182. “And weigh with scales true and upright.

183. “And do not withhold things justly due to men, nor do evil in the land, working mischief.

184. “And fear Him Who created you and (Who created) the generations before (you)”

185. They said: “You are only one of those bewitched!

186. “You are no more than a mortal like us, and indeed we think you are a liar!

187. “Now cause a piece of the sky to fall on us, if you are truthful!”

188. He said: “My Lord knows best what you do.”

189. But they rejected him. Then the punishment of a day of overshadowing gloom seized them, and that was the Penalty of a Great Day.

190. Verily in that is a Sign: but
most of them do not believe.

191. And verily your Lord is He, the Exalted in Might, Most Merciful.

192. Verily this is a Revelation from the Lord of the Worlds:

193. With it came down the spirit of Faith and Truth-

194. To your heart and mind, that you may admonish.

195. In the perspicuous Arabic tongue.

196. Without doubt it is (announced) in the mystic Books of former peoples.

197. Is it not a Sign to them that the Learned of the Children of Israel knew it (as true)?

198. Had We revealed it to any of the non-Arabs,

199. And had he recited it to them, they would not have believed in it.

200. Thus have We caused it to enter the hearts of the sinners.

201. They will not believe in it until they see the grievous Penalty;

202. But the (Penalty) will come to them of a sudden, while they perceive it not;

203. Then they will say: "Shall we be respited?"

204. Do they then ask for Our Penalty to be hastened on?

205. Do you see? If We do let them enjoy (this life) for a few years,

206. Yet there comes to them at length the (Punishment) which they were promised!

207. It will not profit them that they enjoyed (this life)!

208. Never did We destroy a town, but had its warners—

209. By way of reminder; and We are never unjust.

210. No evil ones have brought down this (Revelation):

211. It would neither suit them nor would they be able (to produce it).

212. Indeed they have been removed far from even (a chance of) hearing it.
213. So do not call on any other god with Allah, or you will be among those under the Penalty.

214. And admonish your nearest kinsmen,

215. And lower your wing to the Believers who follow you.

216. Then if they disobey you, say: “I am free (of responsibility) for what you do!”

217. And put your trust on the Exalted in Might, the Merciful,

218. Who sees you standing forth (in prayer),

219. And your movements among those who prostrate themselves,

220. For it is He Who hears and knows all things.

221. Shall I inform you, (O people!), on whom it is that the evil ones descend?

222. They descend on every lying, wicked person,

223. (Into whose ears) they pour hearsay vanities, and most of them are liars.

224. And the Poets,- it is those straying in Evil, who follow them:

225. Don’t you see that they wander distracted in every valley?-

226. And that they say what they do not practise?-

227. Except those who believe, work righteousness, engage much in the remembrance of Allah, and defend themselves only after they are unjustly attacked. And soon will the unjust assailants know what vicissitudes their affairs will take!

Al-Naml, or The Ants
In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

1. Ta. Seen. These are verses of the Qur’an,-a Book that makes (things) clear;


216. Fa-in ‘asawka faqul inne bareecum mimma ta’maloon.


218. Allazee yaraaka heena taqoom.

219. Wa taqallubaka fis-saaji-deen.

220. Innaahoo Huwas-Samee’ul ‘Aleem.

221. Hal unabbi’ukum ‘alaa man tanazzalush-Shayaateen.

222. Tanazzalu ‘alaa kulli affaakin aseem.

223. Yulqoonas-sam’a wa aksarunhum kaaziboon.

224. Washshu’araa’u yattabi- ‘uhumul-ghaawoon.

225. Alam tara annahum fee kulli waadini-yahaemoon.

226. Wa annahum yaqooloona maa laa yaf’aloon.

227. Ilal-lazeena aamanoo wa ‘amilus-saalibaati wa zakarul-laaha kasheeranw-wantaasaroo mim ba’di maa zulimo; wa sa- ya’lamul-lazeena zalamo o ayya munqalabiny-yanqaliboon.

AN-NAML-27
Bismillaahir-Rahmaanir Raheem.

1. Taa-Seenc;tilka Aayaatul-Qur-aani wa Kitaabim-Mu’been.