such as Allah will please (to exempt); and all shall come to His (Presence) as beings conscious of their lowliness.

88. You see the mountains and think them firmly fixed: but they shall pass away as the clouds pass away: (such is) the artistry of Allah, Who disposes of all things in perfect order: for He is well acquainted with all that you do.

89. If any do good, good will (accrue) to them therefrom; and they will be secure from terror that Day.

90. And if any do evil, their faces will be thrown headlong into the Fire: “Do you receive a reward other than that which you have earned by your deeds?”

91. For me, I have been commanded to serve the Lord of this City, Him Who has sanctified it and to Whom (belong) all things: and I am commanded to be of those who bow in Islam to Allah’s Will.

92. And to rehearse the Qur’an: and if any accept guidance, they do it for the good of their own souls, and if any stray, say: “I am only a Warner.”

93. And say: “Praise be to Allah, Who will soon show you His Signs, so that you shall know them”; and your Lord is not unmindful of all that you do.

Qasas, or The Narration
In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

2. These are Verses of the Book that makes (things) clear.
3. We rehearse to you some of the story of Moses and Pharaoh in Truth, for people who believe.

AL-QASAS-28
Bismillaahir-Rahmaanir Raheem.

1. Ta-Seeen-Meeem.
2. Tilka Aayaatul-Kitaabil-mubeen.

man shaa’al-hu; wa kullun atawhu daakhireen.

88. Wa taral-jibaala tahsabuhaa jaamidatanwa-hiya tamurrussabaa’; sun’al-laahil-lazzeen atqana kulla shay”, inna hoo khabeerum bima ta’aloon.

89. Man ja’aa’a bilhasanati falahoo khayrankhunna wa hum-min faza’iiny-Yawma’izin aaminoon.

90. Wa man ja’aa’a bissayyi’ati fakubbat wujooohum fin-Naari hai ta’zawna illaa maa kunfuntum ta’maloon.

91. Innamaa umirtu an abuda Rabba haazgilil-baldatiil-lazzeen harramahaa wa laahoo kullu shay in-wa umirtu an akoona minal-muslimeen.

92. Wa an adluwal-Qur’aana famanih-tadaa fa-innamaa yahtadee linafsiihe wa man dalla faqul innamaa ana minal-munyeereen.

93. Wa quilil-hamdu lillaahi sa-yureekum Aayaatthee fata’rifoonaa; wa maa Rabbuuka bighaafilin amma ta’maloon
4. Truly Pharaoh elated himself in the land and broke up its people into sections, depressing a small group among them: their sons he slew, but he kept alive their females; for he was indeed a maker of mischief.

5. And We wished to be gracious to those who were being depressed in the land, to make them leaders (in Faith) and make them heirs,

6. To establish a firm place for them in the land, and to show Pharaoh, Haman, and their hosts, at their hands, the very things against which they were taking precautions.

7. So We sent this inspiration to the mother of Moses: “Suckle (your child), but when you have fears about him, cast him into the river, but fear not nor grieve: for We shall restore him to you, and We shall make him one of Our Messengers.”

8. Then the people of Pharaoh picked him up (from the river): (it was intended) that (Moses) should be to them an adversary and a cause of sorrow: for Pharaoh and Haman and (all) their hosts were men of sin.

9. The wife of Pharaoh said: “(Here is) a joy of the eye, for me and for you: do not slay him. It may be that he will be of use to us, or we may adopt him as a son.” And they did not perceive (what they were doing)!

10. But there came to be a void in the heart of the mother of Moses: she was going almost to disclose his (case), had We not strengthened her heart (with faith), so that she might remain a (firm) believer.

11. And she said to the sister of (Moses), “Follow him”. So she (the sister) watched him in the character of a stranger. And they did not know.
12. And We ordained that he refused suck at first, until (his sister came up and) said: “Shall I point out to you the people of a house that will nourish and bring him up for you and be sincerely attached to him?”...

13. Thus We restored him to his mother, that her eye might be comforted, that she might not grieve, and that she might know that the promise of Allah is true: but most of them do not understand.

14. When he reached full age, and was firmly established (in life), We bestowed on him wisdom and knowledge: for thus do We reward those who do good.

15. And he entered the City at a time when its people were not watching: and he found there two men fighting,- one of his own religion, and the other, of his foes. Now the man of his own religion appealed to him against his foe, and Moses struck him with his fist and made an end of him. He said: “This is a work of Evil (Satan): for he is an enemy that manifestly misleads!”

16. He prayed: “O my Lord! I have indeed wronged my soul! You then forgive me! So (Allah) forgave him: for He is the Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful.

17. He said: “O my Lord! For that You have bestowed Your Grace on me, never shall I be a help to those who sin!”

18. So he saw the morning in the City, looking about in a state of fear, when behold, the man who had, the day before, sought his help called aloud for his help (again). Moses said to him: “You are truly, it is clear, a quarrelsome fellow!”

19. Then, when he decided to lay hold of the man...
who was an enemy to both of them, that man said: “O Moses! is it your intention to slay me as you slew a man yesterday? Your intention is none other than to become a powerful violent man in the land, and not to be one who sets things right!”

20. And there came a man, running, from the furthest end of the City. He said: “O Moses! the Chiefs are taking counsel together about you, to slay you: so you get away, for I do give you sincere advice.”

21. He therefore got away therefrom, looking about, in a state of fear. He prayed “O my Lord! save me from people given to wrong-doing.”

22. Then, when he turned his face towards (the land of) Madyan, he said: “I do hope that my Lord will show me the smooth and straight Path.”

23. And when he arrived at the watering (place) in Madyan, he found there a group of men watering (their flocks), and besides them he found two women who were keeping back (their flocks). He said: “What is the matter with you?” They said: “We can not water (our flocks) until the shepherds take back (their flocks); and our father is a very old man.”

24. So he watered (their flocks) for them; then he turned back to the shade, and said: “O my Lord! truly I am in (desperate) need of any good that You do send me!”

25. Afterwards one of the (damsels) came (back) to him, walking bashfully. She said: “My father invites you that he may reward you for having watered (our flocks) for us.” So when he came to him and narrated the story,
he said: “you do not fear: (well) have you escaped from unjust people.”

26. Said one of the (damsels): “O my (dear) father! engage him on wages: truly the best of men for you to employ is the (man) who is strong and trustworthy.”

27. He said: “I intend to wed one of these my daughters to you, on condition that you serve me for eight years; but if you complete ten years, it will be (grace) from you. But I intend not to place you under a difficulty: you will find me, indeed, if Allah wills, one of the righteous.”

28. He said: “Be that (the agreement) between me and you: whichever of the two terms I fulfil, let there be no ill-will to me. Be Allah a Witness to what we say.”

29. Now when Moses had fulfilled the term, and was travelling with his family, he perceived a fire in the direction of Mount Tur. He said to his family: “You tarry; I perceive a fire; I hope to bring you from there some information, or a burning firebrand, that you may warm yourselves.”

30. But when he came to the (Fire), a voice was heard from the right bank of the valley, from a tree in hallowed ground: “O Moses! Verily I am Allah, the Lord of the Worlds....

31. “Now you throw your rod!” but when he saw it moving (of its own accord) as if it had been a snake, he turned back in retreat, and did not retrace his steps: O Moses!” (It was said), “Draw near, and do not fear: for you are of those who are secure.”

qaala laa takhaf najawta minal-qawm-miz-zaalimeen.


32. “Move your hand into your bosom, and it will come forth white without stain (or harm), and draw your hand close to your side (to guard) against fear. Those are the two credentials from your Lord to Pharaoh and his Chiefs: for truly they are a people rebellious and wicked.”

33. He said: “O my Lord! I have slain a man among them, and I fear lest they slay me.

34. “And my brother Aaron - he is more eloquent in speech than I: so send him with me as a helper, to confirm (and strengthen) me: for I fear that they may accuse me of falsehood.”

35. He said: “We will certainly strengthen your arm through your brother, and invest you both with authority, so they shall not be able to touch you: with Our Signs you shall triumph,- you two as well as those who follow you.”

36. When Moses came to them with Our Clear Signs, they said: “This is nothing but sorcery faked up: never did we hear the like among our fathers of old!”

37. Moses said: “My Lord knows best who it is that comes with guidance from Him and whose End will be best in the Hereafter: certain it is that the wrong-doers will not prosper.”

38. Pharaoh said: “O Chiefs! no god do I know for you but myself: therefore, O Haman! light me a (kiln to bake bricks) out of clay, and build me a lofty palace, that I may mount up to the god of Moses:

39. Usluk yadaka fee jaybika takhru baydaa’a min ghayri ʾthaw waddum ilayka janaalaka minar-rabbi fazaanika burhaanaani mir-Rabbi ila Fir’awna wa mala’ih; inna humkaanoo qaw man faasiqeen.

40. Qala Rabbi innee qataltu minhum nafs-an fa-akhaafu any-yaduloon.

41. Wa-akhee Haaroomu huwa afsha minnee lisaaan fa-arsilhu ma’iya rita any-yusaddi-qunee innee akhaafu any-yukaz-ziboon.

42. Qala sanashuddu ‘aajuda-ka bi-akheekaa wa naj’alu lakumaa sultaan-falaa ya siloona ilaykumma; bi-Aayaatinaa antumma wa manitabaa’akumal-ghaliboon.

43. Falammaa jaa’ahum-Moosaa bi-Aayaatinabayyi naatin qalaoo maa haazaa illaa sihram-muftarahw-wa maa sam’naa bihaazaa fee aabaaan’inal awwaleen.

44. Wa qaala Moosaa Rab-beee a’lamu biman jaa’a bilhudaan min any-dhee wa man takoomu lahoo ‘aqqibatu-d-dari inna hoo laa yuflihuzaa zaa-li-moon.

45. Wa qaala Fir’awnu yaaa ayyuhal-mala-u maa ‘alimtu lakum-min ilaahin ghayree fa-aqwi lee yaa Haamaanu ‘ala-teeni fa’il-lee sarbal-la’alleece aṭtali’u ilaah ilaahi Moosaa.
but as far as I am concerned, I think he (Moses) is a liar!"
39. And he was arrogant and insolent in the land, beyond reason,- he and his hosts: they thought that they would not have to return to Us!
40. So We seized him and his hosts, and We flung them into the sea: now behold what was the End of those who did wrong!  
41. And We made them (but) leaders inviting to the Fire; and on the Day of Judgment no help shall they find.
42. In this world We made a curse to follow them and on the Day of Judgment they will be among the loathed (and despised).
43. We revealed to Moses the Book after We had destroyed the earlier generations, (to give) Insight to men, and Guidance and Mercy, that they might receive admonition.
44. You were not on the Western side when We decreed the Commission to Moses, nor were you a witness (of those events).
45. But We raised up (new) generations, and long were the ages that passed over them; but you were not a dweller among the people of Madyan, rehearsing Our Signs to them; but it is We Who send Messengers (with inspiration).
46. Nor were you at the side of (the Mountain of) Tur when We called (to Moses). Yet (you are sent) as a Mercy from your Lord, to give warning to a people to whom no Warner had come before you: in order that they may receive admonition.
47. If (We had) not (sent you to the Quraisy), in case a calamity should seize them for (the deeds) that their hands have sent forth, they might say: “Our Lord! why did You not sent us a Messenger? We should then have followed Your Signs and been amongst those who believe!”

48. But (now), when the Truth comes to them from Ourselves, they say, “Why are not (Signs) sent to him, like those which were sent to Moses?” Do they not then reject (the Signs) which were formerly sent to Moses? They say: “Two kinds of sorcery, each assisting the other!” And they say: “For us, we reject all (such things)!”

49. Say: “Then you bring a Book from Allah, which is a better guide than either of them, that I may follow it! (do), if you are truthful!”

50. But if they hearken not to you, know that they only follow their own lusts: and who is more astray than one who follows his own lusts, devoid of guidance from Allah? for Allah does not guide people given to wrongdoing.

51. Now We have caused the Word to reach them themselves, in order that they may receive admonition.

52. Those to whom We sent the Book before this, they do believe in this (Revelation):

53. And when it is recited to them, they say: “We believe therein, for it is the Truth from our Lord: indeed we have been Muslims (bowing to Allah’s Will) from before this.

54. Twice will they be given their reward, for that they have persevered, that they avert Evil with Good,
and that they spend (in charity) out of what We have given them.
55. And when they hear vain talk, they turn away therefrom and say: “To us our deeds, and to you yours; Peace be on you: we do not seek the ignorant.”

56. It is true you will not be able to guide everyone whom you love; but Allah guides those whom He will and He knows best those who receive guidance.

57. They say: “If we were to follow the guidance with you, we should be snatched away from our land.” Have We not established for them a secure sanctuary, to which are brought as tribute fruits of all kinds— a provision from Ourselves? but most of them do not understand.

58. And how many populations We destroyed, which exulted in their life (of ease and plenty)! now those habitations of theirs, after them, are deserted—all but a (miserable) few! and We are their heirs!

59. Nor was your Lord the one to destroy a population until He had sent to its centre a Messenger, rehearsing to them Our Signs; nor are We going to destroy a population except when its members practise iniquity.

60. The (material) things which you are given are but the conveniences of this life and the glitter thereof; but that which is with Allah is better and more enduring: will you not then be wise?

61. Are (these two) alike?— one to whom We have made a goodly promise, and who is going to reach its (fulfilment), and one to whom We have given the good things of this life, but who, on the Day of Judgment, is to be among those brought up (for punishment)?
62. That Day (Allah) will call to them, and say "Where are My 'partners'—whom you imagined (to be such)?"

63. Those against whom the charge will be proved, will say: "Our Lord! These are the ones whom we led astray: we led them astray, as we were astray ourselves: we free ourselves (from them) in Your presence: it was not us they worshipped."

64. It will be said (to them): "Call upon your 'partners' (for help): they will call upon them, but they will not listen to them, and they will see the Penalty (before them); (how they will wish) 'if only they had been open to guidance!'

65. That Day (Allah) will call to them, and say: "What was the answer you gave to the Messengers?"

66. Then the (whole) story that Day will seem obscure to them (like light to the blind) and they will not be able (even) to question each other.

67. But any that (in this life) had repented, believed, and worked righteousness, haply he shall be one of the successful.

68. Your Lord creates and chooses as He pleases: no choice have they (in the matter): Glory to Allah! and far is He above the partners they ascribe (to Him)!

69. And your Lord knows all that their hearts conceal and all that they reveal.

70. And He is Allah: there is no god but He. To Him be praise, at the first and at the last: for Him is the Command, and to Him you shall (all) be brought back.

71. Say, do you see? If Allah were to make the night perpetual over you to the Day of Judgment, what
god is there other than Allah, Who can give you enlighten-
ment? Will you not then hearken?
72. Say, do you see? If Allah were to make the Day perpetual
over you to the Day of Judgment, what god is there
other than Allah, Who can give
you a Night in which you can
rest? Will you not then see?
73. It is out of His Mercy that
He has made for you Night and
Day- that you may rest therein,
and that you may seek of His Grace;
and in order that you
may be grateful.
74. The Day that He will
call on them, He will say: "Where
are My ‘partners’?- whom you
imagined (to be such)?"
75. And from each people We
shall draw a witness, and We
shall say: "Produce your
Proof": then they shall know
that the Truth is in Allah (alone),
and the (lies) which they
invented will leave them in
lurch.
76. Qarun was doubtless, of
the people of Moses; but he
acted insolently towards them:
such were the treasures We
had bestowed on him that their very
keys would have been a burden
to a body of strong men. Behold,
his people said to him: "Do not
exult, for Allah does not love
those who exult (in riches).
77. "But seek, with the
(wealth) which Allah has
bestowed on you, the Home of
the Hereafter, nor forget your
portion in this world: but you
do good, as Allah has been good to
you, and do not seek (occasions
for) mischief in the land: for
Allah does not love those who
do mischief."

[Translation of the Quran]
78. He said: "This has been given to me because of a certain knowledge which I have." Did he not know that Allah had destroyed, before him, (whole) generations, which were superior to him in strength and greater in the amount (of riches) they had collected? but the wicked are not called (immediately) to account for their sins.

79. So he went forth among his people in the (pride of his worldly) glitter. Said those whose aim is the Life of this World: "Oh! that we had the like of what Qarun has got! For he is truly a lord of mighty good fortune!"

80. But those who had been granted (true) knowledge said: "Alas for you! The reward of Allah (in the Hereafter) is best for those who believe and work righteousness: but this none shall attain, save those who steadfastly persevere (in good)."

81. Then We caused the earth to swallow up him and his house; and he had not (the least little) party to help him against Allah, nor could he defend himself.

82. And those who had envied his position the day before began to say on the morrow: "Ah! it is indeed Allah Who enlarges the provision or restricts it, to any of His servants He pleases! Had it not been that Allah was gracious to us, He could have caused the earth to swallow us up! Ah! those who reject Allah will assuredly never prosper."

83. That Home of the Hereafter We shall give to those who do not intend high-handedness or mischief on earth:

78. Qala innamaa ootetuhoo 'alla ilmin tindee; awalam ya'lam annal-laah qad ahlaka min qaarihe minal-qurooni man huwa ashaddu minhu quwatal-wa aksaru jam'a; wa laa yus'aloo fan zuunobihimul-mufrimoon.

79. Fakharaja 'alla qawmihee fee zeenaath; qaalal-lazeeena yureedoonal-hayaatad-dunyaaya yaalayta lanaa misla maa oolaa Qaroonu innahoo razoo haazzin 'azeem.

80. Wa qaalal-lazeeena ootule ilma waylakum sawaabul-Isaahi khayrul-liman aamana wa 'amila saaliha; wa laa yulaq-qaaahaa illaas-saabiiroon.

81. Fakhasafnaa bihee wa bidaarhil-arda fama kaana lahoo min fi'atgyaansuroon nahoo min doonillaahi wa maa kaana minal-muntaasreen.

82. Wa ahsbahal-lazeeena tamannaw makaanaahoo bil-amsi yaqooloon waayka-annal-laah yaansutur-riqa limaniy-yahshaa'u min 'ibaadihee wa yaqdiru law laa am-mannal-laahu alaynaa lakoosa binaa wayka-annahoo laa yuflihill-kaafirono.

83. Tilkad-Daarul Aakhiratu narralhuwaa lillazeeenaa laa yureedoona uluwwan filardi
and the end is (best) for the righteous.

84. If any does good, the reward to him is better than his deed; but if any does evil, the doers of evil are only punished (to the extent) of their deeds.

85. Verily He Who ordained the Qur’an for you, will bring you back to the Place of Return. Say: “My Lord knows best who it is that brings true guidance, and who is in manifest error.”

86. And you had not expected that the Book would be sent to you except as a Mercy from your Lord: therefore you do not lend support in any way to those who reject (Allah’s Message).

87. And let nothing keep you back from the Signs of Allah after they have been revealed to you: and invite (men) to your Lord, and be not of the company of those who join gods with Allah.

88. And do not call, besides Allah, on another god. There is no god but He. Everything (that exists) will perish except His Own Face. To Him belongs the Command, and to Him will you (all) be brought back.

Ankabut, or The Spider
In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

1. Alif-Lam-Mim.
2. Do men think that they will be left alone on saying, “We believe”, and that they will not be tested?
3. We tested those before them, and Allah will certainly know those who are true