before them, though they were superior to them in strength? Nor is Allah to be frustrated by anything whatever in the heavens or on earth: for He is All-Knowing, All-Powerful.

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12. Verily We shall give life to the dead, and We record that which they send before and that which they leave behind, and of all things have We taken account in a clear Book (of evidence).

13. Set forth to them, by way of a parable, the (story of) the Companions of the City. Behold! there came Apostles to it.

14. When We (first) sent to them two Apostles, they rejected them: but We strengthened them with a third: they said, "Truly, we have been sent on a mission to you."

15. The (people) said: "You are only men like ourselves; and (Allah) Most Gracious sends no sort of revelation: you do nothing but lie."

16. They said: "Our Lord knows that we have been sent on a mission to you:"

17. "And our duty is only to proclaim the clear Message."

18. The (people) said: "For us, we augur an evil omen from you: if you do not desist, we will certainly stone you. And a grievous punishment indeed will be inflicted on you by us."

19. They said: "Your evil omens are with yourselves; (you deem this an evil omen), if you are admonished: Nay, but you are a people transgressing all bounds!"

20. Then there came running from the farthest part of the City, a man, saying, "O my people! Obey the Apostles:

21. "Obey those who ask no reward of you (for themselves), and who have themselves received Guidance."
22. “It would not be reasonable in me if I did not serve Him Who created me, and to Whom you shall (all) be brought back.
23. “Shall I take (other) gods besides Him? If (Allah) Most Gracious should intend some adversity for me, of no use whatever will be their intercession for me, nor can they deliver me.
24. “I would indeed, if I were to do so, be in manifest Error.
25. “For me, I have faith in the Lord of you (all): listen, then, to me!”
26. It was said: “You enter the Garden.” He said: “Ah me! Would that my People knew (what I know)!-.
27. “For that my Lord has granted me Forgiveness and has enrolled me among those held in honour!”
28. And We did not send down against his People, after him, any hosts from heaven, nor was it needful for Us so to do.
29. It was no more than a single mighty Blast, and behold! they were (like ashes) quenched and silent.
30. Ah! Alas for (My) servants! There comes not an Apostle to them but they mock him!
31. Don’t they see how many generations before them We destroyed? Not to them will they return:
32. But each one of them all - will be brought before Us (for judgment).
33. A Sign for them is the earth that is dead: We do give it life, and produce grain therefrom, of which you do eat.
34. And We produce therein orchards with date-palms and vines, and We cause springs to gush forth therein:
35. That they may enjoy the fruits of this (artistry): it was not
their hands that made this: will they not then give thanks?

36. Glory to Allah, Who created in pairs all things that the earth produces, as well as their own (human) kind and (other) things of which they have no knowledge.

37. And a Sign for them is the Night: We withdraw therefrom the Day, and behold they are plunged in darkness;

38. And the Sun runs his course for a period determined for him: that is the decree of (Him), the Exalted in Might, the All-Knowing.

39. And the Moon: We have measured for her mansions (to traverse) till she returns like the old (and withered) lower part of a date-stalk.

40. It is not permitted to the Sun to catch up the Moon, nor can the Night outstrip the Day: each (just) swims along in its own orbit (according to Law).

41. And a Sign for them is that We bore their race (through the Flood) in the loaded Ark;

42. And We have created for them similar (vessels) on which they ride.

43. If it were Our Will, We could drown them: then would there be no helper (to hear their cry), nor could they be delivered,

44. Except by way of Mercy from Us, and by way of (worldly) convenience (to serve them) for a time.

45. When they are told, “You fear that which is before you and that which will be after you, in order that you may receive Mercy,” (they turn back).

46. Not a Sign comes to them from among the Signs of their Lord, but they turn away therefrom.

47. And when they are told, “You spend of (the bounties) with which Allah has provided you,” the Unbelievers say to those who believe:
“Shall we then feed those whom, if Allah had so willed, He would have fed, (Himself)? - you are in nothing but manifest error.”

48. Further, they say, “When will this promise (come to pass), if what you say is true?”

49. They will not (have to) wait for anything but a single Blast: it will seize them while they are yet disputing among themselves!

50. No (chance) will they then have, by will, to dispose (of their affairs), nor to return to their own people!

51. The trumpet shall be sounded, when behold! from the sepulchres (men) will rush forth to their Lord!

52. They will say: “Ah! woe unto us! Who has raised us up from our beds of repose?”... (A voice will say): “This is what (Allah) Most Gracious had promised. And true was the word of the Apostles!”

53. It will be no more than a single Blast, when lo! they will all be brought up before Us!

54. Then, on that Day, not a soul will be wronged in the least, and you shall but be repaid the meeds of your past Deeds.

55. Verily the Companions of the Garden shall that Day have joy in all that they do;

56. They and their associates will be in groves of (cool) shade, reclining on Thrones (of dignity);

57. (Every) fruit (enjoyment) will be there for them; they shall have whatever they call for;

58. “Peace!” - a Word (of salutation) from a Lord, Most Merciful!

59. “And O you in sin! You get apart this Day!

60. “Did I not enjoin on you, O you children of Adam,
that you should not worship Satan; for that he was to you an enemy avowed.

61. “And that you should worship Me, (for that) this was the Straight Way?

62. “But he did lead astray a great multitude of you. Did you not, then, understand?

63. “This is the Hell of which you were (repeatedly) warned!
64. “You embrace the (fire) this Day, for that you, (persistently) rejected (Truth).
65. That Day We shall set a seal on their mouths. But their hands will speak to Us, and their feet bear witness, to all that they did.

66. If it had been Our Will, We could surely have blotted out their eyes; then should they have run about groping for the Path, but how could they have seen?
67. And if it had been Our Will, We could have transformed them (to remain) in their places; then they should have been unable to move about, nor could they have returned (after error).
68. If We grant long life to any, We cause him to be reversed in nature: will they not then understand?
69. We have not instructed the (Prophet) in Poetry, nor is it meet for him: this is no less than a Message and a Qur’an making things clear:
70. That it may give admonition to any (who are) alive, and that the charge may be proved against those who reject (Truth).
71. Don’t they see that it is We Who have created for them - among the things which Our hands have fashioned - cattle, which are under their dominion? -
72. And that We have subjected them to their (use) of them some do carry them and some they eat:

al-laa ta’budush-Shaytaana innahoo lakum ‘aduwum-mubeen.
61. Wa-ani’-budoonee; haazaa Siraalum-Mustaqueemi.
62. Wa laqaal a’dalla minkum jibillan kaseeraa; afalam takoonoo ta’qiloone.
63. Haaziheee Jannah mul-latee kunturn too’adoon.
64. Islwhal-Yawma bimaa kunturn takfuroon.
65. Al-Yawma nakhtimu ‘alaa afwaahihim wa tukallimus ayydeehim wa tashhadu arjuhum bimaa kaanoon yaksiboon.
67. Wa law nashaa’u lamas-kaanahum ‘alaa makaanatihih famas-tata’oo omujiyaa-yanw-wa laa ya’rji’oone.
68. Wa man-nu’ ammirhu nunakkishu fil-khalif, afalaa ya’qiloone.
70. Liyunziira man kana haya-yanw-wa yahiqqal-qawlu ‘alaa-kaafireen.
71. Awalam yaraw annaa khalanaa lahum-mimma ‘amilit aydeenaa an’aaman fahuma lahaa maalikoon.
72. Wa gallalnaahaa lahum faminhaa rakoobuhum wa minhaa ya-kuloon.
73. And they have (other) profits from them (besides), and they get (milk) to drink. Will they not then be grateful?
74. Yet they take (for worship) gods other than Allah, (hoping) that they might be helped!
75. They have not the power to help them: but they will be brought up (before Our Judgment-seat) as a troop (to be condemned).
76. Let not their speech, then, grieve you. Verily We know what they hide as well as what they disclose.
77. Does not man see that it is We Who created him from sperm? Yet behold! he (stands forth) as an open adversary!
78. And he makes comparisons for Us, and forgets his own (origin and) Creation: he says, "Who can give life to (dry) bones and decomposed ones (at that)?"
79. Say, "He will give them life Who created them for the first time! for He is Well-versed in every kind of creation!-
80. "The same Who produces for you fire out of the green tree, when behold! you kindle therewith (your own fires)!
81. "Is not He Who created the heavens and the earth able to create the like thereof?" - yes, indeed! for He is the Creator Supreme, of skill and knowledge (infinite)!
82. Verily, when He intends a thing, His Command is, "Be", and it is!
83. So glory to Him in Whose hands is the dominion of all things: and to Him will you be all brought back.

**Saffat, or Those Ranged in Ranks**
In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.
1. By those who range themselves in ranks,

**AS$AAAFFAAT-37**
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