

That is better for you if you should know.

17. You worship idols besides Allah, and you produce falsehood. Indeed, those whom you worship besides Allah do not possess any provision for you. So seek provision from Allah and worship Him and be grateful to Him. To Him you will be returned.

18. And if you deny, then nations have denied before you. And there is not upon the Messenger except to convey (the Message) clearly.

19. Have they not considered how Allah originates the creation then repeats it. Indeed, that is easy for Allah.

20. Say, 'Travel in the earth and see how He originated the creation. Then Allah will produce the final creation. Indeed, Allah on everything is All-Powerful.

21. He punishes whom He wills and has mercy on whom He wills, and to Him you will be returned.

22. And you cannot escape in the earth or in the heaven. And you have neither a protector nor a helper besides Allah.

23. And those who disbelieve in the Signs of Allah and the meeting with Him, they

ذَٰلِكُمْ خَيْرٌ لَّكُمْ إِن كُنتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١٦﴾ إِنَّمَا							
Only	16	know.	you	if	for you	(is) better	That
تَعْبُدُونَ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ أَوتَيْنَا وَتَخْلُقُونَ إِفْكًا إِنَّ							
Indeed,	falsehood.	and you create	idols,	Allah	besides	you worship	
الَّذِينَ تَعْبُدُونَ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ لَا يَمْلِكُونَ لَكُمْ							
for you	possess	(do) not	Allah	besides	you worship	those whom	
رِزْقًا فَاٰتِنُوْا عِنْدَ اللَّهِ الرِّزْقَ وَاعْبُدُوْهُ وَاشْكُرُوْا							
and be grateful	and worship Him	the provision	Allah	from	So seek	any provision.	
لَهُۥٓ إِلَيْهِ تُرْجَعُونَ ﴿١٧﴾ وَإِن تَكْذِبُوا فَقَدْ							
then verily,	you deny	And if	17	you will be returned.	To Him	to Him.	
كَذَّبَ أُمَمٌ مِّن قَبْلِكُمْ وَمَا عَلَى الرَّسُولِ إِلَّا							
except	the Messenger	(is) on	And not	before you.	(the) nations	denied	
الْبَلَّغُ الْمُبِينُ ﴿١٨﴾ أَوَلَمْ يَرَوْا كَيْفَ يُبْدِئُ اللَّهُ							
Allah originates	how	they see	Do not	18	clear.	the conveyance	
الْخَلْقَ ثُمَّ يُعِيدُهُۥٓ إِنَّ ذَٰلِكَ عَلَى اللَّهِ يَسِيرٌ ﴿١٩﴾							
19	(is) easy.	Allah	for	that	Indeed,	repeats it.	then the creation
قُلْ سِيرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ فَانظُرُوا كَيْفَ بَدَأَ الْخَلْقَ							
the creation,	He originated	how	and see	the earth	in	'Travel	Say,
ثُمَّ اللَّهُ يُنشِئُ النَّشْأَةَ الْآخِرَةَ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ							
every	on	Allah	Indeed,	the last.	the creation	will produce	Allah Then
شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ ﴿٢٠﴾ يُعَذِّبُ مَن يَشَاءُ وَيَرْحَمُ							
and has mercy	He wills	whom	He punishes	20	(is) All-Powerful.	thing	
مَن يَشَاءُ وَإِلَيْهِ تُقْلَبُونَ ﴿٢١﴾ وَمَا أَنْتُمْ							
you	And not	21	you will be returned.	and to Him	He wills,	(on) whom	
بِمُعْجِزَاتِكَ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا فِي السَّمَاءِ وَمَا لَكُم							
for you	And not	the heaven.	in	and not	the earth	in	can escape
مِّن دُونِ اللَّهِ مِن وَلِيٍّ وَلَا نَصِيرٍ ﴿٢٢﴾ وَالَّذِينَ							
And those who	22	a helper.	and not	protector	any	Allah	besides
كَفَرُوا بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ وَلِقَائِهِۦٓ أُولَٰئِكَ							
those	and (the) meeting (with) Him,	(of) Allah	in (the) Signs	disbelieve			

and cut off (i.e. obstruct) the road and commit evil in your meetings?` And the answer of his people was not but they said, `Bring upon us the punishment of Allah if you are truthful.`

30. He said, `My Lord Help me against the corrupt people.`

31. And when Our Messengers came to Ibrahim with the glad tidings, they said, `Indeed, we are going to destroy the people of this town. Indeed, its people are wrongdoers.`

32. He (Ibrahim) said, `Indeed in it is Lut.` They said, `We know better who is in it. We will surely save him and his family, except his wife. She is of

وَتَقَطُّعُونَ	السَّكِيْلَ	وَتَأْتُونَ	فِي	نَادِيكُمْ
and you cut off	the road	and commit	in	your meetings
الْمُنْكَرُ	فَمَا	كَانَ	جَوَابَ	قَوْمِهِ
evil?	And not	was	(the) answer	(of) his people
إِلَّا	أَنْ	قَالُوا	أَفْتِنَا	بِعَذَابِ اللَّهِ
except	that	they said,	`Bring upon us	(of) Allah (the) punishment
إِنْ	كُنْتَ	مِنَ	الصَّادِقِينَ	قَالَ
if	you are	of	the truthful.`	He said,
رَبِّ	أَنْصُرْنِي	عَلَى	الْقَوْمِ	الْمُفْسِدِينَ
`My Lord!	Help me	against	the people	the corrupters.`
وَلَمَّا	جَاءَتْ	رُسُلُنَا	إِبْرَاهِيمَ	بِالْبُشْرَى
And when	came	Our Messengers	(to) Ibrahim	with the glad tidings
قَالُوا	إِنَّا	مُهْلِكُونَ	أَهْلَ	هَذِهِ
they said,	`Indeed, we	(are) going to destroy	(the) people	(of) this
الْقَرْيَةَ	إِنَّ	أَهْلَهَا	كَانُوا	ظَالِمِينَ
town.	Indeed,	its people	are	wrongdoers.`
قَالَ	إِنِّ	فِيهَا	لُوطًا	نَحْنُ
He said,	`Indeed,	in it	(is) Lut.`	`We
أَعْلَمُ	بِمَنْ	فِيهَا	لَنَنْجِيَنَّهُ	وَأَهْلَهُ
know better	who	(is) in it.	We will surely save him	and his family,
أَمْرَاتُهُ	كَانَتْ	مِنَ	الْغَابِرِينَ	وَلَمَّا
his wife.	She	(is) of	those who remain behind.`	And when
أَنْ	جَاءَتْ	رُسُلُنَا	لُوطًا	سِئَاءَ
[that]	came	Our Messengers	(to) Lut	he was distressed
بِهِمْ	وَضَاقَ	بِهِمْ	ذَرَعًا	وَقَالُوا
for them,	and felt straitened	for them	(and) uneasy.	And they said,
لَا	تَخَفْ	وَلَا	تَحْزَنْ	إِنَّا
`(Do) not	fear	and (do) not	grieve.	Indeed, we
وَأَهْلَكَ	إِلَّا	أَمْرَاتَكَ	كَانَتْ	مِنْ
and your family,	except	your wife.	She	(is) of

those who remain behind.

33. And when Our Messengers came to Lut, he was distressed for them and felt straitened and uneasy for them. They said, 'Do not fear nor grieve. Indeed, we will save you and your family, except your wife. She is of those who remain behind.

34. Indeed, we will bring down on the people of this town a punishment from the sky because they have been defiantly disobedient.

35. And verily, We have left an evident sign for a people who use reason.

36. And to Madyan (We sent) their brother Shuaib. And he said, 'O my people! Worship Allah and expect the Last Day and do not commit evil in the earth (like) corrupters.

37. But they denied him, so the earthquake seized them, and they became fallen prone (dead bodies) in their homes.

38. And (We destroyed) Aad and Thamud, and it has become clear to you from their dwellings. And Shaitaan had made fair-seeming to them their deeds and averted them from the Way, though they were endowed with insight.

39. And (We destroyed) Qarun, Firaun and Haman. And certainly, Musa came to them with clear evidences but they were arrogant in the earth, and they could not

الْغَيْرِيبَ	﴿٢٢﴾	إِنَّا مُنْزِلُونَ عَلَى أَهْلِ		
those who remain behind.	33	(the) people on (will) bring down Indeed, we		
هَذِهِ الْقَرْيَةِ رِجْزًا مِّنَ السَّمَاءِ بِمَا كَانُوا				
they have been because (the) sky, from a punishment town (of) this				
يَقْسُقُونَ	﴿٢٤﴾	وَلَقَدْ تَرَكْنَا مِنْهَا آيَةً		
defiantly disobedient.	34	a sign, about it We have left And verily,		
بَيِّنَةً لِّقَوْمٍ	﴿٢٥﴾	يَعْقِلُونَ وَإِلَى		
(as) evidence for a people who use reason.	35	And to		
مَدْيَنَ أَخَاهُمْ شُعَيْبًا فَقَالَ يٰقَوْمِ				
Madyan their brother Shuaib. And he said, O my people!				
اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَأَرْجُوا الْيَوْمَ الْآخِرَ				
Worship Allah and expect the Last, the Day				
وَلَا تَعْتُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ مُفْسِدِينَ				
and (do) not commit evil in the earth (as) corrupters.				
فَكَذَّبُوهُ	﴿٢٦﴾	فَأَخَذَتْهُمُ الرَّجْفَةُ		
But they denied him,	36	the earthquake, so seized them		
فَأَصْبَحُوا فِي دَارِهِمْ جَثِيمًا	﴿٢٧﴾			
and they became fallen prone.	37			
وَعَادًا وَثَمُودًا وَقَدْ تَبَيَّنَ لَكُمْ				
And Aad and Thamud, and verily, (has) become clear to you				
مِّن مَّسْكِنِهِمْ وَزَيَّنَ لَهُمُ				
their dwellings. And made fair-seeming to them				
الشَّيْطَانُ أَعْمَلَهُمْ فَصَدَّهُمُ عَنِ السَّبِيلِ				
the Shaitaan their deeds and averted them from the Way,				
وَكَانُوا مُسْتَبْصِرِينَ	﴿٢٨﴾	وَقَرُونَ وَفِرْعَوْنَ		
though they were endowed with insight.	38	and Firaun And Qarun,		
وَهَمَزٌ وَلَقَدْ جَاءَهُمْ مُّوسَىٰ بِآلَيَاتٍ				
And certainly and Haman. And verily, Musa came to them with clear evidences,				
فَاسْتَكْبَرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَمَا كَانُوا				
but they were arrogant in the earth, and they could not				

outstrip Us.

40. So We seized each of them for his sin. Of them was he upon whom We sent a violent storm, and of them was he who was seized by the awful cry, and of them was he whom We caused the earth to swallow him, and of them was he whom We drowned. It was not for Allah to wrong them, but they wronged themselves.

41. The example of those who take protectors besides Allah is like that of the spider who builds a house. And indeed, the weakest of (all) houses is the house of the spider, if (only) they knew.

42. Indeed, Allah knows whatever they invoke besides Him. And He is the All-Mighty, the All-Wise.

43. And (as for) these examples, We set forth to mankind, and none will understand them except those of knowledge.

44. Allah created the heavens and the earth in truth. Indeed, in that is a Sign for the believers.

سَيَقِينُ	فَكُلًّا	أَخَذْنَا	بِذُنُوبِهِ	
outstrip Us.	So each	We seized	for his sin.	
فَمِنْهُمْ	مَنْ	أَرْسَلْنَا	عَلَيْهِ	حَاصِبًا
Then of them	(was he) who,	We sent	on him	a violent storm,
وَمِنْهُمْ	مَنْ	أَخَذَتْهُ	الصَّيْحَةُ	وَمِنْهُمْ
and of them	(was he) who,	seized him	the awful cry	and of them
مَنْ	خَسَفْنَا	بِهِ	الْأَرْضَ	وَمِنْهُمْ
(was he) who,	We caused to swallow	him,	the earth	and of them
مَنْ	أَغْرَقْنَا	وَمَا كَانَ	اللَّهُ	لِيُظْلِمَهُمْ
(was he) who,	We drowned.	And not	was	Allah
وَلَكِنْ	كَانُوا	أَنْفُسَهُمْ	يَظْلِمُونَ	
but	they were	themselves	doing wrong.	
مَثَلُ	الَّذِينَ	اتَّخَذُوا	مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ	أَوْلِيَاءَ
(The) example	(of) those who	take	besides	Allah
كَمَثَلِ	الْعَنْكَبُوتِ	اتَّخَذَتْ	بَيْتًا	وَلِإِنْ
(is) like	the spider	who takes	a house.	And indeed,
أَوْهَنَ	الْبُيُوتِ	لَبِيتُ	الْعَنْكَبُوتِ	لَوْ
the weakest	(of) houses	(is) surely (the) house	(of) the spider,	if (only)
كَانُوا	يَعْلَمُونَ	إِنَّ	اللَّهَ	يَعْلَمُ
they	know.	Indeed,	Allah	knows
مَا	يَدْعُونَ	مِنْ دُونِهِ	مِنْ شَيْءٍ	وَهُوَ
what	they invoke	besides Him	thing.	And He
الْعَزِيزُ	الْحَكِيمُ	وَتِلْكَ	الْأَمْثَلُ	
(is) the All-Mighty,	the All-Wise.	And these	examples	
نَضْرِبُهَا	لِلنَّاسِ	وَمَا	يَعْقِلُهَا	إِلَّا
We set forth	to mankind,	but not	will understand them	except
الْعَالِمُونَ	خَلَقَ اللَّهُ	السَّمَوَاتِ	وَالْأَرْضَ	بِالْحَقِّ
those of knowledge.	Allah created	the heavens	and the earth	in truth.
إِنَّ	فِي ذَلِكَ	لَآيَةً	لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ	
Indeed,	in	that	(is) surely a Sign	for the believers.