



Noble Qur'an (English Translation)

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Surah Mulk

(The Sovereignty)

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1.

تَبَارَكَ الَّذِي بِيَدِهِ الْمُلْكُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Blessed is He in Whose Hand is the dominion, and He is Able to do all things.

2.

الَّذِي خَلَقَ الْمَوْتَ وَالْحَيَاةَ لِيَبْلُوَكُمْ أَيُّكُمْ أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا

Who has created death and life, that He may test you which of you is best in deed.

وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْغَفُورُ

And He is the All-Mighty, the Oft-Forgiving;

3.

الَّذِي خَلَقَ سَبْعَ سَمَاوَاتٍ طِبَاقًا

Who has created the seven heavens one above another,

مَا تَرَى فِي خَلْقِ الرَّحْمَنِ مِنْ تَفَاوُتٍ^ط

you can see no fault in the creations of the Most Beneficent.

فَارْجِعِ الْبَصَرَ هَلْ تَرَى مِنْ فُطُورٍ

Then look again: "Can you see any rifts?"

4.

ثُمَّ ارْجِعِ الْبَصَرَ كَرَّتَيْنِ يَنْقَلِبْ إِلَيْكَ الْبَصَرُ خَاسِئًا وَهُوَ حَسِيرٌ

Then look again and yet again, your sight will return to you in a state of humiliation and worn out.

5.

وَلَقَدْ زَيَّنَّا السَّمَاءَ الدُّنْيَا بِمَصَابِيحَ وَجَعَلْنَاهَا رُجُومًا لِلشَّيَاطِينِ^ط

And indeed We have adorned the nearest heaven with lamps, and We have made such lamps (as) missiles to drive away the Shayatin (devils),

وَأَعْتَدْنَا لَهُمْ عَذَابَ السَّعِيرِ

and have prepared for them the torment of the blazing Fire.

6.

وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا بِرَبِّهِمْ عَذَابُ جَهَنَّمَ^ط

And for those who disbelieve in their Lord (Allah) is the torment of Hell,

وَبِئْسَ الْمَصِيرُ

and worst indeed is that destination.

7.

إِذَا أُلْقُوا فِيهَا سَمِعُوا لَهَا شَهِيقًا وَهِيَ تَفُورُ

When they are cast therein, they will hear the (terrible) drawing in of its breath as it blazes forth.

8.

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تَكَادُ تَمَيِّزُ مِنَ الْغَيْظِ

It almost bursts up with fury.

كَلَّمَ الْقَبِي فِيهَا فَوْجٌ سَأَلَهُمْ خَزَنَتُهَا أَلَمْ يَأْتِكُمْ نَذِيرٌ

Every time a group is cast therein, its keeper will ask: "Did no warner come to you?"

9.

قَالُوا بَلَىٰ قَدْ جَاءَنَا نَذِيرٌ فَكَذَّبْنَا

They will say: "Yes indeed; a warner did come to us, but we belied him

وَقُلْنَا مَا نَزَّلَ اللَّهُ مِنْ شَيْءٍ إِنْ أَنْتُمْ إِلَّا فِي ضَلَالٍ كَبِيرٍ

and said: Allah never sent down anything (of revelation), you are only in great error."

10.

وَقَالُوا لَوْ كُنَّا نَسْمَعُ أَوْ نَعْقِلُ مَا كُنَّا فِي أَصْحَابِ السَّعِيرِ

And they will say: "Had we but listened or used our intelligence, we would not have been among the dwellers of the blazing Fire!"

11.

فَاعْتَرَفُوا بِذَنبِهِمْ فَسُحْقًا لِأَصْحَابِ السَّعِيرِ

Then they will confess their sin. So, away with the dwellers of the blazing Fire.

12.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَخْشَوْنَ رَبَّهُم بِالْغَيْبِ لَهُمْ مَغْفِرَةٌ وَأَجْرٌ كَبِيرٌ

Verily! Those who fear their Lord unseen (i.e. they do not see Him, nor His Punishment in the Hereafter, etc.), theirs will be forgiveness and a great reward (i.e. Paradise).

13.

وَأَسْرُوقَوْلِكُمْ أَوْ اجْهَرُوا بِهِ^ط

And whether you keep your talk secret or disclose it,

إِنَّهُ عَلِيمٌ بِذَاتِ الصُّدُورِ

verily, He is the All-Knower of what is in the breasts (of men).

14.

أَلَا يَعْلَمُ مَنْ خَلَقَ

Should not He Who has created know?

وَهُوَ اللَّطِيفُ الْخَبِيرُ

And He is the Most Kind and Courteous (to His slaves) All-Aware (of everything).

15.

هُوَ الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمُ الْأَرْضَ ذُلُولًا فَامْشُوا فِي مَنَاكِبِهَا وَكُلُوا مِنْ رِزْقِهِ^ط

He it is, Who has made the earth subservient to you (i.e. easy for you to walk, to live and to do agriculture on it, etc.), so walk in the path thereof and eat of His provision,

وَإِلَيْهِ النُّشُورُ

and to Him will be the Resurrection.

16.

أَأَمِنْتُمْ مَنْ فِي السَّمَاءِ أَنْ يَخْسِفَ بِكُمُ الْأَرْضَ فَإِذَا هِيَ تَمُورُ

Do you feel secure that He, Who is over the heaven (Allah), will not cause the earth to sink with you, then behold it shakes (as in an earthquake)?

17.

أَمْ أَمِنْتُمْ مَنْ فِي السَّمَاءِ أَنْ يُرْسِلَ عَلَيْكُمْ حَاصِبًا^ط

Or do you feel secure that He, Who is over the heaven (Allah), will not send against you a violent whirlwind?

فَسَتَعْلَمُونَ كَيْفَ نَذِيرٍ

Then you shall know how (terrible) has been My Warning?

18.

وَلَقَدْ كَذَّبَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ فَكَيْفَ كَانَ نَكِيرِ

And indeed those before them belied (the Messengers of Allah), then how terrible was My denial (punishment)?

19.

أَوَلَمْ يَرَوْا إِلَى الطَّيْرِ فَوْقَهُمْ صَاقَاتٍ وَيَقْبِضْنَ

Do they not see the birds above them, spreading out their wings and folding them in?

مَا يُمْسِكُهُنَّ إِلَّا الرَّحْمَنُ^ج

None upholds them except the Most Beneficent (Allah).

إِنَّهُ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ بَصِيرٌ

Verily, He is the All-Seer of everything.

20.

أَمَّنْ هَذَا الَّذِي هُوَ جُنْدٌ لَكُمْ يَنْصُرُكُمْ مِنْ دُونِ الرَّحْمَنِ^ج

Who is he besides the Most Beneficent that can be an army to you to help you?

إِنَّ الْكَافِرِينَ إِلَّا فِي غُرُورٍ

The disbelievers are in nothing but delusion.

21.

أَمَّنْ هَذَا الَّذِي يَرْزُقُكُمْ إِنْ أَمْسَكَ رِزْقَهُ^ج

Who is he that can provide for you if He should withhold His provision?

بَلْ لَجُّوا فِي عُتُوٍّ وَنُفُورٍ

Nay, but they continue to be in pride, and (they) flee (from the truth).

22.

أَفَمَنْ يَمْشِي مُكِبًّا عَلَى وَجْهِهِ أَهْدَىٰ أَمَّنْ يَمْشِي سَوِيًّا عَلَىٰ صِرَاطٍ مُسْتَقِيمٍ

Is he who walks without seeing on his face, more rightly guided, or he who (sees and) walks on a Straight Way (i.e. Islamic Monotheism).

23.

قُلْ هُوَ الَّذِي أَنْشَأَكُمْ وَجَعَلَ لَكُمُ السَّمْعَ وَالْأَبْصَارَ وَالْأَفْئِدَةَ^ط

Say it is He Who has created you, and endowed you with hearing (ears), seeing (eyes), and hearts.

قَلِيلًا مَّا تَشْكُرُونَ

Little thanks you give.

24.

قُلْ هُوَ الَّذِي ذَرَأَكُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَإِلَيْهِ تُحْشَرُونَ

Say: "It is He Who has created you from the earth, and to Him shall you be gathered (in the Hereafter)."

25.

وَيَقُولُونَ مَتَىٰ هَذَا الْوَعْدُ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ

They say: "When will this promise (i.e. the Day of Resurrection) come to pass? if you are telling the truth."

26.

قُلْ إِنَّمَا الْعِلْمُ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ وَإِنَّمَا أَنَا نَذِيرٌ مُّبِينٌ

Say (O Muhammad SAW): "The knowledge (of its exact time) is with Allah only, and I am only a plain warner."

27.

فَلَمَّا رَأَوْهُ زُلْفَةً سَيِّئَتْ وُجُوهُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا

But when they will see it (the torment on the Day of Resurrection) approaching, the faces of those who disbelieve will be different (black, sad, and in grieve),

وَقِيلَ هَذَا الَّذِي كُنْتُمْ بِهِ تَدَّعُونَ

and it will be said (to them): "This is (the promise) which you were calling for!"

28.

قُلْ أَرَأَيْتُمْ إِنْ أَهْلَكَنِي اللَّهُ وَمَنْ مَعِيَ أَوْ رَحِمَنَا

Say (O Muhammad SAW): "Tell me! If Allah destroys me, and those with me, or He bestows His Mercy on us, -

فَمَنْ يُجِيرُ الْكَافِرِينَ مِنْ عَذَابٍ أَلِيمٍ

who can save the disbelievers from a painful torment?"

29.

قُلْ هُوَ الرَّحْمَنُ أَمَّنَّا بِهِ وَعَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْنَا^ط

Say:

"He is the Most Beneficent (Allah), in Him we believe, and in Him we put our trust.

فَسَتَعْلَمُونَ مَنْ هُوَ فِي ضَلَالٍ مُّبِينٍ

So you will come to know who is it that is in manifest error."

30.

قُلْ أَرَأَيْتُمْ إِنْ أَصْبَحَ مَاؤُكُمْ غَوْرًا فَمَنْ يَأْتِيكُمْ بِمَاءٍ مَعِينٍ

Say (O Muhammad SAW): "Tell me! If (all) your water were to be sunk away, who then can supply you with flowing (spring) water?"



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