



## Glorious Qur'an

English Translation by Abdullah Yusuf Ali

**Abdullah Yusuf Ali**, (1872 –1953) was an Islamic scholar who translated the Qur'an into English. His translation of the Qur'an is one of the most widely-known and used in the English-speaking world. In his childhood, Ali received a religious education and could recite the entire Qur'an from memory. He spoke both Arabic and English fluently. He studied English literature and studied at several European universities. Yusuf Ali's best-known work is his book

**The Holy Qur'an: Text, Translation and Commentary,**

### Surah Saffat

(Those Ranged in Ranks)

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1	وَالصَّافَّاتِ صَفًّا By those who range themselves in ranks.
2	فَالزَّاجِرَاتِ زَجْرًا And so are strong in repelling (evil),
3	فَالتَّالِيَاتِ ذِكْرًا And thus proclaim the message (of Allah)!
4	إِنَّ إِلَهَكُمْ لَوَاحِدٌ Verily, verily, your Allah is One! --
5	رَبُّ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا وَرَبُّ الْمَشَارِقِ Lord of the heavens and of the earth, and all between them, and Lord of every point at the rising of the sun!

6

إِنَّا زَيَّنَّا السَّمَاءَ الدُّنْيَا بِزِينَةِ الْكَوَاكِبِ

We have indeed decked the lower heaven with beauty (in) the stars --

7

وَحِفْظًا مِنْ كُلِّ شَيْطَانٍ مَارِدٍ

(For beauty) and for guard against all obstinate rebellious evil spirits.

8

لَا يَسْمَعُونَ إِلَى الْمَلَأِ الْأَعْلَى وَيُقَذَّبُونَ مِنْ كُلِّ جَانِبٍ

(So) they should not strain their ears in the direction of the Exalted Assembly but be cast away from every side.

9

دُحُورًا وَأَوهَمُ عَذَابٍ وَاصِبٍ<sup>ط</sup>

Repulsed, for they are under a perpetual penalty.

10

إِلَّا مَنْ خَطِفَ الْخَطْفَةَ فَأَتْبَعَهُ شِهَابٌ ثَاقِبٌ

Except such as snatch away something by stealth, and they are pursued by a flaming fire, of piercing brightness.

11

فَأَسْتَفْتِهِمْ أَهَمْ أَشَدُّ خَلْقًا أَمْ مِنْ خَلْقِنَا<sup>ج</sup>

Just ask their opinion: are they the more difficult to create, or the (other) beings We have created?

إِنَّا خَلَقْنَاهُمْ مِنْ طِينٍ لَازِبٍ

Them have We created out of a sticky clay!

12

بَلْ عَجِبْتَ وَيَسْخَرُونَ

Truly dost thou marvel, while they ridicule,

13

وَإِذَا ذُكِّرُوا لَا يَذْكُرُونَ

And, when they are admonished, pay no heed --

14

وَإِذَا رَأَوْا آيَةً يَسْتَسْخِرُونَ

And, when they see a Sign, turn it to mockery,

15

وَقَالُوا إِنَّ هَذَا إِلَّا سِحْرٌ مُّبِينٌ

And say,

"This is nothing but evident sorcery!

16

أَلْإِذِمَّتْنَا وَكُنَّا تُرَابًا وَعِظَامًا أَإِنَّا لَمَبْعُوثُونَ

"What! when we die, and become dust and bones, shall we (then) be raised up (again)?"

17

أَوْ آبَاؤُنَا الْأَوَّلُونَ

"And also our fathers of old?"

18

قُلْ نَعَمْ وَأَنْتُمْ دَاخِرُونَ

Say thou: "Yea, and ye shall then be humiliated (on account of your evil)."

19

فَأَيُّهَا هِيَ زَجْرَةٌ وَاحِدَةٌ فَإِذَا هُمْ يَنْظُرُونَ

Then it will be a single (compelling) cry; and behold, they will begin to see!

20

وَقَالُوا يَا وَيْلَنَا هَذَا يَوْمُ الدِّينِ

They will say, "Ah! woe to us! This is the Day of Judgement!"

21

هَذَا يَوْمُ الْفَصْلِ الَّذِي كُنْتُمْ بِهِ تُكَذِّبُونَ

(A voice will say,)

"This is the Day of Sorting Out, whose truth ye (once) denied!"

22

احْشُرُوا الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا وَأَزْوَاجَهُمْ وَمَا كَانُوا يَعْبُدُونَ

"Bring ye up," it shall be said, "The wrongdoers and their wives, and the things they worshipped --

23

مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ فَاهْدُوهُمْ إِلَى صِرَاطِ الْجَحِيمِ

"Besides Allah, and lead them to the Way to the (Fierce) Fire!

24

وَقِفُوهُمْ <sup>ط</sup>إِنَّهُمْ مَسْئُولُونَ

"But stop them, for they must be asked:

25

مَا لَكُمْ لَا تَنصَرُونَ

"What is the matter with you that ye help not each other?"

26

بَلْ هُمْ الْيَوْمَ مُسْتَسْلِمُونَ

Nay, but that day they shall submit (to Judgment);

27

وَأَقْبَلَ بَعْضُهُمْ عَلَى بَعْضٍ يَتَسَاءَلُونَ

And they will turn to one another, and question one another.

28

قَالُوا إِنَّكُمْ كُنْتُمْ تَأْتُونَنَا عَنِ الْيَمِينِ

They will say: "It was ye who used to come to us from the right hand (of power and authority)!"

29

قَالُوا بَلْ لَمْ تَكُونُوا مُؤْمِنِينَ

They will reply:

"Nay, ye yourselves had no faith!

30

وَمَا كَانَ لَنَا عَلَيْكُمْ مِنْ سُلْطَانٍ <sup>ط</sup>

"Nor had we any authority over you.

بَلْ كُنْتُمْ قَوْمًا طَٰغِينَ

Nay, it was ye who were a people in obstinate rebellion!

31

فَحَقَّ عَلَيْنَا قَوْلُ رَبِّنَا <sup>ط</sup> إِنَّا لَذَائِقُونَ

"So now has been proved true, against us, the Word of our Lord that we shall indeed (have to) taste (the punishment of our sins):

32

فَأَغْوَيْنَاكُمْ إِنَّا كُنَّا غَاوِينَ

"We led you astray: for truly we were ourselves astray."

33

فَأَنَّهُمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ فِي الْعَذَابِ مُشْتَرِكُونَ

Truly, that day, they will (all) share in the Penalty.

34

إِنَّا كَذَلِكَ نَفْعَلُ بِالْمُجْرِمِينَ

Verily that is how We shall deal with Sinners.

35

إِنَّهُمْ كَانُوا إِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ يَسْتَكْبِرُونَ

For they, when they were told that there is no god except Allah, would puff themselves up with Pride.

36

وَيَقُولُونَ أَئِنَّا لَتَارِكُوا آلِهَتِنَا لِشَاعِرٍ مَّجْنُونٍ

And say: "What! shall we give up our gods for the sake of a Poet possessed?"

37

بَلْ جَاءَ بِالْحَقِّ وَصَدَّقَ الْمُرْسَلِينَ

Nay! He has come with the (very) Truth, and he confirms (the Message of) the messengers (before Him).

38

إِنَّكُمْ لَذَائِقُوا الْعَذَابِ الْأَلِيمِ

Ye shall indeed taste of the Grievous Penalty --

39

وَمَا تُجْزَوْنَ إِلَّا مَا كُنتُمْ تَعْمَلُونَ

But it will be no more than the retribution of (the Evil) that ye have wrought -

40

إِلَّا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ الْمُخْلِصِينَ

But the sincere (and devoted) servants of Allah --

41

أُولَئِكَ لَهُمْ رِزْقٌ مَعْلُومٌ

For them is a Sustenance Determined,

42

فَوَاكِهَ

Fruits (Delights),

وَهُمْ مُكْرَمُونَ

and they (shall enjoy) honor and dignity.

43

فِي جَنَّاتِ النَّعِيمِ

In Gardens of Felicity.

44

عَلَى سُرُرٍ مُتَقَابِلِينَ

Facing each other on Thrones (of dignity):

45

يُطَافُ عَلَيْهِمْ بِكَأْسٍ مِنْ مَعِينٍ

Round will be passed to them a Cup from a clear-flowing fountain,

46

بَيْضَاءَ لَذَّةٍ لِلشَّارِبِينَ

Crystal-white, of a taste delicious to those who drink (thereof),

47

لَا فِيهَا غَوْلٌ وَلَا هُمْ عَنْهَا يُنْزَفُونَ

Free from headiness; nor will they suffer intoxication therefrom.

48

وَعِنْدَهُمْ قَاصِرَاتُ الطَّرْفِ عِينٌ

And beside them will be chaste women; restraining their glances, with big eyes (of wonder and beauty).

49

كَأَنَّ بَيْضَ مَكُونٍ

As if they were (delicate) eggs closely guarded.

50

فَأَقْبَلَ بَعْضُهُمْ عَلَى بَعْضٍ يَتَسَاءَلُونَ

Then they will turn to one another and question one another.

51

قَالَ قَائِلٌ مِنْهُمْ إِنِّي كَانَ لِي قَرِينٌ

One of them will start the talk and say: "I had an intimate companion (on the earth),

52

يَقُولُ أَأَنتَ لَمِنَ الْمُصَدِّقِينَ

"Who used to say,

'What! art thou amongst those who bear witness to the truth (of the Message)?

53

أِذَا مِتْنَا وَكُنَّا تُرَابًا وَعِظَامًا أَإِنَّا لَمَدِينُونَ

"When we die and become dust and bones, shall we indeed receive rewards and punishments?"

54

قَالَ هَلْ أُنْتُمْ مُطَّلِعُونَ

(A voice) said: "Would ye like to look down?"

55

فَاطَّلَعَ فَرَآهُ فِي سَوَاءِ الْجَحِيمِ

He looked down and saw him in the midst of the Fire.

56

قَالَ تَاللَّهِ إِنْ كِدْتَ لِتُزِدِينِ

He said:

"By Allah! thou wast little short of bringing me to perdition!

57

وَلَوْلَا نِعْمَةُ رَبِّي لَكُنْتُ مِنَ الْمُخْضَرِّينَ

"Had it not been for the Grace of my Lord, I should certainly have been among those brought (there)!

58

أَفَمَا نَحْنُ بِمَمِيَّتِينَ

"Is it (the case) that we shall not die,

59

إِلَّا مَوْتَتِنَا الْأُولَىٰ وَمَا نَحْنُ بِمُعَذَّبِينَ

"Except our first death, and that we shall not be punished?"

60

إِنَّ هَذَا هُوَ الْقَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ

Verily this is the supreme achievement!

61

لِمِثْلِ هَذَا فَلْيَعْمَلِ الْعَامِلُونَ

For the like of this let all strive, who wish to strive.

62

أَذَلَّكَ خَيْرٌ نُّزُلًا أَمْ شَجَرَةُ الزَّقُّومِ

Is that the better entertainment or the Tree of Zaqqum?

63

إِنَّا جَعَلْنَاهَا فِتْنَةً لِلظَّالِمِينَ

For We have truly made it (as) a trial for the wrongdoers.

64

إِنَّهَا شَجَرَةٌ تَخْرُجُ فِي أَصْلِ الْجَحِيمِ

For it is a tree that springs out of the bottom of Hell-fire:

65

طَلْعُهَا كَأَنَّهُ رُءُوسُ الشَّيَاطِينِ

The shoots of its fruit-stalks are like the heads of devils:

66

فَأَنَّهُمْ لَأَكْلُونَ مِنْهَا فَمَا لئُونَ مِنْهَا الْبُطُونَ

Truly they will eat thereof and fill their bellies therewith.

67

ثُمَّ إِنَّ لَهُمْ عَلَيْهَا لَشَوْبًا مِّنْ حَمِيمٍ

Then on top of that they will be given a mixture made of boiling water.

68

ثُمَّ إِنَّ مَرْجِعَهُمْ لَإِلَى الْجَحِيمِ

Then shall their return be to the (Blazing) Fire.

69

إِنَّهُمْ أَفْوَوْا آبَاءَهُمْ صَالِينَ

Truly they found their fathers on the wrong Path;

70

فَهُمْ عَلَىٰ آثَارِهِمْ يُهَرِّغُونَ

So they (too) were rushed down on their footsteps!

71

وَلَقَدْ ضَلَّ قَبْلَهُمْ أَكْثَرُ الْأَوَّلِينَ

And truly before them, many of the ancients went astray --

72

وَلَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا فِيهِمْ مُّنذِرِينَ

But We sent aforetime, among them, (messengers) to admonish them --

73

فَانظُرْ كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الْمُنذَرِينَ

Then see what was the end of those who were admonished (but heeded not) --

74

إِلَّا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ الْمُخْلِصِينَ

Except the sincere (and devoted) servants of Allah.

75

وَلَقَدْ نَادَانَا نُوحٌ فَلَنِعْمَ الْمُجِيبُونَ

(In the days of old), Noah cried to Us, and We are the Best to hear prayer.

76

وَجَّيْنَاكَ وَأَهْلَكَ مِنَ الْكَرْبِ الْعَظِيمِ

And We delivered him and his people from the Great Calamity.

77

وَجَعَلْنَا دُرِّيَّتَهُ هُمْ الْبَاقِينَ

And made his progeny to endure (on this earth);

78

وَتَرَكْنَا عَلَيْهِ فِي الْآخِرِينَ

And We left (this blessing) for him among generations to come in later times:

79

سَلَامٌ عَلَى نُوحٍ فِي الْعَالَمِينَ

"Peace and salutation to Noah among the nations!"

80

إِنَّا كَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي الْمُحْسِنِينَ

Thus indeed do We reward those who do right.

81

إِنَّهُ مِنْ عِبَادِنَا الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

For he was one of Our believing Servants.

82

ثُمَّ أَغْرَقْنَا الْآخَرِينَ

Then the rest We overwhelmed in the Flood.

83

وَإِنَّ مِنْ شِيعَتِهِ لِابْرَاهِيمَ

Verily among those who followed his Way was Abraham.

84

إِذْ جَاءَ رَبَّهُ بِقَلْبٍ سَلِيمٍ

Behold, He approached his Lord with a sound heart.

85

إِذْ قَالَ لِأَبِيهِ وَقَوْمِهِ مَاذَا تَعْبُدُونَ

Behold, he said to his father and to his people,

"What is that which ye worship?"

86

أَفَقَا آلهة دُونَ اللَّهِ تُرِيدُونَ

"Is it a Falsehood -- gods other than Allah -- that ye desire?"

87

فَمَا ظَنُّكُمْ بِرَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

"Then what is your idea about the Lord of the Worlds?"

88

فَنَظَرَ نَظْرَةً فِي النُّجُومِ

Then did he cast a glance at the stars.

89

فَقَالَ إِنِّي سَقِيمٌ

And he said, "I am indeed sick (at heart)!"

90

فَتَوَلَّوْا عَنْهُ مُدْبِرِينَ

So they turned away from him, and departed.

91

فَرَاغَ إِلَىٰ آلهَتِهِمْ فَقَالَ أَلَا تَأْكُلُونَ

Then did he turn to their gods and said,  
"Will ye not eat (of the offerings before you)?..."

92

مَا لَكُمْ لَا تَنْطِقُونَ

"What is the matter with you that ye speak not (intelligently)?"

93

فَرَاغَ عَلَيْهِمْ ضَرْبًا بِالْيَمِينِ

Then did he turn upon them, striking (them) with the right hand.

94

فَأَقْبَلُوا إِلَيْهِ يَزْفُونَ

Then came (the worshippers) with hurried steps and faced (him).

95

قَالَ اتَّعْبُدُونَ مَا تَنْحِتُونَ

He said:

"Worship ye that which ye have (yourselves) carved?"

96.

وَاللَّهُ خَلَقَكُمْ وَمَا تَعْمَلُونَ

"But Allah has created you and your handiwork!"

97.

قَالُوا ابْنُوا لَهُ بُيُوتًا فَأَلْقُوهُ فِي الْجَحِيمِ

They said: "Build him a furnace, and throw him into the blazing fire!"

98.

فَأَرَادُوا بِهِ كَيْدًا فَجَعَلْنَاهُمُ الْأَسْفَلِينَ

(This failing), they then sought a stratagem against him, but We made them the ones most humiliated!

99.

وَقَالَ إِنِّي ذَاهِبٌ إِلَىٰ رَبِّي سَيَهْدِينِ

He said:

"I will go to my Lord! He will surely guide me!

100.

رَبِّ هَبْ لِي مِنَ الصَّالِحِينَ

"O my Lord! grant me a righteous (son)!"

101.

فَبَشَّرْنَاهُ بِغُلَامٍ حَلِيمٍ

So We gave him the good news of a boy ready to suffer and forbear.

102.

فَلَمَّا بَلَغَ مَعَهُ السَّعْيَ قَالَ يَا بُنَيَّ إِنِّي أَرَىٰ فِي الْمَنَامِ أَنِّي أَذْبَحُكَ فَانظُرْ مَاذَا تَرَىٰ<sup>ج</sup>

Then, when (the son) reached (the age of) (serious) work with him, he said:  
"O my son! I see in vision that I offer thee in sacrifice: now see what is thy view!"

قَالَ يَا أَبَتِ افْعَلْ مَا تُؤْمَرُ<sup>ط</sup>

"O my father! do as thou art commanded:

سَتَجِدُنِي إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ مِنَ الصَّابِرِينَ

(The son) said:

thou will find me, if Allah so wills, one practicing Patience and Constancy!"

103.

فَلَمَّا أَسْلَمَا وَتَلَّهُ لِلْجَبِينِ

So when they had both submitted their wills (to Allah), and He had laid Him prostrate on his forehead (for sacrifice),

104.

وَنَادَيْنَاهُ أَنْ يَا إِبْرَاهِيمُ

We called out to him,  
"O Abraham!

105.

قَدْ صَدَّقْتَ الرُّؤْيَا<sup>ج</sup>

"Thou hast already fulfilled the vision!" --

إِنَّا كَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي الْمُحْسِنِينَ

thus indeed do We reward those who do right.

106.

إِنَّ هَذَا لَهُوَ الْبَلَاءُ الْمُبِينُ

For this was obviously a trial --

107.

وَفَدَيْنَاهُ بِذَبْحٍ عَظِيمٍ

And We ransomed him with a momentous sacrifice:

108.

وَتَرَكْنَا عَلَيْهِ فِي الْآخِرِينَ

And We left (this blessing) for him among generations (to come) in later times:

109.

سَلَامٌ عَلَىٰ إِبْرَاهِيمَ

"Peace and salutation to Abraham!"

110.

كَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي الْمُحْسِنِينَ

Thus indeed do We reward those who do right.

111.

إِنَّهُ مِنْ عِبَادِنَا الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

For he was one of Our believing Servants.

112.

وَبَشَّرْنَاكَ يَا إِسْحَاقَ نَبِيًّا مِنَ الصَّالِحِينَ

And We gave him the good news of Isaac -- a prophet -- one of the Righteous.

113.

وَبَارَكْنَا عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَىٰ إِسْحَاقَ

We blessed him and Isaac:

وَمِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِهِمَا مُحْسِنٌ وَظَالِمٌ لِنَفْسِهِ مُبِينٌ

but of their progeny are (some) that do right, and (some) that obviously do wrong, to their own souls.

114.

وَلَقَدْ مَتَنَّا عَلَىٰ مُوسَىٰ وَهَارُونَ

Again, (of old) We bestowed Our favor on Moses and Aaron.

115.

وَنَجَّيْنَاهُمَا وَقَوْمَهُمَا مِنَ الْكُرْبِ الْعَظِيمِ

And We delivered them and their people from (their) Great Calamity;

116.

وَنَصَرْنَا هُمْ فَكَانُوا هُمُ الْغَالِبِينَ

And We helped them, so they overcame (their troubles);

117.

وَأَتَيْنَاهُمَا الْكِتَابَ الْمُسْتَبِينَ

And We gave them the Book which helps to make things clear;

118.

وَهَدَيْنَاهُمَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ

And We guided them to the Straight Way.

119.

وَتَرَكْنَا عَلَيْهِمَا فِي الْأَخْرِينِ

And We left (this blessing) for them among generations (to come) in later times:

120.

سَلَامٌ عَلَىٰ مُوسَىٰ وَهَارُونَ

"Peace and salutation to Moses and Aaron!"

121.

إِنَّا كَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي الْمُحْسِنِينَ

Thus indeed do We reward those who do right.

122.

إِنَّهُمَا مِنْ عِبَادِنَا الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

For they were two of Our believing Servants.

123.

وَإِنَّ إِلْيَاسَ لَمِنَ الْمُرْسَلِينَ

So also was Elias among those sent (by us).

124.

إِذْ قَالَ لِقَوْمِهِ أَلَا تَتَّقُونَ

Behold, he said to his people,

"Will ye not fear (Allah)?"

125.

أَتَدْعُونَ بَعْلًا وَتَذَرُونَ أَحْسَنَ الْخَالِقِينَ

"Will ye call upon Baal and forsake the Best of Creators --

126.

اللَّهُ رَبُّكُمْ وَرَبُّ آبَائِكُمُ الْأُولِينَ

"Allah, your Lord and Cherisher and the Lord and Cherisher of your fathers of old?"

127.

فَكَذَّبُوهُ

But they rejected him,

فَإِنَّهُمْ لَمُحْضَرُونَ

and they will certainly be called up (for punishment) --

128.

إِلَّا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ الْمُخْلِصِينَ

Except the sincere and devoted Servants of Allah (among them).

129.

وَتَرَكْنَا عَلَيْهِ فِي الْآخِرِينَ

And We left (this blessing) for him among generations (to come) in later times:

130.

سَلَامٌ عَلَىٰ إِبْرَاهِيمَ

"Peace and salutation to such as Elias!"

131.

إِنَّا كَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي الْمُحْسِنِينَ

Thus indeed do We reward those who do right.

132.

إِنَّهُ مِنْ عِبَادِنَا الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

For He was one of Our believing Servants.

133.

وَإِنَّ لُوطًا لَمِنَ الْمُرْسَلِينَ

So also was Lut among those sent (by us).

134.

إِذْجِئْنَاكَ وَأَهْلَهُ أَجْمَعِينَ

Behold, We delivered him and his adherents, all

135.

إِلَّا عَجُوزًا فِي الْغَابِرِينَ

Except an old woman who was among those who lagged behind:

136.

ثُمَّ دَمَّرْنَا الْآخَرِينَ

Then We destroyed the rest.

137.

وَإِنَّكُمْ لَتَمُرُّونَ عَلَيْهِمْ مُصْبِحِينَ

Verily, ye pass by their (sites), by day --

138.

وَبِاللَّيْلِ

And by night:

أَفَلَا تَعْقِلُونَ

will ye not understand?

139.

وَإِنَّ يُونُسَ لَمِنَ الْمُرْسَلِينَ

So also was Jonah among those sent (by us).

140.

إِذْأَبَقَ إِلَى الْفُلِّ الْمَشْحُونِ

When he ran away (like slave from captivity) to the ship (fully) laden,

141.

فَسَاهَمَ فَكَانَ مِنَ الْمُدْحَضِينَ

He (agreed to) cast lots, and he was condemned:

142.

فَالتَّقَمَهُ الْهُوتُ

Then the big Fish did swallow him,

وَهُوَ مُلِيمٌ

and he had done acts worthy of blame.

143.

فَلَوْلَا أَنَّهُ كَانَ مِنَ الْمُسَبِّحِينَ

Had it not been that he (repented and) glorified Allah,

144.

لَلْبَيْتِ فِي بَطْنِهِ إِلَى يَوْمِ يُبْعَثُونَ

He would certainly have remained inside the Fish till the Day of Resurrection.

145.

فَتَبَدُّنَا بِالْعَرَاءِ وَهُوَ سَقِيمٌ

But We cast him forth on the naked shore in a state of sickness,

146.

وَأَنْبَتْنَا عَلَيْهِ شَجَرَةً مِّنْ يَقْطِينٍ

And We caused to grow over him, a spreading plant of the Gourd kind,

147.

وَأَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَىٰ مِائَةِ أَلْفٍ أَوْ يَزِيدُونَ

And We sent him (on a mission) to a hundred thousand (men) or more.

148.

فَأَمَّنُوا فَمَرَّعْتَهُمْ إِلَىٰ حِينٍ

And they believed; so We permitted them to enjoy (their life) for a while.

149.

فَأَسْتَفْتِهِمْ أَلرَّبُّكَ الْبَنَاتُ وَهُمْ الْبُتُونَ

Now ask them their opinion: is it that thy Lord has (only) daughters, and they have sons? --

150.

أَمْ خَلَقْنَا الْمَلَائِكَةَ إِنَاثًا وَهُمْ شَاهِدُونَ

Or that We created the angels female, and they are witnesses (thereto)?

151.

أَلَا إِنَّهُمْ مِنْ إِنْفِكَهُمْ لَيَقُولُونَ

Is it not that they say, from their own invention,

152.

وَلَدَ اللَّهُ

"Allah has begotten children"?

وَإِنَّهُمْ لَكَاذِبُونَ

But they are liars!

153.

أَصْطَفَى الْبَنَاتِ عَلَى الْبَنِينَ

Did He (then) choose daughters rather than sons?

154.

مَا لَكُمْ

What is the matter with you?

كَيْفَ تَحْكُمُونَ

How judge ye?

155.

أَفَلَا تَذَكَّرُونَ

Will ye not then receive admonition?

156.

أَمْ لَكُمْ سُلْطَانٌ مُبِينٌ

Or have ye an authority manifest?

157.

فَأْتُوا بِكِتَابِكُمْ إِن كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ

Then bring ye your Book (of authority) if ye be truthful!

158.

وَجَعَلُوا بَيْنَهُ وَبَيْنَ الْجِنَّةِ نَسَبًا<sup>ج</sup>

And they have invented a blood-relationship between Him and the Jinns:

وَلَقَدْ عَلِمَتِ الْجِنَّةُ إِنَّهُمْ لَمُحْضَرُونَ

but the Jinns know (quite well) that they have indeed to appear (before His judgment-seat)!

159.

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ عَمَّا يُصِفُونَ

Glory to Allah! (He is free) from the things they ascribe (to Him)!

160.

إِلَّا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ الْمُخْلِصِينَ

Not (so do) the servants of Allah, sincere and devoted.

161.

فَإِنَّكُمْ وَمَا تَعْبُدُونَ

For, verily, neither ye nor those ye worship --

162.

مَا أَنْتُمْ عَلَيْهِ بِفَاتِينَ

Can lead (any) into temptation concerning Allah,

163.

إِلَّا مَنْ هُوَ صَالِ الْجَحِيمِ

Except such as are (themselves) going to the blazing Fire!

164.

وَمَا مِنَّا إِلَّا لَهُ مَقَامٌ مَعْلُومٌ

(Those ranged in ranks say):

"Not one of us but has a place appointed,

165.

وَإِنَّا لَنَحْنُ الصَّافُونَ

"And we are verily ranged in ranks (for service):

166.

وَإِنَّا لَنَحْنُ الْمُسَبِّحُونَ

"And we are verily those who declare (Allah's) glory!"

167.

وَإِنْ كَانُوا لَيَقُولُونَ

And there were those who said,

168.

لَوْ أَنَّ عِنْدَنَا ذِكْرًا مِنَ الْأَوَّلِينَ

"If only we had had before us a message from those of old.

169.

لَكُنَّا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ الْمُخْلِصِينَ

"We should certainly have been servants of Allah, sincere (and devoted)!"

170.

فَكَفَرُوا بِهِ<sup>ط</sup>

But (now that the Qur'an has come), they reject it:

فَسَوْفَ يَعْلَمُونَ

but soon will they know!

171.

وَلَقَدْ سَبَقَتْ كَلِمَتُنَا لِعِبَادِنَا الْمُرْسَلِينَ

Already has Our Word been passed before (this) to Our Servants sent (by Us),

172.

إِنَّهُمْ لَهُمُ الْمَنْصُورُونَ

That they would certainly be assisted,

173.

وَإِنَّ جُنْدَنَا لَهُمُ الْغَالِبُونَ

And that Our forces -- they surely must conquer.

174.

فَتَوَلَّ عَنْهُمْ حَتَّىٰ حِينٍ

So turn thou away from them for a little while,

175.

وَأَبْصُرْهُمْ فَسَوْفَ يُبْصِرُونَ

And watch them (how they fare), and they soon shall see (how thou farest)!

176.	<p>أَفِعِدَّ إِنَّا يَسْتَعْجِلُونَ</p> <p>Do they wish (indeed) to hurry on Our Punishment?</p>
177.	<p>فَإِذَا نَزَلَ بِسَاحَتِهِمْ فَسَاءَ صَبَاحُ الْمُنذَرِينَ</p> <p>But when it descends into the open space before them, evil will be the morning for those who were warned (and heeded not)!</p>
178.	<p>وَتَوَلَّ عَنْهُمْ حَتَّىٰ حِينٍ</p> <p>So turn thou away from them for a little while,</p>
179.	<p>وَأَبْصِرْ فَسَوْفَ يُبْصِرُونَ</p> <p>And watch (how they fare) and they soon shall see (how thou farest)!</p>
180.	<p>سُبْحَانَ رَبِّكَ رَبِّ الْعِزَّةِ عَمَّا يَصِفُونَ</p> <p>Glory to thy Lord, the Lord of Honor and Power! (He is free) from what they ascribe (to Him)!</p>
181.	<p>وَسَلَامٌ عَلَى الْمُرْسَلِينَ</p> <p>And Peace on the Messengers!</p>
182.	<p>وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ</p> <p>And praise to Allah, the Lord and Cherisher of the Worlds.</p> <p>*****</p>

