- 88. Then, if he (the dying person) be of the *Muqarrabûn* (those brought near to Allâh),
- 89. (There is for him) rest and provision, and a Garden of Delights (Paradise).
- 90. And if he (the dying person) be of those on the Right Hand,
- 91. Then there is safety and peace (from the Punishment of Allâh) for those on the Right Hand.
- 92. But if he (the dying person) be of the denying (of the Resurrection), the erring (away from the Right Path of Islâmic Monotheism),
 - 93. Then for him is an entertainment with boiling water.
 - 94. And burning in Hell-fire.
 - 95. Verily, this! This is an absolute Truth with certainty.
- 96. So glorify with praises the Name of your Lord, the Most Great.



In the Name of Allâh, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

- 1. Whatsoever is in the heavens and the earth glorifies Allâh, and He is the All-Mighty, the All-Wise.
- 2. His is the kingdom of the heavens and the earth. It is He Who gives life and causes death, and He is Able to do all things.
- 3. He is the First (nothing is before Him) and the Last (nothing is after Him), the Most High (nothing is above Him) and the Most Near (nothing is nearer than Him). And He is All-Knower of every thing.
- 4. He it is Who created the heavens and the earth in six Days and then rose over (Istawâ) the Throne (in a manner that suits His Majesty). He knows what goes into the earth and what comes forth from it, and what descends from the heaven and what ascends thereto. And He is with you (by His Knowledge) wheresoever you may be. And Allâh is All-Seer of what you do.
- 5. His is the kingdom of the heavens and the earth. And to Allâh return all the matters (for decision).
- 6. He merges night into day (i.e. the decrease in the hours of the night is added into the hours of the day), and merges day

into night (i.e. the decrease in the hours of the day is added into the hours of the night), and He has full knowledge of whatsoever is in the breasts.

- 7. Believe in Allâh and His Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله), and spend of that whereof He has made you trustees. [1] And such of you as believe and spend (in Allâh's Way), theirs will be a great reward.
- 8. And what is the matter with you that you believe not in Allâh! While the Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) invites you to believe in your Lord (Allâh); and He (Allâh) has indeed taken your covenant, if you are real believers.
- 9. It is He Who sends down manifest Ayât (proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.) to His slave (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) that He may bring you out from darkness into light. And verily, Allâh is to you full of kindness, Most Merciful.
- 10. And what is the matter with you that you spend not in the Cause of Allâh? And to Allâh belongs the heritage of the heavens and the earth. Not equal among you are those who spent and fought before the conquering (of Makkah, with those among you who did so later). Such are higher in degree than those who spent and fought afterwards. But to all Allâh has promised the best (reward). And Allâh is Well-Acquainted with what you do.
- 11. Who is he that will lend Allâh a goodly loan: then (Allâh) will increase it manifold to his credit (in repaying), and he will have (besides) a good reward (i.e. Paradise)?
- 12. On the Day you shall see the believing men and the believing women: their light running forward before them and (with their Records Books of deeds) in their right hands. Glad tidings for you this Day! Gardens under which rivers flow (Paradise), to dwell therein forever! Truly, this is the great success! [2]
- 13. On the Day when the hypocrites men and women will say to the believers: "Wait for us! Let us get something from your light!" It will be said: "Go back to your rear! Then seek a light!" So a wall will be put up between them, with a gate

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^{[1] (}V.57:7) See the footnote of (V.4:37).

^{[2] (}V.57:12) See (V.66:8).

therein. Inside it will be mercy, and outside it will be torment."

- 14. (The hypocrites) will call the believers: "Were we not with you?" The believers will reply: "Yes! But you led yourselves into temptations, you looked forward for our destruction; you doubted (in Faith) and you were deceived by false desires, till the Command of Allâh came to pass. And the chief deceiver (Satan) deceived you in respect of Allâh."
- 15. So this Day no ransom shall be taken from you (hypocrites), nor of those who disbelieved (in the Oneness of Allâh Islâmic Monotheism). Your abode is the Fire. That is your maulâ (friend proper place), and worst indeed is that destination.
- 16. Has not the time come for the hearts of those who believe (in the Oneness of Allâh Islâmic Monotheism) to be affected by Allâh's Reminder (this Qur'ân), and that which has been revealed of the truth, lest they become as those who received the Scripture [the Taurât (Torah) and the Injeel (Gospel)] before (i.e. Jews and Christians), and the term was prolonged for them and so their hearts were hardened? And many of them were Fâsiqûn (the rebellious, the disobedient to Allâh).
- 17. Know that Allâh gives life to the earth after its death! Indeed We have made clear the *Ayât* (proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.) to you, if you but understand.
- 18. Verily, those who give Sadaqât (i.e. Zakât and alms), men and women, and lend Allâh a goodly loan, it shall be increased manifold (to their credit), and theirs shall be an honourable good reward (i.e. Paradise).
- 19. And those who believe in (the Oneness of) Allâh and His Messengers they are the Siddîqûn (i.e. those followers of the Prophets who were first and foremost to believe in them), and the martyrs with their Lord, they shall have their reward and their light. But those who disbelieve (in the Oneness of Allâh Islâmic Monotheism) and deny Our Ayât (proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.) they shall be the dwellers of the blazing Fire.
- 20. Know that the life of this world is only play and amusement, pomp and mutual boasting among you, and rivalry in respect of wealth and children. (It is) as the likeness of vegetation after rain, thereof the growth is pleasing to the tillers; afterwards it dries up and you see it turning yellow;

then it becomes straw. But in the Hereafter (there is) a severe torment (for the disbelievers — evil-doers), and (there is) Forgiveness from Allâh and (His) Good Pleasure (for the believers — good-doers). And the life of this world is only a deceiving enjoyment.

- 21. Race with one another in hastening towards forgiveness from your Lord (Allâh), and Paradise, the width whereof is as the width of the heaven and the earth, prepared for those who believe in Allâh and His Messengers. That is the Grace of Allâh which He bestows on whom He is pleased with. And Allâh is the Owner of Great Bounty.
- 22. No calamity befalls on the earth or in yourselves but it is inscribed in the Book of Decrees (*Al-Lauh Al-Mahfūz*) before We bring it into existence. Verily, that is easy for Allâh.^[1]
- 23. In order that you may not grieve at the things that you fail to get, nor rejoice over that which has been given to you. And Allâh likes not every prideful boaster.
- 24. Those who are misers and enjoin upon people miserliness—
 (Allâh is not in need of their charity). And whosoever turns away
 (from Faith—Allâh's Monotheism), then Allâh is the Rich (Free of all needs), the Worthy of all praise.
- 25. Indeed, We have sent Our Messengers with clear proofs, and revealed with them the Scripture and the Balance (justice) that mankind may keep up justice. And We brought forth iron wherein is mighty power (in matters of war^[2]), as well as many

(d) If you seek help, seek help from Allâh.

صلى Once I was behind the Prophet رضى الله عنهما Once I was behind the Prophet (V.57:22) and he said: "O boy, I will teach you a few words:

⁽a) Be loyal and obedient to Allâh [worship Him (Alone)], remember Him always, obey His Orders. He will save you from every evil and will take care of you in all the spheres of life.

⁽b) Be loyal and obedient to Allâh, you will find Him near (in front of you) i.e. He will respond to your requests.

⁽c) If you ask, ask Allâh.

⁽e) Know that if all the people get together in order to benefit you with something, they will not be able to benefit you in anything except what Allâh has decreed for you. And if they all get together in order to harm you with something, they will not be able to harm you in anything except what Allâh has decreed for you.

The pens have stopped writings [Divine (Allâh's) Preordainments]. And (the ink over) the papers (Book of Decrees) have dried." [This Hadîth is quoted from Sahîh At-Tirmidhî]

^{[2] (}V.57:25) Paradise is under the blades of swords (in Jihâd in Allâh's cause).

benefits for mankind, that Allâh may test who it is that will help Him (His religion) and His Messengers in the unseen. Verily, Allâh is All-Strong, All-Mighty.

26. And indeed, We sent Nûh (Noah) and Ibrâhîm (Abraham), and placed in their offspring Prophethood and Scripture. And among them there are some who are guided; but many of them are Fâsiqûn (rebellious, disobedient to Allâh).

27. Then, We sent after them Our Messengers, and We sent 'Îsâ (Jesus), son of Maryam (Mary), and gave him the Injeel (Gospel). And We ordained in the hearts of those who followed him compassion and mercy. But the monasticism which they invented for themselves, We did not prescribe for them, but (they sought it) only to please Allâh therewith, but they did not observe it with the right observance. So We gave those among them who believed their (due) reward; but many of them are Fâsiqûn (rebellious, disobedient to Allâh).

28. O you who believe [in Mûsâ (Moses) (i.e. Jews) and 'Îsâ (Jesus) (i.e. Christians)]! Fear Allâh, and believe in His Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم), He will give you a double portion of His Mercy, and He will give you a light by which you shall walk (straight). And He will forgive you. And Allâh is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful.^[1]

a) Narrated Al-Mughîrah bin Shu'bah رضى الله عليه وسلم Our Prophet رضى: Our Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم told us about the Message of our Lord that ... "whoever amongst us is killed (in Jihâd in Allâh's cause) will go to Paradise". 'Umar asked the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم , "Is it not true that our men who are killed (in Jihâd in Allâh's cause) will go to Paradise and theirs (i.e. those of the pagan's) will go to the (Hell) Fire?" The Prophet صلى الله عليه said, "Yes".

b) Narrated 'Abdullâh bin Abî Aufâ رضى الله عنهما : Allâh's Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم said, "Know that Paradise is under the shades of the swords (*Jihâd* in Allâh's cause)." (Sahîh Al-Bukhârî, Vol.4, Hadîth No.73 and its chapter No.22).

[11] (V.57:28):

⁽a) Narrated Abû Buradah's father: Allâh's Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم said, "Any man who has a slave-girl whom he educates properly, teaches good manners, manumits and marries her will get a double reward. And if any man of the people of the Scriptures (Jews and Christians) believes in his own Prophet and then believes in me (Muhammad صلى) too, he will (also) get a double reward. And any slave who fulfils his duty to his master and to his Lord (Allâh) will (also) get a double reward." (Sahîh Al-Bukhârî, Vol.7, Hadîth No.20).

⁽b) It is obligatory to have Belief in the Messengership of the Prophet (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم).

Narrated Abu Hurairah صلى الله عليه وسلم Allâh's Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم said, "By Him (Allâh) in Whose Hand Muhammad's soul is, there is none from amongst the Jews

29. So that the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians) may know that they have no power whatsoever over the Grace of Allâh, and that (His) Grace is (entirely) in His Hand to bestow it on whomsoever He wills. And Allâh is the Owner of Great Bounty.

Sûrat Al-Mujâdilah (The Woman Who Disputes) LVIII

In the Name of Allâh, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

- * 1. Indeed, Allâh has heard the statement of her (Khaulah bint Tha'labah) that disputes with you (O Muhammad صلى الله) concerning her husband (Aus bin As-Sâmit), and complains to Allâh. And Allâh hears the argument between you both. Verily, Allâh is All-Hearer, All-Seer.
- 2. Those among you who make their wives unlawful to them by $Zih\hat{a}r^{[1]}$ (الظهار), they cannot be their mothers. None can be their mothers except those who gave them birth. And verily, they utter an ill word and a lie. And verily, Allâh is Oft-Pardoning, Oft-Forgiving.
- 3. And those who make unlawful to them their wives by Zihâr and wish to free themselves from what they uttered, then (the penalty in that case is) the freeing of a slave before they touch each other. That is an admonition to you (so that you may not repeat such an ill thing). And Allâh is Well-Acquainted with what you do.
- 4. And he who finds not (the money for freeing a slave) must fast two successive months before they both touch each other. And he who is unable to do so, should feed sixty *Miskîn* (needy persons). That is in order that you may have perfect Faith in Allâh and His Messenger. These are the limits set by Allâh. And for the disbelievers, is a painful torment.
 - 5. Verily, those who oppose Allâh and His Messenger

and the Christians (of these present nations) who hears about me and then dies without believing in the Message with which I have been sent (i.e. Islâmic Monotheism), but he will be from the dwellers of the (Hell) Fire." (Sahîh Muslim, the Book of Faith, Vol. 1, Chapter No. 240) See also (V.3:85) and (V.3:116).

is the saying of a husband to his wife: You are to me like the back of my mother (i.e. unlawful for me to approach).