57. So We saved him and his family, except his wife. We destined her (due to her disbelief) to be of those who remained behind (in the torment).

58. And We rained down on them a (new kind of) rain (of stones). What an evil rain it was for the people who were warned (before this rain).

59. [O Muhammad (ﷺ)!] Say: “All praise and thanks are due to Allah, and peace be on His slaves whom He has chosen (as His messengers). Is Allah better or those whom they ascribe as partners in worship with Allah?

60. Is not He Who created the heavens and the earth and sent down rain water for you from the sky, and made the lovely gardens to grow with this water, it was not possible for you to grow the trees of these gardens (better than your gods)? Does any other god deserve worshipping along with Allah? (Not at all). Yet they make other gods equal to Allah!

61. Is not He Who has made the earth as a fixed and firm abode and made canals flow in it and placed mountains on it and has made a barrier between the two seas (better than your gods)? Does any other god deserve worshipping along with Allah? (Not at all). In fact, most of them know nothing.

62. Is not He Who answers the call of a distressed person, when he calls on Him and He removes his hardship and He makes you inherit the land, (better than your gods)? Does any other god deserve worshipping along with Allah? (Not at all). You learn a very little lesson from it!
63. Is not He Who guides you in the darkness of the land and the sea and Who sends the winds before rain as glad tidings (better than your gods)? Does any other god deserve worshipping along with Allah? (Not at all). High exalted is Allah above all that they associate as partners (to Him)!

64. Is not He Who originally created and shall create them again (on the Day of Resurrection) and Who gives sustenance to you from the heaven and the earth (better than your gods)? Does any other god deserve worshipping along with Allah? (Not at all). Say: “Bring forth your proof if you are truthful.”

65. Say:” None in the heavens and the earth knows the Unseen except Allah. They even don’t know when they shall be resurrected.”

66. In fact, they have no knowledge of the Hereafter; they are rather in doubt about it. In fact, they are totally blind about it.

67. And the disbelievers say: “When we are reduced to dust and our forefathers too – shall we really be brought out (alive from our graves)?

68. “Indeed, We were promised this and our forefathers before this too. Indeed, these are nothing but the stories of the earlier people.”

69. [O Muhammad (ﷺ)!] Say to them: “Travel in the land and see what the end of the criminals was.”

70. Don’t be grieved about them, nor feel distressed due to what they plot.

71. And the disbelievers say (rudely): “When
will this promise (of torment) be fulfilled, if you are truthful?"

72. Say: “Perhaps that which you like to hasten for, is very near you.

73. “Indeed, your Creator is full of Grace for mankind, yet most of them are not grateful.”

74. And, indeed, your Creator knows what is hidden in their breasts and what they reveal.

75. And there is nothing hidden in the heaven and the earth but it is in the Clear Book (i.e. Al-Lauh al-Mahfuz).

76. Indeed, this Quran describes, to the Children of Israel, (the truth) about most of the matters in which they differ.

77. And truly, this Quran is a (special) guide and a (special), mercy for the believers.

78. Indeed, your Creator will decide between them (i.e. between various sects) by His Judgement (on the Day of Resurrection). And He is the All-Mighty, the All-Knowing.

79. So put your (full) trust in Allah (He will definitely help you, since) you are on the clear truth.

80. Indeed, you cannot make the dead to hear nor you can make the deaf to hear when they walk away from you, turning their backs.

81. And you cannot lead the blind out of their ignorance. You can only make to hear those who believe in Our revelations and hence they follow them sincerely.

82. And when the promise (of torment) is justified against them (i.e. when none is left to command for good deeds and
forbid from the evil), We shall bring out from the earth a beast which will speak to the people, since the people did not believe firmly in Our revelations.

83. And (remember) the Day when We will gather the people from all the nations who denied Our revelations, then they will be put in various groups (i.e. sub-groups of drinkers, adulterers etc.)

84. Till when they come (before their Creator), and He will say: “Why did you deny My revelations while you did not even understand them fully? Or tell me, what you did (which prevented you to even ponder over My revelations)?”

85. And the promise (of torment) will be justified against them since they have wronged, so they will not be able to speak (to present an excuse).

86. Don’t they see that We have made the night so that they may rest in it and the day for clear visibility? Indeed, there are signs in this for the people who are believers.

87. And (remember) the Day when the (first) Trumpet will be blown – and all those who are in the heavens and all those who are on the earth will be terrified except those whom Allah wills (i.e. some angels as in Surah Az-Zumar-68 and also in a Hadith – Ad-dur-al-Manthur ). And all shall come to Him, very humble and submissive.

88. And you will see the mountains, which you think are firmly seated, flying around like clouds (on that Day). (It is not surprising since) it is the Work of Allah Who has constructed everything strong and perfect (and is Capable of making them weak like wool). Indeed, Allah is
Well-Acquainted with what you do (openly and secretly).

89. Whoever brings a good deed (i.e. is a believer), will have better reward than what he deserves, and they will remain safe from the terror of that Day. (Also Surah Al-Anbiya:103)

90. And whoever brings an evil deed (i.e. is a disbeliever), they will be thrown on their faces (headlong) in the Hell-Fire. (And it will be said to them): “Are you not being rewarded for what you used to do (in the world)?”

91. Indeed, I [Muhammad (peace be upon him)] have been commanded to worship the Creator of this city (Makkah), Who has made it a sacred city, and to Whom everything belongs. And I am commanded to be obedient to Allah (in my beliefs and actions)

92. And (I am commanded) to recite the Quran to you. So whoever follows the guidance, then, indeed, he follows it for his own benefit. And whoever goes astray, say (to him): “(It does not harm me since) I am only one of the warners, (my duty is only to convey the message).”

93. And [O Muhammad (peace be upon him)!] say: “All praise and thanks are due to Allah (Who doesn’t punish till He justifies it). He shall soon show you His signs and you will recognize those signs (if not during life, then at the time of death but recognition and Iman at the time of death are not acceptable). And your Creator is not unaware of what you do.” (Also Surah Fussilat:53)
28. Surah Al-Qasas
(The Stories)

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

1. Ta-Sin-Mim (Allah Alone knows their meanings).

2. These (revelations) are the Verses of a clear Book.

3. (Here) We describe to you part of the true story of Musa (Peace be upon him) and Firaun for (the benefit of) the people who believe (in the Quran).

4. Indeed, Firaun was extremely arrogant in the land and he had divided his people into many groups. He was very oppressive to one of those groups by killing their sons and letting their females survive. Indeed, he was one of the tyrants.

5. And We wished to do a favour to those who were oppressed in the land (i.e. Egypt) and We make them (religious) leaders and inheritors (of land).

6. And so that We give them authority and power in the land. And We showed Firaun and Hamaan and their army the (unpleasant event) which they feared (i.e. Children of Israel may overpower Firaun).

7. And We inspired the mother of Musa (Peace be upon him) (stating): “Suckle Musa (Peace be upon him), so when you fear for him (from the secret service personnel), then put him in the river (Nile) and don’t fear nor grieve. Indeed, We shall bring him back to you, and shall make him one of (Our) messengers.”

8. Then the family of Firaun picked him up so that he might become an enemy for them and also cause them grief (in the
future). Indeed, Firaun, Hamaan and their army were sinners (so Allah destroyed them by this child).

9. And the wife of Firaun (Hazrat Asia) said: “(This child) is the comfort of my eyes and yours too (i.e. we will be pleased to look at this lovely child). Don’t kill him. He may benefit us or we may adopt him as a son. And they were not aware of it (that they had killed several hundred innocent children to kill this very child).

10. And the heart of the mother of Musa (‡) became impatient and she was about to reveal the story [of Musa (‡)], had We not strengthen her heart (with Faith) so that she might remain as one of the believers (that the child will be returned to her).

11. And the mother of Musa (‡) told Musa’s (‡) sister to follow him. So she saw Musa (‡) from the distance (secretly) and they were not aware of it.

12. And We had already forbidden the milk of (other) suckling mothers for Musa (‡) until she (Musa’s sister) said: “Would you like that I point out to you a household which will bring up the child for you and will be his well-wishers?”

13. Hence We returned Musa (‡) to his mother to comfort her eyes, and that she might not grieve, and that she might know that the Promise of Allah is true. But most of them don’t know.

14. And when Musa (‡) attained his youth and full strength, We granted him wisdom (Prophethood) and (religious) knowledge. And thus We reward the good-doers.

15. And Musa (‡) entered the city when most of the people were unaware of it.
(since they were resting). He found two men fighting there – one was from his group (i.e. from the Children of Israel) and the other from his foes. The one from his group called Musa (مُوسَى) for help against his foe, so Musa (مُوسَى) hit him with his fist which killed him (accidentally). (Musa (مُوسَى) felt sorry within and said to himself): “This is from Satan’s doing. Indeed, Satan is an obvious misleading enemy.”

16. (Musa (مُوسَى) repented and) said: “My Creator, indeed, I have wronged myself, so forgive me (please).” Then Allah forgave him. Indeed, Allah is Very-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.

17. (Musa (مُوسَى) also) said: “My Creator! Since you have done a favour to me, so I shall never help the criminals (in future).

18. So in the morning, Musa (مُوسَى) went to the city very frightened and waiting (to see the results of his crime). Surprisingly the same person who called for his help yesterday, called Musa (مُوسَى) (for help again). Musa (مُوسَى) said to him: “You are clearly a misled person.”

19. Then when Musa (مُوسَى) stretched his hand to seize the (Firaun’s) man who was an enemy to both of them, the caller [from Musa’s (مُوسَى) group] said: “Do you intend to kill me as you killed a man yesterday? [Since this quarrelsome person from Musa’s (مُوسَى) group felt that Musa (مُوسَى) will kill him for fighting with others repeatedly]. You intend to be a tyrant in the land and not the one of those who reform (people).”

20. [The man from Firaun’s group heard this information and conveyed it to Firaun. Firaun decided to kill Musa (مُوسَى) for his
crime.] And a man came running, from the end of the city, he said: “Indeed, the chiefs are doing mutual consultation about you to kill you, so get away from here. Truly, I am one of your well-wishers.”

21. So Musa (ﷺ) escaped from there terrified and with great caution. Musa (ﷺ) said: “My Creator! Save me from the people who are wrong-doers (and lead me to a peaceful place).”

22. And when Musa (ﷺ) turned towards Madyan, he said: “I hope that my Creator will guide me to a Right Path (which leads to a peaceful place).”

23. And when he arrived at the water (the well) of Madyan, he noticed that a group of men let their cattle drink water from the well. And Musa (ﷺ) also noticed that two ladies were holding back (their cattle). Musa (ﷺ) said to them: “What is the matter with you?” They said: “We cannot let our cattle drink water until the shepherds drive away (their cattle), and our father is a very old man.”

24. So Musa (ﷺ) helped their cattle to drink water. Then Musa (ﷺ) retreated to a shade (of a tree) and said: “My Creator! Indeed, I badly need your favour whatever you can bestow on me!”

25. Then one of the two ladies came to him walking bashfully. She said: “Indeed, my father is calling to reward you for your help (to let our cattle) drink water.” So when Musa (ﷺ) reached him and narrated to him the story, he said: “Don’t fear. You have escaped from the people who are wrong-doers.”

26. And one of the two ladies said: “O my father! Hire him. Indeed, the best (of men)
for you to hire is the strong and (simultaneously) the trustworthy one."

27. He said [to Musa (مُوسَى)]: “I intend to marry one of my two daughters to you provided that you serve me for eight years, but if you complete ten years, so it will be a favour from you. I, however, do not intend to cause you any hardship (regarding its timing). If Allah wills, you will find me very nice to work with.”

28. [Musa (مُوسَى)] said: “That is agreed between me and you. It will be up to me to complete whichever term I can. So there will be no pressure put on me. And Allah is witness over what we say.”

29. So when Musa (مُوسَى) had completed the term, and was travelling with his family, he saw a fire (which was actually a light) in the direction of (mountain) Tur. He said to his family: “Wait here, I have seen a fire. I may bring some information from there or a burning fire-brand for you so that you may warm yourselves.”

30. So when Musa (مُوسَى) reached near it (the fire), he was called from the right side of the valley from a tree, in this blessed place: “O Musa (مُوسَى)! Indeed, I am Allah, the Creator of the universe!

31. “And throw your stick!” So when he saw it moving as if it were a snake, he ran backward and did not even care to look back. (It was said): “O Musa (مُوسَى)! Come forward, and don’t fear. Indeed, you are from those who are fully secure. (In fact it is a miracle for you, and here is another miracle).

32. “Put your hand in your bosom, and then bring it out. It will become brilliant white..."
without any disease or defect. (To dispel your fear) put your hand under your armpit, (it will return to its original form). These are two proofs (of your Prophethood) from your Creator to Firaun and his chiefs. Indeed, they are the people who are disobedient (to Allah)."

33. Musa (אֶזְכָּא) said: “My Creator! I have killed a man from them, so I fear that they will kill me,

34. “And my brother Harun (אֶזְכָּא) – he is more eloquent in speech than me, so send him with me as a supporter to confirm me. Indeed, I fear that they will deny me.”

35. Allah said: “We will strengthen your arm with your brother and We will make you dominate, so they will not be able to reach you. You and those who follow you will be victorious due to Our Signs.”

36. So when Musa (אֶזְכָּא) came to them with Our miracles, they said: “This is nothing but an invented magic. And we never heard of this among our forefathers.”

37. And Musa (אֶזְכָּא) said: “My Creator knows best him who came with guidance from Him, and who will have (happy) end in the Hereafter. Indeed, the wrong-doers will not be successful.”

38. And Firaun said: “O chiefs! I don’t know that you have a god other than me. O Hamaan! Light some fire for me to bake (bricks out of) clay and construct a lofty tower so that I may glance at the God of Musa (אֶזְכָּא). And, indeed, I think Musa (אֶזְכָּא) is one of the liars.”

39. And he (i.e. Firaun) and his army were arrogant in the land unjustly, and they thought that they would never return to Us.
40. So We seized him and his army, then We threw them all into the sea, so see what was the (bad) end of the wrong-doers.

41. And We made them leaders who invite others to the Fire. And on the Day of Resurrection, they will not be helped.

42. And We made a curse to follow them in this world, and on the Day of Resurrection they will be among those who are in extremely disgusting condition.

43. And after We had destroyed the earlier generations, We gave Musa (ﷺ), the Scripture as enlightenment, guidance, and mercy for mankind so that they might learn a lesson from it.

44. [Muhammad (ﷺ)] And you were not on the western side of the mountain when We gave commandment (i.e. Taurat) to Musa(ﷺ) and you were not among the witnesses (of this scene). Also Surah Ale Imran: 44

45. And We created many generations [after Musa (ﷺ)] and long ages passed over them. And [O Muhammad (ﷺ)!] you never resided among the people of Madyan reciting Our Verses to them. But We kept sending messengers. (Similarly, We have sent you as a messenger).

46. And you [O Muhammad (ﷺ)!] were not also present at the side of mountain Tur when We called [Musa (ﷺ) to grant him Prophethood]. But it is due to the Mercy of your Creator (Who sent you as a messenger) to warn people to whom no warner had come before you so that they may receive some advice.

47. (And if We had not sent you as a
messenger) whenever an adversity came to them due to (their evil deeds) which their hands have sent forth, they would have said: “Our Creator! Why did you not send us a messenger, so we would have followed your revelations and would have been among the believers?”

48. So when the truth [i.e. Muhammad (ﷺ) with his message] has come to them from Us, they say: “Why is he not given similar to what was given to Musa (ceased) (i.e. Why the Quran did not come altogether as Taurat did?). Did they not disbelieve in that which was given to Musa (ceased) before this? They say (about the Quran and the Taurat): “Two kinds of magic supporting each other!” They (further) say: “We, indeed, disbelieve all of them.”

49. [O Muhammad (ﷺ)!] Say (to them): “Then bring a Book from Allah, which offers better guidance than these two Books so that I may follow it, if you are truthful (in your claim).”

50. But if they don’t answer you, then know that they only follow their vain desires. And who is more astray than one who follows his vain desires, without guidance from Allah? Indeed, Allah does not guide the people who are wrong-doers.

51. And We have, indeed, sent our Word (i.e. the Quran) to them so that they may seek advice from it.

52. Those to whom We gave Scriptures before it, they (the just scholars) believe (in the Quran).

53. And when it is recited to them, they say: “We believe that it is the truth from our Creator. Indeed, even before this we were
Muslims (i.e. followers of all the messengers are Muslims)."

54. Those will be given double reward because they are patient and return evil with goodness and spend (in charity) out of what We have given them.

55. And when they hear vain talk, they walk away from it and say: “Our deeds are for us and your deeds are for you. Salam to you, we don’t seek (the way of) the ignorant people.”

56. [O Muhammad (ﷺ)!] Indeed, you cannot guide whom you like, but only Allah guides whom He wills. And He knows best those who are guided.

57. (The disbelievers refuse to embrace Islam for the following reasons). And they say: “If we follow the guidance with you, we would be snatched away from our land”. (But it is not a valid excuse.) Have We not stationed them around Haram (sanctuary) which is a place of peace and security and all kinds of fruits are brought to it as provision from Ourselves, but most of them don’t know it?

58. And how many communities We have destroyed which used to rejoice a lot for the luxuries of their life. And those are their homes (as ruins) which were never inhabited after them again except very little. And We have been the inheritor (of all their belongings).

59. And your Creator will never destroy any community until He sends to their capital city a messenger who recites Our Verses to them. And We never destroy a community unless its people insist upon wrong-doings.
60. And whatever you have been given is for the enjoyment and splendour of this worldly life and that which is with Allah (in the Hereafter) is far superior and lasting. Have you then no sense (to make the correct choice)?

61. Is he whom We have made a fantastic promise (i.e. Paradise) – and he will find this promise come true – like him whom We have given the comforts of the life of this world, and he will be among those who are seized (and punished) on the Day of Judgement?

62. And (remember) the Day when He will call to them and say: “Where are those whom you used to consider My (so-called) partners?”

63. Those about whom the Word (for punishment) has been justified, will say: “Our Creator! These are those whom we led astray. We led them astray (without any force), just as we went astray (without anybody forcing us). These are our and their voluntary choices. Though we are criminals, but they are criminals too). We declare in Your presence that we have no relation with them. They did not worship us. (They were simply following their own vain desires).

64. And it will be said (to them): “Call upon your (so-called) partners (of Allah),” and they will call upon them, but their false god will not even answer, and they all will see the torment. (They will then wish) that if only they had been guided.

65. And (remember) the Day when He (Allah) will call to them and say: “What answer did you give to the messengers?”

66. Then all (good) answers will be erased
(from their brains) on that Day and they will not be able to consult each other.

67. But as for him who believed after repentance, and did good deeds, he will be among those who are successful.

68. And your Creator creates whatsoever He wills and He chooses (whatsoever He wills). People have no choice. Glorified is Allah above all that they associate (as partners with Him).

69. And your Creator has (perfect) knowledge of what is hidden in their hearts and what they reveal.

70. And He is Allah. None has the right to be worshipped but Him. All praise and thanks are due to Him (Alone) in this world and in the Hereafter. And Sovereignty is for Him Alone, and to Him you all shall be returned.

71. [O Muhammad (اسلام)!!] Say: “Tell me! If Allah made the night perpetual for you till the Day of Resurrection, which god besides Allah could bring you light? Don’t you hear?”

72. [O Muhammad (اسلام)!!] Say: “Tell me! If Allah made the day perpetual for you till the Day of Resurrection, which god besides Allah could bring you night in which you may rest? Don’t you see (this point)?”

73. And it is due to His Mercy that He has created for you the night and the day so that you may rest (during the night) and so that you may seek His Bounty (during the day) – and in order that you may be grateful (to Him for both favours).

74. And (remember) the Day when He (Allah) will call them (the idolaters), and
will say: “Where are those whom you used to consider my partners (in worship)?”

75. And We shall bring out from every nation a witness (i.e. Prophet), and We shall say (to the idolaters): “Show your proof.” At that time they shall know (and realize) that the truth is with Allah (Alone) and the lies which they used to invent will disappear from them.

76. Indeed, Qarun was from Musa’s people but he was arrogant towards them (due to his wealth). And We gave him such treasures, that several strong persons could hardly carry the keys of his treasures. (Remember) when his people said to him: “Don’t act triumphant or boastful (with riches). Indeed, Allah does not like those who are boastful (with riches).

77. “And seek the good of the Hereafter with the wealth which Allah has given you. And spend reasonably for your worldly needs and be kind to the people as Allah has been kind to you (i.e. give in charity to help people). And don’t seek to spread mischief in the land. Indeed, Allah does not like the mischief makers.”

78. Qarun said: “This has been given to me only due to the knowledge I possess.” Did he not know that Allah had destroyed communities before him, which were stronger than him in power and much greater in riches and the criminals are not questioned about their sins (they will be punished without any accountability process).

79. So he came out before his people with great pomp and show. Those who
preferred the life of this world, said: “Ah! We wish that we had similar to what Qarun has been given! Indeed, he is a very fortunate person.”

80. But those who had been given the (religious) knowledge said: “Woe to you! The reward of Allah (in the Hereafter) is far superior for those who believe and do good deeds, and this point is put in the minds of only those who are very patient.”

81. So We made the earth to swallow him along with his castle. Then he had no group to help him against Us (although he belonged to a big group), nor was he one of those who could even save themselves.

82. And those who had desired to be like Qarun the day before, said: “It is clear that it is Allah Who bestows His riches on whom He wills and limits it for whom He wills among His slaves. And if Allah had not been Gracious to us, the earth could have swallowed us too. Don’t you see that the disbelievers will never be successful?”

83. We have assigned the home of the Hereafter (i.e. Paradise) for those who are not arrogant, nor do they spread mischief in the land. And the pious people have an enviable end.

84. Whoever brings good deeds, he shall receive more reward than what he deserves. And whoever brings evil deeds, he will be punished according to his deeds (and no injustice will be done to him).

85. [O Muhammad (ﷺ)!] Indeed, He Who has made it obligatory for you (to preach and follow the commands of) the Quran, will bring you back to the place of return (i.e. home or Makkah. Hence reciting
the Quran and following its teachings ensure Allah’s help and victory. [O Muhammad ﷺ!] Say: “My Creator knows best the one who brings (true) guidance, and the one who is obviously astray.

86. And it never occurred (to your mind) that a Book will be revealed to you but (it was sent down) due to the Mercy of your Creator. Hence, you should never be a supporter of the disbelievers.

87. [O Muhammad ﷺ!] And let the disbelievers not stop you from preaching the Commands of Allah (as it has not happened so far) after they have been sent down to you. And (continue) inviting people to (the religion of) your Creator, and don’t be one of the idolaters.

88. And don’t worship any other god along with Allah. None has the right to be worshipped but He. Everything will perish except Allah. He is the Sovereign and all of you shall be returned to Him. (Also Surah Ar-Rahman: 26-27).

29. Surah Al-Ankabut

(The Spider)

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

1. Alif-Lam-Mim (Allah, Alone, knows their meanings)

2. Do people think that they will be left alone because they say (verbally): “We believe,” and they will not be tested? (Not at all).

3. And We, indeed, tested those who were before them. So Allah will certainly let it be known those who are truthful and let it be known those who are liars (for the
benefit of the people since Allah already knows it).

4. Or, do those who commit sins, think that they can escape (Our punishment)? What an evil judgement they are making!

5. Whoever hopes for the Meeting with Allah, so indeed, the appointed time of Allah will definitely occur, and He is the All-Hearer, the All-Knower.

6. And whosoever strives, he strives only for his own benefit. Indeed, Allah is All-Rich (free of all needs) from mankind, jinn and all that exits. (Also Surah Al-Jathiyyah:15)

7. Those who believe and do good deeds, We shall remove their sins and We shall give them fantastic reward for their good deeds.

8. And We have commanded people to be good to their parents, and if they insist on you to make partners in worship with Me, for whom you have no knowledge or proof, then don’t obey them. You will return to Me, then I shall inform you what you used to do.

9. And those who believe and do good deeds, We shall surely make them join the righteous people (in the Paradise).

10. Some of the men say (verbally): “We believe in Allah.” But if they experience a hardship in the path of Allah, they consider the torture from the people like Allah’s punishment. And if a victory comes from your Creator, they (the hypocrites) will certainly say: “Indeed, we were with you (supporting you).” Is not Allah fully Aware of what is hidden in the hearts of mankind and jinn?

11. Indeed, Allah will make known those who
(sincerely) believe, and will certainly expose the hypocrites. (Also Surah Ale-Imran:179)

12. And the disbelievers say to the believers: “Follow our way and we will, surely, bear your sins.” (In fact) they are not going to bear any of their sins. Indeed, they are liars. (Also Surah Fatir:18)

13. And they shall, surely, bear the loads of their own sins and additional loads (of the people whom they made to commit sins) along with their loads. And they shall, surely, be questioned on the Day of Resurrection about that which they used to fabricate.

14. And, indeed, We sent Nuh ( عليه السلام) to his people and he stayed among them nine hundred and fifty years so a storm seized them and they were wrong-doers.

15. Then We saved him and those with him in the boat. And We made this (event) a lesson for mankind and jinn.

16. And (remember) Ibrahim ( عليه السلام) when he said to his people: “Worship Allah (Alone) and fear Him, which is better for you if you have some sense.

17. “Indeed, you worship besides Allah only idols and you invent falsehood (against Allah). Indeed, those whom you worship besides Allah have no power to give you any sustenance. So seek your sustenance from Allah, and worship Him (Alone), and be thankful to Him. You will be brought back to Him.

18. “And if you deny, so many nations before you have denied (their messengers). And the duty of the messenger is only to convey (the message) clearly.”
19. Don’t they see how Allah originally created His creatures (out of nothing)? He shall create them again (in fact, creating second time is easier than the first creation). Indeed, this is easy for Allah. (Note this is an intellectual logic).

20. Say: “Travel in the land and see how (Allah) orginates the creation, then Allah will make you rise again too. Indeed, Allah is Able to do all things.”

21. He punishes whom He wills and showers His Mercy on whom He wills, and you will be returned to Him.

22. And you cannot escape (from Allah) in the earth or in the skies. And you have neither any protector, nor any helper besides Allah.

23. And those who disbelieve in the revelations of Allah and also disbelieve the Meeting with Him (in the Hereafter), they should not have any hope of My Mercy and they will have a painful torment. (Also Surah Al-Araf:156)

24. So Ibrahim’s (ع) people had no (reasonable) answer for him except that they said: “Kill him or burn him.” Then Allah saved him from the fire. Indeed, in this are the signs for the people who believe.

25. And Ibrahim (ع) said: “You are, indeed, worshipping idols instead of Allah due to your mutual worldly friendship. On the Day of Resurrection you will disown each other and shall curse each other. Your residence is the Fire, and you shall have no helper”.

26. So Lut (ع) believed in Ibrahim (ع).
And Ibrahim (اى) [or Lut (لئ)] said: “I will emigrate for the sake of my Creator. Indeed, He is the All-Mighty, the All-Wise. (He will protect me and reward me).

27. And We granted him [Ibrahim (اى)]: Ishaq (يشع) (as his son) and Yaqub (ياقب) (as his grandson). And We kept the Prophethood and Book in his children. And We granted him the reward in this world and he will be, indeed, among the righteous people in the Hereafter. (Also Surah An-Nahl:122)

28. And (remember) Lut (لئ), when he said to his people: “You engage in an obscene activity (i.e. sodomy) which none has committed before you among mankind and jinn.

29. “Do you satisfy your sexual lust with men and you rob the travellers and practice obscene activities in your gatherings?” So his people did not have any answer except they said: “Bring Allah’s torment upon us if you are one of the truthful.”

30. Lut (لئ) said: “My Creator! Help me against the people who are mischief-makers.”

31. And when Our messengers (i.e. angels) came to Ibrahim (اى) with the glad tidings [of Ishaq (يشع) and Yaqub (ياقب)], they also said: “Indeed, we are going to destroy the people of this town, since its residents are wrong-doers.”

32. Ibrahim (اى) said: “But there is Lut (لئ) in it.” They said: “We do know who is there. We will, surely, save Lut (لئ) and his family except his wife. She will be of those who remain behind.”

33. And when Our messengers (i.e. angels)
came to Lut (ٌ) (in the form of handsome young men), Lut (ٌ) felt grieved because of them and felt stress in his heart. And the angels said: “Don’t fear (anything), nor should you grieve (since we are not men but we are angels to punish the mischief-makers). Indeed, we shall save you and your family, except your wife, she shall be of those who remain behind.

34. “Indeed, We are going to inflict a torment from the sky upon the people of this town, because they have been the mischief makers.”

35. And, indeed, We have left a lesson in this for the people who have sense.

36. And to the people of Madyan, We sent their brother Shuaib (ٌ). So he said: “O my people! Worship Allah (Alone), and hope for (the success in) the Hereafter. (Since those who forget the Hereafter, commit sins more boldly, as is the case of the Muslims these days), and don’t go around the land spreading mischief.”

37. But they denied Shuaib (ٌ), hence, the earthquake seized them and they lay dead on their knees while sitting in their homes.

38. And (similarly) A’d and Thamud (people were destroyed). And, indeed, (their destruction) is clearly apparent to you from their (ruined) houses (seen by the people of Makkah during their journey to Syria). (Their mental situation was such that) Satan made for them their (evil) deeds very attractive and tempting and, hindered them from the (Right) Path, though they were very intelligent people (but they did not make proper use of their intelligence).