

disobeying Allâh and His Messenger Nûh (Noah) عليه السلام].

53. And He destroyed the overthrown cities [of Sodom to which Prophet Lût (Lot) was sent].

54. So there covered them that which did cover (i.e. torment with stones).

55. Then which of the Graces of your Lord (O man!) will you doubt?

56. This (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) is a warner (Messenger) of the (series of) warners (Messengers) of old.<sup>[1]</sup>

57. The Day of Resurrection draws near.

58. None besides Allâh can avert it (or advance it or delay it).

59. Do you then wonder at this recitation (the Qur'ân)?

60. And you laugh at it and weep not,

61. Wasting your (precious) lifetime in pastime and amusements (singing, etc.).

62. So fall you down in prostration to Allâh and worship Him (Alone).

### *Sûrat Al-Qamar (The Moon) LIV*

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

1. The Hour has drawn near, and the moon has been cleft asunder (the people of Makkah requested Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم to show them a miracle, so he showed them the splitting of the moon).<sup>[2]</sup>

2. And if they see a sign, they turn away, and say: "This is continuous magic."

3. They denied (the Verses of Allâh — this Qur'ân), and followed their own lusts. And every matter will be settled (according to the kind of deeds: good deeds will take their doers to Paradise, and similarly evil deeds will take their doers to Hell).

4. And indeed there has come to them news (in this Qur'ân)

<sup>[1]</sup> (V.53:56) See the footnote of (V.2:252).

<sup>[2]</sup> (V.54:1) Narrated Anas رضى الله عنه: The people of Makkah asked the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم to show them a sign (miracle). So he showed them (the miracle) of the cleaving of the moon. (*Sahîh Al-Bukhârî*, Vol.6, *Hadîth* No.390).

wherein there is (enough warning) to check (them from evil),

5. Perfect wisdom (this Qur'ân), but (the preaching of) warners benefit them not.

6. So (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) withdraw from them. The Day that the caller will call (them) to a terrible thing.

7. They will come forth, with humbled eyes from (their) graves as if they were locusts spread abroad,

8. Hastening towards the caller. The disbelievers will say: "This is a hard Day."

9. The people of Nûh (Noah) denied (their Messenger) before them. They rejected Our slave, and said: "A madman!" and he was insolently rebuked and threatened.

10. Then he invoked his Lord (saying): "I have been overcome, so help (me)!"

11. So We opened the gates of the heaven with water pouring forth.

12. And We caused springs to gush forth from the earth. So the waters (of the heaven and the earth) met for a matter predestined.

13. And We carried him on a (ship) made of planks and nails,

14. Floating under Our Eyes: a reward for him who had been rejected!

15. And indeed, We have left this as a sign. Then is there any that will remember (or receive admonition)?

16. Then, how (terrible) was My Torment and My Warnings?

17. And We have indeed made the Qur'ân easy to understand and remember; then is there any who will remember (or receive admonition)?

18. 'Âd (people) denied (their Prophet, Hûd); then how (terrible) was My Torment and My Warnings?

19. Verily, We sent against them a furious wind of harsh voice on a day of evil omen and continuous calamity.

20. Plucking out men as if they were uprooted stems of date-palms.

21. Then, how (terrible) was My Torment and My Warnings?

22. And We have indeed made the Qur'ân easy to understand and remember; then is there any that will remember (or receive admonition)?

23. Thamûd (people also) denied the warnings.

24. And they said: "A man, alone among us — shall we follow him? Truly, then we should be in error and distress (or madness)!"

25. "Is it that the Reminder is sent to him [Prophet Sâlih عليه السلام] alone from among us? Nay, he is an insolent liar!"

26. Tomorrow they will come to know who is the liar, the insolent one!

27. Verily, We are sending the she-camel as a test for them. So watch them [O Sâlih عليه السلام], and be patient!

28. And inform them that the water is to be shared between (her and) them, each one's right to drink being established (by turns).

29. But they called their comrade and he took (a sword) and killed (her).

30. Then, how (terrible) was My Torment and My Warnings?

31. Verily, We sent against them a single *Saihah* (torment — awful cry), and they became like the stubble of a fold-builder.

32. And indeed, We have made the Qur'ân easy to understand and remember; then is there any that will remember (or receive admonition)?

33. The people of Lût (Lot) denied the warnings.

34. Verily, We sent against them a violent storm of stones (which destroyed them all), except the family of Lût (Lot), We saved them in the last hour of the night,

35. As a Favour from Us. Thus do We reward him who gives thanks (by obeying Us).

36. And he [Lût (Lot)] indeed had warned them of Our Seizure (punishment), but they did doubt the warnings!

37. And they indeed sought to shame his guests (by asking to commit sodomy with them). So We blinded their eyes, (saying) "Then taste you My Torment and My Warnings."

38. And verily, an abiding torment seized them early in the morning.

39. "Then taste you My Torment and My Warnings."

40. And indeed, We have made the Qur'ân easy to understand and remember; then is there any that will remember (or receive admonition)?

41. And indeed, warnings came to the people of Fir'aun (Pharaoh) [through Mûsâ (Moses) and Hârûn (Aaron)].

42. They denied all Our Signs, so We seized them with a Seizure of the All-Mighty, All-Capable (Omnipotent).

43. Are your disbelievers (O Quraish!) better than these [nations of Nûh (Noah), Lût (Lot), Sâlih, and the people of Fir'aun (Pharaoh) who were destroyed]? Or have you an immunity (against Our Torment) in the Divine Scriptures?

44. Or say they: "We are a great multitude, victorious.?"

45. Their multitude will be defeated, and they will show their backs.

46. Nay, but the Hour is their appointed time (for their full recompense), and the Hour will be more grievous and more bitter.

47. Verily, the *Mujrimûn* (polytheists, disbelievers, sinners, criminals) are in error (in this world) and will burn (in the Hell-fire in the Hereafter).

48. The Day they will be dragged on their faces into the Fire (it will be said to them): "Taste you the touch of Hell!"<sup>[1]</sup>

49. Verily, We have created all things with *Qadar* (Divine Preordainments of all things before their creation as written in the Book of Decrees — *Al-Lauh Al-Mahfûz*).

50. And Our Commandment is but one as the twinkling of an eye.

51. And indeed, We have destroyed your likes; then is there any that will remember (or receive admonition)?

52. And everything they have done is noted in (their) Records (of deeds).

53. And everything, small and big, is written down (in *Al-Lauh Al-Mahfûz* already beforehand i.e. before it befalls, or is done by its doer: الإيمان بالقدر) (See V.57:22 and its footnote).

54. Verily, The *Muttaqûn* (the pious. — see V.2:2), will be in the midst of Gardens and Rivers (Paradise).

55. In a seat of truth (i.e. Paradise), near the Omnipotent King (Allâh, the One, the All-Blessed, the Most High, the Owner of Majesty and Honour).

<sup>[1]</sup> (V.54:48) See (V.25:34) and the footnote of (V.17:97).