

Glorious Qur'an

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

Surah Mulk

(The Dominion)



Blessed be He in Whose hands is Dominion: and He over all things Hath Power -
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اللّذِي خَلَقَ الْمُوْتَ وَالْحَيَاةَ لِيَبُلُو كُمُ أَيُّكُمُ أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا

He Who created Death and Life, that He may try which of you is best in deed:

ما اللّذِي خَلَقَ الْعَذِيدُ الْعَقُومُ

and He is the Exalted in Might, Oft-Forgiving -
اللّذِي خَلَقَ سَبُعَ سَمَا وَاتٍ طِبَاقًا

He Who created the seven heavens one above another;

	مَاتَرَى فِي خَلْقِ الرَّحْمَنِ مِنْ تَفَاوُتِ
	no want of proportion wilt thou see in the Creation of (Allah) Most Gracious,
	فَأَنْ جِعِ الْبَصَرَ هَلُ تَرَى مِنُ فُطُورٍ
	so turn thy vision again: Seest thou any flaw?
4	ُ ثُمَّ الْهَجِع الْبَصَرَ كَرَّ تَيْنِ يَنْقَلِبِ إِلَيْكَ الْبَصَرُ خَاسِئًا وَهُوَ حَسِيرٌ
	Again turn thy vision a second time;
	(thy) vision will come back to thee dull and discomfited, in a state worn out.
5	وَلَقَلُ زَيِّنَا السَّمَاءَ اللَّ نُيَا مِمَصَابِيحَ وَجَعَلْنَاهَا مُجُومًا لِلشَّيَاطِينِ
	And We have, (from of old), adorned the lowest heaven with Lamps, and
	We have made such (Lamps) (as) missiles to drive away the Evil Ones,
	وَأَعْتَدُنَا لَهُمْ عَنَابِ السَّعِيرِ
	and have prepared for them the Penalty of the Blazing Fire.
6	وَلِلَّذِينَ كَفَرُوابِرَبِّهِمْ عَنَابُ جَهَنَّمَ
	For those who reject their Lord (and Cherisher) is the Penalty of Hell:
	وبنِّسَ الْمَصِيرِهِ
	and evil is (such) destination.
7	إِذَا أُلْقُوا فِيهَا سَمِعُوا لَهَا شَهِيقًا وَهِي تَفُوسُ
	When they are cast therein, they will hear the (terrible) drawing in of its
	breath even as it blazes forth.
8	تكادُ مَكَيَّرُ مِنَ الْغَيْظِ
	Almost bursting with fury:
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	كُلَّمَا أُلْقِيَ فِيهَا فَوْجٌ سَأَ لَهُمُ خَزَنَتُهَا أَلَمُ يَأْتِكُمُ نَذِيرٌ every time a Group is cast therein, its Keepers will ask, "Did no Warner come to you?"
9	قَالُوا بَلَى قَلُ جَاءَنَا نَنِيرٌ فَكَنَّ بُنَا
	They will say:
	"Yes indeed: a Warner did come to us, but we rejected him
	وَقُلْنَامَا نَزَّلَ اللَّهُ مِنْ شَيْءٍ إِنْ أَنتُمْ إِلَّا فِي ضَلَالٍ كَبِيرٍ
	and said, 'Allah never sent down any (Message): ye are in nothing but an egregious delusion!' "
10	وَقَالُوالَوَ كُنَّا نَسُمَعُ أَوْنَعُقِلُ مَا كُنَّا فِي أَصْحَابِ السَّعِيدِ
	They will further say:
	"Had we but listened or used our intelligence, we should not (now) be among the Companions of the Blazing Fire!"
11	فَاعُتَرَفُوابِنَنْبِهِمْ فَسُحُقًالِأَصْحَابِ السَّعِيرِ
	They will then confess their sins: but far will be (Forgiveness) from the Companions of the Blazing Fire!
12	إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَغْشَوُنَ رَبَّهُمْ بِالْغَيْبِ لَمُّمْ مَغْفِرَةٌ وَأَجُرُّ كَبِيرٌ
	As for those who fear their Lord unseen, for them is Forgiveness and a great Reward.
13	وَأُسِرُّواقَوْلُكُمْ أَوِاجُهَرُوابِهِ إِنَّهُ عَلِيمٌ بِنَاتِ الصَّٰدُونِ
	And whether ye hide your word or publish it, He certainly has (full) knowledge, of the secrets of (all) hearts.

14	أَلايَعُلَمُ مَنْ خَلَقَ
	Should He not know He that created?
	وَهُوَ اللَّطِيفُ الْخَبِيرُ
	And He is the One that understands the finest mysteries (and) is well-acquainted (with them).
15	هُوَ الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمُ الْأَرْضَ ذَلُولًا فَامُشُو ا فِي مَنَا كِبِهَا وَكُلُوا مِنُ بِرِزْقِهِ
	It is He Who has made the earth manageable for you, so traverse ye through its tracts and enjoy of the Sustenance which He furnishes:
	وَ النَّهُ شُومُ
	but unto Him is the Resurrection.
16	أَأَمِنْتُهُمْ مَنْ فِي السَّمَاءِ أَنْ يَغْسِفَ بِكُمُ الْأَنْ صَافَإِذَا هِي تَمُورُ
	Do ye feel secure that He Who is in heaven will not cause you to be
	swallowed up by the earth when it shakes (as in an earthquake)?
17	أَمُ أَمِنْتُمُ مَن فِي السَّمَاءِ أَن يُرُسِلَ عَلَيْكُمُ حَاصِبًا
	Or do ye feel secure that He Who is in Heaven will not send against you a
	violent tornado (with showers of stones),
	فَسَتَعُلَمُونَ كَيْفَ نَذِيرِ
	so that ye shall know how (terrible) was My warning?
18	وَلَقَلُ كَنَّبَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ فَكَيْفَ كَانَ نَكِيرِ
	But indeed men before them rejected (My warning): then how (terrible) was
	My rejection (of them)?

أُولَمُ يَرَوُا إِلَى الطَّابِرِ فَوْقَهُمُ صَافًّاتٍ وَيَقْبِضُنَ 19 Do they not observe the birds above them, spreading their wings and folding them in? مَا يُمُسِكُهُنَّ إِلَّا الرَّحْمَنُ None can uphold them except (Allah) Most Gracious: ٳڷۜۘٷؠػؙڸۺؘؠۣۦٟڹڝؚؠڗٛ truly it is He that watches over all things. أُمَّنُ هَذَا الَّذِي هُوَ جُنُكُ لِكُمْ يَنْصُرُ كُمْ مِنُ دُونِ الرَّحْمَنِ 20 Nay, who is there that can help you, (even as) an army, besides (Allah) Most Merciful? إِنِ الْكَافِرُونَ إِلَّا فِي غُرُومِ In nothing but delusion are the Unbelievers. أُمَّنُ هَذَا الَّذِي يَرُرُونُكُمُ إِنْ أَمُسَكَى رِزْقُكُمُ 21 withhold His provision?

Or who is there that can provide you with Sustenance if He were to

Nay, they obstinately persist in insolent impiety and flight (from the Truth).

أَفَمَنُ يَمُشِيمُ كِبًّا عَلَى وَجُهِهِ أَهُلَى أَمَّنُ يَمُشِي سَوِيًّا عَلَى صِرَاطِ مُسْتَقِيمِ 22

Is then one who walks headlong, with his face grovelling, better guided -- or one who walks evenly on a Straight Way?

23	قُلُهُوَ الَّذِي أَنْشَأَكُمُ وَجَعَلَ لَكُمُ السَّمْعَ وَالْأَبْصَاءَ وَالْأَفْئِدَةَ
	Say:
	"It is He Who has created you (and made you grow), and made for you the
	faculties of
	- hearing,
	- seeing,
	- feeling and
	- understanding:
	قَلِيلًامَاتَشُكُرُونَ
	little thanks it is ye give."
24	قُلُهُوَ النَّذِي ذَهَا أَكُمُ فِي الْأَهُونِ
	Say:
	"It is He Who has multiplied you through the earth,
	وَ إِلَيْهِ ثُحُشَرُونَ
	and to Him shall ye be gathered together."
25	وَيَقُولُونَ مَتَى هَذَا الْوَعُدُ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ
	They ask: When will this promise be (fulfilled)? If ye are telling the truth.
26	قُلْ إِنَّهَا الْعِلْمُ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ وَإِنَّهَا أَنَا نَذِيدٌ مُبِينٌ
	Say:
	"As to the knowledge of the time, it is with Allah alone:
	I am (sent) only to warn plainly in public."
27	فَلَمَّا مَأْوَةُ رُلْفَةً سِيئَتُ وُجُوهُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا
	At length, when they see it close at hand, grieved will be the faces of the Unbelievers,

	وَقِيلَهَذَا الَّذِي كُنْتُمْ بِهِ تَكَّعُونَ
	and it will be said (to them): "This is (the promise fulfilled), which ye were calling for!"
28	قُلُ أَمَا لَيُتُمْ إِنَ أَهُلكَنِي اللَّهُ وَمَنْ مَعِي أَوْمَ حِمَنَا
	Say:
	"See ye? if Allah were to destroy me, and those with me, or if He bestows
	His Mercy on us
	فَمَنْ يُجِيرُ الْكَافِرِينَ مِنْ عَذَابِ أَلِيمٍ
	yet who can deliver the Unbelievers from a grievous Penalty?"
29	قُلُهُو الرَّحْمَنُ آمَنَّا بِهِ وَعَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْنَا
	Say:
	"He is (Allah) Most Gracious: we have believed in Him, and on Him have we put our trust:
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	so soon will ye know which (of us) it is that is in manifest error."
30	قُلْ أَيَا أَيُتُمْ إِنَ أَصْبَحَمَا وُكُمْ غَوْمًا فَمَنْ يَأْتِيكُمْ مِمَاءٍ مَعِينٍ
	Say:
	"See ye? if your stream be some morning lost (in the underground earth),
	who then can supply you with clear-flowing water?"



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