

SURATULGHAASHIA (88)

The *Suratulghaashia*, then, to warn the *Quraysh* of the Judgement, expands on the tenth, eleventh, and the seventeenth verses of the preceding Surah. Man must not disregard the calamitous day — the Doomsday — after which judgement shall be pronounced detrimental to disbelievers. Hence, the Surah portrays two types of people, disbelievers, from the second verse to the seventh verse and believers from the eighth verse to the sixteenth verse. Such shall be man's destiny according to his deserts.

The Surah, then, calls the polytheists' attention to their environment to induce them to consider how the camel — the ship of the desert — has been made for them, how the space has been made serviceable to them in the form of rain, sunshine, alternation of day and night and stars which guide them at night, how mountains have been fixed firmly for them, and how the earth has been levelled for their habitation, cultivation, and journeys. All of them demonstrate His omnipotence and providence for them. Has he granted them such benefits and facilities in vain? Will He not hold them accountable for their conduct in making use of them? Will they go scot-free after all their enormities, excesses, and exploitation? If they think so, let them think. The Messenger, as the twenty-first verse enjoins him, must go on with his admonition. It links the Surah to the preceding surah for, in its ninth verse, too, the Messenger has been enjoined to go on with his admonition without fear or favour undeterred by their irrational hostility. If they turn away his message, consoles him the twenty-second verse, he is no overseer. Allah shall punish them. The twenty-fourth verse of this surah and the twelfth verse of the proceeding surah are identical. Th last two verses threaten them to be held accountable by Allah on the Judgement Day after being resurrected (raised from the dead). And then, they shall have nothing but regret and repentance.

SURATULGHAASHIA

In the name of ALLAH, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

1. Has the information of the calamity overwhelming (all and sundry at the crack of doom) reached you?
2. (There will be) faces (of persons), on that Day, showing great submission of spirit,
3. Toiling painfully, exhausted (by distress).
4. They shall fall into a vehemently hot fire.
5. They shall be given to drink (water) from a boiling spring.
6. They shall have no food (to eat) except a thorny dry bushy grass
7. (Which) shall neither nourish (them) nor avail against hunger.
8. (There will be) faces (of persons), on that Day, beaming with joy,
9. Well pleased with their strivings (in this world).
10. (They shall be) in a garden on high.
11. They shall not hear any idle words in it.
12. In it, there shall be springs flowing fast.
13. In it, there shall be elevated thrones,

سُورَةُ الْغَاشِيَةِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

هَلْ أَتَاكَ حَدِيثُ الْغَاشِيَةِ ﴿١﴾

وُجُوهٌُ يَوْمَئِذٍ خَاشِعَةٌ ﴿٢﴾

عَامِلَةٌ نَّاصِبَةٌ ﴿٣﴾

تَصَلَّى نَارًا أَحَامِيَةً ﴿٤﴾

تُسْقَى مِنْ عَيْنٍ آنِيَةٍ ﴿٥﴾

لَيْسَ لَهُمْ طَعَامٌ إِلَّا مِنْ ضَرِيعٍ ﴿٦﴾

لَا يَسْمِنُ وَلَا يُغْنِي مِنْ جُوعٍ ﴿٧﴾

وُجُوهٌُ يَوْمَئِذٍ نَاعِمَةٌ ﴿٨﴾

لِسَعْيِهَا رَاضِيَةٌ ﴿٩﴾

فِي جَنَّةٍ عَالِيَةٍ ﴿١٠﴾

لَا تَسْمَعُ فِيهَا لِلْغِيَةِ ﴿١١﴾

فِيهَا عَيْنٌ جَارِيَةٌ ﴿١٢﴾

فِيهَا سُرُورٌ مُرْفُوعَةٌ ﴿١٣﴾

14. And cups, laid (set in order),
15. And cushions, set in rows,
16. And rich carpets, spread out.
17. Do they not, then, look at the camels
how they have been created?
18. And, at the heaven, how it has been
raised?
19. And, at the mountains, how they
have been rooted (fixed firmly)?
20. And, at the Earth, how she has been
levelled?
21. Hence, you must admonish (them
for) you are, indeed, one (whose
only duty is) to admonish.
22. You are not an overseer on them.
23. But, (if) anyone turns away and
disbelieves,
24. Allah shall, then, award him the
worst punishment.
25. Indeed, to Us is to be their return,
26. And then, on Us is incumbent their
accountability.

وَأَكْوَابٌ مَوْضُوعَةٌ ﴿١٤﴾

وَمَنَازِلُ مُصَفًّوَةٌ ﴿١٥﴾

وَزَرَازِيرُ مَبْنُوتَةٌ ﴿١٦﴾

أَفَلَا يَنْظُرُونَ إِلَى الْإِبِلِ كَيْفَ خُلِقَتْ ﴿١٧﴾

وَالِإِلَهِ السَّمَاءِ كَيْفَ رُفِعَتْ ﴿١٨﴾

وَالِإِلَهِ الْجِبَالِ كَيْفَ نُصِبَتْ ﴿١٩﴾

وَالِإِلَهِ الْأَرْضِ كَيْفَ سُطِحَتْ ﴿٢٠﴾

فَذَكِّرْ إِنَّمَا أَنْتَ مُذَكِّرٌ ﴿٢١﴾

لَسْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ بِمُصَيْطِرٍ ﴿٢٢﴾

إِلَّا مَنْ تَوَلَّى وَكَفَرَ ﴿٢٣﴾

فَعَذَابُ اللَّهِ الْعَذَابُ الْأَكْبَرُ ﴿٢٤﴾

إِنَّا إِلَيْنَا يَأْتِيهِمْ ﴿٢٥﴾

ثُمَّ إِنَّ عَلَيْنَا حِسَابَهُمْ ﴿٢٦﴾