

***(15) Al-Hijr: (Valley of) Al-Hijr***

In the Name of Allah The All Merciful, The Most Merciful.

1. Alif Lam Ra: Those are the signs of the writ, and a manifest Quran.
2. Perchance, fancy will the ones who repudiated that they were ever Muslims<sup>1</sup>.
3. Leave them, (to) eat and pleasure, while distracts them does hopefulness; then they will know.
  4. And We destroyed not any village, except (that) unto it was a known writ.
  5. Advances not does any nation its postponement, and not are they delayed.
6. And they said, "O you, the one who descended upon was the remembrance, assuredly you are insane!"
  7. "Would that you bring us the angels, if you are ever from the truthful."
  8. We descend not the angels except with the right; and not are they then ever reprieved.
  9. Assuredly We, Us, descended the remembrance, and assuredly We are unto it Preservers.
    10. And We have truly sent from before you among the sects of the earlier (ones).
    11. And arrives not to them does any messenger but they are ever of him mocking.
      12. Thus We set it into the cores of the malefactors...
    13. ...not do they have faith in it, and truly bygone is the course of the earlier (ones).
    14. And if We opened upon them a door from the sky, then they persisted in it wending...
    15. ...they would have said, "In fact, stupefied was our sight. Rather, we are ensorcelled people."
    16. And We have truly made in the sky constellations and decorated it for the onlookers...
      17. ...and preserved it from every peltworthy devil...
    18. ...except whoever steals (by) the hearing; so follows him does a manifest meteor.
  19. And Earth, We extended it and cast therein fasteners, and vegetated in it from every balanced thing.
  20. And We made in it for you sustenance, and (also for) whomever you are not unto him provisioners.
  21. And not is there anything, except (that) at Us is its stores; and We descend it not except with a known value.
  22. And We sent the winds as fertilizers; and We descended from the sky water, so We hydrated you (with) it, and not of it are you storers.
    23. And assuredly We, surely Us, vivify and deaden; and We are the Inheritors.
    24. And We have truly known the forward (coming) ones from you, and We have truly known the later (coming) ones.
      25. And assuredly your Lord, He masses them; assuredly He is most judicious, most knowledgeable.
      26. And We have truly created the human from clay of black earth, transformed.

27. And the Jinn We created before, from the fire of Simoom.
28. For, said did your Lord to the angels, "Assuredly I am creating humans from clay of black earth, transformed."
29. "So, when I level him and blow into him from My spirit, fall unto him, prostrating."
30. So prostrated did the angels, all of them, all together.
31. Except Iblis, he refused to be with the prostrators.
32. He said, "O Iblis, what is it with you that not are you with the prostrators?"
33. He said, "Not would I prostrate to a human You created from clay of black earth, transformed."
34. He said, "Then exit from it, for assuredly you are peltworthy."
35. "And assuredly upon you is the curse until the Day of Requitat."
36. He said, "My Lord, then reprieve me until the day they are dispatched."
37. He said, "Then assuredly you are from the reprieved..."
38. "...until the Day of Known Time."
39. He said, "My Lord, since You strayed me, then I will surely decorate for them (what is) on Earth, and I will stray them, all together..."
40. "...except Your slaves among them, the sincere (ones)."
41. He said, "This is a path unto Me, straight."
42. "Assuredly, My slaves, not for you over them is (any) authority, except whoever follows you from the strayed."
43. And assuredly Hell is surely their engagement, all together.
44. Unto it are seven doors, for each door of them is a segment, divided.
45. Assuredly the venerators are in gardens and springs.
46. "Enter it with peace, secure."
47. And We extracted what was in their chests of rancor; brothers upon beds facing (each other).
48. Touches them not in it does toil, and not from it are they evicted.
49. And apprise My slaves that I, Me, am The Most Forgiving, The Most Merciful...
50. ...and that My torment is the painful torment.
51. And apprise them about the guests of Abraham.
52. For they entered upon him, then said, "Peace." He said, "Assuredly we are of you trepid."
53. They said, "Be not trepid, assuredly we herald you glad tidings of a knowledgeable youth."
54. He said, "You herald me glad tidings, yet touched me has old age, so what do you herald (to) me?"

55. They said, "We herald you glad tidings with the right, so be not from the despondent."
56. He said, "And who desponds from the mercy of his Lord except the deviated?"
57. He said, "So what's up with you, O messengers?"
58. They said, "Assuredly we were sent to a maleficent people..."
59. "...except the family of Lot, assuredly we will rescue them, all together..."
60. "...except his wife, we evaluated that assuredly she is surely from those (to be) left behind."
61. So when came to the family of Lot did the messengers...
62. ...he said, "Assuredly you are people, unrecognized."
63. They said, "Rather, we came to you about what they were ever in it contending."
64. "And we arrive to you with the right, and assuredly we are surely truthful."
65. "So journey by night with your family, in sections of the night, and follow on their tails; and let not any one of you look around and proceed where you are ordered."
66. And We decreed for him (in) that affair that, to the hindmost, those would be severed in the morning.
67. And came did the people of the city, glad at the tidings.
68. He said, "Assuredly those are my guests, so scandal me not."
69. "And venerate Allah and disgrace me not."
70. They said, "Did we not forbid you from the worlds (as a whole)?"
71. He said, "Those are my daughters, if you were ever doers."
72. By your life! Assuredly they are surely in their stupor, roaming.
73. So took them did the shout at sunrise.
74. Then We made its top, its bottom and We rained upon them stones of Sijjeel<sup>2</sup>.
75. Assuredly in this are signs for the inferring (ones).
76. And assuredly it is surely on an established way.
77. Assuredly in this is a sign for the faithful.
78. And for, ever were the Companions of The Thicket surely oppressors.
79. So We avenged upon them, and assuredly they are (both) surely on a manifest lead.
80. And surely they have truly belied, the Companions of Al-Hijr (Valley), the messengers.
81. And We provided them Our signs, so they were ever from them averting.
82. And they were carving from the mountains houses, secure.

83. So took them did the shout in the morning.

84. Then enriched them not did what they were ever earning.

85. And We created not the heavens and Earth and what is between them except with the right, and assuredly The Hour is surely coming; so remit a comely remittance.

86. Assuredly your Lord is He, The Creator, The Most Knowledgeable.

87. And surely We have truly provided you seven of the reiterations, and the Grand Quran.

88. Extend not your eyes to what We pleased pairs of them with; and sadden not over them, and lower your wing to the faithful.

89. And say: "Assuredly I am the manifest warner."

90. (Such) as We descended upon the divisionors...

91. ...the ones who made the Quran disjoined.

92. So, by your Lord, We will surely ask them, all together...

93. ...about what they were ever doing.

94. So divulge what you are ordered and avert from the Associators.

95. Assuredly We sufficed you (against) the ridiculers...

96. ...the ones who make with Allah another god; so they will know.

97. And We truly know that assuredly your chest tightens with what they say.

98. So extol with praise of your Lord, and be from the prostrators.

99. And worship your Lord until arrives to you does the certainty.

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1. The Arabic word 'Muslim' means submitted. It is noteworthy that followers of Islam are called Muslims precisely because the essence of Islam is submission to God and therefore the words 'submitted' and 'Muslim' are interchangeable.
  2. The definition of 'sijeel' in the Arabic dictionary is dried, hardened clay or claystone such as argillite etc. This definition, however, is primarily derived from its usage in this Surah. In some interpretations it is said that each stone thrown carried the name of the individual it was to strike and that the word could be a derivative of 'sijil' which is a registry. Yet another interpretation is that the stones came from a valley in Hell named Sijeel.