

# Sura 25 - Al Furkan

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SURA XXV (25) - AL FURKAN (Mecca - 77 Verses) (LXVI - 159)

In the Name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

Blessed be He who hath sent down Al Furkan (the illumination) on his servant, that to all creatures he may be a warner.

His the Kingdom of the Heavens and of the Earth! No son hath He begotten! No partner hath He in his Empire! All things hath He created, and decreeing hath decreed their destinies.

Yet have they adopted gods beside Him which have created nothing, but were themselves created:

And no power have they over themselves for evil or for good, nor have they power of death, or of life, or of raising the dead.

And the infidels say, "This Koran is a mere fraud of his own devising, and others have helped him with it, who had come hither by outrage and life."

And they say, "Tales of the ancients that he hath put in writing! and they were dictated to him morn and even."

Say: He hath sent it down who knoweth the secrets of the Heavens and of the Earth. He truly is the Gracious, the Merciful.

And they say, "What sort of apostle is this? He eateth food and he walketh the streets! Unless an angel be sent down and take part in his warnings,

Or a treasure be thrown down to him, or he have a garden that supplieth him with food..." and those unjust persons say, "Ye follow but a man enchanted."

25:10 See what likenesses they strike out for thee! But they err, and cannot find their way.

Blessed be He who if he please can give thee better than that of which they speak - Gardens, 'neath which the rivers flow: and pavilions will He assign thee.

Aye, they have treated the coming of "the Hour" as a lie. But a flaming fire have we got ready for those who treat the coming of the Hour as a lie.

When it shall see them from afar, they shall hear its raging and roaring, -

And when they shall be flung into a narrow space thereof bound together, they shall invoke destruction on the spot:

- "Call not this day for one destruction, but call for destructions

many."

Say: Is this, or the Paradise of Eternity which was promised to the God-fearing, best? Their recompense shall it be and their retreat;

Abiding therein for ever, they shall have it in all that they desire!  
It is a promise to be claimed of thy Lord.

And on the day when he shall gather them together, and those whom they worshipped beside God, he will say, "Was it ye who led these my servants astray, or of themselves strayed they from the path?"

They will say, "Glory be to thee! It beseemed not us to take other lords than thee. But thou gavest them and their fathers their fill of good things, till they forgot the remembrance of thee, and became a lost people."

25:20 Then will God say to the Idolaters, "Now have they made you liars in what ye say, and they have no power to avert your doom, or to succour you."

And whosoever of you thus offendeth, we will make him taste a great punishment.

Never have we sent Apostles before thee who ate not common food, and walked not the streets. And we test you by means of each other. Will ye be steadfast? Thy Lord is looking on!

They who look not forward to meet Us say, "If the angels be not sent down to us, or unless we behold our Lord...." Ah! they are proud of heart, and exceed with great excess!

On the day when they shall see the angels, no good news shall there be for the guilty ones, and they shall cry out, "A barrier than cannot be passed!"

Then will we proceed to the works which they have wrought, and make them as scattered dust.

Happier, on that day, the inmates of the Garden as to abode, and better off as to place of noontide slumber!

On that day shall the heaven with its clouds be cleft, and the angels shall be sent down, descending:

On that day shall all empire be in very deed with the God of Mercy, and hard day shall it be for the Infidels.

And on that day shall the wicked one bite his hands, and say, "Oh! would that I had taken the same path with the Apostle!

25:30 "Oh! woe is me! would that I had not taken such an one for my friend!

It was he who led me astray from the Warning which had reached me! and Satan is man's betrayer."

Then said the Apostle, "O my Lord! truly my people have esteemed this

Koran to be vain babbling."

Thus have we given to every Prophet an enemy from among the wicked ones  
- But thy Lord is a sufficient guide and helper.

And the infidels say, "Unless the Koran be sent down to him all at once...." But in this say would we stablish thy heart by it; in parcels have we parcelled it out to thee;

Nor shall they come to thee with puzzling questions, but we will come to thee with the truth, and their best solution.

They who shall be gathered upon their faces into hell, shall have the worst place, and be farthest from the path of happiness.

Heretofore we gave the law to Moses, and appointed his brother Aaron to be his counsellor:

And we said, "Go ye to the people who treat our signs as lies." And them destroyed we with utter destruction.

And as to the people of Noah! when they treated their Apostles as impostors, we drowned them; and we made them a sign to mankind: - A grievous chastisement have we prepared for the wicked!

25:40 And Ad and Themoud, and the men of Rass, and divers generations between them:

Unto each of them did we set forth parables for warnings, and each of them did we utterly exterminate.

Oft there this have the unbelieving Meccans passed by the city on which we rained a fatal rain. What! Have they not seen it? Yet have they no hope of a resurrection!

And when they see thee, they do but take thee as the subject of their railleries. "What! Is this he whom God has sent as an Apostle?"

Indeed he had well nigh led us astray from our gods, had we not persevered steadfastly in their service." But in the end they shall know, when they shall see the punishment, who hath most strayed from the path.

What thinkest thou? He who hath taken his passion as a god - wilt thou be a guardian over him?

Thinkest thou that the greater part of them hear or understand? They are just like the brutes! Yes! they stray even further from the right way.

Hast thou not seen how thy Lord lengthened out the shadow? Had He pleased he had made it motionless. But we made the sun to be its guide;

Then draw it in unto Us with easy indrawing.

He it is who ordaineth the night as a garment, and sleep for rest, and ordaineth the day for waking up to life:

25:50 He it is who sendeth the winds as the forerunner of his mercy (rain);  
and pure water send we down from Heaven,

That we may revive by it a dead land: and we give it for drink to our  
creation, beasts and men in numbers;

And we distribute it among them on all sides, that they may reflect:  
but most men refuse to be aught but thankless.

Had we pleased, we had raised up a warner in every city.

Give not way therefore to the Infidels, but by means of this Koran  
strive against them with a mighty strife.

And He it is who hath let loose the two seas, the one sweet, fresh; and  
the other salt, bitter; and hath put an interspace between them, and a barrier  
that cannot be passed.

And it is He who hath created man of water, and established between them  
the ties of kindred and affinity: and potent is thy Lord.

Yet beside God do they worship what can neither help nor hurt them: and  
the Infidel is Satan's helper against his Lord:

Still we have sent thee only as a herald and a warner.

Say: I ask of you no recompense for it, except from him who is willing  
to take the way to his Lord.

25:60 And put thou thy trust in Him that liveth and dieth not, and celebrate  
his praise; (He fully knoweth the faults of his servants) who in six days  
created the Heavens and the Earth, and whatever is between them, then mounted  
his Throne: the God of Mercy! Ask now of the Wise concerning Him.

But when it is said to them, "Bow down before the God of Mercy," they  
say, "Who is the God of Mercy? Shall we bow down to what thou biddest?" And  
they fly from thee the more.

Blessed be He who hath placed in the Heaven the sign of the Zodiac! who  
hath placed in it the Lamp of the Sun, and the light-giving Moon!

And it is He who hath ordained the night and the day to succeed one  
another for those who desire to think on God or desire to be thankful.

And the servants of the God of Mercy are thy who walk upon the Earth  
softly; and when the ignorant address them, they reply, "Peace!"

They that pass the night in the worship of their lord prostrate and  
standing: -

And that say, "O our Lord! turn away from us the torment of Hell, for  
its torment is endless: it is indeed an ill abode and resting place!

Those who when they spend are neither lavish nor niggard, but keep the  
mean: -

Those who call on no other gods with God, nor slay whom God hath forbidden to be slain, except for a just cause, and who commit not fornication (for he who doth this shall meet the reward of his wickedness:

Doubt to him shall be the torment on the day of Resurrection; and in it shall he remain, disgraced, for ever: -

25:70 Save those who shall repent and believe and do righteous works - for them God will change their evil things into good things, for God is Gracious, Merciful -

And whoso turneth to God and doeth what is right, he verily will concert with a true conversion):

And they who bear not witness to that which is false, and when they pass by frivolous sport, pass on with dignity: -

And they who, when monished by the signs of their Lord, fall not down thereat, as if deaf and blind: -

And who say, "O our Lord! give us in our wives and offspring the joy of our eyes, and make us examples to those who fear thee:"

These shall be rewarded with the High Places of Paradise for their steadfast endurance, and they shall meet therein with - Welcome and Salutation:

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For ever shall they remain therein: a fair abode and resting-place!

Say: Not on your account doth my Lord care if ye call not on Him! ye have treated his Apostle as an impostor: but bye and bye a punishment shall cleave to them.