

# Sura 79 - Those Who Tear Out

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## THE CHAPTER OF THOSE WHO TEAR OUT

(LXXIX. Mecca.)

IN the name of the merciful and compassionate God.

By those who tear out violently!

And by those who gaily release!

And by those who float through the air!

And the preceders who precede!

And those who manage the affair!

On the day when the quaking quakes which the following one shall succeed!

Hearts on that day shall tremble; eyes thereon be humbled! They say, 'Shall we

be sent back to our old course?— What! when we are rotten bones?' they say,

'That then were a losing return!' But it will only be one scare, and lo! they

will be on the surface! Has the story of Moses come to you? when his Lord

addressed him in the holy valley of Tuva, 'Go unto Pharaoh, verily, he is

outrageous; and say, "Hast thou a wish to purify thyself, and that I may guide

thee to thy Lord, and thou mayest fear?"

So he showed him the greatest sign; but he called him a liar and rebelled. Then

he retreated hastily, and gathered, and proclaimed, and said, 'I am your Lord

most High!' but God seized him with the punishment of the future life and of

the former. Verily, in that is a lesson to him who fears!

Are ye harder to create or the heaven that He has built? He raised its height

and fashioned it; and made its night to cover it, and brought forth its noonday

light; and the earth after that He did stretch out. He brings forth from it its

water and its pasture. And the mountains He did firmly set, a provision for you

and for your cattle.

And when the great predominant calamity shall come, on the day when man shall

remember what he strove after, and hell shall be brought out for him who sees!

And as for him who was outrageous and preferred the life of this world, verily,

hell is the resort!

But as for him who feared the station of his Lord, and prohibited his soul from

lust, verily, Paradise is the resort! They shall ask thee about the Hour, for

when it is set. Whereby canst thou mention it? Unto thy Lord its period

belongs. Thou art only a warner to him who fears it.

On the day they see it, it will be as though they had only tarried an evening

or the noon thereof.