

Lugman The Wise

Chapter 31 of The Sacred Qur'an

Explained in the English language



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In the Name of The One God, Allah, The Most Gracious, The Most Compassionate بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

(Allah: The name of The One True God in Arabic, a Semitic language. The name Allah exists in The Old Testament: in the Hebrew form in Genesis 1.1 Eloh/Elohim, and in the Aramaic form in The New Testament/Peshitta: Alah/Alaha: *Matthew 5:8*, 'Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see "Alaha"')

1: **الم** Alif Lam Meem (An array of Arabic letters open a number of chapters of the Qur'an, this is a linguistic device that was employed to challenge the idol-worshippers of Arabia and for all those who reject to produce something similar to this revelation which comprises the very same letters that they used in their own poetry, this challenge has not been answered for over 1400 years.)

2: Those are the signs of the wise book. (Namely the chapters that start with the Arabic letters Alif lam meem.)³: (They are:) A guidance and mercy for those who do good, (The people of excellence).⁴: (They are:) those who establish the prayer and give the obliged charity, and they - regarding the hereafter - are certain. ⁵: They are upon guidance from their Lord, and it is they who will be successful.⁶: And indeed, from mankind are those who purchase idle stories (idle entertainment in order) to turn others away from the path of God Almighty - without knowledge. (Such as paying for dancing girls, frivolous entertainment at the gate of the house of worship. Without knowledge of even the basics of Islam, and the consequences resulting from their action.) Indeed, moreover he takes it (The path of God) in ridicule, for them is a humiliating punishment. ⁷: Verily, when our signs are related to him, he turns away arrogantly, as if he has not even heard them, as if he were deaf, so therefore give him glad tidings of an array of painful punishments. ⁸: Certainly, for those who faithfully believe and do good works, for them are gardens of delight. (All forms of pleasure that never end.)⁹: Residing within her (paradise) forever, the promise of Allah is a certain truth. (A fact, a manifest reality.) And indeed, He is The Almighty The Most Wise. (In Arabic nouns have genders; paradise, hellfire and earth are all female.)¹⁰: He (Is The One who) created the heavens without any visible pillar, and He has set in the earth firm mountains, lest she shake with you, and He sent forth upon her every creature. And indeed, We sent down from the sky rain, and We grew within her pairs of every noble kind. (Both kinds; sweet/bitter, male/female etc.)¹¹: That is the creation of Allah, so show Me what those who are worshipped besides Him have created! Nay, the oppressors are in clear error. (Taking rights due to others, wronging their own souls.)¹²: And for certain we gave Luqman *The Wisdom*, that is: "(To) Be grateful to Allah, and whosoever is grateful then indeed, he is only grateful for himself, and whosoever rejects and is ungrateful then indeed, Allah is one who is rich, without need, moreover, one who is most praiseworthy".¹³: And bear in mind when Luqman said to his son whilst he was counselling him, "O my son do not make rivals with Allah! Indeed, shirk* is a grievous evil!"

(*Worshipping anyone other than Allah, ritually or by veneration, an oppressive and

heinous evil.) ¹⁴: And indeed, We obligated upon mankind with wise council the responsibility due to his parents, (call to mind that:) his mother carried him in weakness upon weakness, (from this) the breastfeeding of two years. Thus: 'Be grateful to Me and to your parents, to Me is the final return. ¹⁵: But if they strive to make you make rivals unto Me, something which you have no basis for (No evidence for) - then do not obey them in that, but accompany both of them in this life in a humble and gentle way, and follow the path of the one who turns back to Me, (The way of the prophet), then the return is to Me, for then I will inform you about all that you used to do'.

Luqman continues: ¹⁶: "O my son if the weight of a mustard seed was to be in a rock or anywhere in the heavens, or inside the earth, Allah will bring it forth, for indeed, Allah is one perceptive of all intricacies, one aware. ¹⁷: O my son establish the Salah (The daily prayers), call people to do good and to stop evil deeds. And persevere over whatsoever befalls you (of trials and calamities) indeed, this is from the matters that require resolve. (Steadfastness in patience upon adversity.) ¹⁸: And, do not turn away from people (in contempt/haughtiness) and do not travel in the land with arrogance, indeed Allah does not love every self-obsessed boaster. ¹⁹: And be moderate in your pace, and lower your voice, for indeed; the most repugnant of sounds is the sound of donkeys". (Those who carry books but do not act on them are also referred to as proverbial 'donkeys' 62:5) ²⁰: Do you not see that Allah has subjugated for you whatsoever is in the heavens and whatsoever is on (and in) the earth, and has generously bestowed His blessings upon you, both manifest and hidden? And know that from mankind is he who disputes about Allah without knowledge, without guidance, and without an enlightening book. (Shedding true and noble light, not false light of evil secrets.) ²¹: And verily, when it is said to them follow that which Allah has revealed, they say: "No, we will follow what our forefathers were upon!" Lo, even though shaytan beckons them to a punishment of vehement flames. ²²: And whosoever submits his countenance to Allah - all whilst he is a doer of good, then certainly he has grasped the strongest, most trustworthy handhold, and for Allah is the settlement of all affairs. ²³: And indeed regarding he who rejects (this true faith), thence do not let his rejection grieve you, to Us is their return and we will inform them in regards to what they did. Indeed, Allah is One (All)-knowing of what is within the chests of man. ²⁴: We grant them (the criminals) enjoyment for a short while, then we shall drive them to a severe punishment! ²⁵: And if you were to ask them O Prophet: "Who created the heavens and the earth?" -

- Nay, they would indeed say "Allah" (The Arab Idol worshippers (and also people of scripture; the Jews and Christians) called the creator: Allah) and (Thus) Proclaim: "Praise to Allah!" No, most of them do not know.

26: To Allah belongs whatsoever is in the heavens and the earth! Indeed, Allah is The Rich (free of need), The Praiseworthy.

27: Indeed, if all of what is upon the earth of trees were made into a set of pens, and the sea was as ink, then all the seven seas were added to it - in addition, the words of Allah would not be spent.

(Would not run out.) Indeed, Allah is One who is Mighty, Most Wise.

28: Your creation and resurrection, is but like that of a single soul. (Easy for The Almighty.) Verily, Allah is one who hears and sees.

(Everything.)²⁹: Is it that you do not see that Allah merges the night into the day, and the day into night, and that He has subjugated the sun and the moon each moving in its course for a (prescribed) named service? Indeed, Allah of what you do, is One Aware.

(One All-Aware)³⁰: That is because Allah is The True (God -The Truth), and that which they worship besides Him is The Real Falsehood! Indeed, know that Allah is The Most High, The Tremendous.

31: Is it that you do not see that the ships sail through the sea by the bounty of Allah? (He graces such:) That He may show you His signs.

Indeed, in that are signs for every person who is patient and grateful. (They sail through with a part of them submerged in the sea, carrying people to natural wonders, signs of His existence.)³²: And when a wave covers them like a shadow they call Allah sincere to Him in faith, (A shadow of impending doom, when the wave like a tidal wave towers over them, enveloping them in its literal shadow, like a ceiling, they call purely on The Almighty alone) thence when He rescues them, delivering them back to the land, then incredibly some of them are those who stop in-between faith (and rejection, as a hypocrite) - and none reject our signs except every mistaken rejector.

33: 'O mankind be heedful of your Lord, and fear (with insight) a day when a father will not be able to suffice his son, and a child will not be able to suffice his father in a single thing. Indeed, the promise of Allah is true (a factual reality) - thus do not let her - the life of this world deceive you, and do not let him, the deceiver (shaytan) deceive you about Allah'. (Do not let the worldly things delude you, nor let shaytan deceive you about the existence and reality of Allah, and His Mercy.

34: Indeed, knowledge of the hour is with Allah. (The day of judgement.) And it is He who sends down the rain, and He knows what is within the wombs, and no soul knows what it will earn tomorrow (in reality), and no soul knows in which land it will die. Indeed, Allah is One All-Knowing, One All-Aware.