12. Why did they not bring four witnesses for it? Then when they did not produce the witnesses, they are liars in the sight of Allah.

13. And if it had not been for the Grace of Allah upon you and His Mercy in this world and the Hereafter, surely a great punishment would have touched you for what you had rushed glibly concerning it.

14. When you received it with your tongues and said with your mouths that of which you had no knowledge, and you thought it insignificant, while it was great in the sight of Allah.

15. And why did you not, when you heard it, say, "It is not for us that we speak this. Glory be to You! This is a great slander?" Allah warns you that you should not repeat the like of it ever, if you are believers.

16. And Allah makes clear to you the Verses. And Allah is All-Knower, All-Wise.

17. Indeed, those who like that immorality should spread among those who believe, for them is a painful punishment in this world and the Hereafter.
And Allah knows, while you do not know.

20. And if it had not been for the Grace of Allah upon you and His Mercy, And that Allah is Full of Kindness, Most Merciful.

O you who believe! Do not follow the footsteps of Shaitaan, and whoever follows the footsteps of Shaitaan, then indeed, he commands immorality and evil. And had there not been the Grace and Mercy of Allah upon you, none of you would have ever been pure, but Allah purifies whom He wills. And Allah is All-Hearer, All-Knower.

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And let not those of virtue among you and the wealthy swear not to give to the near of kin and the needy and the emigrants in the way of Allah. And let them pardon and overlook. Do you not like that Allah should forgive you? And Allah is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful.

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23. Indeed, those who accuse chaste, unaware and believing women are cursed in this world and the Hereafter. And for them is a great punishment.

24. On a Day when
their tongues, their hands
and their feet will bear
witness against them as
to what they used to do.

25. On that Day Allah will
pay them in full their due
(deserved) recompense,
and they will know that
Allah is the Manifest
Truth.

26. Evil women are for
evil men, and evil men
are for evil women. And
good women are for
good men, and good men
are for good women.
Those are innocent
of what they (slanderers)
say. For them is
forgiveness and a noble
provision.

27. O you who believe!
Do not enter houses
other than your own
houses until you have
asked permission and
greeted its inhabitants.
That is best for you
so that you may pay heed.

28. But if you do not find
anyone in it, then do not
enter it until permission
has been given to you.
And if it is said to you,
“Go back,” then go back;
it is purer for you. And
Allah is All-Knower of
what you do.

29. There is no blame
upon you if you enter
uninhabited houses in
which there is provision
for you. And Allah
knows what you reveal
and what you conceal.

30. Say to the believing men to lower their gaze and guard their chastity. That is purer for them. Indeed, Allah is All-Aware of what they do.

31. And say to the believing women to lower their gaze and guard their chastity and not display their adornment except what is apparent thereof. And let them draw their head covers over their bosoms and not display their adornment except to their husbands, their husbands’ fathers, their sons, their husbands’ sons, their brothers’ sons, their sisters’ sons, their women, that which their right hands possess or those male attendants having no physical desire or children who are not yet aware of the private aspects of women. And let them not stamp their feet to make known what they conceal of their adornment. And turn, all of you, in repentance to Allah O believers! So that you may succeed.
32. And marry the single among you and the righteous among your male slaves and female slaves. If they are poor, Allah will enrich them from His Bounty. And Allah is All-Encompassing, All-Knowing.

33. And let those who do not find (means for) marriage keep themselves chaste until Allah enriches them of His Bounty. And those who seek a writing (of freedom) from among whom your right hands possess, give them the writing if you know any good in them, and give them from the wealth of Allah, which He has given you. And do not compel your slave girls to prostitution, if they desire chastity, to seek enjoyment of the life of this world. And whoever compels them, then indeed, Allah is, after they have been compelled, Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful (to the women).

34. And verily, We have sent down to you clear Verses and the example of those who passed away before you, and an admonition for those who fear Allah.

35. Allah is the Light of the heavens and the earth. The example of His Light is like a niche in which is a lamp; the lamp is within a glass, the glass as if it were part of a wall. Then a lamp is within it, burning, giving light by a clear flame. Such is Allah, your Lord! None shall be All-Glorious besides Him.
a brilliant star lit from the (oil of) a blessed olive tree, neither of the east nor of the west, whose oil would almost glow even if untouched by fire. Light upon Light. Allah guides to His Light whom He wills. And Allah sets forth examples for mankind. And Allah is All-Knower of everything.

36. In houses which Allah has ordered to be raised and His name be mentioned therein. Glorify Him therein in the mornings and the evenings.

37. Men whom neither trade nor sale distracts from the remembrance of Allah and the establishing of the prayer and giving of zakah. They fear a Day in which the hearts and eyes will turn about.

38. That Allah may reward them (according to) the best of what they did and increase them from His Bounty. And Allah provides whom He wills without measure.

39. But (as for) those who disbelieve, their deeds are like a mirage in a desert which a thirsty one thinks to be water until, when he comes to it, he finds it to be nothing but finds Allah before him, and He will pay him in full his due. And Allah is swift in account.

40. Or (the unbelievers state) is like utter darkness in a deep sea which is covered by waves,
on which is another wave, above which is a cloud, (layers of) utter darkness, one above another. When one puts out his hand, he can hardly see it. And he, for whom Allah has not given light, then there is no light for him.

41. Do you not see that Allah is glorified by whoever is in the heavens and the earth and the birds with wings outspread? Each one knows its (mode of) prayer and glorification. And Allah is All-Knower of what they do.

42. And to Allah (belongs) the dominion of the heavens and the earth. And to Allah is the destination.

43. Do you not see that Allah drives clouds, then joins them together, then makes them into a mass, then you see the rain emerge from their midst? And He sends down from the sky, mountains (of clouds) within which is hail, and He strikes with it whom He wills and averts it from whom He wills. The flash of its lightning almost takes away the sight.

44. Allah alternates the night and the day. Indeed, in that is a lesson for those who have vision.

45. And Allah has created every moving creature from water. Of them is (a kind) that creeps on its belly, and of them is (a kind) that