did send a Messenger [Mûsâ (Moses)] to Fir‘aun (Pharaoh).[1]

16. But Fir‘aun (Pharaoh) disobeyed the Messenger [Mûsâ (Moses)]; so We seized him with a severe punishment.

17. Then how can you avoid the punishment, if you disbelieve, on a Day (i.e. the Day of Resurrection) that will make the children grey-headed?

18. Whereon the heaven will be cleft asunder? His Promise is certainly to be accomplished.

19. Verily, this is an admonition: therefore whosoever will, let him take a Path to His Lord!

20. Verily, your Lord knows that you do stand (to pray at night) a little less than two thirds of the night, or half the night, or a third of the night, and also a party of those with you. And Allâh measures the night and the day. He knows that you are unable to pray the whole night, so He has turned to you (in mercy). So, recite you of the Qur’ân as much as may be easy for you. He knows that there will be some among you sick, others travelling through the land, seeking of Allâh’s Bounty, yet others fighting in Allâh’s Cause. So recite as much of the Qur’ân as may be easy (for you), and perform As-Salât (Iqâmat-as-Salât) and give Zakât, and lend Allâh a goodness loan. And whatever good you send before you for yourselves (i.e. Nawâfil non-obligatory acts of worship: prayers, charity, fasting, Hajj and ‘Umrah), you will certainly find it with Allâh, better and greater in reward. And seek Forgiveness of Allâh. Verily, Allâh is Oft-Forgiving, Most-Merciful.[2]

Sûrat Al-Muddaththir
(The One Enveloped) LXXIV

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In the Name of Allâh,
the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

1. O you (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) enveloped in garments!

2. Arise and warn!

3. And magnify your Lord (Allâh)!

4. And purify your garments!

5. And keep away from Ar-Ru‘j (the idols)!

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[1] (V.73:15) See the footnotes of (V.2:252).
6. And give not a thing in order to have more (or consider not your deeds of obedience to Allâh as a favour to Him).
7. And be patient for the sake of your Lord (i.e. perform your duty to Allâh)!
8. Then, when the Trumpet is sounded (i.e. the second blowing of the horn).
9. Truly, that Day will be a Hard Day —
10. Far from easy for the disbelievers.
11. Leave Me Alone (to deal) with whom I created lonely (without any wealth or children etc. i.e. Al-Walîd bin Al-Mughîrah Al-Makhzûmî).
12. And then granted him resources in abundance.
13. And children to be by his side.
15. After all that he desires that I should give more;
16. Nay! Verily, he has been opposing Our Ayât (proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations).
17. I shall oblige him to (climb a slippery mountain in the Hell-fire called As-Sâ‘îd, or) face a severe torment!
18. Verily, he thought and plotted.
19. So let him be cursed: how he plotted!
20. And once more let him be cursed: how he plotted!
21. Then he thought.
22. Then he frowned and he looked in a bad tempered way;
23. Then he turned back, and was proud.
24. Then he said: “This is nothing but magic from that of old,
25. “This is nothing but the word of a human being!”
26. I will cast him into Hell-fire.[11]
27. And what will make you know (exactly) what Hell-fire is?
28. It spares not (any sinner), nor does it leave (anything unburnt)!
29. Burning and blackening the skins!
30. Over it are nineteen (angels as guardians and keepers of Hell).
31. And We have set none but angels as guardians of the Fire.

And We have fixed their number (19) only as a trial for the disbelievers, in order that the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians) may arrive at a certainty [that this Qur’ân is the truth as it agrees with their Books regarding the number (19) which is written in the Taurât (Torah) and the Injeel (Gospel)] and that the believers may increase in Faith (as this Qur’ân is the truth), and that no doubt may be left for the people of the Scripture and the believers, and that those in whose hearts is a disease (of hypocrisy) and the disbelievers may say: “What Allâh intends by this (curious) example?” Thus Allâh leads astray whom He wills and guides whom He wills. And none can know the hosts of your Lord but He. And this (Hell) is nothing else than a (warning) reminder to mankind.

32. Nay! And by the moon
33. And by the night when it withdraws.
34. And by the dawn when it brightens.
35. Verily, it (Hell, or their denial of Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم, or the Day of Resurrection) is but one of the greatest (signs).
36. A warning to mankind —
37. To any of you that chooses to go forward (by working righteous deeds), or to remain behind (by committing sins).
38. Every person is a pledge for what he has earned,
39. Except those on the Right, (i.e. the pious true believers of Islâmic Monotheism).
40. In Gardens (Paradise) they will ask one another,
41. About Al-Mujrimûn (polytheists, criminals, disbelievers), (And they will say to them):
42. “What has caused you to enter Hell?”
43. They will say: “We were not of those who used to offer the Salât (prayers),”[1]
44. “Nor we used to feed Al-Miskîn (the needy);
45. “And we used to talk falsehood (all that which Allâh hated) with vain talkers.”[2]
46. And we used to deny the Day of Recompense,[3]

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[1] (V.74:43) See the footnote of (V.8:39).
[2] (V.74:45) See the footnote of (V.4:5).
47. “Until there came to us (the death) that is certain.”
48. So no intercession of intercessors will be of any use to them.
49. Then what is wrong with them (i.e. the polytheists, the disbelievers) that they turn away from (receiving) admonition?
50. As if they were (frightened) wild donkeys.
51. Fleeing from a hunter (or a lion, or a beast of prey).
52. Nay, everyone of them desires that he should be given pages spread out (coming from Allâh with a writing that Islâm is the right religion, and Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم has come with the truth from Allâh, the Lord of the heavens and earth).
53. Nay! But they fear not the Hereafter (from Allâh’s punishment).
54. Nay, Verily, this (Qur’ân) is an admonition,
55. So whosoever wills (let him read it), and receives admonition (from it)!
56. And they will not receive admonition unless Allâh wills; He (Allâh) is the One, deserving that mankind should be afraid of, and should be dutiful to Him, and should not take any Ilâh (god) along with Him, and He is the One Who forgives (sins).

[Sûrah 75. Al-Qiyâmah
(The Resurrection) LXXV

In the Name of Allâh, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.
1. I swear by the Day of Resurrection.
2. And I swear by the self-reproaching person (a believer).
3. Does man (a disbeliever) think that We shall not assemble his bones?
4. Yes, We are Able to put together in perfect order the tips of his fingers.[1]
5. Nay! Man (denies Resurrection and Reckoning. So he) desires to continue committing sins.
6. He asks: “When will be this Day of Resurrection?”
7. So, when the sight shall be dazed.

[1] (V.75:4) Each human being has his or her own special finger prints not resembling anyone else, indicating that our Lord (Allâh) is the Most Superior Creator of everything: Lâ ilâha illâ Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He).