

70- *The Heights (Al-Ma'aarej)*
In the name of God, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

- [70:1] A questioner may question the inevitable retribution.
- [70:2] For the disbelievers, none can stop it.
- [70:3] From GOD; Possessor of the highest Height.
- [70:4] The angels, with their reports, climb to Him in a day that equals fifty thousand years.
- [70:5] Therefore, you shall resort to a gracious patience.
- [70:6] For they see it far away.
- [70:7] While we see it very close.
- [70:8] The day will come when the sky will be like molten rocks.
- [70:9] The mountains will be like fluffy wool.
- [70:10] No friend will care about his close friend.
- [70:11] When they see them, the guilty will wish he could give his own children as ransom, to spare him the retribution of that day.
- [70:12] Also his spouse, and his brother.
- [70:13] Even his whole tribe that raised him.
- [70:14] Even all the people on earth, if it would save him.
- [70:15] No; it is aflame.
- [70:16] Eager to burn.
- [70:17] It calls on those who turned away.
- [70:18] Those who hoarded and counted.
- [70:19] Indeed, the human being is anxious.
- [70:20] If touched by adversity, despondent.
- [70:21] If blessed by wealth, stingy.

[70:22] Except for the worshipers.

[70:23] Who always observe their contact prayers (Salat).

[70:24] Part of their money is set aside.

[70:25] For the poor and the needy.

[70:26] They believe in the Day of Judgment.

[70:27] They reverence their Lord's requital.

[70:28] Their Lord's requital is not taken for granted.

[70:29] They keep their chastity.

[70:30] (They have relations) only with their spouses, or what is legally theirs -

[70:31] anyone who transgresses these limits is a sinner.

[70:32] And the believers keep their word; they are trustworthy.

[70:33] Their testimony is truthful.

[70:34] They consistently observe their contact prayers (Salat) on time.

[70:35] They have deserved a position of honor in Paradise.

[70:36] What is keeping those who disbelieved from joining you?

[70:37] To the right, and to the left, they flee.

[70:38] How can any of them expect to enter the blissful Paradise?

[70:39] Never; we created them, and they know from what.

[70:40] I solemnly swear by the Lord of the easts and the wests; we are able -

[70:41] to substitute better people in your place; we can never be defeated.

[70:42] Therefore, let them blunder and play, until they meet the day that is awaiting them.

[70:43] That is the day they come out of the graves in a hurry, as if herded to the (sacrificial) altars.

[70:44] With their eyes subdued, shame will cover them. That is the day that is awaiting them.

