

## The Qur'an on the Israelites and the Jews

### SOME QUR'ANIC VIEWS OF THE ISRAELITES

<p>Sura 2 (The Cow)  <sup>47</sup>O Children of Israel! Remember My goodness which I have bestowed upon you, and how I favored you over all peoples. <sup>48</sup>Take care of the Day when no one shall avail against another, nor will intercession be accepted from anyone, nor any compensation taken, nor any help given. <sup>49</sup>Remember, We delivered you from Pharaoh's people.... <sup>50</sup>And remember, We divided the sea for you and saved you.... <sup>51</sup>And remember, We appointed 40 nights for Moses, but you took the calf [as a god] in his absence. You were so wrong! <sup>52</sup>Even after that, We forgave you so that you might give thanks! <sup>53</sup>Remember We gave Moses the Book and the <i>Furqān</i> in the hope that you would be guided.... <sup>55</sup>But you said, "O Moses, we will not believe you until we see God openly!" And the thunderbolt took you as you gazed. <sup>56</sup>Then We raised you up again after your death in hope that you would be thankful. <sup>57</sup>We shaded you with the cloud and sent down manna and quails.... <sup>59</sup>But the transgressors changed the words from that which was brought down to them, so We sent down a plague from heaven upon the evildoers for their evil conduct.</p>	<p><b>سورة البقرة</b>  يَا بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ اذْكُرُوا نِعْمَتِيَ الَّتِي أَنْعَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ  وَأَيُّ فَضْلَتِكُمْ عَلَى الْعَالَمِينَ [47] وَاتَّقُوا يَوْمًا لَّا  تُجْزَى نَفْسٌ عَنْ نَفْسٍ شَيْئًا وَلَا يُقْبَلُ مِنْهَا شَفَاعَةٌ  وَلَا يُؤْخَذُ مِنْهَا عَدْلٌ وَلَا هُمْ يُنصَرُونَ [48] وَإِذْ  نَجَّيْنَاكُمْ مِّنْ آلِ فِرْعَوْنَ... [49] وَإِذْ فَارَقْنَا بِكُمْ  الْبَحْرَ... [50] وَإِذْ وَاَعَدْنَا مُوسَىٰ أَرْبَعِينَ لَيْلَةً ثُمَّ  اتَّخَذْتُمُ الْعِجْلَ مِن بَعْدِهِ وَأَنْتُمْ ظَالِمُونَ [51] ثُمَّ  عَفَوْنَا عَنْكُمْ مِّن بَعْدِ ذَلِكَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ [52]  وَإِذْ آتَيْنَا مُوسَى الْكِتَابَ وَالْفُرْقَانَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَهْتَدُونَ  [53]... وَإِذْ قُلْتُمْ يَا مُوسَىٰ لَن نُّؤْمِنَ لَكَ حَتَّىٰ نَرَى  اللَّهَ جَهْرَةً فَأَخَذَتْكُمُ الصَّاعِقَةُ وَأَنْتُمْ تَنْظُرُونَ [55] ثُمَّ  بَعَثْنَاكُمْ مِّن بَعْدِ مَوْتِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ [56]  وَوَضَّلْنَا عَلَيْكُمُ الْعِمَامَ وَأَنْزَلْنَا عَلَيْكُمُ الْمَنَّ  وَالسَّلْوَى... [57] فَبَدَّلَ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا قَوْلًا غَيْرَ الَّذِي  قِيلَ لَهُمْ فَأَنْزَلْنَا عَلَى الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا رِجْزًا مِّن السَّمَاءِ  بِمَا كَانُوا يَفْسُقُونَ [59]</p>
<p>Sura 2 (The Cow)  <sup>61</sup>And remember that you said, "O Moses, we cannot endure one kind of food, so call to your Lord for us and let Him bring forth for us some of the earth's produce.... They were overwhelmed with humiliation and misery, and they earned God's wrath for they rejected God's signs and unjustly killed the prophets because they rebelled and transgressed.</p>	<p><b>سورة البقرة</b>  وَإِذْ قُلْتُمْ يَا مُوسَىٰ لَن نَّصْبِرَ عَلَىٰ طَعَامٍ وَاحِدٍ فَادْعُ  لَنَا رَبَّكَ يُخْرِجْ لَنَا مِمَّا تُنْبِتُ... وَضُرِبَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ الذَّلَّةُ  وَالْمَسْكَنَةُ وَبَآؤُوا بِعَصَبِ مِّنَ اللَّهِ ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ كَانُوا  يَكْفُرُونَ بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ وَيَقْتُلُونَ النَّبِيِّينَ بِغَيْرِ الْحَقِّ ذَلِكَ  بِمَا عَصَوْا وَكَانُوا يَعْتَدُونَ [61]</p>

<p>Sura 2 (The Cow)  <sup>93</sup>But when We made the covenant with you and raised the mountain over you [saying]: Take firm hold of what We have given you and hear," they said, "We hear and we rebel!" (<i>sami`nā wa`aṣaynā</i>).<sup>1</sup> But they drank the calf into their hearts with faithlessness...</p>	<p><b>سورة البقرة</b>  وَإِذْ أَخَذْنَا مِيثَاقَكُمْ وَرَفَعْنَا فَوْقَكُمُ الطُّورَ خُذُوا مَا آتَيْنَاكُمْ بِقُوَّةٍ وَاَسْمِعُوا قَالُوا سَمِعْنَا وَعَصَيْنَا وَأَشْرَبُوا فِي قُلُوبِهِمُ الْعِجْلَ بِكُفْرِهِمْ قُلْ بِئْسَمَا يَأْمُرُكُمْ بِهِ إِيمَانُكُمْ  إِنْ كُنْتُمْ مُؤْمِنِينَ [93]</p>
<p>Sura 5 (The Set Table)  <sup>70</sup>We made a covenant with the Children of Israel and sent them messengers. Every time a messenger came to them with what they did not like, they accused some of them of lying and some of them they killed...<sup>2</sup> <sup>72</sup>Those who say that God is the messiah, son of Mary, blaspheme. The messiah [himself] said: O Children of Israel, worship God, my Lord and your Lord. God forbids the Garden to whomever ascribes partners to God. His abode is the Fire. There will be no helpers for evildoers. <sup>73</sup>Those who say that God is the third of three surely blaspheme! There is no god but the One God. If they do not cease from what they are saying, a painful doom will fall on those who disbelieve. <sup>74</sup>Will they not turn to God and seek forgiveness from Him? God is the Forgiver, Merciful.</p>	<p><b>سورة المائدة</b>  لَقَدْ أَخَذْنَا مِيثَاقَ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ وَارْسَلْنَا إِلَيْهِمْ رَسُولًا كُلَّمَا جَاءَهُمْ رَسُولٌ بِمَا لَا تَهْوَى أَنْفُسُهُمْ فَرِيقًا كَذَّبُوا وَفَرِيقًا يَقْتُلُونَ [70]... لَقَدْ كَفَرَ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا إِنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الْمَسِيحُ ابْنُ مَرْيَمَ وَقَالَ الْمَسِيحُ يَا بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ رَبِّي وَرَبَّكُمْ إِنَّهُ مَنْ يُشْرِكْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدْ حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ الْجَنَّةَ وَمَأْوَاهُ النَّارُ وَمَا لِلظَّالِمِينَ مِنْ أَنْصَارٍ [72] لَقَدْ كَفَرَ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا إِنَّ اللَّهَ ثَالِثُ ثَلَاثَةٍ وَمَا مِنْ إِلَهٍ إِلَّا إِلَهٌ وَاحِدٌ وَإِنْ لَمْ يَنْتَهُوا عَمَّا يَقُولُونَ لَيَمَسَّنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْهُمْ عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ [73] أَفَلَا يَتُوبُونَ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَيَسْتَغْفِرُونََّهُ وَاللَّهُ عَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ [74]</p>
<p>Sura 61 (The Ranks)  <sup>6</sup>Remember, Jesus son of Mary said: "O Children of Israel! I am a messenger of God to you, confirming what I have before me from the Torah and announcing the good news of a</p>	<p><b>سورة الصف</b>  وَإِذْ قَالَ عِيسَى ابْنُ مَرْيَمَ يَا بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ إِنِّي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ إِلَيْكُمْ مُصَدِّقًا لِمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيَّ مِنَ التَّوْرَةِ وَمُبَشِّرًا بِرَسُولٍ يَأْتِي مِنْ بَعْدِي اسْمُهُ أَحْمَدُ فَلَمَّا جَاءَهُمْ</p>

<sup>1</sup>A play on words with the Hebrew *shama`nu va`asinu -- na`aseh venishma`*, See Deut. 5:23: קרב אתה ושמע את כל אשר יאמר יידיהוה ואת תדבר אלינו את כל אשר ידבר יידיהוה ושמענו ועשינו

<sup>2</sup>See also Q.2:87, which refers specifically to Jews and Christians, using the same language of accusation of lying or killing their prophets. On Israel killing their own prophets, see Jeremiah 26:2-23, 2 Chronicles 24:20-21, etc.

<p>messenger who will come after me. His name is Ahmad!" But when he came to them with proofs, they said: "This is obvious magic!" <sup>7</sup>Who does greater wrong than the one who invents falsehood against God when he is called to Islam? God does not guide a people of sinners! <sup>8</sup>They want to extinguish God's light with their mouths. But God will perfect His light even if the unbelievers detest [it]!</p>	<p>بِالْبَيِّنَاتِ قَالُوا هَذَا سِحْرٌ مُّبِينٌ [6] وَمَنْ أَظْلَمُ مِمَّنْ      افْتَرَى عَلَى اللَّهِ الْكَذِبَ وَهُوَ يُدْعَى إِلَى الْإِسْلَامِ      وَاللَّهُ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ [7]      يُرِيدُونَ لِيُطْفِئُوا نُورَ اللَّهِ بِأَفْوَاهِهِمْ وَاللَّهُ مُتِمُّ نُورِهِ      وَلَوْ كَرِهَ الْكَافِرُونَ [8]</p>
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### SOME QUR'ANIC VIEWS OF JEWS

<p>Sura 2 (The Cow)  <sup>62</sup>O you Believers, Jews (i.e. "you who have become Jews"), and Christians and Sabians: whoever believes in God and the Last Day and who has acted rightly has their reward with their Lord. They shall not fear nor grieve. <sup>3</sup></p>	<p><b>سورة البقرة</b>      إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَالَّذِينَ هَادُوا وَالنَّصَارَى وَالصَّابِئِينَ      مَنْ آمَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ وَعَمِلَ صَالِحًا فَلَهُمْ      أَجْرُهُمْ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ وَلَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ      يَحْزَنُونَ [62]</p>
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<p>Sura 2 (The Cow)  <sup>109</sup>Many of the people of the Book would like to render you again unbelievers after your having believed, because of envy on their part after the truth has become clear to them. But forgive and be indulgent until God gives His command, for God is the Power over everything.</p>	<p><b>سورة البقرة</b>      وَدَّ كَثِيرٌ مِّنْ أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ لَوْ يَرُدُّوكُمْ مِّنْ بَعْدِ      إِيمَانِكُمْ كُفَّارًا حَسَدًا مِّنْ عِنْدِ أَنفُسِهِمْ مِّنْ بَعْدِ مَا      تَبَيَّنَ لَهُمُ الْحَقُّ فَاعْتَمُوا وَاصْفَحُوا حَتَّىٰ يَأْتِيَ اللَّهُ بِأَمْرِهِ      إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ [109]</p>
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<p>Sura 2 (The Cow)  <sup>113</sup>The Jews say: "The Christians have no ground to stand on," and the Christians say: "The Jews have no ground to stand on," though they both recite the Book....</p>	<p><b>سورة البقرة</b>      وَقَالَتِ الْيَهُودُ لَيْسَتِ النَّصَارَىٰ عَلَىٰ شَيْءٍ وَقَالَتِ      النَّصَارَىٰ لَيْسَتِ الْيَهُودُ عَلَىٰ شَيْءٍ وَهُمْ يَتْلُونَ      الْكِتَابَ ... [113]</p>
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<sup>3</sup> Repeated in 5:72.

<p>Qur'an 2:256-257  <sup>256</sup>Let there be no compulsion in religion. The right path stands out clearly from error. Whoever rejects <i>Tāghūt</i><sup>4</sup> and believes in God has grasped unfailing support that will never give way. God is the Hearer, the Knower. <sup>257</sup>God is the protector of those with faith, leading them out of the shadows and into light. But the protectors of those who reject God are the <i>Tāghūt</i>, expelling them from light into the shadows. These are destined for the Fire. They will abide therein.</p>	<p><b>سورة البقرة</b>  لَا إِكْرَاهَ فِي الدِّينِ قَدْ تَبَيَّنَ الرُّشْدُ مِنَ الْغَيِّ فَمَنْ يَكْفُرْ  بِالطَّاعُوتِ وَيُؤْمِنَ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدْ اسْتَمْسَكَ بِالْعُرْوَةِ الْوُثْقَى  لَا انْفِصَامَ لَهَا وَاللَّهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ [256] اللَّهُ وَلِيُّ الَّذِينَ  آمَنُوا يُخْرِجُهُمْ مِنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا  أُولَئِكَ وَاللَّهُ يُخْرِجُهُم مِّنَ النُّورِ إِلَى الظُّلُمَاتِ  أُولَئِكَ أَصْحَابُ النَّارِ هُمْ فِيهَا خَالِدُونَ [257]</p>
<p>Sura 3 (Family of Imram)  <sup>78</sup>There are some among them [People of the Book] who distort the Book with their tongues and you would think it is from the Book, but it is not from the Book. But they say, "It is from God." But it is not from God. They lie against God and know it!</p>	<p><b>سورة آل عمران</b>  وَإِنَّ مِنْهُمْ لَفَرِيقًا يَلْوُونَ أَلْسِنَتَهُم بِالْكِتَابِ لِتَحْسَبُوهُ  مِّنَ الْكِتَابِ وَمَا هُوَ مِنَ الْكِتَابِ وَيَقُولُونَ هُوَ مِنْ عِنْدِ  اللَّهِ وَمَا هُوَ مِنْ عِنْدِ اللَّهِ وَيَقُولُونَ عَلَى اللَّهِ الْكُذِبَ  وَهُمْ يَعْلَمُونَ [78]</p>
<p>Sura 3 (Family of Imram)  <sup>85</sup>If anyone desires any religion other than <i>al-Islām</i>, it will never be accepted from him, and he will be missing from the hereafter.</p>	<p><b>سورة آل عمران</b>  وَمَنْ يَبْتَغِ غَيْرَ الْإِسْلَامِ دِينًا فَلَنْ يُقْبَلَ مِنْهُ وَهُوَ فِي  الْآخِرَةِ مِنَ الْخَاسِرِينَ [85]</p>
<p>Sura 4 (The Women)  <sup>46</sup>There are Jews who alter the words from their contexts [in the Book] and say, "He hear and disobey"<sup>5</sup> and "Hear!" (<i>wasma`u</i>) what is inaudible,<sup>6</sup> and "Shepherd us,"<sup>7</sup> twisting their tongues and defaming</p>	<p><b>سورة النساء</b>  مِّنَ الَّذِينَ هَادُوا يُحَرِّفُونَ الْكَلِمَ عَن مَّوَاضِعِهِ وَيَقُولُونَ  سَمِعْنَا وَعَصَيْنَا وَاسْمَعْتَ غَيْرَ مُسْمِعٍ وَرَاعِنَا لَيًّا بِأَلْسِنَتِهِمْ  وَطَعْنَا فِي الدِّينِ وَلَوْ أَنَّهُمْ قَالُوا سَمِعْنَا وَأَطَعْنَا وَاسْمَعْتَ</p>

<sup>4</sup> False gods or sometimes, simply evil.

<sup>5</sup> A play on words with the Hebrew *shama`nu va`asinu -- na`aseh venishma`*, See Deut. 5:23:  
קָרַב אִתָּהּ וּשְׁמַע אֵת כָּל אֲשֶׁר יֹאמַר יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאִתָּהּ תִּדְבֹר אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֵת כָּל אֲשֶׁר יִדְבֹר אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֵלֶיךָ וְשָׁמַעְנוּ וְעָשִׂינוּ

<sup>6</sup> *Wasma`u ghayra musma`in*. Bell on this verse thinks this refers to the Shema.

<sup>7</sup> *Rā`ina*, which is interpreted as another negative statement in the commentaries, such as "You are our Bad One" referring to God, perhaps using the Hebrew meaning of "bad" (*ra`*).

<p>religion. If they had said, "We hear and obey" (<i>sami`nā wa`aṭa`nā</i>) and "Hear and take note of us," it would have been better for them and more correct. But God has cursed them for their unbelief, and few of them [truly] believe.</p>	<p>وَانظُرْنَا لَكَانَ خَيْرًا لَهُمْ وَأَقْوَمَ وَلَكِنْ لَعَنَهُمُ اللَّهُ بِكُفْرِهِمْ فَلَا يُؤْمِنُونَ إِلَّا قَلِيلًا [46]</p>
<p>Sura 4 (The Women)  <sup>160</sup>Because of the iniquity of the Jews, We have forbidden [some] good things for them which were [formerly] allowed to them, and for turning many away from the path of God. [161] And for their taking usury though they had been forbidden that, and for vainly consuming the wealth of the people...</p>	<p><b>سورة النساء</b>  فَبَطَّلْنَا مَنَ الَّذِينَ هَادُوا حَرَّمْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ طَيِّبَاتٍ أُحِلَّتْ لَهُمْ وَبِصَدِّهِمْ عَنِ سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ كَثِيرًا [160] وَأَخَذِهِمُ الرِّبَا وَقَدْ نُهُوا عَنْهُ وَأَكْلِهِمْ أَمْوَالَ النَّاسِ بِالْبَاطِلِ وَأَعْتَدْنَا لِلْكَافِرِينَ مِنْهُمْ عَذَابًا أَلِيمًا [161]</p>
<p>Sura 5 (The Set Table)  <sup>51</sup>O Believers, do not take Jews and Christians as friends.<sup>8</sup> They are friends [only] of one another. Whoever makes friends with them is one of them. God does not guide an unjust people!</p>	<p><b>سورة المائدة</b>  يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَتَّخِذُوا الْيَهُودَ وَالنَّصَارَى أَوْلِيَاءَ بَعْضُهُمْ أَوْلِيَاءُ بَعْضٍ وَمَنْ يَتَوَلَّهُمْ مِنْكُمْ فَإِنَّهُ مِنْهُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ [51]</p>
<p>Sura 5 (The Set Table)  <sup>82</sup>You will definitely find that the strongest in enmity against the Believers are the Jews and the idolaters, and you will find those closest in love to the Believers being those who call themselves Christians (<i>naṣārā</i>). That is because among them are priests (<i>qasāsīn</i>)<sup>9</sup> and monks, and because they do not consider themselves so great.</p>	<p><b>سورة المائدة</b>  لَتَجِدَنَّ أَشَدَّ النَّاسِ عَدَاوَةً لِلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا الْيَهُودَ وَالَّذِينَ أَشْرَكُوا وَلَتَجِدَنَّ أَقْرَبَهُمْ مَوَدَّةً لِلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا الَّذِينَ قَالُوا إِنَّا نَصَارَى ذَلِكَ بَاطِنٌ مِنْهُمْ قَسِيصِينَ وَرُهْبَانًا وَأَنَّهُمْ لَا يَسْتَكْبِرُونَ [82]</p>
<p>Sura 16 (The Bee) [directed to Muhammad]  43We only sent down before you men whom We inspired, so ask the "people of the Remembrance" if you do not know!</p>	<p><b>سورة النحل</b>  وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ إِلَّا رِجَالًا نُوحِي إِلَيْهِمْ فَاسْأَلُوا أَهْلَ الذِّكْرِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ {43}</p>

<sup>8</sup>Commentators here: for help and comfort, or patrons.

<sup>9</sup>Coptic word, Qes (?), Ethiopic, Jewish word for rabbi.

<p>Sura 6 (The Cattle)  <sup>146</sup>And for the Jews (<i>alladhīna hādū</i>), We have forbidden every animal with claws,<sup>10</sup> and the fat of cattle and sheep and goats except that which is carried on their back or intestines, or is mixed with the bone. This is recompense for their wrongful greed, for We speak the truth.</p>	<p><b>سورة الأنعام</b>  وَعَلَى الَّذِينَ هَادُوا حَرَّمْنَا كُلَّ ذِي ظُفْرٍ وَمِنَ الْبَقَرِ  وَالْعَنَمِ حَرَّمْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ شُحُومَهُمَا إِلَّا مَا حَمَلَتْ ظُهُورُهُمَا  أَوِ الْحَوَايَا أَوْ مَا اخْتَلَطَ بِعَظْمٍ ذَلِكَ جَزَيْنَاهُمْ بِبِعْثِهِمْ  وَإِنَّا لَصَادِقُونَ [146]</p>
<p>Sura 62 (The Congregation)  <sup>5</sup>Those who have been loaded with the Torah but have not borne it are like an ass carrying books (<i>asfār</i>). A people which denies God's signs is comparable to evil. God will not guide a people of sinners!  <sup>6</sup>Say: "O you Jews! If you claim that you are friends of God to the exclusion of others, desire death if you are truthful!"  <sup>7</sup>They will never desire it because of what their hands have done. God knows well the sinners! <sup>8</sup>Say: "The death from which you flee will meet up with you. You will be brought back to the One who knows the hidden and the revealed, and He will announce to you (<i>yunabbi'ukum</i>) what you have been doing!</p>	<p><b>سورة الجمعة</b>  مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ حُمِّلُوا التَّوْرَةَ ثُمَّ لَمْ يَحْمِلُوهَا كَمَثَلِ الْحِمَارِ  يَحْمِلُ أَسْفَارًا بِئْسَ مَثَلُ الْقَوْمِ الَّذِينَ كَذَبُوا بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ  وَاللَّهُ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ [5] قُلْ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ  هَادُوا إِن زَعَمْتُمْ أَنَّكُمْ أَوْلِيَاءُ لِلَّهِ مِن دُونِ النَّاسِ فَتَمَنَّوْا  الْمَوْتَ إِن كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ [6] وَلَا يَتَمَنَّوْنَهُ أَبَدًا بِمَا  قَدَّمْت أَيْدِيهِمْ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ بِالظَّالِمِينَ [7] قُلْ إِنَّ الْمَوْتَ  الَّذِي تَفِرُّونَ مِنْهُ فَإِنَّهُ مُلَاقِيكُمْ ثُمَّ تُرَدُّونَ إِلَىٰ عَالِمِ  الْغَيْبِ وَالشَّهَادَةِ فَيُنَبِّئُكُمْ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ تَعْمَلُونَ [8]</p>

<sup>10</sup>The commentators discuss whether this refers to a hoof (uncloven) or claw, though it must refer in some way to the Jewish prohibition of eating animals without cloven hoofs (Cf. Lev. 11:3f, and Deut. 14).