

**To God** belongs all that is in the heavens and earth. **Whether you** publish what is in your hearts or hide it, God shall make reckoning with you for it. **He will** forgive whom He will and chastise whom He will; God is powerful over everything.

**The Messenger** believes in what was sent down to him from his Lord, and the believers; each one believes in God and His Angles, and His Books and His Messengers; we make no division between any one of His Messengers. **They say**, 'We hear, and obey. **Our Lord**, grant us Thy forgiveness; unto Thee is the destiny.'

**God charges** no soul save its capacity; standing to its account is what it has earned, and against its account what it has merited.

**Our Lord**, take us not to task if we forget, or make mistake. **Our Lord**, charge us not with a load such as Thou didst lay upon those before us. **Our Lord**, do not burden us beyond what we have the strength to bear. **And Pardon** us, and forgive us, and have mercy on us; Thou art our Protector. **And help** us against the people of the unbelievers.

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