

Al-Ma 'un [Articles of Common Necessity] **Makkan Period**

In the name of Allah, the Most Merciful, the Most Compassionate

[1] Did you see him who gives the lie to the Reward and Punishment of the Hereafter?

[2] Such is the one who repulses the orphans away,

[3] and urges not the feeding of the needy.¹

[4] Woe, then, to those who pray,

[5] but are heedless in their Prayers,²

[6] those who do good (in order) to be seen,

[7] and deny people the articles of common necessity.

1. That is, he neither persuades himself to feed the needy, nor urges his kinsfolk to do so, nor asks others to assist the poor.

2. This does not mean forgetting something during Prayer, but being heedless of Prayer itself.