Say, "To whom belongs whatever is in the heavens and the earth?" Say, "To Allah." He has decreed upon Himself mercy. He will surely gather you together on the Day of Resurrection, about which there is no doubt. Those who have lost themselves—they do not believe. (12) And to Him belongs whatever dwells in the night and the day, and He is the Hearing, the Knowing. (13) Say, "Is it other than Allah I should take as a protector, Creator of the heavens and the earth, while it is He who feeds and is not fed?" Say, [O Muhammad], "Indeed, I have been commanded to be the first [among you] who submit [to Allah] and [was commanded], 'Do not ever be of the polytheists.' " (14) Say, "Indeed I fear, if I should disobey my Lord, the punishment of a tremendous Day." (15) Whoever is averted from [punishment] on that Day—He has granted him mercy. And that is the clear attainment. (16) And if Allah should touch you with adversity, none can remove it except Him; and if He touches you with good—then He is over all things competent. (17) And He is the subjugator over His servants. And He is the Wise, the Aware. (18)

Religion is God's program for the flourishing of individuals and societies.

a) **Teaching**: One of the ways God helps individuals and societies to succeed is through teaching. God has taught all those He created the way of life. He sent religion to all His accountable creatures to educate them, teaching them things they could not acquire on their own. As mentioned in Surah Al-Baqarah, verse 151: "He teaches you what you did not know." By providing the Quran and teachers, He guides them.

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