

That is, if the People of the Book ﴿believe as you believe﴾, O believers, in all the Messengers and all the Books, foremost among whom, and the final and the best of them, is Muhammad (ﷺ) and the Qur'an, and they submit to Allah alone and do not differentiate between any of the Messengers of Allah, ﴿then they are rightly guided﴾ to the straight path which leads to paradise. In other words, there is no other way for them to be guided except by means of this faith; it is not as they claim: ﴿Become Jews or Christians, then you will be rightly guided﴾ (2: 135). They claim that guidance is only to be found in their religion, but guidance means knowing the truth and acting upon it, the opposite of which is misguidance by failing to acquire knowledge and misguidance by failing to act upon the knowledge acquired. This is the opposition in which they were entrenched, as they turned away. The one who is entrenched in opposition is the one who is on one side whilst Allah and His Messenger are on the other side; this opposition in which they are entrenched means hostility and extreme enmity, which in turn dictates that they would strive their utmost to harm the Messenger. Hence Allah promised His Messenger that He would suffice him against them, because He is All-Hearing Who hears all voices, despite their different languages and the varying needs of people; and He is All-Knowing, Who knows what is before them and what is behind them, He knows the unseen and the seen, He knows what is apparent and what is hidden. As this is the case, then Allah will suffice you against their evil. And Allah did indeed fulfil His promise to His Messenger and gave him power over them, so that he killed some of them, took some of them captive and expelled others, banishing them in all directions.

This is one of the miracles of the Qur'an, which was foretelling an event before it happened, which then unfolded as foretold.