

yet He emphasised it (by saying *wa innahu*, translated here as «that is indeed»).

As He is the knower of what is hidden, he tells us that the validity of this matter was well-established for People of the Book, but they concealed this testimony knowingly.

As Allah's instructions to face towards the qibla is a great blessing, and His kindness and mercy to this Ummah are persistent, and every time He prescribed something new for them, it was a great blessing, He said: «And [it is] so that I may complete My blessing upon you». The foundation of this blessing is guidance to His religion, by sending His Messenger (ﷺ) and revealing His Book to him, then other blessings came after that to complete the initial blessing. The blessings that were bestowed from the beginning of the Prophet's mission until his time to depart from this world drew close cannot be enumerated, for Allah bestowed upon him blessings and bounty, and He bestowed upon his Ummah that which completed the blessings that He had bestowed upon him and then, and Allah revealed to him the words:

«...This day have I perfected your religion for you, completed My blessing upon you, and have chosen for you Islam as your religion...»
(*al-Mâ'idah* 5: 3)

Praise be to Allah for His bounty, which cannot be enumerated or quantified, let alone giving sufficient thanks for it.

«and that you may be guided» that is, that you may learn the truth and act upon it. By His mercy towards His slaves, Allah (ﷻ) has made the means of guidance very easy for them and has described it very clearly to them; as part of that, He uses the stubborn people who argue against the truth, and thus the truth becomes more manifest and its signs become clearer, and the invalidity of falsehood and the lack of any foundation become apparent. Were it not for falsehood opposing truth, truth would not be clear to most people. Things become clearer when contrasted with their opposites. Were it not for the night, the