

This is a stern warning and threat that makes the heart tremble. Here Allah (ﷻ) is saying: are those who strive to spread mischief in the land, who follow in the footsteps of the Shayṭān, who ignore the commands of Allah, waiting for anything but the day of recompense for their deeds, which is filled with horrors, hardships and terrifying scenes that will shake the hearts of the evildoers, when the bad consequences of evil deeds will be inevitable for the evildoers? That is because Allah (ﷻ) will roll up the heavens and the earth, the stars will be scattered, the sun and moon will be folded up, the noble angels will descend and surround all creatures, and the Creator (ﷻ) will descend ﴿in the shadows of the clouds﴾, to judge with justice among His slaves. The Balance will be set up and the records will be spread out; the faces of those who are blessed will be brightened whilst the faces of those who are doomed will be darkened. Those who were doers of good will be distinguished from those who were doers of evil, and each will be requited for his deeds. Then the wrongdoer will bite his hands, when he realises what his situation really is.

This verse and others like it provide evidence for the view of ahl as-Sunnah wal-jamâ'ah, who affirm the divine attributes such as rising above, descending, coming and other attributes that Allah (ﷻ) has affirmed for Himself, or that His Messenger (ﷺ) has told us of. They affirm them in a manner that is befitting to the majesty and greatness of Allah, without likening Him to His creation or misinterpreting or denying any attribute. This is unlike the various groups who deny the divine attributes, such as the Jahamis, Mutazilites, Ash'aris and others of their ilk. As a result of that, they deny the divine attributes and interpret these verses in a manner for which they have no proof; rather their misinterpretation undermines what is stated in the Qur'an and what was stated by the Prophet (ﷺ), and they claim that their view is the correct one.

These people have no evidence from the texts, and no rational basis for their opinion either.