

the disbelievers with his own hand, because of his courage, strength and steadfastness.

﴿and Allah gave him power and wisdom﴾ that is, He blessed him by making him king of the Israelites and by giving him wisdom, meaning prophethood, which included (knowledge of) the great law and the straight path. Hence He said: ﴿and taught him whatever [else] He willed﴾ of both religious and political knowledge. Allah bestowed upon him both kingship and prophethood, whereas in the case of the Prophets who came before him, kingship was given to others. When Allah (ﷻ) granted them victory, they felt secure in their land and they worshipped Allah in safety and with reassurance, because they had defeated the enemy and had gained power in the land. All of this was the result of jihad for His sake, otherwise they would not have attained that. Hence Allah (ﷻ) said: ﴿Were it not for Allah restraining the people, some by means of others, the earth would indeed be filled with mischief﴾ that is, were it not for Him restraining by means of those who fight for His sake the plots of the evildoers and the transgressions of the disbelievers, the earth would be filled with mischief as a result of the disbelievers gaining control of it and establishing the rituals of disbelief, and they (the disbelievers) would prevent them (the believers) from worshipping Allah (ﷻ) and practising His religion openly.

﴿But Allah is most gracious to all the worlds﴾ as He has prescribed for them jihad in which is their happiness and protection, and He gives them power on earth by means that they know and others that they do not know.

Then Allah (ﷻ) says: ﴿These are the revelations of Allah, which We recite to you in truth﴾ that is, in truth concerning which there is no doubt. This implies that we should think, learn and see things as they really are.

﴿verily you are one of the Messengers﴾. This is testimony from Allah to His Messenger (ﷺ) that part of the evidence for his message is