

## The Saheeh International Quran Translation

وَلَوْ شِئْنَا لَرَفَعْنَاهُ بِهَا وَلَكِنَّهُ أَخْلَدَ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ وَاتَّبَعَ هَوَاهُ<sup>ج</sup> فَمَثَلُهُ كَمَثَلِ الْكَلْبِ إِنْ تَحْمِلْ  
عَلَيْهِ يَلْهَثْ أَوْ تَتْرُكْهُ يَلْهَثْ<sup>ج</sup> ذَلِكَ مَثَلُ الْقَوْمِ الَّذِينَ كَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا<sup>ج</sup> فَاقْصُصِ الْقَصَصَ  
لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ

And if We had willed, we could have elevated him thereby, but he adhered [instead] to the earth and followed his own desire. So his example is like that of the dog: if you chase him, he pants, or if you leave him, he [still] pants. That is the example of the people who denied Our signs. So relate the stories that perhaps they will give thought.