

**Surah 4: 36-37 - The Women - An Nisâ' Surah 17:35-37 -The Night Journey - Al Isrâ and Surah 24:31 The Light - An Nur** (In these verses from the Women and Night Journey we are presented with the values of charity, fairness, knowledge, and humility. Surah 4 is the second longest chapter of the *Qur'an* and is in reference to the extensive consideration it devotes to matters relating to women, their rights and obligations, and includes a verse, along with Surah 24:31, about modesty that is often interpreted to prescribe the *hijab* "cover" or head scarf. Surah 17 receives its title for a time when Muhammad traveled at night. The *Qur'an* verses based on translation by Abdullah Yusuf Ali.)

In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

**4:36** Serve Allah, and join not any partners with Him; and do good- to parents, kinsfolk, orphans, those in need, neighbors who are near, neighbors who are strangers, the companion by your side, the wayfarer (ye meet), and what your right hands possess: For Allah loveth not the arrogant, the vainglorious;-

**4:37** (Nor) those who are niggardly or enjoin niggardliness on others, or hide the bounties which Allah hath bestowed on them; for We have prepared, for those who resist Faith, a punishment that steeps them in contempt;-

In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

**17:35** Give full measure when ye measure, and weigh with a balance that is straight: that is the most fitting and the most advantageous in the final determination.

**17:36** And pursue not that of which thou hast no knowledge; for every act of hearing, or of seeing or of (feeling in) the heart will be enquired into (on the Day of Reckoning).

**17:37** Nor walk on the earth with insolence: for thou canst not rend the earth asunder, nor reach the mountains in height.

In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

**24:31** And say to the believing women that they should lower their gaze and guard their modesty; that they should not display their beauty and ornaments except what (must ordinarily) appear thereof; that they should draw their veils over their bosoms and not display their beauty except to their husbands, their fathers, their husband's fathers, their sons, their husbands' sons, their brothers or their brothers' sons, or their sisters' sons, or their women, or the slaves whom their right hands possess, or male servants free of physical needs, or small children who have no sense of the shame of sex; and that they should not strike their feet in order to draw attention to their hidden ornaments. And O ye Believers! turn ye all together towards Allah, that ye may attain Bliss.