Suratul Naaziaat

Introduction:

Like the other Makkah Surahs,
This Surah speaks about:
2. Belief in Resurrection + repayment.
3. Firawn + his tyranny + how Allah gave him time to repent and then snatched him away. Compares tyranny of Firawn to the people of Makkah - because they were doing something similar things he was doing.
4. Surah ends with End of Times (Hour) and when it will come.

Ayah (1):
Surah begins with testification. Difference in testification. By the angels, they are of an enormous lofty position in Allah's eyes. 2 main types of angels: of mercy, of punishment.

5 types of angels Allah testifies by.
By the angel that rips the soul out of a disbeliever. A machine that pulls our trees - look at the roots - almost as if that was the life of the tree and it has just been ripped out.

An unbelievers soul will be ripped out e.g. compare that to cutting a tree.

Ayah (2):
"nashtaa" gentleness

Ayah (3):
Angels who travel through the sky as if they are swimming - when they see a group of people remembering Allah, they come down on a group of people and they join the gathering. When the angels return to Allah, Allah will say let them go I have forgiven them. So the angels will say “Ya Allah there was somebody there who was just passing”. So Allah will say I have forgiven him too.

Ayah (4):
Those angels who race with each other to take a believing soul to the heavens. “sibaq” - racing.
Ayah (5): “almudabirat”: angels who are in charge of fulfilling Allah’s commands e.g. rain/ wind/ floods/ earthquake.

Ayah (6): 2 blowings of the trumpet. First blowing - wiped out.

Ayah (7): “aradifah”: people will be resurrected + day of judgement begins. Allah is giving us a glimpse of what is to come .

Ayah (8): “wajifah”: almost like a heart attack: they will shake/quiver.

Ayah (9): Their eyes on this day will have khushoo because in the dunya, they didn’t. It’s like a picture of reality and then you pop the bubble and look at those people right now today.

Ayah (10): “alhafirah”: former state of life. Are you saying after we are dead we are going back in our footsteps and being raised alive.

Ayah (11): When the makkans made this statement and one of them crushed a bone + blew the dust in his face, so they said “are you claiming that Allah will bring this back to life?” They said it in mocking to the prophet.

Ayah (12): “karrah”: the prophet would said yes you will be raised up. They said out of mocking so they would say “oh that would be a real shame/ they’d be in big trouble”

Ayah (13): What triggers the day of judgement to begin – one screaming of the trumpet. Hadith: The angel has already taken his breath to blow the trumpet - he’s already holding his breath. One blowing of the trumpet flattens everything.

Ayah (15): When a question was asked by the prophet – the shabahs would simply say “Allah and his messenger know best”. But they would pay full attention to the answer.
The stories that Allah gave in the Quran was a way to reassure the prophet that others had gone through similar things and the way they had dealt with it and that Allah had granted them victory.

Ayah (16 +17) Example of Firawn is for the people of Makkah or anyone who chooses this path of tyranny. He has gone beyond the bounds of tyranny. His arrogance wasn’t only to Allah – it was against Allah and humans. Concerning Allah it was that he claimed to be God, Concernign the people he oppressed them by enslaving them, murdering their children etc.

Ayah (18):
Some people may wonder: Allah knows he wouldn’t accept the mission so why waste Musa’s time? But that isn’t Musa’s problem – his duty is to pass the message of Islam on. At least Firawn was told.

Elsewhere in the Quran it says Allah told Musa to use gentle words - in case he became Muslim. This ayah is an example of the gentle words he was told to use.

“hala laka”: would you care to…? Like saing would you care for a drink? This is a murderer/tyrant claiming to be God yet Musa was told to use kind words.

Da’wah technique: Musa went directly to the heart of the issue. Not talking about slavery, claiming to be God but purifying his heart. Because it was from this evil heart that these other things were coming.

Ayah (20):
Among the miracles was the staff of Musa which became a snake

Ayah (21):
“fakazzaba”: denied the blessings of Allah

Ayah (22):
Allah is building towards the climax

Ayah (25):
Allah punished him for everything he did from the beginning to the end.