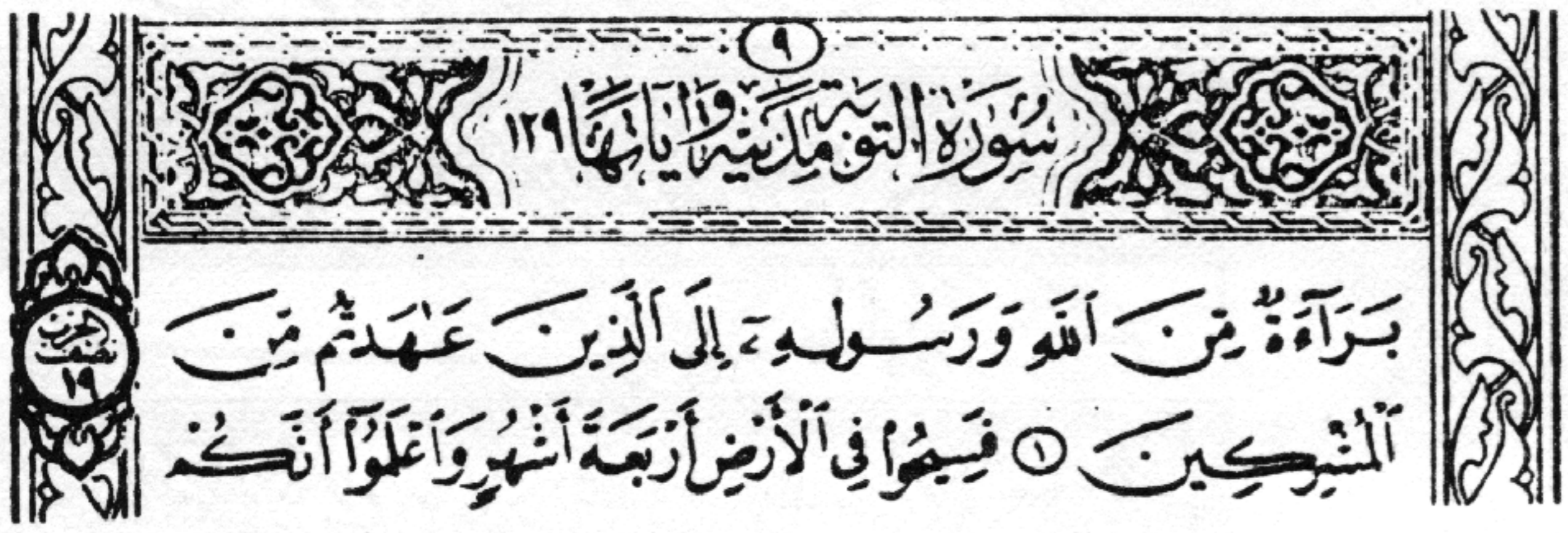


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The crucial opening statement is conspicuously absent from Chapter 9. Since the Quran consists of 114 chapters (19 x 6), this absence breaks the pattern, and the Quran would contain only 113 opening statements. HOWEVER, we find that this deficiency is conspicuously compensated in Chapter 27, verse 30.

This restores the count of opening statements to (114) .



إِنَّهُ مِنْ سُلَيْمَانَ وَإِنَّهُ بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ ٥