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صدق الله العظيم

التوبة : ٩٤

*In the Name of Allah, the most Compassionate,  
the most Merciful*

*"They will excuse themselves to you when you go  
back to them. Say: Urge no excuse, by no means will  
we believe you; indeed Allah has informed us of  
matters relating to you; and now Allah and His  
Apostle will see your doings, then you shall be  
brought back to Knower of the unseen, then He will  
inform you of what you did"*

*Allah Almighty has spoken the truth*

*Translated by M.A. Shakir*

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