The Saheeh International Quran Translation وَإِذَا أَرَدْنَا أَن نَّ هُلِكَ قَرْيَةً أَمَرْنَا مُتْرَفِيهَا فَفَسَقُوا فِيهَا فَحَق<sup>®</sup> عَلَيْهَا الْقَوْلُ فَدَم<sup>®</sup>رْنَاهَا تَدْمِيرًا And when We intend to destroy a city, We command its affluent but they defiantly disobey therein; so the word comes into effect upon it, and We destroy it with [complete] destruction.