

Sūrah al-Aḥqāf¹⁴⁷⁶

Bismillāh-Raḥmān-Raḥeem

سُورَةُ الْأَحْقَافِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

1. Hā, Meem.¹⁴⁷⁷

حَم

2. The revelation of the Book is from Allāh, the Exalted in Might, the Wise.

تَنْزِيلُ الْكِتَابِ مِنَ اللَّهِ الْعَزِيزِ الْحَكِيمِ ﴿١﴾

3. We did not create the heavens and earth and what is between them except in truth and [for] a specified term. But those who disbelieve, from that of which they are warned, are turning away.

مَا خَلَقْنَا السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا إِلَّا بِالْحَقِّ وَأَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا عَمَّا أُنذِرُوا مُّعْرِضُونَ ﴿٢﴾

4. Say, [O Muḥammad], "Have you considered that which you invoke besides Allāh? Show me what they have created of the earth; or did they have partnership in [creation of] the heavens? Bring me a scripture [revealed] before this or a [remaining] trace of knowledge, if you should be truthful."

قُلْ أَرَأَيْتُمْ مَا تَدْعُونَ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ أُرُونِي مَاذَا خَلَقُوا مِنَ الْأَرْضِ أَمْ لَهُمْ شِرْكٌ فِي السَّمَوَاتِ أَتُنْتَوِي بِكِتَابٍ مِنْ قَبْلِ هَذَا أَوْ أَنْتَرْقِ مِنْ عِلْمٍ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ ﴿٣﴾

5. And who is more astray than he who invokes besides Allāh those who will not respond to him until the Day of Resurrection [i.e., never], and they, of their invocation, are unaware.

وَمَنْ أَضَلُّ مِمَّن يَدْعُوا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ مَنْ لَا يَسْتَجِيبُ لَهُ إِلَى يَوْمِ الْقِيَمَةِ وَهُمْ عَنْ دُعَائِهِمْ غَفِلُونَ ﴿٤﴾

6. And when the people are gathered [that Day], they [who were invoked] will be enemies to them, and they will be deniers of their worship.

وَإِذَا حُشِرَ النَّاسُ كَانُوا لَهُمْ أَعْدَاءً وَكَانُوا بِعِبَادَتِهِمْ كَافِرِينَ ﴿٥﴾

¹⁴⁷⁶Al-Aḥqāf: The Curving Sand Tracts, a characteristic of the region once inhabited by the tribe of 'Aad.

¹⁴⁷⁷See footnote to 2:1.

7. And when Our verses are recited to them as clear evidences, those who disbelieve say of the truth when it has come to them, "This is obvious magic."
8. Or do they say, "He has invented it"? Say, "If I have invented it, you will not possess for me [the power of protection] from Allāh at all. He is most knowing of that in which you are involved.¹⁴⁷⁸ Sufficient is He as Witness between me and you, and He is the Forgiving, the Merciful."
9. Say, "I am not something original among the messengers,¹⁴⁷⁹ nor do I know what will be done with me or with you. I only follow that which is revealed to me, and I am not but a clear warner."
10. Say, "Have you considered: if it [i.e., the Qur'ān] was from Allāh, and you disbelieved in it while a witness from the Children of Israel has testified to something similar¹⁴⁸⁰ and believed while you were arrogant...?"¹⁴⁸¹ Indeed, Allāh does not guide the wrongdoing people.
11. And those who disbelieve say of those who believe, "If it had [truly] been good, they would not have preceded us to it." And when they are not guided by it,

وَإِذَا تُلِيَتْ عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتُنَا بَيِّنَاتٍ قَالِ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لِلْحَقِّ لَمَّا جَاءَهُمْ هَذَا سِحْرٌ مُبِينٌ ﴿٧﴾

أَمْ يَقُولُونَ افْتَرَيْنَاهُ قُلْ إِنْ افْتَرَيْتُهُ فَلَا تَمْلِكُونَ لِي مِنَ اللَّهِ شَيْئًا هُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِمَا تُفِيضُونَ فِيهِ كَفَىٰ بِهِ شَهِيدًا بَيْنِي وَبَيْنَكُمْ وَهُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ ﴿٨﴾

قُلْ مَا مَكُنْتُ بِدَعَا مِنَ الرُّسُلِ وَمَا أَدْرِي مَا يُفْعَلُ بِي وَلَا بِكُمْ إِنْ أَتَيْتُ إِلَّا مَا يُوْحَىٰ إِلَيَّ وَمَا أَنَا إِلَّا نَذِيرٌ مُبِينٌ ﴿٩﴾

قُلْ أَرَأَيْتُمْ إِنْ كَانَ مِنَ عِنْدِ اللَّهِ وَكَفَرْتُمْ بِهِ وَشَهِدَ شَاهِدٌ مِّنْ بَنِي إِسْرَءِيلَ عَلَىٰ مِثْلِهِ فَقَامَ فَاٰمَنَ وَاسْتَكَرَّكُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿١٠﴾

وَقَالَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا لِلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَوْ كَانَ خَيْرًا مَّا سَبَقُونَا إِلَيْهِ وَإِذْ لَمْ يَهْتَدُوا بِهِ فَسَيَقُولُونَ هَذَا إِفْكٌ قَدِيمٌ ﴿١١﴾

¹⁴⁷⁸Of false implications and suggestions.

¹⁴⁷⁹i.e., I am neither the first messenger to be sent, nor do I bring something different from the other messengers.

¹⁴⁸⁰Based upon information from the Torah.

¹⁴⁸¹The conclusion is estimated to be "...would you not then be the most unjust of people?" or "...in what condition would you then be?"

they will say, "This is an ancient falsehood."

12. And before it was the scripture of Moses to lead and as a mercy. And this is a confirming Book in an Arabic tongue to warn those who have wronged and as good tidings to the doers of good.

وَمِنْ قَبْلِهِ كِتَابُ مُوسَى إِمَامًا وَرَحْمَةً
وَهَذَا كِتَابٌ مُصَدِّقٌ لِّسَانًا عَرَبِيًّا لِّيُنذِرَ
الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا وَيُنشِئَ لِّلْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿٦٠﴾

13. Indeed, those who have said, "Our Lord is Allāh," and then remained on a right course – there will be no fear concerning them, nor will they grieve.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ ثُمَّ اسْتَقَمُوا فَلَا
خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ ﴿٦١﴾

14. Those are the companions of Paradise, abiding eternally therein as reward for what they used to do.

أُولَئِكَ أَصْحَابُ الْجَنَّةِ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا جَزَاءً
بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ ﴿٦٢﴾

15. And We have enjoined upon man, to his parents, good treatment. His mother carried him with hardship and gave birth to him with hardship, and his gestation and weaning [period] is thirty months. [He grows] until, when he reaches maturity and reaches [the age of] forty years, he says, "My Lord, enable me¹⁴⁸² to be grateful for Your favor which You have bestowed upon me and upon my parents and to work righteousness of which You will approve and make righteous for me my offspring. Indeed, I have repented to You, and indeed, I am of the Muslims."

وَوَصَّيْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ بِوَلَدَيْهِ إِحْسَانًا حَمَلَتْهُ
أُمُّهُ كُرْهًا وَوَضَعَتْهُ كُرْهًا وَحَمْلُهُ وَفِصْلُهُ
ثَلَاثُونَ شَهْرًا حَتَّىٰ إِذَا بَلَغَ أَشُدَّهُ وَبَلَغَ
أَرْبَعِينَ سَنَةً قَالَ رَبِّ أَوْزِعْنِي أَنْ أَشْكُرَ
بِعِمَّتِكَ الَّتِي أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيَّ وَعَلَىٰ وَلَدِي
وَأَنْ أَعْمَلَ صَالِحًا تَرْضَاهُ وَأَصْلِحْ لِي فِي
دُرْرَتِي ۖ إِنَّي نَبْتُ إِلَيْكَ وَإِنِّي مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ ﴿٦٣﴾

16. Those are the ones from whom We will accept the best of what they did and overlook their

أُولَئِكَ الَّذِينَ نَتَقَبَّلُ عَنْهُمْ أَحْسَنَ مَا
عَمِلُوا وَنَتَجَاوَزُ عَنْ سَيِّئَاتِهِمْ فِي أَصْحَابِ

¹⁴⁸²Literally, "gather within me the utmost strength and ability."

misdeeds, [their being] among the companions of Paradise. [That is] the promise of truth which they had been promised.

17. But one who says to his parents, "Uff¹⁴⁸³ to you; do you promise me that I will be brought forth [from the earth] when generations before me have already passed on [into oblivion]?" while they call to Allāh for help [and to their son], "Woe to you! Believe! Indeed, the promise of Allāh is truth." But he says, "This is not but legends of the former peoples" –
18. Those are the ones upon whom the word [i.e., decree] has come into effect, [who will be] among nations which had passed on before them of jinn and men. Indeed, they [all] were losers.
19. And for all there are degrees [of reward and punishment] for what they have done, and [it is] so that He may fully compensate them for their deeds, and they will not be wronged.
20. And the Day those who disbelieved are exposed to the Fire [it will be said], "You exhausted your pleasures during your worldly life and enjoyed them, so this Day you will be awarded the punishment of [extreme] humiliation because you were arrogant upon the earth without right and because you were defiantly disobedient."

الْحِجَّةَ ۖ وَعَدَ الصِّدْقِ الَّذِي كَانُوا يُوعَدُونَ ﴿١٧﴾

وَالَّذِي قَالَ لَوْلَا إِلَهُي لَمَكَأُ أَتَعِدَانِي أَنْ أُخْرَجَ وَقَدْ خَلَتِ الْقُرُونُ مِنْ قَبْلِي وَهُمَا يَسْتَفِغِيَانِ اللَّهَ وَيَلْكَ ءَامِنٌ إِنَّ وَعْدَ اللَّهِ حَقٌّ فَيَقُولُ مَا هَذَا إِلَّا أَسْطِيرُ الْأَوَّلِينَ ﴿١٨﴾

أُولَئِكَ الَّذِينَ حَقَّ عَلَيْهِمُ الْقَوْلُ فِي أُمِّ قَدْ خَلَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ مِنَ الْجِنِّ وَالْإِنْسِ إِنَّهُمْ كَانُوا خَاسِرِينَ ﴿١٩﴾

وَلِكُلِّ دَرَجَةٍ دَرَجَتٌ مِمَّا عَمِلُوا وَلِيُؤْفِقَهُمْ أَعْمَلَهُمْ وَهُمْ لَا يُظْلَمُونَ ﴿٢٠﴾

وَيَوْمَ يُعْرَضُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا عَلَى النَّارِ أَذَهَبَتْ طَبِيبَتُكُمْ فِي حَيَاتِكُمُ الدُّنْيَا وَاسْتَمْتَعْتُمْ بِهَا فَالْيَوْمَ تُجْزَوْنَ عَذَابَ الْهُونِ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ تَسْتَكْبِرُونَ فِي الْأَرْضِ بِغَيْرِ الْحَقِّ وَبِمَا كُنْتُمْ تَفْسُقُونَ ﴿٢١﴾

¹⁴⁸³ An expression of distaste and irritation.

21. And mention, [O Muḥammad], the brother of 'Aad,¹⁴⁸⁴ when he warned his people in [the region of] al-Aḥqāf – and warners had already passed on before him and after him – [saying], "Do not worship except Allāh. Indeed, I fear for you the punishment of a terrible day."¹⁴⁸⁵

﴿وَأَذْكُرْ أَخَا عَادٍ إِذْ أَنْذَرَ قَوْمَهُ
بِالْأَحْقَافِ وَقَدْ خَلَتْ النُّذُرُ مِنْ بَيْنِ يَدَيْهِ
وَمِنْ خَلْفِهِ أَلَّا تَعْبُدُوا إِلَّا اللَّهَ إِنِّي أَخَافُ
عَلَيْكُمْ عَذَابَ يَوْمٍ عَظِيمٍ﴾

22. They said, "Have you come to delude us away from our gods? Then bring us what you promise us, if you should be of the truthful."

قَالُوا أَجِئْتَنَا لِنَأْفِكَنَا عَنْ آلِهَتِنَا فَأْتِنَا بِمَا
تَعِدُّنَا إِنْ كُنْتَ مِنَ الصَّادِقِينَ ﴿٢٢﴾

23. He said, "Knowledge [of its time] is only with Allāh, and I convey to you that with which I was sent; but I see you [to be] a people behaving ignorantly."

قَالَ إِنَّمَا الْعِلْمُ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ وَأُبَلِّغُكُمْ مَا
أُرْسِلْتُ بِهِ وَلَكِنِّي أَرَأَيْتُمْ قَوْمًا يَعْلَمُونَ
﴿٢٣﴾

24. And when they saw it as a cloud approaching their valleys, they said, "This is a cloud bringing us rain!" Rather, it is that for which you were impatient:¹⁴⁸⁶ a wind, within it a painful punishment,

فَلَمَّا رَأَوْهُ عَارِضًا مُسْتَقْبِلَ أَوْدِيَّتِهِمْ قَالُوا
هَذَا عَارِضٌ مُمْطِرُنَا بَلْ هُوَ مَا اسْتَعْجَلْتُمْ
بِهِ رِيحٌ فِيهَا عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ ﴿٢٤﴾

25. Destroying everything by command of its Lord. And they became so that nothing was seen [of them] except their dwellings. Thus do We recompense the criminal people.

تَذِمُّرَ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ بِأَمْرِ رَبِّهَا فَأَصْبَحُوا لَا
يُرَى إِلَّا مَسَكِنُهُمْ كَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي الْقَوْمَ
الْمُجْرِمِينَ ﴿٢٥﴾

26. And We had certainly established them in such as We have not established you, and We made for them hearing and vision and hearts [i.e., intellect]. But their

وَلَقَدْ مَكَّنَّهُمْ فِيمَا إِنْ مَكَّنَّاكُمْ فِيهِ
وَجَعَلْنَا لَهُمْ سَمْعًا وَأَبْصَارًا وَأَفْئِدَةً فَمَا
أَغْنَىٰ عَنْهُمْ سَمْعُهُمْ وَلَا أَبْصَرُهُمْ وَلَا

¹⁴⁸⁴i.e., the prophet Hūd.

¹⁴⁸⁵Upon the earth. It could also refer to "a tremendous Day," i.e., that of resurrection.

¹⁴⁸⁶When you challenged your prophet. See verse 22 of this sūrah.

hearing and vision and hearts availed them not from anything [of the punishment] when they were [continually] rejecting the signs of Allāh; and they were enveloped by what they used to ridicule.

أَفَلَيْدُهُمْ مِنْ شَيْءٍ إِذْ كَانُوا يَتَحَدَّثُونَ
بِقَائِبِ اللَّهِ وَحَاقَ بِهِمْ مَا كَانُوا بِهِ
يَسْتَهْزِءُونَ ﴿٦٧﴾

27. And We have already destroyed what surrounds you of [those] cities, and We have diversified the signs [or verses] that perhaps they might return [from disbelief].

وَلَقَدْ أَهْلَكْنَا مَا حَوْلَكُمْ مِنَ الْقُرَى
وَصَرَفْنَا الْآيَاتِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَرْجِعُونَ ﴿٦٨﴾

28. Then why did those they took besides Allāh as deities by which to approach [Him]¹⁴⁸⁷ not aid them? But they had strayed [i.e., departed] from them. And that was their falsehood and what they were inventing.

فَلَوْلَا نَصْرُهُمُ الَّذِينَ اتَّخَذُوا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ
قُرْبَانًا ءِلَٰهَةً بَلْ ضَلُّوا عَنْهُمْ وَذَلِكَ
إِفْكُهُمْ وَمَا كَانُوا يَفْقَهُونَ ﴿٦٩﴾

29. And [mention, O Muḥammad], when We directed to you a few of the jinn, listening to the Qur'ān. And when they attended it, they said, "Listen attentively." And when it was concluded, they went back to their people as warners.

وَإِذْ صَرَفْنَا إِلَيْكَ نَفَرًا مِنَ الْجِنِّ
يَسْتَمِعُونَ الْقُرْآنَ فَلَمَّا حَضَرُوهُ قَالُوا
أُنصِتُوا فَلَمَّا قُضِيَ وَلَّوْا إِلَىٰ قَوْمِهِمْ
مُنْذِرِينَ ﴿٧٠﴾

30. They said, "O our people, indeed we have heard a [recited] Book revealed after Moses confirming what was before it which guides to the truth and to a straight path.

قَالُوا يَنْقُومَنَا إِنَّا سَمِعْنَا كِتَابًا أُنزِلَ مِنْ
بَعْدِ مُوسَىٰ مُصَدِّقًا لِمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ يَهْدِي
إِلَى الْحَقِّ وَإِلَى طَرِيقٍ مُسْتَقِيمٍ ﴿٧١﴾

31. O our people, respond to the Caller [i.e., Messenger] of Allāh¹⁴⁸⁸ and believe in him; He [i.e., Allāh] will forgive for you your sins and

يَنْقُومَنَا أَجِيبُوا دَاعِيَ اللَّهِ وَآمِنُوا بِهِ
يَغْفِرَ لَكُمْ مِنْ ذُنُوبِكُمْ وَيُخْرِجَكُمْ مِنْ

¹⁴⁸⁷ According to their claim.

¹⁴⁸⁸ Prophet Muḥammad (ﷺ).

protect you from a painful punishment.

عَذَابٍ أَلِيمٍ ﴿٣٢﴾

32. But he who does not respond to the Caller of Allāh will not cause failure [to Him] upon earth, and he will not have besides Him any protectors. Those are in manifest error."

وَمَنْ لَا يُجِبْ دَاعِيَ اللَّهِ فَلَيْسَ بِمُعْجِزٍ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَيْسَ لَهُ مِنْ دُونِهِ أَوْلِيَاءٌ أُولَئِكَ فِي ضَلَالٍ مُبِينٍ ﴿٣٣﴾

33. Do they not see that Allāh, who created the heavens and earth and did not fail in their creation, is able to give life to the dead? Yes. Indeed, He is over all things competent.

أَوَلَمْ يَرَوْا أَنَّ اللَّهَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ وَلَمْ يَغَيِّ بِخَلْقِهِنَّ بِقَدِيرٍ عَلَى أَنْ مَحْيِيَ الْمَوْتَى بَلَىٰ إِنَّهُ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ ﴿٣٤﴾

34. And the Day those who disbelieved are exposed to the Fire [it will be said], "Is this not the truth?" They will say, "Yes, by our Lord." He will say, "Then taste the punishment for what you used to deny."¹⁴⁸⁹

وَيَوْمَ يُعْرَضُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا عَلَى النَّارِ أَلَيْسَ هَذَا بِالْحَقِّ قَالُوا بَلَىٰ وَرَبِّنَا قَالَ فَذُوقُوا الْعَذَابَ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ تَكْفُرُونَ ﴿٣٥﴾

35. So be patient, [O Muḥammad], as were those of determination among the messengers and do not be impatient for them.¹⁴⁹⁰ It will be – on the Day they see that which they are promised – as though they had not remained [in the world] except an hour of a day. [This is] notification. And will [any] be destroyed except the defiantly disobedient people?

فَاصْبِرْ كَمَا صَبَرَ أُولُو الْعَزْمِ مِنَ الرُّسُلِ وَلَا تَسْتَعْجِلْ لَهُمْ كَأَنَّهُمْ يَوْمَ يَرَوْنَ مَا يُوعَدُونَ لَمْ يَلْبَثُوا إِلَّا سَاعَةً مِنْ نَارٍ بَلَّغْ فَهَلْ يُهْلِكُ إِلَّا الْقَوْمَ الْفَاسِقُونَ ﴿٣٦﴾

¹⁴⁸⁹Or "because you used to disbelieve."

¹⁴⁹⁰i.e., for Allāh's punishment of the disbelievers.

Sūrah Muḥammad¹⁴⁹¹**Bismillāhir-Raḥmānir-Raḥeem****سُورَةُ مُحَمَّدٍ****بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ**

1. Those who disbelieve and avert [people] from the way of Allāh – He will waste their deeds.¹⁴⁹²
2. And those who believe and do righteous deeds and believe in what has been sent down upon Muḥammad – and it is the truth from their Lord – He will remove from them their misdeeds and amend their condition.
3. That is because those who disbelieve follow falsehood, and those who believe follow the truth from their Lord. Thus does Allāh present to the people their comparisons.¹⁴⁹³
4. So when you meet those who disbelieve [in battle], strike [their] necks until, when you have inflicted slaughter upon them, then secure [their] bonds,¹⁴⁹⁴ and either [confer] favor¹⁴⁹⁵ afterwards or ransom [them] until the war lays down its burdens.¹⁴⁹⁶ That [is the command]. And if Allāh had willed, He could have taken vengeance upon them [Himself], but [He ordered armed struggle] to test some of you by means of

الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَصَدُّوا عَنْ سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أَضَلَّ أَعْمَلُهُمْ ﴿١﴾

وَالَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ وَءَامَنُوا بِمَا نُزِّلَ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَهُوَ الْحَقُّ مِنْ رَبِّهِمْ كَفَّرَ عَنْهُمْ سَيِّئَاتِهِمْ وَأَصْلَحَ بَالَهُمْ ﴿٢﴾

ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا اتَّبَعُوا الْبَاطِلَ وَأَنَّ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّبَعُوا الْحَقَّ مِنْ رَبِّهِمْ كَذَٰلِكَ يَضْرِبُ اللَّهُ لِلنَّاسِ أَمْثَلَهُمْ ﴿٣﴾

فَإِذَا لَقِيتُمُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا فَضَرْبَ الرِّقَابِ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا أَخْنَثْتُمْوهُم فَقُتِلُوا أَوْ تَوَاتَوْا فَمَا مَثًّا بَعْدَ وَإِمَّا فِدَاءً حَتَّىٰ تَضَعَ الْحَرْبُ أَوْزَارَهَا ۚ ذَٰلِكَ وَلَوْ يَشَاءُ اللَّهُ لَانتَصَرْنَا مِنْهُمْ وَلَٰكِن لِّيَبْلُوَ بَعْضُكُمْ بِبَعْضٍ ۖ وَالَّذِينَ قُتِلُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَلَنْ يُضِلَّ أَعْمَالَهُمْ ﴿٤﴾

¹⁴⁹¹ *Muḥammad*: (The Prophet) Muḥammad (ﷺ).

¹⁴⁹² i.e., cause them to be lost or make them worthless, earning no reward.

¹⁴⁹³ So that they may know the results of their choice.

¹⁴⁹⁴ i.e., take those remaining as captives.

¹⁴⁹⁵ i.e., release them without ransom.

¹⁴⁹⁶ i.e., its armor, machinery, etc., meaning "until the war is over."

others. And those who are killed in the cause of Allāh – never will He waste their deeds.

5. He will guide them and amend their condition

سَيَهْدِيهِمْ وَيُصْلِحُ بَالَهُمْ ﴿٥﴾

6. And admit them to Paradise, which He has made known to them.

وَيُدْخِلُهُمُ الْجَنَّةَ عَرَفَهَا هُمْ ﴿٦﴾

7. O you who have believed, if you support Allāh, He will support you and plant firmly your feet.

يَتَّيُّنَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِنْ تَنْصُرُوا اللَّهَ تَنْصُرْنَا اللَّهُ ﴿٧﴾ وَيُنْصِرْكُمْ وَيُثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَكُمْ ﴿٨﴾

8. But those who disbelieve – for them is misery, and He will waste their deeds.

وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا فَتَعْسًا هُمْ وَأَصْلُ أَعْمَلِهِمْ ﴿٩﴾

9. That is because they disliked what Allāh revealed, so He rendered worthless their deeds.

ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ كَرِهُوا مَا أُنْزِلَ اللَّهُ فَاحْبَطَ أَعْمَلَهُمْ ﴿١٠﴾

10. Have they not traveled through the land and seen how was the end of those before them? Allāh destroyed [everything] over them,¹⁴⁹⁷ and for the disbelievers is something comparable.

﴿١١﴾ أَلَمْ يَسِيرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ فَيَنْظُرُوا كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ دَمَّرَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلِلْكَافِرِينَ أَمْثَلُهَا ﴿١٢﴾

11. That is because Allāh is the protector of those who have believed and because the disbelievers have no protector.

ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّ اللَّهَ مَوْلَى الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَأَنَّ الْكَافِرِينَ لَا مَوْلَى لَهُمْ ﴿١٣﴾

12. Indeed, Allāh will admit those who have believed and done righteous deeds to gardens beneath which rivers flow, but those who disbelieve enjoy themselves and eat as grazing livestock eat, and the Fire will be a residence for them.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُدْخِلُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرَى مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ ﴿١٤﴾ وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا يَتَمَتَّعُونَ وَيَأْكُلُونَ كَمَا تَأْكُلُ الْأَنْعَامُ وَالنَّارُ مَثْوًى لَهُمْ ﴿١٥﴾

¹⁴⁹⁷i.e., destroyed them and all they owned.

13. And how many a city was stronger than your city [i.e., Makkah] which drove you out? We destroyed them; and there was no helper for them.

وَكَايْنٍ مِّن قَرْيَةٍ هِيَ أَشَدُّ قُوَّةً مِّن قَرْيَتِكَ
الَّتِي أَخْرَجْتَكَ أَهْلَكْنَاهُمْ فَلَا نَاصِرَ لَهُمْ



14. So is he who is on clear evidence from his Lord like him to whom the evil of his work has been made attractive and they follow their [own] desires?

أَفَمَن كَانَ عَلَىٰ بَيِّنَةٍ مِّن رَّبِّهِ كَمَن زُيِّنَ
لَّهُ سُوءُ عَمَلِهِ وَأَتَّبَعُوا أَهْوَاءَهُمْ



15. Is the description of Paradise, which the righteous are promised, wherein are rivers of water unaltered,¹⁴⁹⁸ rivers of milk the taste of which never changes, rivers of wine delicious to those who drink, and rivers of purified honey, in which they will have from all [kinds of] fruits and forgiveness from their Lord... [Are its inhabitants] like those who abide eternally in the Fire and are given to drink scalding water that will sever their intestines?

مَثَلُ الْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي وُعدَ الْمُتَّقُونَ فِيهَا أَنْهَارٌ
مِّن مَّاءٍ غَيْرِ آسِنٍ وَأَنْهَارٌ مِّن لَّبَنٍ لَّمْ يَتَغَيَّرْ
طَعْمُهُ وَأَنْهَارٌ مِّن خَمْرٍ لَّذَّةٍ لِلشَّارِبِينَ
وَأَنْهَارٌ مِّن عَسَلٍ مُصَفًّى وَهُمْ فِيهَا مِن كُلِّ
الثَّمَرَاتِ وَمَغْفِرَةٌ مِّن رَّبِّهِمْ كَمَنْ هُوَ خَالِدٌ
فِي النَّارِ وَسُقُوا مَاءً حَمِيمًا فَقَطَّعَ
أَمْعَاءَهُمْ



16. And among them, [O Muḥammad], are those who listen to you, until when they depart from you, they say to those who were given knowledge,¹⁴⁹⁹ "What has he said just now?" Those are the ones of whom Allāh has sealed over their hearts and who have followed their [own] desires.

وَمِنْهُمْ مَّن يَسْتَمِعُ إِلَيْكَ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا خَرَجُوا
مِن عِنْدِكَ قَالُوا لِلَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْعِلْمَ مَاذَا
قَالَ ءَايِفًا ؕ أُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ طَبَعَ اللَّهُ عَلَىٰ
قُلُوبِهِمْ وَاتَّبَعُوا أَهْوَاءَهُمْ



17. And those who are guided – He increases them in guidance and gives them their righteousness.¹⁵⁰⁰

وَالَّذِينَ اهْتَدَوْا زَادَهُمْ هُدًى وَآتَاهُمْ
تَقْوَاهُمْ



¹⁴⁹⁸In taste or smell, neither stagnant nor polluted.

¹⁴⁹⁹From among the Prophet's companions.

¹⁵⁰⁰Taqwā, meaning piety, consciousness and fear of Allāh, and care to avoid His displeasure.

18. Then do they await except that the Hour should come upon them unexpectedly? But already there have come [some of] its indications. Then how [i.e., what good] to them, when it has come, will be their remembrance?

فَهَلْ يَنْظُرُونَ إِلَّا السَّاعَةَ أَنْ تَأْتِيَهُمْ بَغْتَةً
فَقَدْ جَاءَ أَشْرَاطُهَا فَأَنَّى لَهُمْ إِذَا جَاءَهُمْ
ذِكْرُهَا ﴿٢٨﴾

19. So know, [O Muḥammad], that there is no deity except Allāh and ask forgiveness for your sin¹⁵⁰¹ and for the believing men and believing women. And Allāh knows of your movement and your resting place.

فَاعْلَمْ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاسْتَغْفِرْ
لذَنْبِكَ وَلِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ
مُتَقَلِّبَكُمُ وَمَتَوَلِّكُمْ ﴿٢٩﴾

20. Those who believe say, "Why has a sūrah¹⁵⁰² not been sent down?" But when a precise sūrah is revealed and battle is mentioned therein, you see those in whose hearts is disease [i.e., hypocrisy] looking at you with a look of one overcome by death. And more appropriate for them¹⁵⁰³ [would have been]

وَيَقُولُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا لَوْلَا نُزِّلَتْ سُورَةٌ
فَإِذَا أَنْزِلَتْ سُورَةٌ مُحْكَمَةٌ وَذُكِرَ فِيهَا الْقِتَالُ
رَأَيْتَ الَّذِينَ فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ مَرَضٌ يَنْظُرُونَ إِلَيْكَ
نَظَرَ الْمَغْشِيِّ عَلَيْهِ مِنَ الْمَوْتِ فَأُولَئِكَ لَهُمْ
﴿٣٠﴾

21. Obedience and good words. And when the matter [of fighting] was determined, if they had been true to Allāh, it would have been better for them.

طَاعَةً وَقَوْلٌ مَعْرُوفٌ فَإِذَا عَزَمَ الْأَمْرُ فَلَوْ
صَدَقُوا اللَّهَ لَكَانَ خَيْرًا لَهُمْ ﴿٣١﴾

22. So would you perhaps, if you turned away,¹⁵⁰⁴ cause corruption on earth and sever your [ties of] relationship?

فَهَلْ عَسَيْتُمْ إِنْ تَوَلَّيْتُمْ أَنْ تُفْسِدُوا فِي
الْأَرْضِ وَتُقَطِّعُوا أَرْحَامَكُمْ ﴿٣٢﴾

¹⁵⁰¹See footnote to 40:55.

¹⁵⁰²i.e., one in which permission is given the believers to fight their enemies.

¹⁵⁰³The words "awlā lahūn" can also be interpreted as "woe to them!" In that case, the following verse would begin, "[Better for them would have been] obedience and good words."

¹⁵⁰⁴From Islām or from *jihād* (struggling in the cause of Allāh).

23. Those [who do so] are the ones that Allāh has cursed, so He deafened them and blinded their vision.

أُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ لَعَنَهُمُ اللَّهُ فَأَصَمَّهُمْ وَأَعَمَّى
أَبْصَرَهُمْ ﴿٢٣﴾

24. Then do they not reflect upon the Qur'ān, or are there locks upon [their] hearts?

أَفَلَا يَتَدَبَّرُونَ الْقُرْآنَ أَمْ عَلَىٰ قُلُوبٍ
أَقْفَالُهَا ﴿٢٤﴾

25. Indeed, those who reverted back [to disbelief] after guidance had become clear to them – Satan enticed them and prolonged hope for them.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ أَرْتَدُّوا عَلَىٰ أَدْبَارِهِمْ مِّنْ بَعْدِ
مَا تَبَيَّنَ لَهُمُ الْهُدَىٰ الشَّيْطَانُ سَوَّلَ
لَهُمْ وَأَمَلَىٰ لَهُمْ ﴿٢٥﴾

26. That is because they said to those who disliked what Allāh sent down,¹⁵⁰⁵ "We will obey you in part of the matter." And Allāh knows what they conceal.

ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ قَالُوا لِلَّذِينَ كَرِهُوا مَا
نَزَّلَ اللَّهُ سَنُطِيعُكُمْ فِي بَعْضِ الْأَمْرِ
وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ إِسْرَارَهُمْ ﴿٢٦﴾

27. Then how [will it be] when the angels take them in death, striking their faces and their backs?

فَكَيْفَ إِذَا تَوَفَّتْهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ يَضْرِبُونَ
وُجُوهَهُمْ وَأَدْبَارَهُمْ ﴿٢٧﴾

28. That is because they followed what angered Allāh and disliked [what earns] His pleasure, so He rendered worthless their deeds.

ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ اتَّبَعُوا مَا أَصْحَبَ اللَّهُ
وَكَرِهُوا رِضْوَانَهُ فَأَحْبَطَ أَعْمَالَهُمْ ﴿٢٨﴾

29. Or do those in whose hearts is disease think that Allāh would never expose their [feelings of] hatred?

أَمْ حَسِبَ الَّذِينَ فِي قُلُوبِهِم مَّرَضٌ أَن
لَّنْ يُخْرِجَ اللَّهُ أَضْغَانَهُمْ ﴿٢٩﴾

30. And if We willed, We could show them to you, and you would know them by their mark; but you will surely know them by the tone of [their] speech. And Allāh knows your deeds.

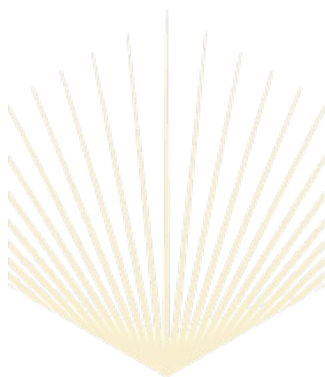
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وَلَتَعَرَّفَنَّهُمْ فِي لَحْنِ الْقَوْلِ ۚ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ
أَعْمَالَكُمْ ﴿٣٠﴾

¹⁵⁰⁵ i.e., the Jews of Madīnah.

31. And We will surely test you until We make evident those who strive among you [for the cause of Allāh] and the patient, and We will test your affairs.
- وَلَنَبْلُوَنَّكُمْ حَتَّىٰ نَعْلَمَ الْمُجْتَهِدِينَ مِنْكُمْ
وَالصَّابِرِينَ وَتَبْلُوَ أَخْبَارَكُمْ ﴿٣١﴾
32. Indeed, those who disbelieved and averted [people] from the path of Allāh and opposed the Messenger after guidance had become clear to them – never will they harm Allāh at all, and He will render worthless their deeds.
- إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَصَدُّوا عَنْ سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ
وَشَاقُوا الرَّسُولَ مِنْ بَعْدِ مَا تَبَيَّنَ لَهُمُ
الْهُدَىٰ لَنْ يَضُرُّوا اللَّهَ شَيْئًا وَسَيُحِطُّ
أَعْمَلُهُمْ ﴿٣٢﴾
33. O you who have believed, obey Allāh and obey the Messenger and do not invalidate your deeds.
- يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا
الرَّسُولَ وَلَا تَبْطُلُوا أَعْمَالَكُمْ ﴿٣٣﴾
34. Indeed, those who disbelieved and averted [people] from the path of Allāh and then died while they were disbelievers – never will Allāh forgive them.
- إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَصَدُّوا عَنْ سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ ثُمَّ
مَاتُوا وَهُمْ كُفَّارٌ فَلَنْ يَغْفِرَ اللَّهُ لَهُمْ ﴿٣٤﴾
35. So do not weaken and call for peace while you are superior; and Allāh is with you and will never deprive you of [the reward of] your deeds.
- فَلَا تَهِنُوا وَتَدْعُوا إِلَى السَّلَامِ وَأَنْتُمْ
الْأَعْلَوْنَ وَاللَّهُ مَعَكُمْ وَلَنْ يَبْزُكَمُ أَعْمَالُكُمْ ﴿٣٥﴾
36. [This] worldly life is only amusement and diversion. And if you believe and fear Allāh, He will give you your rewards and not ask you for your properties.
- إِنَّمَا الْحَيَاةُ الدُّنْيَا لَعِبٌ وَلَهْوٌ وَإِنْ
تُؤْمِنُوا وَتَتَّقُوا يُؤْتِكُمْ أَجُورَكُمْ وَلَا يَسْأَلْكُمْ
أَمْوَالَكُمْ ﴿٣٦﴾
37. If He should ask you for them and press you, you would withhold, and He would expose your hatred [i.e., unwillingness].
- إِنْ يَسْأَلْكُمْ لَهَا فَيَحْفَظْكُمْ تَبَحَّلُوا وَتَخَرَّجْ
أَصْغَرَكُمْ ﴿٣٧﴾
38. Here you are – those invited to spend in the cause of Allāh – but among you are those who
- هَآأَنْتُمْ هَآؤَآءِ تَدْعُونَ لِتُنْفِقُوا فِي
سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَمِنْكُمْ مَنْ يَبْخُلُ وَمَنْ

withhold [out of greed]. And whoever withholds only withholds [benefit] from himself; and Allāh is the Free of need, while you are the needy. And if you turn away [i.e., refuse], He will replace you with another people; then they will not be the likes of you.

يَبْخُلُ فَإِنَّمَا يَبْخُلُ عَنْ نَفْسِهِ ۗ وَاللَّهُ
الْغَنِيُّ وَأَنْتُمُ الْفُقَرَاءُ ۗ وَإِن تَوَلَّوْا
يَسْتَبْدِلْ قَوْمًا غَيْرَكُمْ ثُمَّ لَا يَكُونُوا
أَمْثَلَكُمْ ﴿٤٧﴾



Sūrah al-Fath¹⁵⁰⁶**Bismillāh-Raḥmān-Raḥeem****سُورَةُ الْفَتْحِ****بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ**

1. Indeed, We have given you, [O Muḥammad], a clear conquest¹⁵⁰⁷ إِنَّا فَتَحْنَا لَكَ فَتْحًا مُبِينًا ﴿١﴾
2. That Allāh may forgive for you what preceded of your sin [i.e., errors] and what will follow and complete His favor upon you and guide you to a straight path لِيَغْفِرَ لَكَ اللَّهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِكَ وَمَا تَأَخَّرَ وَيُتِمَّ رَحْمَتَهُ عَلَيْكَ وَيَهْدِيَكَ صِرَاطًا مُسْتَقِيمًا ﴿٢﴾
3. And [that] Allāh may aid you with a mighty victory. وَيَنْصُرَكَ اللَّهُ نَصْرًا عَظِيمًا ﴿٣﴾
4. It is He who sent down tranquility into the hearts of the believers that they would increase in faith along with their [present] faith. And to Allāh belong the soldiers of the heavens and the earth, and ever is Allāh Knowing and Wise. هُوَ الَّذِي أَنْزَلَ السَّكِينَةَ فِي قُلُوبِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ لِيَزْدَادُوا إِيمَانًا مَعَ إِيمَانِهِمْ وَلِلَّهِ جُنُودُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ عَلِيمًا حَكِيمًا ﴿٤﴾
5. [And] that He may admit the believing men and the believing women to gardens beneath which rivers flow to abide therein eternally and remove from them their misdeeds – and ever is that, in the sight of Allāh, a great attainment – لِيَدْخُلَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا وَيُكَفِّرُ عَنْهُمْ سَيِّئَاتِهِمْ وَكَانَ ذَلِكَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ فَوْزًا عَظِيمًا ﴿٥﴾
6. And [that] He may punish the hypocrite men and hypocrite women, and the polytheist men and polytheist women – those who يُعَذِّبُ الْمُنَافِقِينَ وَالْمُنَافِقَاتِ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَالْمُشْرِكَاتِ الظَّالِمِينَ بِاللَّهِ ظَرْفٌ

¹⁵⁰⁶Al-Fath: The Conquest.¹⁵⁰⁷Ibn Mas'ūd said, "You [people] consider the conquest to be that of Makkah, but we consider it to be the Treaty of al-Hudaybiyyah." Al-Bukhārī reported a similar quotation from al-Barā' bin 'Azib. Although initially regarded by the companions as a setback, the treaty, in effect, served to promote the spread of Islām, which led to the conquest of Makkah two years later.

assume about Allāh an assumption of evil nature. Upon them is a misfortune of evil nature; and Allāh has become angry with them and has cursed them and prepared for them Hell, and evil it is as a destination.

الْأَسْوَىٰ عَلَيْهِمْ دَآئِرَةُ السَّوْءِ ۖ وَغَضِبَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَعَنَهُمْ وَأَعَدَّ لَهُمْ جَهَنَّمَ ۖ وَسَاءَتْ مَصِيرًا ﴿١٠﴾

7. And to Allāh belong the soldiers of the heavens and the earth. And ever is Allāh Exalted in Might and Wise.

وَلِلَّهِ جُنُودُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ ۖ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ غَنِيًّا حَكِيمًا ﴿١١﴾

8. Indeed, We have sent you as a witness and a bringer of good tidings and a warner

إِنَّا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ شَهِيدًا وَمُبَشِّرًا وَنَذِيرًا ﴿١٢﴾

9. That you [people] may believe in Allāh and His Messenger and honor him and respect him [i.e., the Prophet (ﷺ)] and exalt Him [i.e., Allāh] morning and afternoon.

لِتُؤْمِنُوا بِاللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ وَتُعَزِّرُوهُ وَتُوَقِّرُوهُ وَتُسَبِّحُوهُ بُكْرَةً وَأَصِيلًا ﴿١٣﴾

10. Indeed, those who pledge allegiance to you, [O Muḥammad] – they are actually pledging allegiance to Allāh. The hand¹⁵⁰⁸ of Allāh is over their hands.¹⁵⁰⁹ So he who breaks his word only breaks it to the detriment of himself. And he who fulfills that which he has promised Allāh – He will give him a great reward.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يُبَايِعُونَكَ إِنَّمَا يُبَايِعُونَ اللَّهَ يَدُ اللَّهِ فَوْقَ أَيْدِيهِمْ ۖ فَمَنْ نَكَثَ فَإِنَّمَا يَنْكُثُ عَلَىٰ نَفْسِهِ ۖ وَمَنْ أَوْفَىٰ بِمَا عَاهَدَ عَلَيْهِ اللَّهُ فَمِيسُوتُهُ أَجْرًا عَظِيمًا ﴿١٤﴾

11. Those who remained behind¹⁵¹⁰ of the bedouins will say to you, "Our properties and our families occupied us, so ask forgiveness for us." They say with their

سَيَقُولُ لَكَ الْمُخَلَّفُونَ مِنَ الْأَعْرَابِ شَغَلَتْنَا أَمْوَالُنَا وَأَهْلُونَا فَاسْتَغْفِرْ لَنَا ۖ يَقُولُونَ بِآلِسَتِهِمْ مَا لَيْسَ فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ ۚ قُلْ

¹⁵⁰⁸See footnote to 2:19.

¹⁵⁰⁹Meaning that He (*subḥānahu wa ta'ālā*) accepted their pledge.

¹⁵¹⁰See footnote to 9:81.

tongues what is not within their hearts. Say, "Then who could prevent Allāh at all if He intended for you harm or intended for you benefit? Rather, ever is Allāh, of what you do, Aware.

فَمَنْ يَمْلِكُ لَكُمْ مِنْ اللَّهِ شَيْئًا إِنْ أَرَادَ بِكُمْ ضَرًّا أَوْ أَرَادَ بِكُمْ نَفْعًا بَلْ كَانَ اللَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ خَبِيرًا ﴿١١﴾

12. But you thought that the Messenger and the believers would never return to their families, ever, and that was made pleasing in your hearts. And you assumed an assumption of evil and became a people ruined."

بَلْ ظَنَنْتُمْ أَنْ لَنْ يَنْقَلِبَ الرَّسُولُ وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ إِلَى أَهْلِيهِمْ أَبَدًا وَزُيِّرَ بِكُمْ فِي قُلُوبِكُمْ وَظَنَنْتُمْ ظَنًّا سَوْءًا وَكُنْتُمْ قَوْمًا بُورًا ﴿١٢﴾

13. And whoever has not believed in Allāh and His Messenger – then indeed, We have prepared for the disbelievers a Blaze.

وَمَنْ لَمْ يُؤْمِنْ بِاللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ فَإِنَّا أَعْتَدْنَا لِلْكَافِرِينَ سَعِيرًا ﴿١٣﴾

14. And to Allāh belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth. He forgives whom He wills and punishes whom He wills. And ever is Allāh Forgiving and Merciful.

وَلِلَّهِ مُلْكُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ يَغْفِرُ لِمَنْ يَشَاءُ وَيُعَذِّبُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ غَفُورًا رَحِيمًا ﴿١٤﴾

15. Those who remained behind¹⁵¹¹ will say when you set out toward the war booty to take it, "Let us follow you." They wish to change the words of Allāh. Say, "Never will you follow us. Thus did Allāh say before." So they will say, "Rather, you envy us." But [in fact] they were not understanding except a little.¹⁵¹²

سَيَقُولُ الْمُخَلَّفُونَ إِذَا انْطَلَقْتُمْ إِلَى مَغَائِمٍ لِتَأْخُذُوهَا ذَرُونَا نَتَّبِعْكُمْ يُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يُبَدِّلُوا كَلِمَ اللَّهِ قُلْ لَنْ تَتَّبِعُونَا كَذَلِكُمْ قَالِ اللَّهُ مِنْ قَبْلُ فَسَيَقُولُونَ بَلْ تَحْسُدُونَنَا بَلْ كَاثِبُوا لَا يَفْقَهُونَ إِلَّا قَلِيلًا ﴿١٥﴾

16. Say to those who remained behind of the bedouins, "You will

قُلْ لِلْمُخَلَّفِينَ مِنَ الْأَعْرَابِ سَتُدْعُونَ إِلَيَّ

¹⁵¹¹ See footnote to 9:81.

¹⁵¹² i.e., they only understood the material aspects of life.

be called to [face] a people of great military might; you may fight them, or they will submit.¹⁵¹³ So if you obey, Allāh will give you a good reward; but if you turn away as you turned away before, He will punish you with a painful punishment."

17. There is not upon the blind any guilt or upon the lame any guilt or upon the ill any guilt [for remaining behind]. And whoever obeys Allāh and His Messenger – He will admit him to gardens beneath which rivers flow; but whoever turns away – He will punish him with a painful punishment.

18. Certainly was Allāh pleased with the believers when they pledged allegiance to you, [O Muḥammad], under the tree, and He knew what was in their hearts, so He sent down tranquility upon them and rewarded them with an imminent conquest¹⁵¹⁴

19. And much war booty which they will take. And ever is Allāh Exalted in Might and Wise.

20. Allāh has promised you much booty that you will take [in the future] and has hastened for you this [victory] and withheld the hands of people from you – that it may be a sign for the believers

قَوْمٍ أُولَىٰ بَأْسٍ شَدِيدٍ تُقَاتِلُوهُمْ أَوْ يُسَلِّمُوا ۖ فَإِنْ تُطِيعُوا يُؤْتِكُمُ اللَّهُ أَجْرًا حَسَنًا ۖ وَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا كَمَا تَوَلَّيْتُمْ مِنْ قَبْلُ يُعَذِّبْكُمْ عَذَابًا أَلِيمًا ﴿١٧﴾

لَيْسَ عَلَى الْأَعْمَىٰ حَرْجٌ وَلَا عَلَى الْأَعْرَجِ حَرْجٌ وَلَا عَلَى الْمَرِيضِ حَرْجٌ ۚ وَمَنْ يُطِيعِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ يُدْخِلْهُ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرَى مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ ۚ وَمَنْ يَتَوَلَّ يُعَذِّبْهُ عَذَابًا أَلِيمًا ﴿١٨﴾

﴿١٩﴾ لَقَدْ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ إِذْ يُبَايِعُونَكَ تَحْتَ الشَّجَرَةِ فَعَلِمَ مَا فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ فَأَنْزَلَ السَّكِينَةَ عَلَيْهِمْ وَأَثَبَهُمْ فَتْحًا قَرِيبًا ﴿٢٠﴾

وَمَغَانِمَ كَثِيرَةً يَأْخُذُونَهَا ۚ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ عَزِيزًا حَكِيمًا ﴿٢١﴾

وَعَدَكُمْ اللَّهُ مَغَانِمَ كَثِيرَةً تَأْخُذُونَهَا ۚ فَعَجَلَ لَكُمْ هَيْدَهُ وَكَفَّ أَيْدِيَ النَّاسِ عَنْكُمْ وَلِتَكُونَ آيَةً لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَيَهْدِيَكُمْ صِرَاطًا مُسْتَقِيمًا ﴿٢٢﴾

¹⁵¹³To Allāh in Islām.

¹⁵¹⁴That of Khaybar, which preceded the conquest of Makkah.