

them *prisoners*, and beleaguer them, and lie in wait for them at every place of ambush. But if they repent and observe Prayer and pay the Zakāt, then leave their way *free*. Surely, Allāh is Most Forgiving, Merciful.

6. And if anyone of the idolaters ask protection of thee, grant him protection so that he may hear the word of Allāh; then convey him to his place of security. That is because they are a people who have no knowledge.

## R. 2.

7. How can there be a treaty of *these* idolaters with Allāh and His Messenger, except those with whom you entered into a treaty at the Sacred Mosque? So, as long as they stand true to you, stand true to them. Surely, Allāh loves those who are righteous.

8. How *can it be* when, if they prevail against you, they would not observe any tie of relationship or covenant in respect of you? They would please you with their mouths, while their hearts refuse, and most of them are perfidious.

9. They barter the Signs of Allāh for a paltry price and turn *men* away from His way. Evil indeed is that which they do.

10. They observe not any tie of

وَأَحْصُرُوهُمْ وَأَقْعُدُوا لَهُمْ  
كُلَّ مَرَصِدٍ ۚ فَإِنْ تَابُوا وَأَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ  
وَآتَوْا الزَّكَاةَ فَخَلُّوا سَبِيلَهُمْ ۚ  
إِنَّ اللَّهَ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ ٥

وَإِنْ أَحَدٌ مِنَ الْمُشْرِكِينَ اسْتَجَارَكَ  
فَاجِرْهُ حَتَّى يَسْمَعَ كَلِمَ اللَّهِ ثُمَّ  
أَبْلِغْهُ مَأْمَنَهُ ۚ ذَٰلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ قَوْمٌ لَا  
يَعْلَمُونَ ٦

كَيْفَ يَكُونُ لِلْمُشْرِكِينَ عَهْدٌ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ  
وَعِنْدَ رَسُولِهِ إِلَّا الَّذِينَ عَاهَدْتُمْ عِنْدَ  
الْمَسْجِدِ الْحَرَامِ ۚ فَمَا اسْتَقَامُوا  
لَكُمْ فَاسْتَقِيمُوا لَهُمْ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ  
الْمُتَّقِينَ ٧

كَيْفَ وَ إِنْ يَظْهَرُوا عَلَيْكُمْ لَا  
يَرْقُبُوا فِيكُمْ إِلَّا ذِمَّةً ۚ يُرْضُونَكُمْ  
بِأَفْوَاهِهِمْ وَتَأْبَىٰ قُلُوبُهُمْ ۚ وَكَثُرُهُمْ  
فَسِقُونَ ٨

اسْتَرَوْا بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ ثَمَنًا قَلِيلًا  
فَصَدُّوا عَنْ سَبِيلِهِ ۚ إِنَّهُمْ سَاءَ مَا  
كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ ٩

لَا يَرْقُبُونَ فِي مُؤْمِنٍ إِلَّا وَلَا ذِمَّةً ۚ

relationship or covenant in respect of anyone who trusts *them*. And it is they who are transgressors.

11. But if they repent and observe Prayer and pay the Zakāt, then they are your brethren in faith. And We explain the Signs for a people who have knowledge.

12. And if they break their oaths \*after their covenant, and attack your religion, then fight *these* leaders of disbelief—surely, they have no regard for their oaths—that they may desist.

13. Will you not fight a people who have broken their oaths, and who plotted to turn out the Messenger, and they were the first to commence *hostilities* against you? Do you fear them? Nay, Allāh is most worthy that you should fear Him, if you are believers.

14. Fight them, that Allāh may punish them at your hands, and humiliate them, and help you *to victory* over them, and relieve the minds of a people who believe;

15. And that He may take away the wrath of their hearts. And Allāh turns with mercy to whomsoever He pleases. And Allāh is All-Knowing, Wise.

16. Do you think that you would be left alone, while Allāh has not yet known those of you who strive *in the cause of Allāh* and do not take *anyone* for an intimate friend beside

\* 12. and **revile** your religion,

وَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْمُعْتَدُونَ ﴿١٠﴾

فَإِنْ تَابُوا وَأَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَوُا  
الزَّكَاةَ فَإِخْوَانُكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ ۖ وَنُفِّصُ  
الْأَيَاتِ لِقَوْمٍ يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١١﴾

وَإِنْ تَكْفُرُوا أَيْمَانُهُمْ مِنْ بَعْدِ عَهْدِهِمْ  
وَطَعَنُوا فِي دِينِكُمْ فَقَاتِلُوا ۚ إِنَّهُمْ  
إِنَّهُمْ لَا أَيْمَانَ لَهُمْ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَنْتَهُونَ ﴿١٢﴾

أَلَا تُقَاتِلُونَ قَوْمًا نَكَثُوا أَيْمَانَهُمْ  
وَهُمْ أَوَّلَ بَآخٍ أَجْرَ الرُّسُولِ ۚ وَهُمْ بَدَءُوكُمْ  
أَوَّلَ مَرَّةٍ ۖ أَتَخْشَوْنَهُمْ ۚ فَإِنَّهُمْ  
تَخْشَوْنَ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ مُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿١٣﴾

قَاتِلُوهُمْ يُعَذِّبُهُمُ اللَّهُ بِأَيْدِيكُمْ  
وَيُخْزِهِمْ وَيَنْصُرْكُمْ عَلَيْهِمْ وَيَشْفِ  
صُدُورَ قَوْمٍ مُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿١٤﴾

وَيُذِيبْ غَيْظَ قُلُوبِهِمْ ۖ وَيَتُوبَ اللَّهُ  
عَلَىٰ مَنْ يَشَاءُ ۚ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ حَكِيمٌ ﴿١٥﴾

أَمْ حَسِبْتُمْ أَنْ تُتْرَكُوا وَلَمَّا يَعْلَمِ  
اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ جَاهَدُوا مِنْكُمْ وَلَمْ  
يَتَّخِذُوا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ وَلَا رَسُولِهِ

Allāh and His Messenger and the believers? Allāh is well aware of what you do.

R. 3.

- \*17. The idolaters cannot keep the Mosques of Allāh in a good and flourishing condition while they bear witness against themselves to disbelief. It is they whose works shall be vain, and in the Fire shall they abide.

- \*18. He alone can keep the Mosques of Allāh in a good and flourishing condition who believes in Allāh, and the Last Day, and observes Prayer, and pays the Zakāt, and fears none but Allāh; so these it is who may be among those who reach the goal.

19. Do you hold the giving of drink to the pilgrims, and the maintenance of the Sacred Mosque as *equal to the works of him who believes in Allāh and the Last Day and strives in the path of Allāh*? They are not *at all* equal in the sight of Allāh. And Allāh guides not the unjust people.

20. Those who believe and emigrate *from their homes for the sake of God* and strive in the cause of Allāh

وَلَا الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَلِيجَةً ۚ وَاللَّهُ خَبِيرٌ  
بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ ﴿١٧﴾

مَا كَانَ لِلْمُشْرِكِينَ أَنْ يَعْمُرُوا  
مَسْجِدَ اللَّهِ شَاهِدِينَ عَلَى أَنْفُسِهِمْ  
بِالْكُفْرِ ۚ أُولَٰئِكَ حَبِطَتْ أَعْمَالُهُمْ  
وَفِي النَّارِ هُمْ خَالِدُونَ ﴿١٨﴾

إِنَّمَا يَعْمُرُ مَسْجِدَ اللَّهِ مَنْ آمَنَ بِاللَّهِ  
وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ وَأَقَامَ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَى  
الزَّكَاةَ وَلَمْ يَخْشَ إِلَّا اللَّهَ ۚ فَكَسَى  
أُولَٰئِكَ أَنْ يَكُونُوا مِنَ الْمُهْتَرِينَ ﴿١٩﴾

أَجَعَلْتُمْ سِقَايَةَ الْحَاجِّ وَعِمَارَةَ  
الْمَسْجِدِ الْحَرَامِ كَمَنْ آمَنَ بِاللَّهِ  
وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ وَجَاهَدَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ  
لَا يَسْتَوُونَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ ۚ وَاللَّهُ لَا يَهْدِي  
الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿٢٠﴾

الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَهَاجَرُوا وَجَاهَدُوا  
فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ بِأَمْوَالِهِمْ وَأَنْفُسِهِمْ ۖ

- \*17. It is not for the idolaters to do justice to the purposes for which the Mosques are built for Allāh and to maintain them accordingly while they stand witness to their own disbelief.

- \*18. Verily, he alone is worthy of maintaining the Mosques of Allāh who believes in Allāh, and the Last Day, and observes Prayer, and pays Zakāt, and fears none but Allāh; so these it is who are far more likely to be counted among the guided.