

108. Never stand to *pray* therein. A mosque which was founded upon piety from the *very* first day is surely more worthy that thou shouldst stand to *pray* therein. In it are men who love to become purified, and Allāh loves those who purify themselves.

*109. Is he, then, who founded his building on fear of Allāh and His pleasure better or he who founded his building on the brink of a tottering water-worn bank which tumbled down with him into the fire of Hell? And Allāh guides not the wrongdoing people.

*110. *This* building of theirs, which they have built, will ever continue to be a *source* of disquiet in their hearts, unless their hearts be torn to pieces. And Allāh is All-Knowing, Wise.

R. 14.

111. Surely, Allāh has purchased of the believers their persons and their property in return for the Garden they shall have; they fight in the cause of Allāh, and they slay and are slain—a promise that *He has made* incumbent on Himself in the Torah, and the Gospel, and the Qur'an. And who is more faithful

لَا تَقُمْ فِيهِ أَبَدًا لَمْ يَسْجُدْ أَسَسَ عَلَى
التَّقْوَى مِنْ أَوَّلِ يَوْمٍ أَحَقُّ أَنْ تَقُومَ
فِيهِ ۚ فِيهِ رِجَالٌ يُحِبُّونَ أَنْ يَتَطَهَّرُوا
وَ اللَّهُ يُحِبُّ الْمُطَهَّرِينَ ﴿١٠٨﴾

أَفَمَنْ أَسَسَ بُنْيَانَهُ عَلَى تَقْوَى مِنْ
اللَّهِ وَ رِضْوَانٍ خَيْرٌ أَمْ مَنْ أَسَسَ
بُنْيَانَهُ عَلَى شَفَا جُرْفٍ هَارٍ فَأَنهَارُ بِهِ
فِي نَارٍ جَهَنَّمَ ۚ وَ اللَّهُ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ
الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿١٠٩﴾

لَا يَرَأَى بُنْيَانُهُمُ الَّذِي بَنَوْا رِيبَةً فِي
قُلُوبِهِمْ إِلَّا أَنْ تَقَطَّعَ قُلُوبُهُمْ ۚ وَ اللَّهُ
عَلِيمٌ حَكِيمٌ ﴿١١٠﴾

إِنَّ اللَّهَ اشْتَرَى مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ
أَنْفُسَهُمْ وَأَمْوَالَهُمْ بِأَنْ لَهُمُ الْجَنَّةُ
يُقَاتِلُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَيَقْتُلُونَ
وَيُقْتَلُونَ ۚ وَعْدًا عَلَيْهِ حَقًّا فِي التَّوْرَةِ
وَ الْإِنْجِيلِ وَ الْقُرْآنِ ۚ وَ مَنْ أَوْفَى

*109. Is he, then, who **laid his foundation** on fear of Allāh and His pleasure better or he who **laid his foundation** on the brink of a tottering water-worn bank which tumbled down with him into the fire of Hell? And Allāh **does not guide a people who transgress**.

*110. *This* building of theirs, **they have raised**, will ever be a *source* of disquiet and **uncertainty in their hearts, until their hearts split and are torn into pieces**. And Allāh is All-Knowing, Wise.

*111. ... in return for **the Paradise** they shall have;

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to his promise than Allāh? Rejoice, then, in your bargain which you have made with Him; and that it is which is the supreme triumph.

بِعَهْدِهِ مِنَ اللَّهِ فَاسْتَبْشِرُوا بِبَيْعِكُمْ
الَّذِي بَايَعْتُمْ بِهِ ۚ وَذَلِكَ هُوَ الْفَوْزُ
الْعَظِيمُ ﴿۱۱﴾

112. *They are the ones who turn to God in repentance, who worship Him, who praise Him, who go about in the land serving Him, who bow down to God, who prostrate themselves in Prayer, who enjoin good and forbid evil, and who watch the limits set by Allāh. And give glad tidings to those who believe.*

الَّذِينَ يَتُوبُونَ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَيَسْتَغْفِرُونَ
اللَّهَ ۚ وَالَّذِينَ يَحْمِلُونَ الصَّلَاةَ
وَالزَّكَاةَ وَيُوفُونَ بَالْعَهْدِ ۚ وَأُولَئِكَ
سَيَرْحَمُهُ اللَّهُ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزِيزٌ
ذُو فَضْلٍ ﴿۱۲﴾

113. It is not for the Prophet and those who believe that they should ask of God forgiveness for the idolaters, even though they may be kinsmen, after it has become plain to them that they are the people of Hell.

مَا كَانَ لِلنَّبِيِّ وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَنْ
يَسْتَغْفِرُوا لِلْمُشْرِكِينَ وَلَوْ كَانُوا
أُولِي قُرْبَىٰ مِنْ بَعْدِ مَا تَبَيَّنَ لَهُمْ
أَنَّهُمْ أَشْجَارٌ حَامِيَةٌ ﴿۱۳﴾

114. And Abraham's asking forgiveness for his father was only because of a promise he had made to him, but when it became clear to him that he was an enemy to Allāh, he dissociated himself from him. Surely, Abraham was most tender-hearted, forbearing.

وَمَا كَانَ اسْتِغْفَارُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ لِأَبِيهِ إِلَّا
عَنْ مَّوْعِدَةٍ وَعَدَهَا إِيَّاهُ ۖ فَلَمَّا تَبَيَّنَ
لَهُ أَنَّهُ عَدُوٌّ لِلَّهِ تَبَرَّأَ مِنْهُ ۚ إِنَّ
إِبْرَاهِيمَ لَأَوَّاهٌ حَلِيمٌ ﴿۱۴﴾

115. And it is not for Allāh to cause a people to go astray after He has guided them until He makes clear to them that which they ought to guard against. Surely, Allāh knows all things full well.

وَمَا كَانَ اللَّهُ لِيُضِلَّ قَوْمًا بَعْدَ إِذْ
هَدَاهُمْ حَتَّىٰ يُبَيِّنَ لَهُمْ مَا يَتَّقُونَ ۚ
إِنَّ اللَّهَ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عَلِيمٌ ﴿۱۵﴾

116. Surely, it is Allāh to Whom

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَهُ مُلْكُ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ ۚ

belongs the kingdom of the heavens and the earth. He gives life and causes death. And you have no friend nor helper beside Allāh.

117. Allāh has certainly turned with mercy to the Prophet and to the Emigrants and the Helpers who followed him in the hour of distress after the hearts of a party of them had well-nigh swerved. He again turned to them with mercy. Surely, He is to them Compassionate, Merciful.

- *118. And *He has turned with mercy* to the three whose *case* was deferred, until the earth became too strait for them with *all* its vastness, and their souls were *also* straitened for them, and they became convinced that there was no refuge from Allāh save unto Himself. Then He turned to them with mercy that they might turn *to Him*. Surely, it is Allāh Who is Oft-Returning with *compassion and is* Merciful.

R. 15.

119. O ye who believe! fear Allāh and be with the truthful.

120. It was not proper for the people of Medina and those around them from among the Arabs of the desert that they should have remained behind the Messenger of Allāh or that they should have preferred their own lives to his. That is

يُحْيِي وَيُمِيتُ ۚ وَمَا لَكُمْ مِّنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ
مِنْ وَلِيٍّ وَلَا نَصِيرٍ ﴿١١٧﴾

لَقَدْ تَابَ اللَّهُ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ وَالْمُهَاجِرِينَ
وَالْأَنْصَارِ الَّذِينَ اتَّبَعُوهُ فِي سَاعَةِ
الْعُسْرَةِ مِن بَعْدِ مَا كَادَ يَزِيغُ قُلُوبَ
فَرِيقٍ مِّنْهُمْ ۚ ثُمَّ تَابَ عَلَيْهِمْ ۚ إِنَّهُ
بِهِمْ رءُوفٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿١١٨﴾

وَعَلَى الثَّلَاثَةِ الَّذِينَ خُلِفُوا ۚ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا
صَاقَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ الْأَرْضُ بِمَا رَحُبَتْ
وَصَاقَتْ عَلَيْهِمْ أَنْفُسُهُمْ وَظَنُّوْا أَنَّ
لَا مَلْجَأَ مِنَ اللَّهِ إِلَّا إِلَيْهِ ۚ ثُمَّ تَابَ
عَلَيْهِمْ لِيَتُوبُوا ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ التَّوَّابُ
الرَّحِيمُ ﴿١١٩﴾

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَكُونُوا
مَعَ الصَّادِقِينَ ﴿١٢٠﴾

مَا كَانَ لِأَهْلِ الْمَدِينَةِ وَمَنْ حَوْلَهُمْ
مِّنَ الْأَعْرَابِ أَن يَتَخَلَّفُوا عَن
رَّسُولِ اللَّهِ وَلَا يَرْغَبُوا بِأَنْفُسِهِمْ عَن
نَفْسِهِ ۚ ذَٰلِك بِأَنَّهُمْ لَا يُصِيبُهُمْ ظَمَأٌ

- *118. And the three who remained behind, until the earth seemed too narrow for them despite *all* its vastness,

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