

before them, they come to thee swearing by Allāh, *saying*, 'We meant nothing but the doing of good and reconciliation?'

64. These are they, the secrets of whose hearts Allāh knows well. So turn away from them and admonish them and speak to them an effective word concerning their own selves.

65. And We have sent no Messenger but that he should be obeyed by the command of Allāh. And if they had come to thee when they had wronged their souls, and asked forgiveness of Allāh, and *if* the Messenger *also* had asked forgiveness for them, they would have surely found Allāh Oft-Returning *with compassion and Merciful*.

66. But no, by thy Lord, they are not believers until they make thee judge in all that is in dispute between them and then find not in their hearts any demur concerning that which thou decidest and submit with full submission.

67. And if We had commanded *them, 'Kill your people or leave your homes,' they would not have done it except a few of them; and if they had done what they are exhorted to do, it would surely have been better for them and conducive to greater strength.

*67. **Note:** The expression 'Kill your people' can be misunderstood. The correct translation should have been **slay yourselves**. This certainly does not mean that they were told to commit suicide but is merely an expression exhorting them to kill their egos and submit themselves completely to the will of God.

يَا لِلّٰهِ اِنْ اَرَدْنَا اِلَّا اِحْسَانًا وَتَوْفِيقًا ﴿٦٥﴾

اُولٰٓئِكَ الَّذِيْنَ يَعْلَمُ اللّٰهُ مَا فِيْ قُلُوْبِهِمْ ۚ فَاعْرِضْ عَنْهُمْ وَعَظِّمْهُمْ وَقُلْ لَهُمْ فِيْ اَنْفُسِهِمْ قَوْلًا بَلِيْغًا ﴿٦٦﴾

وَمَا اَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ رَّسُوْلٍ اِلَّا لِيُطَاعَ بِاِذْنِ اللّٰهِ ۚ وَلَوْ اَنَّهُمْ اِذْ ظَلَمُوْا اَنْفُسَهُمْ جَاءُوكَ فَاسْتَغْفَرُوا اللّٰهَ وَاسْتَغْفَرَ لَهُمُ الرَّسُوْلُ لَوَجَدُوا اللّٰهَ تَوَّابًا رَّحِيْمًا ﴿٦٧﴾

فَلَا وَرَبِّكَ لَا يُؤْمِنُوْنَ حَتّٰى يَحْكُمُوْكَ فَيَمَّا شَجَرَ بَيْنَهُمْ ثُمَّ لَا يَجِدُوْا فِيْ اَنْفُسِهِمْ حَرَجًا مِّمَّا قَضَيْتَ وَيُسَلِّمُوْا تَسْلِيْمًا ﴿٦٨﴾

وَلَوْ اَنَّا كَتَبْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ اَبِ اَقْتُلُوْا اَنْفُسَكُمْ اَوْ اَخْرَجُوْا مِنْ دِيَارِكُمْ مَّا فَعَلُوْهُ اِلَّا قَلِيْلٌ مِّنْهُمْ ۚ وَلَوْ اَنَّهُمْ فَعَلُوْا مَا يُوعَظُوْنَ بِهِ لَكَانَ خَيْرًا لَّهُمْ وَاَشَدَّ تَثْبِيْثًا ﴿٦٩﴾

68. And then We would have surely given them a great reward from Ourselves;

69. And We would surely have guided them in the right path.

70. And whoso obeys Allāh and this Messenger of His shall be among those on whom Allāh has bestowed His blessings, namely, the Prophets, the Truthful, the Martyrs, and the Righteous. And excellent companions are these.

71. This grace is from Allāh, and sufficient is Allāh, the All-Knowing.

R. 10.

72. O ye who believe! take your precautions; then either go forth in separate parties or go forth all together.

73. And among you there is he who will tarry behind, and if a misfortune befall you, he says, 'Surely, Allāh has been gracious to me, since I was not present with them.'

74. But if there comes to you some good fortune from Allāh, he says, as if there were no love between you and him, 'Would that I had been with them, then should I have indeed achieved a great success!'

75. Let those then fight in the cause of Allāh who would sell the present life for the Hereafter. And whoso fights in the cause of Allāh, be he slain or be he victorious, We shall soon give him a great reward.

وَإِذَا أَلَّاتِيْنَهُمْ مِّنْ لَّدُنَّا أَجْرًا عَظِيْمًا ۝١٨

وَلَهْدَيْنَهُمْ صِرَاطًا مُّسْتَقِيْمًا ۝١٩

وَمَنْ يُطِيعِ اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ فَأُولَٰئِكَ مَعَ
الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ مِنَ النَّبِيِّينَ
وَالصّٰدِقِيْنَ وَالشّٰهَدَآءِ وَالصّٰلِحِيْنَ ؕ
وَحَسَنَ أُولَٰئِكَ رَفِيْقًا ۝٢٠

ذٰلِكَ الْفَضْلُ مِنَ اللَّهِ ۗ وَكَفَىٰ بِاللَّهِ
عَلِيْمًا ۝٢١

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اخذُوا حِذْرَكُمْ
فَإِنْفِرُوا ثُبَاتٍ أَوْ وَفِرُوا جَمِيعًا ۝٢٢

وَإِنَّ مِنْكُمْ لَمَنْ لَّيَبْتَغِي ۚ فَإِنْ
أَصَابَتْكُمْ مُّصِيبَةٌ قَالُوا كُنَّا نَعْمَ اللَّهُ
عَلَيْنَا ۖ وَإِذَا كُنَّا مَعَهُمْ شَرِيْعًا ۝٢٣

وَلَئِنْ أَصَابَكُمْ فَضْلٌ مِّنَ اللَّهِ لَيَقُولُنَّ
كَانَ لَمْ تَكُن بَيْنَكُمْ وَبَيْنَهُ مَوَدَّةٌ
لَّيَلِيْتَنِيْجُ كُنْتُ مَعَهُمْ فَافُوزَ فَوْزًا
عَظِيْمًا ۝٢٤

فَلْيُقَاتِلْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ الَّذِينَ
يَشْرُونَ الدُّنْيَا بِالْآخِرَةِ ۚ
وَمَنْ يُقَاتِلْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَيُقْتَلْ أَوْ
يَغْلِبْ فَسَوْفَ نُؤْتِيْهِ أَجْرًا عَظِيْمًا ۝٢٥

76. And what is the matter with you *that* you fight not in the cause of Allāh and of the weak—men, women and children—who say, 'Our Lord, take us out of this town, whose people are oppressors, and make for us some friend from Thyself, and make for us from Thyself some helper?'

وَمَا لَكُمْ لَا تَقَاتِلُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ
وَالْمُسْتَضْعَفِينَ مِنَ الرِّجَالِ وَالنِّسَاءِ
وَالْوِلْدَانِ الَّذِينَ يَقُولُونَ رَبَّنَا أَخْرِجْنَا
مِنْ هَذِهِ الْقَرْيَةِ الظَّالِمِ أَهْلُهَا
وَاجْعَلْ لَنَا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ وَلِيًّا ۖ وَاجْعَلْ
لَنَا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ نَصِيرًا ۝

77. Those who believe fight in the cause of Allāh, and those who disbelieve fight in the cause of the Evil One. Fight ye therefore against the friends of Satan; surely, Satan's strategy is weak!

الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا يُقَاتِلُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ
اللَّهِ ۖ وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا يُقَاتِلُونَ فِي
سَبِيلِ الطَّاغُوتِ فَقَاتِلُوا أَوْلِيَاءَ
الشَّيْطَانِ ۚ إِنَّ كَيْدَ الشَّيْطَانِ كَانَ
ضَعِيفًا ۝

R. 11.

78. Dost thou not know of those to whom it was said: 'Restrain your hands, observe Prayer and pay the Zakāt?' And when fighting has been prescribed for them, behold! a section of them fear men as they should fear Allāh, or with still greater fear; and they say, 'Our Lord, why hast Thou prescribed fighting for us? Wouldst Thou not grant us respite yet a while?' Say, 'The benefit of this world is little and the Hereafter will be better for him who fears God; and you shall not be wronged a whit.'

أَلَمْ تَرَ إِلَى الَّذِينَ قِيلَ لَهُمْ كُفُّوا
أَيْدِيَكُمْ وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ ۖ فَمَا كُنْتُمْ
الزَّكَاةَ ۖ فَلَمَّا كُتِبَ عَلَيْهِمُ الْقِتَالُ
إِذَا فَرِيقٌ مِنْهُمْ يَخْشَوْنَ النَّاسَ
كَخَشْيَةِ اللَّهِ أَوْ أَشَدَّ خَشْيَةً ۖ وَقَالُوا
رَبَّنَا لِمَ كُتِبَ عَلَيْنَا الْقِتَالُ ۖ لَوْ لَا
أَخَّرْتَنَا إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ قَرِيبٍ ۗ قُلْ مَتَاعُ
الدُّنْيَا قَلِيلٌ ۖ وَالْآخِرَةُ خَيْرٌ لِّمَنِ
اتَّقَىٰ ۚ وَلَا تظْلَمُونَ فَتِيلًا ۝

79. Wheresoever you may be, death will overtake you, even if you be in

أَيْنَ مَا كُنْتُمْ يُدْرِكُكُمُ الْمَوْتُ وَلَوْ