

وَلَنَبْلُوَنَّكُمْ حَتَّىٰ نَعْلَمَ الْمُجَاهِدِينَ مِنْكُمْ وَالصَّابِرِينَ

And We shall try you until We test those among you who strive their utmost and persevere in patience;

# Muhammad

*In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful*

الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَصَدُّوا عَن سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أَضَلَّ أَعْمَالَهُمْ (١)

1. Those who reject Allah and hinder (men) from the Path of Allah, their deeds will Allah render astray (From their mark).

وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ وَآمَنُوا بِمَا نُزِّلَ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَهُوَ الْحَقُّ مِن رَّبِّهِمْ

2. But those who believe and work deeds of righteousness, and believe in the (Revelation) sent down to Muhammad - for it is the Truth from their Lord,

كَفَّرَ عَنْهُمْ سَيِّئَاتِهِمْ وَأَصْلَحَ بَالَهُمْ (٢)

He will remove from them their ills and improve their condition.

ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا اتَّبَعُوا الْبَاطِلَ وَأَنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّبَعُوا الْحَقَّ مِن رَّبِّهِمْ

3. This because those who reject Allah follow vanities, while those who believe follow the Truth from their Lord:

كَذَلِكَ يَضْرِبُ اللَّهُ لِلنَّاسِ أَمْثَالَهُمْ (٣)

Thus does Allah set forth for men their lessons by similitudes.

فَإِذَا لَقِيتُمُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا فَضَرْبَ الرِّقَابِ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا أَثْخَنْتُمُوهُمْ فَشُدُّوا الْوَتَاقَ

4. Therefore, when ye meet the Unbelievers (in fight), smite at their necks; at length, when ye have thoroughly subdued them, bind a bond firmly (on them):

فَإِمَّا مَنًّا بَعْدُ وَإِمَّا فِدَاءً حَتَّىٰ تَضَعَ الْحَرْبُ أَوْزَارَهَا

thereafter (is the time for) either generosity or ransom: Until the war lays down its burdens.

ذَلِكَ وَلَوْ يَشَاءُ اللَّهُ لَانْتَصَرَ مِنْهُمْ وَلَكِن لِّيَبْلُوَ بَعْضَكُمْ بِبَعْضٍ

Thus (are ye commanded):

but if it had been Allah's Will, He could certainly have exacted retribution from them (Himself); but (He lets you fight) in order to test you, some with others.

وَالَّذِينَ قُتِلُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَلَنْ يُضِلَّ أَعْمَالَهُمْ (٤)

But those who are slain in the way of Allah, He will never let their deeds be lost.

سَيَهْدِيهِمْ وَيُصْلِحُ بَالَهُمْ (٥)

5. Soon will He guide them and improve their condition.

وَيُدْخِلُهُمُ الْجَنَّةَ عَرَفَهَا لَهُمْ (٦)

6. And admit them to the Garden which He has announced for them.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن تَنْصُرُوا اللَّهَ يَنْصُرْكُمْ وَيُثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَكُمْ (٧)

7. O ye who believe!

if ye will aid (the cause of) Allah, He will aid you, and plant your feet firmly.

وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا فَتَعَسَا لَهُمْ وَأَضَلَّ أَعْمَالَهُمْ (٨)

8. But those who reject (Allah), for them is destruction, and (Allah) will render their deeds astray (from their mark).

ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ كَرَهُوا مَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ فَأَحْبَطَ أَعْمَالَهُمْ (٩)

9. That is because they hate the Revelation of Allah; so He has made their deeds fruitless.

أَفَلَمْ يَسِيرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ فَيَنْظُرُوا كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ

10. Do they not travel through the earth, and see what was the End of those before them (who did evil)?

دَمَّرَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلِلْكَافِرِينَ أَمْثَالُهَا (١٠)

Allah brought utter destruction on them, and similar (fates await) those who reject Allah.

ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّ اللَّهَ مَوْلَى الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَأَنَّ الْكَافِرِينَ لَا مَوْلَى لَهُمْ (١١)

11. That is because Allah is the Protector of those who believe, but those who reject Allah have no protector.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُدْخِلُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ

12. Verily Allah will admit those who believe and do righteous deeds, to Gardens beneath which rivers flow;

وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا يَتَمَتَّعُونَ وَيَأْكُلُونَ كَمَا تَأْكُلُ الْأَنْعَامُ وَالنَّارُ مَثْوًى لَهُمْ (١٢)

while those who reject Allah will enjoy (this world) and eat as cattle eat; and the Fire will be their abode.

وَكَايْنٍ مِّنْ قَرْيَةٍ هِيَ أَشَدُّ قُوَّةً مِّنْ قَرْيَتِكَ الَّتِي أَخْرَجْنَاكَ

13. And how many cities, with more power than thy city which has driven thee out, have We destroyed (for their sins)?

أَهْلَكْنَاهُمْ فَلَا نَاصِرَ لَهُمْ (١٣)

And there was none to aid them.

أَفَمَنْ كَانَ عَلَىٰ بَيِّنَةٍ مِّن رَّبِّهِ كَمَنْ زُيِّنَ لَهُ سُوءُ عَمَلِهِ

14. Is then one who is on a clear (Path) from his Lord, no better than one to whom the evil of his conduct seems pleasing,

وَاتَّبَعُوا أَهْوَاءَهُمْ (١٤)

and such as follow their own lusts?

مَثَلُ الْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي وَعِدَ الْمُتَّقُونَ فِيهَا أَنْهَارٌ مِّن مَّاءٍ غَيْرِ آسِنٍ

15. (Here is) a Parable of the Garden which the righteous are promised:  
in it are

- rivers of water incorruptible:

وَأَنْهَارٌ مِّن لَّبَنٍ لَّم يَتَغَيَّرْ طَعْمُهُ وَأَنْهَارٌ مِّنْ خَمْرٍ لَّذَّةٍ لِّلشَّارِبِينَ

- rivers of milk of which the taste never changes;  
- rivers of wine, a joy to those who drink;

وَأَنْهَارٌ مِّنْ عَسَلٍ مُّصَفًّى

- and rivers of honey pure and clear.

وَلَهُمْ فِيهَا مِن كُلِّ الثَّمَرَاتِ وَمَغْفِرَةٌ مِّن رَّبِّهِمْ

- In it there are for them all kinds of fruits, and Grace from their Lord.

كَمَنْ هُوَ خَالِدٌ فِي النَّارِ وَسُقُوا مَاءً حَمِيمًا فَقَطَّعَ أَمْعَاءَهُمْ (١٥)

(Can those in such Bliss) be compared to such as shall dwell for ever in the Fire, and be given, to drink, boiling water, so that it cuts up their bowels (to pieces)?

وَمِنْهُمْ مَّن يَسْتَمِعُ إِلَيْكَ

16. And among them are men who listen to thee,

حَتَّىٰ إِذَا خَرَجُوا مِنْ عِنْدِكَ قَالُوا لِلَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْعِلْمَ مَاذَا قَالَ آنِفًا

but in the end, when they go out from thee, they say to those who have received Knowledge:  
"What is it he said just then?"

أُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ طَبَعَ اللَّهُ عَلَىٰ قُلُوبِهِمْ وَاتَّبَعُوا أَهْوَاءَهُمْ (١٦)

Such are men whose hearts Allah has sealed, and who follow their own lusts.

وَالَّذِينَ اهْتَدَوْا زَادَهُمْ هُدًى وَآتَاهُمْ تَقْوَاهُمْ (١٧)

17. But to those who receive Guidance, He increases (the light of) Guidance, and bestows on them their Piety and Restraint (from evil).

فَهَلْ يَنْظُرُونَ إِلَّا السَّاعَةَ أَنْ تَأْتِيَهُمْ بَغْتَةً

18. Do they then only wait for the Hour, that it should come on them of a sudden?

فَقَدْ جَاءَ أَشْرَاطُهَا

But already have come some tokens thereof,

فَأَنبَى لَهُمْ إِذَا جَاءَتْهُمْ ذِكْرَاهُمْ (١٨)

and when it (actually) is on them, how can they benefit then by their admonition?

فَاعْلَمْ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاسْتَغْفِرْ لِذَنْبِكَ وَلِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ

19. Know, therefore, that there is no god but Allah,  
and ask forgiveness for the fault, and for the men and women who believe:

وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مُتَقَلَّبَكُمْ وَمَثْوَاكُمْ (١٩)

for Allah knows how ye move about and how ye dwell in your homes.

وَيَقُولُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَوْلَا نُزِّلَتْ سُورَةٌ

20. Those who believe say, "Why is not a Surah sent down (for us)?"

فَإِذَا أَنْزَلَتْ سُورَةٌ مُحْكَمَةٌ وَذُكِرَ فِيهَا الْقِتَالُ

But when a Surah of basic or categorical meaning is revealed, and fighting is mentioned therein,

رَأَيْتَ الَّذِينَ فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ مَرَضٌ يَنْظُرُونَ إِلَيْكَ نَظَرَ الْمَغْشِيِّ عَلَيْهِ مِنَ الْمَوْتِ

thou wilt see those in whose hearts is a disease looking at thee with a look of one in swoon at the approach of death:

فَأُولَىٰ لَهُمْ (٢٠)

but more fitting for them --

طَاعَةَ وَقَوْلٌ مَّعْرُوفٌ فَإِذَا عَزَمَ الْأَمْرُ فَلُوّٰ صَدَقُوا اللَّهُ لَكَانَ خَيْرًا لَهُمْ (٢١)

21. Were it to obey and say what is just,  
and when a matter is resolved on, it were best for them if they were true to Allah.

فَهَلْ عَسَيْتُمْ إِنْ تَوَلَّيْتُمْ أَنْ تُفْسِدُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَتُقَطِّعُوا أَرْحَامَكُمْ (٢٢)

22. Then, is it to be expected of you, if ye will do no mischief in the land, and break your ties of kith and kin?

أُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ لَعَنَهُمُ اللَّهُ فَأَصَمَّهُمْ وَأَعَمَّىٰ أَبْصَارَهُمْ (٢٣)

23. Such are the men whom Allah has cursed for He has made them deaf and blinded their sight.

أَفَلَا يَتَذَكَّرُونَ الْقُرْآنَ أَمْ عَلَىٰ قُلُوبٍ أَقْفَالُهَا (٢٤)

24. Do they not then earnestly seek to understand the Qur'an, or are their hearts locked up by them?

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ ارْتَدُّوا عَلَىٰ أَدْبَارِهِمْ مِّنْ بَعْدِ مَا تَبَيَّنَ لَهُمُ الْهُدَىٰ

25. Those who turn back as apostates after Guidance was clearly shown to them,

الشَّيْطَانُ سَوَّلَ لَهُمْ وَأَمْلَىٰ لَهُمْ (٢٥)

the Evil One has instigated them and buoyed them up with false hopes.

ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ قَالُوا لِلَّذِينَ كَرَهُوا مَا نَزَّلَ اللَّهُ سَنُطِيعُكُمْ فِي بَعْضِ الْأَمْرِ

26. This, because they said to those who hate what Allah has revealed,  
"We will obey you in part of (this) matter;"

وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ إِسْرَارَهُمْ (٢٦)

but Allah knows their (inner) secrets.

فَكَيْفَ إِذَا تَوَفَّتْهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ يَضْرِبُونَ وُجُوهَهُمْ وَأَدْبَارَهُمْ (٢٧)

27. But how (will it be) when the angels take their souls at death, and smite their faces and their backs?

ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ اتَّبَعُوا مَا أَسْخَطَ اللَّهَ وَكَرَهُوا رِضْوَانَهُ فَأَحْبَطَ أَعْمَالَهُمْ (٢٨)

28. This because they followed that which called forth the Wrath of Allah, and they hated Allah's good pleasure; so He made their deeds of no effect.

أَمْ حَسِبَ الَّذِينَ فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ مَرَضٌ أَنْ لَنْ يُخْرِجَ اللَّهُ أَضْعَانَهُمْ (٢٩)

29. Or do those in whose hearts is a disease, think that Allah will not bring to light all their rancor?

وَلَوْ نَشَاءُ لَأَرَيْنَاكَهُمْ فَلَعَرَفْتَهُمْ بِسِيمَاهُمْ وَلَتَعْرِفَنَّهُمْ فِي لَحْنِ الْقَوْلِ

30. Had We so willed, We could have shown them up to thee, and thou shouldst have known them by their marks:

but surely thou wilt know them by the tone of their speech!

وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ أَعْمَالَكُمْ (٣٠)

And Allah knows All that ye do.

وَلَنَبْلُوَنَّكُمْ حَتَّى نَعْلَمَ الْمُجَاهِدِينَ مِنْكُمْ وَالصَّابِرِينَ

31. And We shall try you until We test those among you who strive their utmost and persevere in patience;

وَنَبْلُوَ أَخْبَارَكُمْ (٣١)

and We shall try your reported (mettle).

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَصَدُّوا عَن سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَشَاقُّوا الرَّسُولَ

32. Those who reject Allah, hinder (men) from the Path of Allah, and resist the Messenger,

مِن بَعْدِ مَا تَبَيَّنَ لَهُمُ الْهُدَىٰ لَنْ يَضُرُّوا اللَّهَ شَيْئًا

after Guidance has been clearly shown to them, will not injure Allah in the least,

وَسَيُحْبِطُ أَعْمَالَهُمْ (٣٢)

but He will make their deeds of no effect.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَلَا تُبْطِلُوا أَعْمَالَكُمْ (٣٣)

33. O ye who believe!  
obey Allah, and obey the Messenger, and make not vain your deeds!

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَصَدُّوا عَن سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ ثُمَّ مَاتُوا وَهُمْ كُفَّارٌ فَلَن يَغْفِرَ اللَّهُ لَهُمْ (٣٤)

34. Those who reject Allah, and hinder (men) from the Path of Allah, then die rejecting Allah, Allah will not forgive them.

فَلَا تَهِنُوا وَتَدْعُوا إِلَى السَّلَامِ

35. Be not weary and faint-hearted crying for peace.

وَأَنْتُمْ الْأَعْلَوْنَ وَاللَّهُ مَعَكُمْ وَلَنْ يَتْرُكُمْ أَعْمَالَكُمْ (٣٥)

When ye should be Uppermost: for Allah is with you, and will never put you in loss for your (good) deeds.

إِنَّمَا الْحَيَاةُ الدُّنْيَا لَعِبٌّ وَلَهْوٌ

36. The life of this world is but play and amusement:

وَإِن تُوْمِنُوا وَتَتَّقُوا يُؤْتِكُمْ أَجْرَكُمْ وَلَا يَسْأَلْكُمْ أَمْوَالَكُمْ (٣٦)

and if ye believe land guard against evil, He will grant you your recompense, and will not ask you (to give up) your possessions.

إِن يَسْأَلْكُمْوهَا فَيُحْفِكُمْ تَبَخَّلُوا وَيُخْرِجْ أَضْعَانَكُمْ (٣٧)

37. If He were to ask you for all of them, and press you, ye would covetously withhold, and He would bring out all your ill-feeling.

هَآأَنْتُمْ هَؤُلَاءِ تُدْعُونَ لِتُنْفِقُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ

38. Behold, ye are those invited to spend (of your substance) in the way of Allah:

فَمِنْكُمْ مَّنْ يَبْخُلُ وَمَنْ يَبْخُلْ فَإِنَّمَا يَبْخُلْ عَن نَّفْسِهِ

but among you are some that are niggardly.

But any who are niggardly are so at the expense of their own souls.

وَاللَّهُ الْغَنِيُّ وَأَنْتُمُ الْفُقَرَاءُ

But Allah is free of all wants, and it is ye that are needy.

وَإِن تَتَوَلَّوْا يَسْتَبْدِلْ قَوْمًا غَيْرَكُمْ ثُمَّ لَا يَكُونُوا أَمْثَالَكُمْ (٣٨)

If ye turn back (from the Path), He will substitute in your stead another people;

then they would not be like you!

