



﴿أَوَكُلَّمَا عَاهَدُوا عَهْدًا بَدَّاهُمْ فَرِيقٌ مِّنْهُمْ بَلْ أَكْثَرُهُمْ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ﴾

(سورة البقرة: ١٠٠)

2:100. Is it not so that every time they make a covenant, some of them cast it aside? In fact, most of them do not believe.

This is an expression of astonishment at how often they made covenants but did not have the patience to fulfil them. The phrase «every time» is indicative of something that happened repeatedly. Every time they made a covenant, the outcome was that they broke it. What was the reason for that? The reason was that most of them did not believe, and it is their lack of faith that caused them to break the covenants. If they had been sincere in faith, they would have been like those of whom Allah says:

﴿Among the believers are men who have been true to their covenant with Allah...﴾ (al-Ahzāb 33: 23)



﴿وَلَمَّا جَاءَهُمْ رَسُولٌ مِّنْ عِندِ اللَّهِ مُصَدِّقٌ لِّمَا مَعَهُمْ بَدَّاهُمْ فَرِيقٌ مِّنَ الَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْكِتَابَ كَتَبَ اللَّهُ وَرَاءَ ظُهُورِهِمْ كَأَنَّهُمْ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾ (١١) ﴿وَاتَّبَعُوا مَا تَتْلُوا الشَّيَاطِينُ عَلَىٰ مُلْكٍ سُلَيْمَنَ ۖ وَمَا كَفَرَ سُلَيْمَنُ وَلَكِنَّ الشَّيَاطِينَ كَفَرُوا يُعَلِّمُونَ النَّاسَ السِّحْرَ وَمَا أُنزِلَ عَلَى الْمَلَائِكَةِ بِبَابِلَ هَارُوتَ وَمَرُوتَ ۖ وَمَا يَعْلَمَانِ مِن أَحَدٍ حَتَّى يَقُولَا إِنَّمَا نَحْنُ فِتْنَةٌ فَلَا تَكْفُرْ ۖ فَيَتَعَلَّمُونَ مِنْهُمَا مَا يُفَرِّقُونَ بِهِ بَيْنَ الْمَرْءِ وَزَوْجِهِ ۚ وَمَا هُمْ بِضَآئِرِينَ بِهِ ۚ مِن أَحَدٍ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ وَيَتَعَلَّمُونَ مَا يَضُرُّهُمْ وَلَا يَنْفَعُهُمْ ۚ وَلَقَدْ عَلِمُوا لَمَنِ اشْتَرَاهُ مَا لَهُ فِي الْآخِرَةِ مِن خَلْقٍ وَلَئِنَّكَ مَا شَرَوْا بِهِ أَنْفُسَهُمْ لَوْ كَانُوا