

(Note: Wherever the word “you” or “your” is singular and refers to one human being, it is printed with an italic y, as in: you. Wherever such a word refers to God, the y is printed in capital, as in: You.)

## For Fast 10

### Chapter 8

- 45 O you who believe, when you meet an army, be firm, and remember Allah much, that you may be successful.
- 46 And obey Allah and His Messenger and do not dispute with one another so that you get weak-hearted and your power departs; and be steadfast. Surely Allah is with the steadfast.

*Note:* According to a mathematical theory, if two armies, each of strength 1 unit, fight an enemy separately, uncoordinatedly, and not unitedly, then their total strength against the enemy is not 2 units but 1.414 units (square root of 2).

- 47 And do not be like those who came forth from their homes exultingly and to be seen by people, and they hinder (people) from the way of Allah. And Allah encompasses what they do.

*Note:* This clearly refers to the army of the Quraish which had marched forth in great exultation to destroy Madina.

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- 61 And if they incline to peace, then you (must also) incline to it, and trust in Allah. Surely He is the Hearer, the Knower.

*Note:* If the enemy offers peace, Muslims must accept it.

- 62 And if they intend to deceive you, then surely Allah is sufficient for you. He it is Who strengthened you with His help and with the believers,

*Note:* The deceit is in relation to what has been said in the previous verse, the meaning being that *if they intend to deceive you under the cloak of peace*, even in such a case peace is to be accepted.

- 63 and He has united their hearts. If you had spent all that is in the earth, you could not have united their hearts, but Allah united them. Surely He is Mighty, Wise.

*Note:* Unity is a blessing that is not possible to establish by human effort.

64 O Prophet, Allah is sufficient for you and those who follow you from the believers.