

<sup>1</sup>We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.<sup>2</sup>(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)<sup>3</sup>Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed:<sup>4</sup>But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,<sup>5</sup>In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings;<sup>6</sup>By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned,<sup>7</sup>By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,<sup>8</sup>By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true;<sup>9</sup>As unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed;<sup>10</sup>As sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.<sup>11</sup>O ye Corinthians, our mouth is open unto you, our heart is enlarged.<sup>12</sup>Ye are not straitened in us, but ye are straitened in your own bowels.<sup>13</sup>Now for a recompence in the same, (I speak as unto my children,) be ye also enlarged.<sup>14</sup>Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?<sup>15</sup>And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?<sup>16</sup>And what agreement hath the

### مُثَابَرَةُ الرَّسُولِ فِي خِدْمَتِهِ

<sup>1</sup>فَإِذْ تَحْنُ عَامِلُونَ مَعَهُ تَطْلُبُ أَنْ لَا تَقْبَلُوا نِعْمَةَ اللَّهِ بَاطِلًا،<sup>2</sup>لَأَنَّهُ يَقُولُ: "فِي وَقْتٍ مَقْبُولٍ سَمِعْتُكَ، وَفِي يَوْمٍ خَلَاصٍ أَعْنَتُكَ." هُوَذَا الْآنَ وَقْتُ مَقْبُولٍ، هُوَذَا الْآنَ يَوْمُ خَلَاصٍ.<sup>3</sup>وَلَسْنَا نَحْعَلُ غَيْرَةً فِي شَيْءٍ لِئَلَّا نُلَاقَ الْخِدْمَةَ، بَلْ فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ نُظْهِرُ أَنْفُسَنَا كَخْدَامِ اللَّهِ: فِي صَبْرٍ كَثِيرٍ، فِي شِدَائِدٍ، فِي ضَرُورَاتٍ، فِي ضِيقَاتٍ، فِي ضَرَبَاتٍ، فِي سُجُونٍ، فِي اضْطِرَابَاتٍ، فِي أَغْعَابٍ، فِي أَشْهَارٍ، فِي أَصْوَامٍ،<sup>6</sup>فِي طَهَارَةٍ، فِي عِلْمٍ، فِي أَنَاةٍ، فِي لُطْفٍ، فِي الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ، فِي مَحَبَّةٍ بِلَا رِيَاءٍ،<sup>7</sup>فِي كَلَامِ الْحَقِّ، فِي قُوَّةِ اللَّهِ بِسِلَاحِ الْبِرِّ لِلْيَمِينِ، وَلِلسَّيَارِ.<sup>8</sup>بِمَجْدٍ وَهَوَانٍ، بِصَبْرٍ رَدِيٍّ وَصَبْرٍ حَسَنٍ، كَمُضْلِينَ وَتَحْنُ صَادِقُونَ،<sup>9</sup>كَمُجْهُولِينَ وَتَحْنُ مَعْرُوفُونَ، كَمَانِيَنَ وَهَذَا تَحْنُ نَحْيَا، كَمُؤَدِّيَنَ وَتَحْنُ غَيْرُ مَقْبُولِينَ،<sup>10</sup>كَحَرَائِي وَتَحْنُ دَائِمًا قَرَحُونَ، كَقُفَرَاءَ وَتَحْنُ نُعْنِي كَثِيرِينَ، كَأَنْ لَا شَيْءَ لَنَا وَتَحْنُ تَمْلِكُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ.

### تَشْجِيعُ الرَّسُولِ وَتَحْذِيرُهُ مِنَ الْأَصْنَامِ

<sup>11</sup>قُمْنَا مَقْنُوحٌ إِلَيْكُمْ، أَيُّهَا الْكُورِنْثِيُّونَ، قَلْبُنَا مُتَّسِعٌ،<sup>12</sup>لَسْنُكُمْ مُتَضَيِّقِينَ فِينَا بَلْ مُتَضَيِّقِينَ فِي أَحْسَانِكُمْ،<sup>13</sup>فَجَزَاءً لِذَلِكَ أَقُولُ كَمَا لِأَوْلَادِي، كُونُوا أَنْتُمْ أَيْضًا مُتَّسِعِينَ.<sup>14</sup>لَا تَكُونُوا تَحْتَ نِيرٍ مَعَ غَيْرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ، لِأَنَّهُ أَتَى خِلَاطَهُ لِلْبِرِّ وَالْإِيمِ؟ وَأَتَى شَرَكَةَ النُّورِ مَعَ الظُّلْمَةِ؟<sup>15</sup>وَأَيُّ اتِّفَاقٍ لِلْمَسِيحِ مَعَ بَلِيْعَالٍ؟ وَأَيُّ تَصِيبٍ لِلْمُؤْمِنِ مَعَ غَيْرِ الْمُؤْمِنِ؟<sup>16</sup>وَأَتَى مُوَافَقَةً لِهَيْكَلِ اللَّهِ مَعَ الْأَوْثَانِ؟ فَإِنَّكُمْ أَنْتُمْ هَيْكَلُ اللَّهِ الْحَيِّ كَمَا قَالَ اللَّهُ: "إِنِّي سَأَسْكُنُ فِيهِمْ وَأَسِيرُ بَيْنَهُمْ وَأَكُونُ لَهُمْ إِلَهًا وَهُمْ يَكُونُونَ لِي سَعْبًا."<sup>17</sup>لِذَلِكَ: "اخْرُجُوا مِنْ وَسْطِهِمْ وَاعْتَزِلُوا"، يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ، "وَلَا تَمَسُّوا تَجْسًا، فَأَقْبَلَكُمْ،<sup>18</sup>وَأَكُونُ لَكُمْ أَبًا وَأَنْتُمْ تَكُونُونَ لِي بَنِينَ وَبَنَاتٍ"، يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ الْقَادِرُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ.

temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.<sup>17</sup> Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,<sup>18</sup> And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.