

## The Saheeh International Quran Translation

فَإِذَا لَقِيتُمُ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا فَضَرْبَ الرِّقَابِ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا أَثْخَتَمُوهُم فَشَدُّوا الْوَتَاكَ فَإِمَّا مِّنَّا بَعْدُ  
وَأِمَّا فِدَاءً حَتَّىٰ تَضَعَ الْحَرْبُ أَوْزَارَهَا <sup>ج</sup> ذَلِكَ وَلَوْ يَشَاءُ اللَّهُ لَانتَصَرْنَا مِنْهُمْ وَلَكِن لِّيَبْلُوَ  
بَعْضُكُم بِبَعْضٍ <sup>ق</sup> وَالَّذِينَ قُتِلُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَلَن يُضِلَّ أَعْمَالَهُمْ

So when you meet those who disbelieve [in battle], strike [their] necks  
until, when you have inflicted slaughter upon them, then secure their  
bonds, and either [confer] favor afterwards or ransom [them] until the  
war lays down its burdens. That [is the command]. And if Allah had  
willed, He could have taken vengeance upon them [Himself], but [He  
ordered armed struggle] to test some of you by means of others. And  
those who are killed in the cause of Allah - never will He waste their  
deeds.