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## Hadith Lesson: On Imāms and Mu'adhins

*As-Salāmu 'Alaykum wa RaḥmatuLlāhi wa Barakātuh.*

*A'ūdhu BiLlāhi Minash-shayṭāni r-rajīm. BismiLlāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm.*

*Wa ṣ-Salātu wa s-Salāmu 'alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Anwālina wa l-Akhirin.*

*Madad yā RasūlAllāh, Madad yā Sādati Aṣḥabi Rasūlillāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā,*

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*Nāẓim al-Ḥaqqāni. Madad.*

### 1- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

ثَلَاثَةٌ عَلَى كُتُبَانِ الْمَسْكِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ، يَغْبِطُهُمُ الْأُولُونَ وَالْآخِرُونَ: عَبْدٌ أَدَّى  
حَقَّ اللَّهِ وَحَقَّ مَوَالِيهِ، وَرَجُلٌ يَوْمٌ قَوْمًا وَهُمْ بِهِ رَاضُونَ، وَرَجُلٌ يُنَادِي  
بِالصَّلَوَاتِ الْخَمْسِ فِي كُلِّ يَوْمٍ وَلَيْلَةٍ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Three shall be on dunes of musk on the Day of Resurrection. The first and the last of peoples shall envy them.”** The situation on the day of Judgment will be very bad. They will be sitting on the most beautiful place, on musk hills. And everyone envies them. “We wish we were like them too.” **“A slave who fulfills the right of Allah and the right of his masters. A man who leads a group of people and they are pleased with him. A man (the Mu'adhin) who calls to the five [prayers] every day and night.”** Everyone envies them. Their rank is high.

### 2- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

تَجَوَّزُوا فِي الصَّلَاةِ، فَإِنْ خَلَفَكُمْ الضَّعِيفُ، وَالْكَبِيرُ، وَذَا الْحَاجَةِ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Keep the prayer short. Because behind you is the weak, the elderly and needy people.”** The imām who prays the obligatory prayers and prays in congregation, if there is a large congregation, he should make it a little shorter because there may be all kinds of people in that congregation. He should not prolong it, says our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam.



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### 3- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

ثَلَاثٌ لَا يَجِلُّ لِأَحَدٍ أَنْ يَفْعَلَهُنَّ: لَا يُؤْمُّ رَجُلٌ قَوْمًا فَيُخْصُّ نَفْسَهُ بِالذُّعَاءِ  
دُونَهُمْ، فَإِنْ فَعَلَ فَقَدْ خَانَهُمْ، وَلَا يَنْظُرُ فِي قَعْرِ بَيْتٍ قَبْلَ أَنْ يَسْتَأْذِنَ، فَإِنْ فَعَلَ  
فَقَدْ دَخَلَ، وَلَا يَصَلِّي وَهُوَ حَقْنٌ حَتَّى يَتَخَفَّفَ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Three things one is not allowed to do [not permissible].”** So he says that these things are not good but evil. The first is, **“Supplicating Allāh ﷻ specifically for himself [as imām] and ignoring others while leading a congregation in prayer;”** So when he’s making du’ā’, he should include everyone in his du’ā’. He makes du’ā’ only for himself doesn’t attain goodness himself. And he doesn’t make du’ā’ for anyone else anyway. He thinks he’s doing good for himself. Whereas, he does badness to himself. A Muslim makes du’ā’ for everyone. **“If he did so, he betrayed them;”** So this person acts as an imām for himself, and makes du’ā’ for himself only without including the congregation: the imām becomes a traitor. He would have betrayed the congregation.

**“Looking inside a house before taking permission.”** Sometimes people do this. It is a special place for people, it is a private place. Don’t look inside unless given permission. That’s badness too. **“If he did look, it is as if he entered the house,”** So he’s trespassing. He’s like a thief. Therefore, one must not look to the inside of a house from the window or so.

**“A person should not stand in prayer while one is feeling the call of nature until one eases oneself.”** If one is feeling the urge to urinate, perform your ablution, then stand for prayer. It’s different if there’s a big need. But if one is feeling the normal urge to urinate, if he says, “Let me pray without breaking my ablution,” he has not done any good. It becomes bad for him.

### 4- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

جُلُوسُ الْإِمَامِ بَيْنَ الْأَذَانِ وَالْإِقَامَةِ فِي الْمَغْرِبِ مِنَ السُّنَّةِ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“It is sunnah for the imām to sit between the adhān and the iqamah of Maghrib prayer.”** Prayer is normally not



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performed between the adhān and the iqamah of Maghrib prayer. But it is prayed, according to some Madhabs. Therefore, we pray. Those who don't pray during this period should at least sit there for two minutes.

### 5- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

الْجِهَادُ وَاجِبٌ عَلَيْكُمْ مَعَ كُلِّ أَمِيرٍ بَرٍّ أَوْ فَاجِرٍ وَإِنْ هُوَ عَمِلَ الْكَبَائِرَ  
وَالصَّلَاةُ وَاجِبَةٌ عَلَيْكُمْ خَلْفَ كُلِّ مُسْلِمٍ بَرٍّ أَوْ فَاجِرٍ وَإِنْ هُوَ عَمِلَ  
الْكَبَائِرَ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَاجِبَةٌ عَلَيْكُمْ عَلَى كُلِّ مُسْلِمٍ يَمُوتُ بَرًّا أَوْ فَاجِرًا وَإِنْ  
هُوَ عَمِلَ الْكَبَائِرَ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Jihad is a necessary duty for you along with any commander, pious or impious, even if he commits heinous sins;”** If uli l-amr, meaning the government, the commander gave you an order, even if he is a good or bad person, doing Jihad with him is obligatory. You can't just abandon Jihad and run away.

**“Prayer is a necessary duty for you behind any Muslim imām, pious or impious, even if he commits heinous sins;”** They left something out here [in Turkish Translation.] Good or bad, even if he has committed a major sin, it is obligatory for you to do Jihad behind him. It is also obligatory for you to pray behind the imām. What is meant by Kabā'ir is drinking and so. Even if they are major sins, it is obligatory for you to pray behind him. Now most people sometimes say, “The imām in the Kaa'ba is Wahhabi, how should we pray behind him?” Therefore, you should not investigate about the imām. When the Iqamah is called, if there is an imām in the mosque, whoever the imām is, you must stand behind him. It is obligatory for you. You must not leave them and pray alone. Unfortunately, there are some groups that don't pray Jum'ah or so saying, “The imām is a sinner, and so.” They are dividing Islām. That's wrong.

**“And prayer is a necessary duty upon every Muslim who dies, pious or impious, even if he commits heinous sins.”** It is obligatory, whether he is good or bad, and even if he has committed major sins. Every Muslim, good or bad, has to perform the Janazah prayer. It is fard kifāyah. Fard kifāyah means if someone performs it, all Muslims are exempted from it. If one does not perform it, it would be a sin upon all of them. For this reason, after the Maghrib prayer, we perform the Ghā'ib Janazah prayer (Absentee funeral prayer) to fulfill the fard kifāyah.



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Some people get confused, “What are those doing? Is there a Janazah here? What are they doing?” It is not clear where there is [a Muslim who died] in this world. Now in this situation of dunyā, so many people and Muslims are dying. Or some who have become Muslims, but people who were not aware of them becoming Muslims. And it is obligatory to perform Janazah prayer while burying them. Therefore, after Maghrib prayer – May Allāh ﷺ raise their ranks, our Mashāyikh Mawlānā Shaykh Nāẓim and Mawlana Shaykh ‘Abdu Llāh ad-Dāghestānī. This is their sunnah to perform it every day after Maghrib prayer. Then that sin is waived from the ummah.

### 6- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

لِيُصَلِّ الرَّجُلُ فِي الْمَسْجِدِ الَّذِي يَلِيهِ وَلَا يَتَّبِعِ الْمَسَاجِدَ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“A person should pray in the mosque next to him and not go to a distinct remote mosque.”** So if there is one near you, it is better to always pray there.

### 7- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

الرَّحْمَةُ تَنْزِلُ عَلَى الْإِمَامِ ثُمَّ عَلَى مَنْ عَلَى يَمِينِهِ الْأَوَّلُ فَالْأَوَّلُ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Mercy descends first upon the imām, then upon the one next to him on his right, and so on upon the one next to him.”** So the imām in the first row, then from right to right and so on. Then the second row and so on.

### 8- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

صَلِّ بِصَلَاةِ أَوْعَفِ الْقَوْمِ وَلَا تَتَّخِذْ مُؤَدِّنَا يَأْخُذُ عَلَى أَذَانِهِ أَجْرًا

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Perform the prayer according to the weakest of the people.”** So if there’s a sick man, one mustn’t prolong the prayer too much. Pray just according to what he can bear. There is no need to make it too long.



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Don't even pray too quickly that the man cannot follow. Don't do that either. Pray accordingly.

**“Do not take someone who is paid to be muadhin as a muadhin.”** Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla has given the muadhin his reward. Now unfortunately, the muadhins do not recite the adhan even though they are paid. They have the machine recite it. They have all these things, and then they take money. May Allāh ﷻ improve them.

*Sadaqa RasuluLlah fi ma qal, aw kama qal.*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ says the truth in what he ﷺ said or as he ﷺ said.



*Ihda'* – Dedication:

Ziyadatan ila sharafi' 'n-Nabi, sallaLlahu `alayhi wa sallam wa Alihi wa Asahabihi l-kiram, wa ila arwahi jamee'i al Anbiya'i wa l-Mursalin wa Khudama'i sharai'ihim wa ila arwahi al 'Aimmati al arba'a, wa ila arwahi Mashayyikhina fi t-Tariqati n-Naqshbandiyyati l-Aliyyah, khassatan Imamu t-Tariqah wa Ghawthu l-Khaliqah Khwaja Bahauddin Muhammad al-Uwaisiyi l-Bukhari, Sayyidina Abdul Khaliq al Ghujduwani, Mawlana Shaykh Sharafuddin al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah al Faiz al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Adil al Haqqani, wa sai'ri Sadatina wa s-Siddiqiyun, wa man nahnu fi hadratihim wa jiwarihim, for the souls of all our passed ones, for the souls of all Shaheeds. For goodness to come and evil to be gone. Li-Llahi Ta'ala, Al-Fatiha.

[(*Translation*) To the honor of the Prophet, Prayers and Peace be upon Him, and his family, and his companions, and the souls of all the prophets as well as of His messengers and of those who served their Sharia, and to the souls of the four Imams. And to the souls of our Mashayikh of the Most Distinguished Naqshbandi Tariqa, in particular to the soul of the Imam of the Tariqa Ghawth al-Khaliqa (the Help of Creation), Khwaja Bahauddin Muhammad al-Uwaisiyi l-Bukhari, Sayyidina Abdul Khaliq al Ghujduwani, Mawlana Shaykh Sharafuddin al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah al Faiz al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Adil al Haqqani, and the rest of our masters and Siddiqiyun, and to whom we are in their presence and near them, for the souls of all our passed ones, for the souls of all Shaheeds. For goodness to come and evil to be gone. To Allah Almighty. Al Fatiha.]

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