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Ḥadīth Lesson: The Importance of Sadaqah

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 Sādāti Aṣḥābi RasūliLlāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā,

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Nāzim al-Ḥaqqāni. Madad.

- 1- **Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam**
The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

اتَّقُوا النَّارَ وَلَوْ بِشِقِّ تَمْرَةٍ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Protect yourselves from hellfire by giving sadaqah, even if with one half of a date.”** So, sadaqah protects a person both physically from evil, illness, and calamity in this world, and also from hellfire. Don’t say it’s a little or a lot; just give. What’s half a date? It’s nothing. Even that can protect you from hellfire.

- 2- **Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam**
The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

اتَّقُوا النَّارَ وَلَوْ بِشِقِّ تَمْرَةٍ، فَمَنْ لَمْ يَجِدْ فَبِكَلِمَةٍ طَيِّبَةٍ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Protect yourselves from Hellfire by giving sadaqah, even if with one half of a date. If you cannot find even that, then protect yourselves from Hellfire by (saying) a kind, pleasant word.”** In the past, they couldn’t even find that; they couldn’t find anything to eat. Not even half a date, let alone a full date. Instead, they sought to be kind winning the hearts of those who desired it with kind words.

- 3- **Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam**
The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

اجعلوا بينكم وبين النار حجابةً ولو بشِقِّ تَمْرَةٍ

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Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Even if it’s only half a date, put a veil between yourself and Hell.”** So, this sadaqah will act as a veil (barrier) between you and Hell; you won’t fall into the fire.

- 4- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*
The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

ارْضَخِي مَا اسْتَطَعْتِ، وَلَا تُوْعَى فَيُوْعَى اللَّهُ عَلَيْكَ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Give as much as you can afford. Do not hoard your wealth, for Allāh ﷻ will withhold His ﷻ blessings from you.”** Give as much as you can afford. It’s not that you should give more than you can afford, but give as much as you are able, says our Prophet ﷺ salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam. When you hoard the excess of your wealth, Allāh ﷻ will withhold His ﷻ blessings from you. Whatever you give as sadaqah, you will surely receive the reward for it; it will not cease.

- 5- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*
The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

أَعْطَى وَلَا تُوَكِّي فَيُوَكِّي عَلَيْكَ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“O Asma,”** our Prophet ﷺ salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam addressed Asma, the daughter of Sayyidina Abu Bakr. **“Do not hoard your wealth, lest Allāh ﷻ withhold His ﷻ bounty from you.”** The stingier you are, the less you will receive; if you give, more will come to you, says our Prophet ﷺ salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam.

- 6- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*
The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

اعلموا أنه ليس فيكم أحد إلا مال وراثته أحب إليه من ماله ما لك ما قدمت ومال وراثتك ما أخرت

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Know that there is no one among you for whom the wealth of his heirs is not dearer than his own wealth.”** So, a person loves what

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will be left for the heir from wealth and property more than his. Yet it belongs to his heirs. But he loves it, doesn't give it away, hoards it and keeps it. **"Your true wealth is what you send forth for the Hereafter. And the wealth of your heirs is that which you have left behind in this world."** So, the true wealth is what you send forth; what's yours is the wealth you send to the Hereafter. What's here remains for the heir, and it is of no benefit to you.

7- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

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

إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى لِيَدْخُلُ بِلِقْمَةِ الْخُبْزِ وَقَبْضَةِ التَّمْرِ وَمِثْلِهِ مِمَّا يَنْفَعُ الْمَسْكِينِ؛ ثَلَاثَةً
الْجَنَّةَ: صَاحِبَ الْبَيْتِ وَالْأَمْرِيهِ، وَالزَّوْجَةَ الْمُصْلِحَةَ، وَالْخَادِمَ الَّذِي يُنَاوِلُ
الْمَسْكِينِ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **"Surely, Allāh ﷻ will admit three people to Paradise because of a morsel of bread, a handful of dried dates, or something similar given to the poor."** That is, if something is given as charity from a house—dates, provisions, meat, water, whatever it may be—three people from that house will enter Paradise because of it, says our Prophet ﷺ salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam. **"One is the head of the household, the house owner and who gives the orders in it, who ordered the charity to be given. Another is the housewife who prepared the meal. And the third is the helper (servant) who delivered the charity to the poor."** These are the virtues of sadaqah.

8- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

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

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَقْبَلُ الصَّدَقَةَ وَيَأْخُذُهَا بِيَمِينِهِ فَيُرِيهَا لِأَحَدٍ كَمَا يُرِيَّ أَحَدٌ كَرْمَهُ
حَتَّىٰ إِنَّ اللَّقْمَةَ لِتَصِيرُ مِثْلَ أَحَدٍ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **"Allah Almighty accepts sadaqah."** This means that when you give charity, Allāh ﷻ accepts it. **"He ﷻ receives it with His ﷻ right Hand, meaning with good acceptance."** Of course, Allāh ﷻ is free from such

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descriptions such as a hand or so, but metaphorically, it means He ﷻ accepts it. **“Allāh ﷻ nourishes this sadaqah for its giver, like a small ration, like feeding a newborn horse.”** This sadaqah, in the sight of Allāh ﷻ, becomes something that is nourished for the giver. Like feeding a newborn horse. **“So much so that the reward of a single morsel of sadaqah nourishes until it grows as large as Mount Uhud.”** Even though it’s a small thing, Allāh ﷻ counts it as large as Mount Uhud, which as you know is a huge mountain in Madinah Munawwarah. That’s how great it becomes in the sight of Allāh ﷻ.

9- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

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

إِنَّ الصَّدَقَةَ تُطْفِئُ غَضَبَ الرَّبِّ وَتَدْفَعُ مِيتَةَ السُّوءِ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Giving charity extinguishes the wrath of the Lord and prevents a bad death.”** Charity is very important. It extinguishes the wrath and anger of Allāh ﷻ. No matter what sins you have committed, with that charity, Allāh ﷻ will forgive those sins. It also protects you from a bad death. May Allāh ﷻ protect us.

10- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

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

إِنَّ الصَّدَقَةَ تُطْفِئُ عَنْ أَهْلِهَا حَرَّ الْقُبُورِ، وَإِنَّمَا يَسْتَظِلُّ الْمُؤْمِنُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فِي
ظِلِّ صَدَقَتِهِ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Surely charity extinguishes the fire of the grave.”** That is, even in the grave, which, may Allāh ﷻ forbid, might be a pit of hell, charity extinguishes that fire. **“Surely the believer will be shaded by the shade of his sadaqah on the Day of Judgment.”** On the Day of Judgment, there will be no trees or anything else. But when you’ve given sadaqah, sadaqah has its shade. The believer will be shaded under its shade.

Sadaqa RasuluLlah fi ma qal, aw kama qal.

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



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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 'Aimmat 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 believers from men and women, Muslims from men and women. To the souls of all our ancestors. For goodness to come and evil to be warded off. For the pleasure of Allāh ﷻ. Li-Ilahi 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 believers from men and women, Muslims from men and women. To the souls of all our ancestors. For goodness to come and evil to be warded off. For the pleasure of Allāh ﷻ. To Allah Almighty. Al Fatiha.]

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