

LESSONS FROM AHÂDEETH SHAREEF

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COMMENTARY ON

40 AHÂDEETH | ARBA'EEN | OF IMAAM NAWAWI رحمة الله عليه

WITH EMPHASIS ON PERFECTING ONE'S CHARACTER

LESSON TWENTY-SEVEN

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ نَحْمَدُهُ وَنَسْتَعِينُهُ وَنَسْتَغْفِرُهُ وَنُوْمِنُ بِهِ وَ نَتَوَ كَّلُ عَلَيهِ ،

وَنَعُوْذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ شُرُوْرِ أَنْفُسِنَا وَمِنْ سَيِّئَاتِ أَعْمَالِنَا، مَنْ يَهْدِهِ اللَّهُ فَلاَ مُضِلَّ لَهُ وَمَنْ يُضْلِلْ فَلاَ هَادِيَ لَهُ ،

وَنَشْهَدُ أَنْ لاَ إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ ، وَنَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَناَ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

Verily all praise is for Allah, we praise Him and seek His aid and ask for His forgiveness and we believe in Him and we place our trust upon Him, and we seek refuge with Allah from the evils of ourselves and our evil actions. Whomsoever Allah guides there is none who can misguide him, and whomsoever Allah misguides there is none who can guide him, and we bear witness that none has the right to be worshiped except Allah alone, having no partner, and we bear witness that Muhammad is His slave and His Messenger

ٱللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنا مُحَمَّدٍ ، وَعَلَى آلِ سَيِّدِنا مُحَمَّدٍ وَبَارِكْ وَسَلِّمْ

Allahumma Salli 'ala Sayyidina Muhammad Wa'ala Aali Sayyidina Muhammadin Wa Baarik Wa Sallim | Oh Allah shower blessings and peace upon our Master Muhammad Sallallahu Alayhi Wa Sallam and upon the family of Muhammad Sallallahu Alayhi Wa Sallam

hadith 26 |

GRATITUDE TO ALLAH

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صلى الله عليه و سلم "كُلُّ سُلَامَى مِنْ النَّاسِ عَلَيْهِ صَدَقَةٌ، كُلَّ يَوْمٍ تَظُّلُعُ فِيهِ الشَّمْسُ تَعْدِلُ بَيْنَ اثْنَيْنِ صَدَقَةٌ، وَتُعِينُ الرَّجُلَ فِي دَابَّتِهِ فَتَحْمِلُهُ عَلَيْهَا أَوْ تَرْفَعُ لَهُ عَلَيْهَا مَتَاعَهُ صَدَقَةٌ، يَوْمٍ تَظُلُعُ فِيهِ الشَّمْسُ تَعْدِلُ بَيْنَ اثْنَيْنِ صَدَقَةٌ، وَتُعِينُ الرَّجُلَ فِي دَابَّتِهِ فَتَحْمِلُهُ عَلَيْهَا أَوْ تَرْفَعُ لَهُ عَلَيْهَا مَتَاعَهُ صَدَقَةٌ، وَثُولِكُلِّ خُطُووَ تَمْشِيهَا إِلَى الصَّلَاةِ صَدَقَةٌ، وَتُعِيطُ الْأَذَى عَنْ الطَّرِيقِ صَدَقَةٌ [رَوَاهُ الْبُخَارِيُّ]

Hazrat Abu Hurairah *Radiallahu Anhu* narrates that : Rasullullah *Sallallahu Alayhi Wa Sallam* said "Every joint of a person must perform a charity each day that the sun rises: to judge justly between two people is a charity. To help a man with his mount, lifting him onto it or hoisting up his belongings onto it, is a charity. And the good word is a charity. And every step that you take towards the prayer is a charity, and removing a harmful object from the road is a charity." [*Bukhaari*] [*Muslim*]

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BRIEF EXPLANTION |

The meaning of this Hadith is, that the structure and organization of the bones of the body and their safety is indeed a very great blessing that Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'ala* has granted each of His slaves ... so that every bone demands that we give back a charity (Sadaqah) on behalf of it as an expression of gratitude for this great blessing.

Like the previous Hadith (#25), Rasullullah *Sallallahu Alayhi Wa Sallam* also explains that charity does not necessarily mean material wealth that a person has to give, but varieties of (other) deeds have been mentioned in this Hadith, which tantamount to giving charity eg: to act justly in a dispute between two people is also regarded as charity; a kind word is also regarded as charity; removing a harmful object from the road is also regarded as charity.

So, the outward meaning of this Hadith shows that gratitude together with this Sadaqah (that has been discussed) is necessary for every Believer, in every day of our life. One way of expressing this gratitude is by doing these actions that Rasullullah *Sallallahu Alayhi Wa Sallam* has mentioned in this particular Hadith.