

باب الجنة

أربعون حديثا في فضائل الذكر والذاكرين

The Door to Paradise

*Forty Narrations about
The Virtues about Dhikr and those who
perform it*

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الحديث الأول ذكر الله للذاكرين

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ : قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ :
يَقُولُ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى : أَنَا عِنْدَ ظَنِّ عَبْدِي بِي ، وَأَنَا مَعَهُ إِذَا ذَكَرَنِي ، فَإِذَا ذَكَرَنِي فِي
نَفْسِهِ ذَكَرْتُهُ فِي نَفْسِي ، وَإِذَا ذَكَرَنِي فِي مَلَأٍ ذَكَرْتُهُ فِي مَلَأٍ خَيْرٍ مِنْهُمْ ، وَإِنْ
تَقَرَّبَ إِلَيَّ شَبْرًا تَقَرَّبْتُ إِلَيْهِ ذِرَاعًا ، وَإِنْ تَقَرَّبَ إِلَيَّ ذِرَاعًا تَقَرَّبْتُ إِلَيْهِ بَاعًا ، وَإِنْ
جَاءَنِي يَمْشِي أَتَيْتُهُ هَرَوَلَةً .

[أخرجه البخاري ومسلم]

The First Hadith Allah Mentions those Who Mention Him

It is narrated from Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

Allah, Exalted is He, said,

« I am for My servant as he thinks of Me, and I am with him whenever he mentions Me. When he mentions Me to himself, I mention him to Myself, and when he mentions Me in a gathering, I mention him in a gathering better than it. If he

draws close to Me by a handspan, I draw close to him by an arm's length. If he draws close to Me by an arm's length, I draw close to him by a fathom. And if he walks towards Me, I run towards him. »

Recorded by Al-Bukhārī and Muslim.

الحديث الثاني المعية للذاكرين

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ يَقُولُ: أَنَا مَعَ عَبْدِي إِذَا هُوَ ذَكَرَنِي وَتَحَرَّكَتْ بِي شَفَتَاهُ.

[أخرجه ابن ماجه وابن حبان]

The Second Hadith Allah is with Those Who Mention Him

It is narrated from Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

“Allah, Glorious and Majestic is He, said,

« I am with My servant whenever he mentions Me and whilst his lips are moving with My (Name). » ”

Recorded by Ibn Mājah and Ibn Ḥibbān.

الحديث الثالث أيسر شرائع الإسلام

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ بُسْرِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَجُلًا قَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ إِنَّ شَرَائِعَ
الإِسْلَامِ قَدْ كَثُرَتْ عَلَيَّ، فَأَخْبِرْنِي بِشَيْئٍ أَتَشَبَّهُتُ بِهِ. قَالَ: لَا يَزَالُ لِسَانُكَ رَطْبًا
مِنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى.

[أخرجه الترمذي وابن ماجه والحاكم وابن حبان]

The Third Hadith The Lightest Precept of Islam

It is narrated from ‘Abd Allah ibn Busr (may Allah be pleased with him) that a man said, ‘O Messenger of Allah, the precepts of Islam seem many to me, tell me something I can always hold on to!’

He ﷺ replied,

”May your tongue never cease to be fresh from mentioning Allah, Exalted is He.”

Recorded by At-Tirmidhī, Ibn Mājah, Al-Ĥākim and Ibn Ĥibbān.

الحديث الرابع أحب الأعمال

عَنْ مَالِكِ بْنِ يُخَامِرٍ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا مُعَاذَ بْنَ جَبَلٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ لَهُمْ: إِنَّ آخِرَ كَلَامٍ
فَارَقْتُ عَلَيْهِ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ أَنْ قُلْتُ: أَيُّ الْأَعْمَالِ أَحَبُّ إِلَيَّ
اللَّهُ؟ قَالَ: أَنْ تَمُوتَ وَلِسَانُكَ رَطْبٌ مِنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ.

[أخرجه ابن حبان والطبراني والبزار]

The Forth Hadith The Most Beloved Act

It is narrated from Mālik ibn Yukhāmīr that our Master Mu‘ādh ibn Jabal (may Allah be pleased with him) said to them:

The last word upon which I parted from the Messenger of Allah ﷺ was my query, ‘Which act is most beloved to Allah?’ He ﷺ replied,

”May you leave this life with your tongue fresh from mentioning Allah!”

Recorded by Ibn Ḥibbān, Aṭ-Ṭabarānī and Al-Bazzār.

الحديث الخامس

خير من الجهاد

عَنْ أَبِي الدَّرْدَاءِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ:
أَلَا أُنبئُكُمْ بِخَيْرِ أَعْمَالِكُمْ وَأَزْكَاهَا عِنْدَ مَلِيكِكُمْ وَأَرْفَعِهَا فِي دَرَجَاتِكُمْ وَخَيْرٍ لَكُمْ
مِنْ إِنْثَاقِ الذَّهَبِ وَالْوَرِقِ وَخَيْرٍ لَكُمْ مِنْ أَنْ تَلْقَوْا عَدُوَّكُمْ فَتَضْرِبُوا أَعْنَاقَهُمْ
وَيَضْرِبُوا أَعْنَاقَكُمْ؟ قَالُوا بَلَى. قَالَ: ذَكَرُ اللَّهِ قَالَ مُعَاذُ بْنُ جَبَلٍ: مَا شَيْئٌ أَنْجَى
مِنْ عَذَابِ اللَّهِ مِنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ.

[أخرجه الإمام مالك في الموطأ موقوفاً على أبي الدرداء، وأخرجه مرفوعاً الترمذي وابن ماجه وأحمد بإسناد حسن والحاكم في المستدرک والبيهقي في شعب الإيمان، وهو صحيح]

The Fifth Hadith

Better than Jihad

It is narrated from Abu 'd-Dardā' (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Should I not inform you what is the best of your deeds, the purest in front of your Lord, that raises you to the highest rank, a deed that is better than spending gold and silver (for the sake of Allah), and better for you than confronting your

enemies (for the cause of Allah) and striking their necks while they strike yours?”

They said, Yes of course! He ﷺ said,

”To remember and mention Allah, exalted is He.”

Mu‘ādh ibn Jabal added,

“Nothing gives more safety from the Punishment of Allah than remembering and mentioning Allah.”

Recorded by Imam Mālik in al-Muwatta’ *manqūf* at Abu ‘d-Dardā’, and by At-Tirmidhī, Ibn Mājah and Aḥmad *marfū’* with a *hasan* chain, and by Al-Ḥākim in *Al-Mustadrak* and by Al-Bayhaqī in *Shu‘ab al-Īman*. It is *ṣaḥīḥ*.

الحديث السادس نور في الأرض

عَنْ أَبِي ذَرٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: دَخَلْتُ عَلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ، فَذَكَرَ الْحَدِيثَ بِطَوْلِهِ إِلَيَّ أَنْ قَالَ قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَوْصِنِي، قَالَ: أَوْصِيكَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَإِنَّهَا زِينٌ لِأَمْرِكَ كُلِّهِ، قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ زِدْنِي. قَالَ: عَلَيْكَ بِتِلَاوَةِ الْقُرْآنِ وَذِكْرِ اللَّهِ، فَإِنَّهُ ذِكْرٌ لَكَ فِي السَّمَاءِ وَنُورٌ لَكَ فِي الْأَرْضِ. قُلْتُ: زِدْنِي، قَالَ: عَلَيْكَ بِطَوْلِ الصُّمْتِ فَإِنَّهُ مَطْرَدَةٌ لِلشَّيْطَانِ وَعَوْنٌ لَكَ عَلَى أَمْرِ دِينِكَ. قُلْتُ: زِدْنِي، قَالَ: وَإِيَّاكَ وَكَثْرَةَ الصُّحُكِ فَإِنَّهُ يُمِيتُ الْقَلْبَ وَيَذْهَبُ بِنُورِ الْوَجْهِ. قُلْتُ: زِدْنِي، قَالَ: قُلِ الْحَقَّ وَإِنْ كَانَ مَرًّا. قُلْتُ: زِدْنِي، قَالَ: لَا تَخَفْ فِي اللَّهِ لَوْمَةً لَائِمَةً. قُلْتُ: زِدْنِي، قَالَ: لِيُحْزِكَ عَنِ النَّاسِ مَا تَعْلَمُ مِنْ نَفْسِكَ .

[أخرجه أحمد والطبرانی وابن حبان والحاكم]

The Sixth Hadith Light on Earth

It is narrated that Abū Dharr (may Allah be pleased with him) said: 'I came to the Messenger of Allah ﷺ ...' (then he mentioned the full hadith up to:) 'I said, O Messenger of Allah, advise me!' He ﷺ said,

”I advise you to fear Allah, as it beautifies all your affairs.”

I said, ‘O Messenger of Allah, give me more!’ He ﷺ said,

”You should recite the Quran and remember and mention Allah, for it will bring you renown in Heaven, and give you light on earth.”

I said, ‘O Messenger of Allah, give me more!’ He ﷺ said,

”Maintain lengthy silence, as it pushes away the devil and supports you in matters of religion.”

I said, ‘O Messenger of Allah, give me more!’ He ﷺ said,

”Beware of laughing much, as it kills the heart and removes the light from the face.”

I said, ‘O Messenger of Allah, give me more!’ He ﷺ said,

”Speak the truth, even if it is bitter.”

I said, ‘O Messenger of Allah, give me more!’ He ﷺ said,

”Do not fear, in matters of Allah, the blame of those who blame.”

I said, ‘O Messenger of Allah, give me more!’ He ﷺ said,

”May what you know about yourself restrain you from (criticising) people.”

Recorded by Aḥmed, Aṭ-Ṭabarānī, Ibn Ḥibbān and Al-Ḥākim

الحديث السابع ملائكة الذكر

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: إِنَّ لِلَّهِ مَلَائِكَةً يَطُوفُونَ فِي الطُّرُقِ يَلْتَمِسُونَ أَهْلَ الذِّكْرِ، فَإِذَا وَجَدُوا قَوْمًا يَذْكُرُونَ اللَّهَ تَنَادَوْا: هَلُمُّوا إِلَيَّ حَاجَتِكُمْ، فَيُحْفَوْنَهُمْ بِأَجْنَحَتِهِمْ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ الدُّنْيَا. قَالَ: فَيَسْأَلُهُمْ رَبُّهُمْ وَهُوَ أَعْلَمُ بِهِمْ: مَا يَقُولُ عِبَادِي؟ قَالَ: يَقُولُونَ: يُسَبِّحُونَكَ وَيُكَبِّرُونَكَ وَيُحَمِّدُونَكَ وَيُمَجِّدُونَكَ. قَالَ فَيَقُولُ: هَلْ رَأَوْنِي؟ قَالَ فَيَقُولُونَ: لَا وَاللَّهِ مَا رَأَوْكَ. قَالَ فَيَقُولُ: فَكَيْفَ لَوْ رَأَوْنِي؟ قَالَ يَقُولُونَ: لَوْ رَأَوْكَ كَانُوا أَشَدَّ لَكَ عِبَادَةً وَأَشَدَّ لَكَ تَمَجِيدًا، وَأَكْثَرَ لَكَ تَسْبِيحًا. قَالَ فَيَقُولُ: فَمَا يَسْأَلُونِي؟ قَالَ يَقُولُونَ: يَسْأَلُونَكَ الْجَنَّةَ، قَالَ فَيَقُولُ: وَهَلْ رَأَوْهَا؟ قَالَ يَقُولُونَ: لَا وَاللَّهِ يَا رَبِّ مَا رَأَوْهَا. قَالَ فَيَقُولُ: فَكَيْفَ لَوْ رَأَوْهَا؟ قَالَ يَقُولُونَ: لَوْ أَنَّهُمْ رَأَوْهَا كَانُوا أَشَدَّ عَلَيْهَا حِرْصًا، وَأَشَدَّ لَهَا طَلَبًا، وَأَعْظَمَ فِيهَا رَغْبَةً. قَالَ: فَمِمَّ يَتَعَوَّدُونَ؟ قَالَ: يَتَعَوَّدُونَ مِنَ النَّارِ. قَالَ فَيَقُولُ: وَهَلْ رَأَوْهَا؟ قَالَ يَقُولُونَ: لَا وَاللَّهِ مَا رَأَوْهَا. قَالَ فَيَقُولُ: فَكَيْفَ لَوْ رَأَوْهَا؟ قَالَ يَقُولُونَ: لَوْ رَأَوْهَا كَانُوا أَشَدَّ مِنْهَا فِرَارًا وَأَشَدَّ لَهَا مَخَافَةً. قَالَ

فَيَقُولُ: أَشْهَدُكُمْ أَنِّي قَدْ غَفَرْتُ لَهُمْ. قَالَ: يَقُولُ مَلَكٌ مِنَ الْمَلَائِكَةِ: فِيهِمْ فُلَانٌ
لَيْسَ مِنْهُمْ إِنَّمَا جَاءَ لِحَاجَةٍ. قَالَ: هُمْ الْقَوْمُ لَا يَشْفَى بِهِمْ جَلِيسُهُمْ.
[أخرجه البخاري ومسلم واللفظ للبخاري]

The Seventh Hadith

Angels witness the *Dhikr*

It has been narrated from Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Allah has Angels who travel along the roads looking for people who do *dhikr*. When they find a group of people remembering and mentioning Allah they call out to each other: Let us hasten to (fulfill) their needs! And they embrace them with their wings, up to the lowest heaven.”

He ﷺ said, ”Then their Lord asks them – although He is best informed about them: « What are My servants saying? »”

He ﷺ said, ”The Angels reply: They are praising You and exalting You and mentioning Your Glory and Your Majesty.”

He ﷺ said, ”(Allah) asks: « Have they seen Me? »”

He ﷺ said, ”They reply: No, by Allah, they have not seen You.”

He ﷺ said, ”(Allah) asks: « What if they saw Me? »”

He said, "They reply: If they saw You, they would be more worshipping you more intensely and exalt Your Majesty and glorify You even more."

He ﷻ said, "(Allah) asks: « What are they asking Me for? »"

He ﷻ said, "They reply: They ask You for Paradise."

He ﷻ said, "(Allah) asks: « Have they seen it? »"

He ﷻ said, " They reply: No, by Allah, my Lord, they have not seen it. "

He ﷻ said, "(Allah) asks: « What if they saw it? »"

He ﷻ said, "They reply: If they saw it, they would desire it more intensely, and strive for it more earnestly, and aspire to it with greater fervor."

He ﷻ said, "(Allah) asks: « What are they seeking refuge from? »"

He ﷻ said, "They reply: From the Fire."

He ﷻ said, "(Allah) asks: « Have they seen it? »"

He ﷻ said, "They reply: No, by Allah, they have not seen it."

He ﷻ said, "(Allah) asks: « What if they saw it? »"

He ﷻ said, " They reply: If they saw it, they would be more intent on escaping from it, and have more intense fear of it."

He ﷻ said, "(Allah) says: « I make you witnesses that I have forgiven them. »"

He ﷺ said, "One of the Angels says: Amongst them is one who does not belong to them. He only came for a need."

He ﷺ said, "(Allah) says: « These are a folk, in whose company no one will be unfortunate. »"

Recorded by Al-Bukhārī and Muslim. This wording is from Al-Bukhārī.

عَنْ أَبِي مُوسَى الْأَشْعَرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: مَثَلُ الَّذِي يَذْكُرُ رَبَّهُ وَالَّذِي لَا يَذْكُرُ رَبَّهُ مَثَلُ الْحَيِّ وَالْمَيِّتِ.

[أخرجه البخاري و مسلم واللفظ للبخاري]

الحديث الثامن

الحي والميت

عَنْ أَبِي مُوسَى الْأَشْعَرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: مَثَلُ الَّذِي يَذْكُرُ رَبَّهُ وَالَّذِي لَا يَذْكُرُ رَبَّهُ مَثَلُ الْحَيِّ وَالْمَيِّتِ.

[أخرجه البخاري و مسلم واللفظ للبخاري]

The Eighth Hadith

The Living and the Dead

It has been narrated that Abū Mūsā al-'Ash'ariyy (may Allah be pleased with him) said, The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”One who mentions and remembers his Lord, is, compared to one who does not mention and remember His Lord, like the living compared to the dead.”

Recorded by Al-Bukhārī and Muslim. This wording is from Al-Bukhārī.

الحديث التاسع

الجنون في ذكر الله

عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ
قَالَ: أَكْثَرُوا ذِكْرَ اللَّهِ حَتَّى يَقُولُوا مَجْنُونٌ.
[أَخْرَجَهُ أَحْمَدُ وَأَبُو يَعْلَى وَابْنُ حِبَانَ وَالْحَاكِمُ]

The Ninth Hadith

Crazy About Dhikr of Allah

It is narrated from Abū Sa'īd al-Khudriyy (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Mention and remember Allah to the point that people say,
He is crazy!”

Recorded by Aḥmed, Abū Ya‘lā, Ibn Ḥibbān and Al-Ḥākim.

الحديث العاشر وضع الأثقال

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَسِيرُ فِي طَرِيقِ مَكَّةَ فَمَرَّ عَلَى جَبَلٍ يُقَالُ لَهُ جُمْدَانُ، فَقَالَ: سِيرُوا هَذَا جُمْدَانُ، سَبَقَ الْمُفْرَدُونَ. قَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَمَا الْمُفْرَدُونَ؟ قَالَ: الْمُسْتَهْتَرُونَ بِذِكْرِ اللَّهِ، يَضَعُ الذِّكْرُ عَنْهُمْ أَثْقَالَهُمْ فَيَأْتُونَ اللَّهَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ خِفَافًا.

[أخرجه مسلم والترمذي واللفظ له. والمستهترون: المولعون بالذكر المداومون عليه لا يبالون ما قيل فيهم ولا ما فعل بهم]

The Tenth Hadith Lifting the Burdens

It is narrated from Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ was travelling along the road to Makka and passed by a mountain called Jumdan. He ﷺ said,

”Go on. This is Jumdan. The unique ones have already gone ahead.”

They asked, ‘O Messenger of Allah, who are the unique ones?’

He ﷺ said,

”They are the ones who are overwhelmed by the *dhikr* of Allah. *Dhikr* has lifted the burdens of their sins, so that they will come before Allah on the Day of Resurrection lightly.”

Recorded by Muslim and At-Tirmidhī. The wording here is from the latter. The ”overwhelmed” are those who are in deep extasy, continuously doing *dhikr* and do not care what is said about them or done to them.

الحديث الحادي عشر فرار الشيطان

عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: إِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ وَاضِعَ حَظْمَهُ عَلَى قَلْبِ ابْنِ آدَمَ، فَإِنْ ذَكَرَ اللَّهَ خَسَسَ، وَإِنْ نَسِيَ اتَّقَمَ قَلْبُهُ.

[أخرجه أبو يعلى والبيهقي في شعب الإيمان وابن أبي الدنيا. خطمه: أي فمه]

The Eleventh Hadith Shaytan Runs Away

It is narrated from 'Anas ibn Mālik (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Prophet ﷺ said,

”Shaytan keeps his mouth pressed against the heart of the son of Adam. When man remembers and mentions Allah, shaytan withdraws; but when he forgets, he devours his heart.”

Recorded by Abū Ya‘lā, Al-Bayhaqī in *Shu‘ab al-Īmān* and by Ibn Abu ‘d-Dunyā.

الحديث الثاني عشر كثرة الذكر

عَنْ مُعَاذِ بْنِ جَبَلٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ أَنَّ رَجُلًا سَأَلَهُ فَقَالَ: أَيُّ الْمَجَاهِدِينَ أَعْظَمُ أَجْرًا؟ قَالَ: أَكْثَرُهُمْ لِلَّهِ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى ذِكْرًا. قَالَ: فَأَيُّ الصَّالِحِينَ أَعْظَمُ أَجْرًا؟ قَالَ: أَكْثَرُهُمْ لِلَّهِ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى ذِكْرًا. ثُمَّ ذَكَرَ الصَّلَاةَ وَالزَّكَاةَ وَالْحَجَّ وَالصَّدَقَةَ، كُلَّ ذَلِكَ وَرَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ: أَكْثَرُهُمْ لِلَّهِ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى ذِكْرًا. فَقَالَ أَبُو بَكْرٍ لِعُمَرَ: يَا أَبَا حَنْصَلٍ، ذَهَبَ الذَّاكِرُونَ بِكُلِّ خَيْرٍ، فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: أَجَلٌ.

[أخرجه الإمام أحمد في المسند والطبراني في المعجم الكبير]

The Twelfth Hadith

The best Deed of any all Categories is *Dhikr*

It is narrated from Mu'adh ibn Jabal (may Allah be pleased with him) that a man asked the Messenger of Allah ﷺ: 'Of those who fight in *Jihad*, who will get the highest reward, o Messenger of Allah?'

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ replied,

”Those who mention and remember Allah, blessed and exalted is He, the most.”

(The man) asked, ‘Which of the righteous will get the highest reward?’

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ replied,

”Those who mention and remember Allah, blessed and exalted is He, the most.”

Then the man repeated the same question regarding prayers, *ḡakāt*, pilgrimage and charity (*ṡadaqa*). Every time the Messenger of Allah ﷺ replied,

”Those who mention and remember Allah, blessed and exalted is He, the most.”

Abū Bakr then said to ‘Umar, ‘O Abū Ḥafṡ, those who do *dhikr* are taking away all good!’

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Yes!”

Recorded by Imām Aḥmad in his *Musnad* and Aṡ-ṡabarānī in *Al-Mu‘jam al-Kabīr*.

الحديث الثالث عشر أفضل من الصدق

عَنْ أَبِي مُوسَى الْأَشْعَرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: لَوْ أَنَّ رَجُلًا فِي حِجْرِهِ دَرَاهِمٌ يَفْسِمُهَا وَآخَرَ يَذْكُرُ اللَّهَ كَانَ الذَّاكِرُ لِلَّهِ أَفْضَلَ.
[أخرجه الطبراني في المعجم الكبير بإسناد حسن]

The Thirteenth Hadith Better than Charity

It is narrated that Abū Mūsā al-ʿAshʿariyy (may Allah be pleased with him) said, The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”If a person has his whole lap full of silver coins and shares it out, while another does *dhikr* of Allah, the one who does *dhikr* of Allah is better.”

Recorded by Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in Al-Muʿjam al-Kabīr with a *hasan isnād*.

الحديث الرابع عشر أفضل الصدقة

عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ:
مَا مِنْ صَدَقَةٍ أَفْضَلُ مِنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ.

[أخرجه الطبراني في المعجم الأوسط ورجاله ثقات]

The Fourteenth Hadith The Best Charity

It is narrated from Ibn ‘Abbās (may Allah be pleased with them both) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”There is no charity (*sadaqa*) better than mentioning and remembering Allah.”

Recorded by Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Mu‘jam al-Awsat*. Its narrators are reliable (*thiqāt*).

الحديث الخامس عشر خير الدنيا والآخرة

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ:
أَرْبَعٌ مَنْ أُعْطِيَهُمْ فَقَدْ أُعْطِيَ خَيْرَ الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ: قَلْبًا شَاكِرًا، وَلِسَانًا ذَاكِرًا، وَبَدَنًا
عَلَى الْبَلَاءِ صَابِرًا، وَزَوْجَةً لَا تَبْغِيهِ خَوْنًا فِي نَفْسِهَا وَمَالِهِ.

[أخرجه الطبراني في المعجم الكبير بإسناد جيد]

The Fifteenth Hadith

The Best of this World and the World to Come

It is narrated from ‘Abd Allah ibn ‘Abbās (may Allah be pleased with him) that The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

“There are four things, whoever has been granted these, has been granted the best in this world and the world to come: A thankful heart, a tongue that mentions (Allah), a body patient under trials, and a wife who does not seek to betray him with her body or with his wealth.”

Recorded by Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Mu‘jam al-Kabīr* with a good (*jayyid*) *isnad*.

الحديث السادس عشر أهل الكرم

عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: يَقُولُ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ: سَيَعْلَمُ الْجَمْعُ مَنْ أَهْلُ الْكَرَمِ. فَقِيلَ وَمَنْ أَهْلُ الْكَرَمِ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ؟ قَالَ: أَهْلُ مَجَالِسِ الذُّكْرِ.

[أخرجه الإمام أحمد وأبو يعلى وابن حبان في صحيحه والبيهقي في شعب الإيمان]

The Sixteenth Hadith People of Honour

It is narrated from Abū Sa‘īd al-Khudriyy (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

”Allah, Glorious and Majestic is He, will say on the Day of Resurrection: « Everyone will recognise who the people of honor are. »”

He ﷺ was asked, Who are the people of honour, o Messenger of Allah? He ﷺ replied,

”Those who gather for *dhikr*.”

Recorded by Imam Aḥmed, by Abū Ya‘lā, by Ibn Ḥibbān in his *Saḥīḥ*-collection, and by Al-Bayhaqī in *Shu‘ab Al-Īmān*.

الحديث السابع عشر مباهاة الملائكة

عَنْ سَيِّدِنَا أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كَانَ عَبْدُ اللَّهِ بْنُ رَوَاحَةَ إِذَا لَقِيَ الرَّجُلَ مِنْ أَصْحَابِ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: تَعَالَ بِنَا نُؤْمِنُ سَاعَةً، فَقَالَ ذَاتَ يَوْمٍ لِرَجُلٍ فَعَضِبَ الرَّجُلُ فَجَاءَ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ فَقَالَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَلَا تَرَى إِلَى ابْنِ رَوَاحَةَ يَرْغَبُ عَن إِيمَانِكَ إِلَى إِيمَانِ سَاعَةٍ، فَقَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: يَرْحَمُ اللَّهُ ابْنَ رَوَاحَةَ، إِنَّهُ [يُحِبُّ الْمَجَالِسَ الَّتِي تَتَبَاهَى بِهَا الْمَلَائِكَةُ.

[أَخْرَجَهُ الْإِمَامُ أَحْمَدُ بِإِسْنَادٍ حَسَنٍ]

The Seventeenth Hadith Pride of the Angels

It is narrated from our Master 'Anas ibn Mālik (may Allah be pleased with him) that 'Abd Allah ibn Rawāḥah, when he met one of the Companions of the Messenger of Allah ﷺ, used to say, 'Come to us and let us practice belief for a while!' One day, he said that to a man who became angry and went to the Prophet ﷺ and said, 'O

Messenger of Allah, look at Ibn Rawāḥah, he turns away from your belief, to practice belief (only) for a while!

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”May Allah have mercy on Ibn Rawāḥah – he loves the gatherings of which the Angels are boasting.”

Recorded by Imam Aḥmed with a *ḥasan isnad*.

الحديث الثامن عشر المغفرة للذاكرين

عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ:
مَا مِنْ قَوْمٍ اجْتَمَعُوا يَذْكُرُونَ اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ لَا يُرِيدُونَ بِذَلِكَ إِلَّا وَجْهَهُ إِلَّا نَادَاهُمْ
مُنَادٍ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ أَنْ قُومُوا مَغْفُورًا لَكُمْ قَدْ بَدَّلْتُ سَيِّئَاتِكُمْ حَسَنَاتٍ.

[أخرجه الإمام أحمد وأبو يعلى والبزار والطبراني وأخرجه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان عن
عبد الله بن مفضل رضي الله عنه]

The Eighteenth Hadith Forgiveness is for Those Who do *Dhikr*

It is narrated from 'Anas ibn Mālik (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Wherever a group of people gather for *dhikr* of Allah, Exalted and Majestic is He, with no other intention but for His sake only, a caller from heaven announces to them: ‘Rise up, you are forgiven! Your ill-deeds have been changed into good deeds!’ ”

Recorded by Imam Aḥmed, Abū Ya‘lā, Al-Bazzār, Aṭ-Ṭabarānī, and Al-Bayhaqī in *Shu‘ab Al-Īmān* with an *isnad* that goes through ‘Abd Allah ibn Mughaffal *radīya Allāhu ‘anh*.

الحديث التاسع عشر البشارة بالمغفرة

عَنْ يَعْلَى بْنِ شَدَّادٍ قَالَ حَدَّثَنِي أَبِي شَدَّادُ بْنُ أَوْسٍ ۖ وَعِبَادَةُ بْنُ الصَّامِتِ
حَاضِرٌ يُصَدِّقُهُ قَالَ: كُنَّا عِنْدَ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ فَقَالَ: هَلْ فِيكُمْ
عَرِيبٌ؟ يَعْنِي أَهْلَ الْكِتَابِ، قُلْنَا: لَا يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، فَأَمَرَ بِغَلْقِ الْبَابِ وَقَالَ: ازْفَعُوا
أَيْدِيَكُمْ وَقُولُوا: لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، فَرَفَعْنَا أَيْدِينَا سَاعَةً، ثُمَّ قَالَ: الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ، اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ
بِعَثْتِنِي بِهَذِهِ الْكَلِمَةِ وَأَمَرْتَنِي بِهَا وَوَعَدْتَنِي عَلَيْهَا الْجَنَّةَ، وَإِنَّكَ لَا تُخْلِفُ
الْمِيعَادَ. ثُمَّ قَالَ: أَبَشِّرُوا فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ قَدْ غَفَرَ لَكُمْ.

[أخرجه الإمام أحمد بإسناد حسن والطبراني في المعجم الكبير]

The Nineteenth Hadith Glad Tidings of Forgiveness

It is narrated that Ya‘lā ibn Shaddād said: My father Shaddād ibn ‘Aws narrated to me in the presence of ‘Ubādah ibn aṣ-Ṣāmit who corroborated it: ‘We were with the Prophet ﷺ when he ﷺ said,

”Is there any stranger amongst you?”, referring to the people of the Book.

We said, ‘No, o Messenger of Allah.’ He ﷺ requested the door to be closed and said,

”Raise your hands and invoke: *La ilaha illa Allah*) but Allah (There is no god worthy of worship but Allah)!”

We raised our hands for a while, then he ﷺ said,

”Praise be to Allah! O Allah, indeed You sent me with these words, and made them a command for me, and promised me for them Paradise – and certainly You do not go against what You promise.”

Then he ﷺ said,

”Glad tidings for you, Allah has forgiven you!”

Recorded by Imam Aḥmed with a *ḥasan isnaḍ* and by Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Mu’jam al-Kabīr*.

الحديث العشرون مغفرة الذنوب

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: مَنْ قَالَ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ فِي يَوْمٍ مِائَةَ مَرَّةٍ غُفِرَتْ ذُنُوبُهُ وَإِنْ كَانَتْ مِثْلَ زَبَدِ الْبَحْرِ.

[أخرجه مسلم والترمذي والنسائي]

The Twentieth Hadith Forgiveness of Sins

It is narrated from Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Prophet ﷺ said,

”Whoever says: *subhāna Allāh wa bi-ḥamdi-Hi* (Glory and praise be to Allah) a hundred times during a day, his sins are forgiven, even if they are as abundant as the foam of the waves on the ocean.”

Recorded by Muslim, At-Tirmidhī and An-Nasā'ī.

الحديث الواحد والعشرون الرحمة والسكينة

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ وَأَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّهُمَا شَهِدَا عَلَى رَسُولِ
اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ أَنَّهُ قَالَ: لَا يَقْعُدُ قَوْمٌ يَذْكُرُونَ اللَّهَ إِلَّا حَفَّتْهُمُ
الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَعَشِيَّتُهُمُ الرَّحْمَةُ وَنَزَلَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ السَّكِينَةُ وَذَكَرَهُمُ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى فِيمَنْ
عِنْدَهُ.

[أخرجه مسلم والترمذي وابن ماجه]

The Twenty-First Hadith Mercy and Peace

It is narrated that Abū Hurayrah and Abū Sa‘īd al-Khudrīyy (may Allah be pleased with them) testified that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Wherever people sit to remember and mention Allah, Angels surround them, Mercy envelops them, peace descends upon them, and Allah mentions them to those who are with Him.”

Recorded by Muslim, At-Tirmidhī and Ibn Mājah.

الحديث الثاني والعشرون

رياض الجنة

عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ:
إِذَا مَرَرْتُمْ بِرِيَاضِ الْجَنَّةِ فَارْتَعُوا. قَالُوا: وَمَا رِيَاضُ الْجَنَّةِ؟ قَالَ: حِلَقُ الذُّكْرِ.
[أخرجه الترمذي وقال حديث حسن غريب]

The Twenty-Second Hadith

The Meadows of Paradise

It is narrated from 'Anas ibn Mālik (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”When you pass by the meadows of Paradise, sit and enjoy.¹”

The people asked, What are the meadows of Paradise? He ﷺ said,

”The circles of *dhikr*.”

Recorded by At-Tirmidhī, who said: a *hasan gharib hadith*.

¹ Lit.: Make halt and let your animals graze.

الحديث الثالث والعشرون ترة وثأر

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: مَا جَلَسَ قَوْمٌ مَجْلِسًا لَمْ يَذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ فِيهِ وَلَمْ يُصَلُّوا عَلَيَّ إِلَّا كَانَ عَلَيْهِمْ تَرَةٌ، فَإِنْ شَاءَ عَذَّبَهُمْ وَإِنْ شَاءَ غَفَرَ لَهُمْ.

[أخرجه أبو داود والترمذي واللفظ له وقال: حديث حسن، وأخرجه ابن أبي الدنيا والبيهقي في شعب الإيمان]

The Twenty-Third Hadith Requital

It is narrated from Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) from the Prophet ﷺ that he said,

”Whenever a group of people sit in a gathering without mentioning Allah, and without sending salutations and prayers upon their Prophet, then reprisal is due against them. If Allah wills, He punishes them, if He wills, He forgives them.”

Recorded by Abū Dāwūd, and At-Tirmidhī, whose wording is rendered here. and who said that it is *hasan*; and by Ibn Abu ’d-Dunyā, and by Al-Bayhaqī in *Shu‘ab Al-Īman*.

الحديث الرابع والعشرون في ظل الله

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ:
سَبْعَةٌ يُظِلُّهُمُ اللَّهُ فِي ظِلِّهِ يَوْمَ لَا ظِلَّ إِلَّا ظِلُّهُ: الْإِمَامُ الْعَادِلُ، وَشَابٌّ نَشَأَ فِي
عِبَادَةِ اللَّهِ، وَرَجُلٌ قَلْبُهُ مُعَلَّقٌ بِالْمَسَاجِدِ، وَرَجُلَانِ تَحَابَّا فِي اللَّهِ اجْتَمَعَا عَلَى
ذَلِكَ وَتَفَرَّقَا عَلَيْهِ، وَرَجُلٌ دَعَتْهُ امْرَأَةٌ ذَاتُ مَنْصِبٍ وَجَمَالَ فَقَالَ: إِنِّي أَخَافُ اللَّهَ،
وَرَجُلٌ تَصَدَّقَ بِصَدَقَةٍ فَأَخْفَاهَا حَتَّى لَا تَعْلَمَ شِمَالَهُ مَا تُنْفِقُ يَمِينُهُ، وَرَجُلٌ ذَكَرَ اللَّهَ
خَالِيًا فَفَاضَتْ عَيْنَاهُ.

[أخرجه البخاري ومسلم]

The Twenty-Forth Hadith In the Shade of Allah

It is narrated from Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”There are seven (types of people) who Allah will shade by His shade the Day when there is no shade but His shade: A just leader; a young man who grows up worshipping Allah; a man whose heart is attached to the mosques; two men who

love each other for the sake of Allah, who meet for that reason and part in that manner; a man enticed by a woman of rank and beauty who replies, ‘I fear Allah’; a man who gives charity but conceals it, so that his left hand does not know what his right hand does; and a man who remembers and mentions Allah in seclusion with flowing tears.”

Recorded by Al-Bukhārī and Muslim.

الحديث الخامس والعشرون فرح الله بالذاكرين

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: مَا تَوَطَّنَ
رَجُلٌ الْمَسَاجِدَ لِلصَّلَاةِ وَالذِّكْرِ إِلَّا تَبَشَّبَشَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى إِلَيْهِ كَمَا يَتَبَشَّبَشُ أَهْلُ
الْغَائِبِ بِغَائِبِهِمْ إِذَا قَدِمَ عَلَيْهِمْ.

[أخرجه ابن أبي شيبة وابن ماجه وابن خزيمة وابن حبان والحاكم وقال: صحيح على شرط
الشيخين]

The Twenty-Fifth Hadith

The Joy of Allah over Those Who do *dhikr* in the Mosque

It is narrated by Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Prophet ﷺ said,

”When a man makes the mosques his home for prayer and *dhikr*, Allah will receive him with joy, just as a family with joy receives someone returning from a long absence.”

Recorded by Ibn Abū Shaybah, Ibn Mājah, Ibn Khuzaymah, Ibn Ḥibbān, and Al-Hākim, who said: it is *ṣahīḥ* according to the criteria of Al-Bukhārī and Muslim.

الحديث السادس والعشرون أحب إلى الله

عَنْ أُمِّ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا أَنَّهَا قَالَتْ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَوْصِنِي. قَالَ: أَهْجِرِي
الْمَعَاصِيَ فَإِنَّهَا أَفْضَلُ الْهَجْرَةِ، وَحَافِظِي عَلَى الْفَرَائِضِ فَإِنَّهَا أَفْضَلُ الْجِهَادِ ،
وَكَثِّرِي مِنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ فَإِنَّكَ لَا تَأْتِينَ اللَّهَ بِشَيْءٍ أَحَبَّ إِلَيْهِ مِنْ كَثْرَةِ ذِكْرِهِ.
[أخرجه الطبراني في المعجم الكبير بإسناد جيد]

The Twenty-Sixth Hadith Most Beloved to Allah

It is narrated that 'Umm 'Anas (may Allah be pleased with her) said,
'O Messenger of Allah, advise me!' He ﷺ said,

”Abandon sin! This is the best exile (*hijra*). Persevere on the
obligatory acts! This is the best battle (*jihād*). And remember
and mention Allah much! Nothing you could offer Allah is
more beloved to Him than abundant *dhikr*.”

Recorded by Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Muʿjam al-Kabīr* with a good (*jayyid*) *isnad*.

الحديث السابع والعشرون ذكر الله في كل مكان

عَنْ مُعَاذِ بْنِ جَبَلٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَوْصِنِي. قَالَ: عَلَيْكَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ مَا اسْتَطَعْتَ، وَاذْكُرِ اللَّهَ عِنْدَ كُلِّ حَجْرٍ وَشَجَرٍ، وَمَا عَمِلْتَ مِنْ سُوءٍ فَأَحْدِثْ لِلَّهِ فِيهِ تَوْبَةً: السِّرُّ بِالسِّرِّ وَالْعَلَانِيَةُ بِالْعَلَانِيَةِ.

[أخرجه الطبراني في المعجم الكبير وإسناده حسن]

The Twenty-Seven Hadith Mentioning Allah in Every Place

It is narrated that Mu‘ādh ibn Jabal (may Allah be pleased with him) said, ‘O Messenger of Allah, advise me!’ He ﷺ said,

”You should fear Allah as much as you can. Remember and mention Allah at every stone and tree. If you did something wrong, show regret and repent – secretly for what you did in secret, and publicly for what you did in public.”

Recorded by Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Mu‘jam al-Kabir*. Its *isnād* is *ḥasan*.

الحديث الثامن والعشرون أولياء الله

عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ أَنَّهُ قَالَ:
﴿ أَلَا إِنَّ أَوْلِيَاءَ اللَّهِ لَا خَوْفَ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ ﴾
قال: يُذَكِّرُ اللَّهُ بِذِكْرِهِمْ.

[أخرجه الطبراني في المعجم الكبير ورجاله ثقات]

The Twenty-Eighth Hadith The Awlia of Allah

It is narrated from Ibn ‘Abbās (may Allah be pleased with them) that The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

(* Indeed, for the proteges (*Awliā*) of Allah there is no fear and they will have no sorrow. *)²

He ﷺ said,

”Allah is remembered when they are mentioned.”

Recorded by Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Mu‘jam al-Kabīr*. Its narrators are reliable (*thiqāt*).

² Sura Yunus 10:62

الحديث التاسع والعشرون الذكر بين الغافلين

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ مَسْعُودٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ
قَالَ: ذَاكِرُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى فِي الْغَافِلِينَ بِمَنْزِلَةِ الصَّابِرِ مَعَ الْفَارِينَ.
[أَخْرَجَهُ الطَّبْرَانِيُّ فِي الْمَعْجَمِ الْكَبِيرِ وَالْأَوْسَطِ وَأَخْرَجَهُ الْبَزَارُ وَرِجَالُ الطَّبْرَانِيِّ فِي الْأَوْسَطِ
ثَقَات]

The Twenty-ninth Hadith *Dhikr* amongst the Heedless

It is narrated from ‘Abd Allah ibn Mas‘ūd (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”One who mentions Allah amongst the heedless is at the rank of one who stands his ground amongst the fleeing..”

Recorded by Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Mu‘jam al-Kabīr* and *Al-Anṣat*, and by Al-Bazzār. The narrators of Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Anṣat* are reliable (*thiqāt*).

الحديث الثلاثون أسعد الناس بالشفاعة

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قُلْتُ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، مَنْ أَسْعَدُ النَّاسِ بِشَفَاعَتِكَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ؟ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: لَقَدْ ظَنَنْتُ يَا أَبَا هُرَيْرَةَ أَنْ لَا يَسْأَلَنِي عَنْ هَذَا الْحَدِيثِ أَحَدٌ أَوْلَ مِنْكَ، لِمَا رَأَيْتُ مِنْ حِرْصِكَ عَلَيَّ الْحَدِيثِ. أَسْعَدُ النَّاسِ بِشَفَاعَتِي يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ مَنْ قَالَ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ خَالِصًا مُخْلِصًا مِنْ قَلْبِهِ.

[أخرجه البخاري]

The thirtieth Hadith

The Most Fortunate to Receive Intercession

It is narrated that Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) said, ‘I said, O Messenger of Allah, who will be most fortunate to receive your intercession on the Day of Resurrection?’ The Messenger of Allah ﷺ replied,

”I knew, o Abū Hurayrah, that you and no one else would be the first to ask me about this hadith, as I have seen your dedication to my words. – The most fortunate to receive my intercession on the Day of Resurrection is the one who says

sincerely from his heart: *Lā ilāha illa Allāh* (There is no god worth worship but Allah).”

Recorded by Al-Bukhārī.

الحديث الواحد والثلاثون

الغنيمة الجنة

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قُلْتُ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ مَا غَنِيمَةٌ
مَجَالِسِ الذُّكْرِ؟ قَالَ: غَنِيمَةُ مَجَالِسِ الذُّكْرِ الْجَنَّةُ.
[أخرجه الإمام أحمد بإسناد حسن]

The Thirty-First Hadith

The Gain of Gatherings of *Dhikr*

It is narrated that ‘Abd Allah ibn ‘Amr (may Allah be pleased with him) said, O Messenger of Allah, what is the gain of gatherings of *dhikr*? He ﷺ replied,

”The gain of gathering for *dhikr* is Paradise.”

Recorded by Imam Aḥmed with a *ḥasan isnād*.

الحديث الثاني والثلاثون تجديد الإيمان

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ:
جَدِّدُوا إِيمَانَكُمْ قِيلَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَكَيْفَ نَجَدِّدُ إِيمَانَنَا؟ قَالَ: أَكْثِرُوا مِنْ قَوْلِ لَا
إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ.

[أخرجه الإمام أحمد والطبراني في المعجم الكبير وإسناد أحمد حسن]

The Thirty-Second Hadith Renewing Faith

It is narrated that Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) said, The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Renew your faith!”

We asked, O Messenger of Allah, how can we renew our faith?

He ﷺ replied,

”Repeat abundantly the phrase: *La ilaha illa Allah* (There is not god worthy of worship but Allah)!”

Recorded by Imam Aḥmed and Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Muʿjam al-Kabir*. Aḥmad’s *isnād* is *ḥasan*.

الحديث الثالث والثلاثون أفضل من السؤال

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: مَنْ شَغَلَهُ الْقُرْآنُ عَنْ مَسْأَلَتِي أُعْطِيَتهُ أَفْضَلَ مَا أُعْطِيَ السَّائِلِينَ، وَفَضْلُ كَلَامِ اللَّهِ عَلَى سَائِرِ الْكَلَامِ كَفَضْلِ اللَّهِ عَلَى خَلْقِهِ.
[أخرجه الترمذي وقال حديث حسن غريب]

The Thirty-Third Hadith Better than Asking

It is narrated that Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) said, The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Whoever is busies himself with the Quran rather than asking me, I will give him better than what those who ask are given. For the superiority of the Speech of Allah over other speech is like the superiority of Allah over His creation.”

Recorded by At-Tirmidhī, wo said: a *hasan gharib hadith*.

الحديث الرابع والثلاثون قسوة القلب

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: لَا تُكْثِرُوا الْكَلَامَ بِغَيْرِ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ، فَإِنَّ كَثْرَةَ الْكَلَامِ بِغَيْرِ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ قَسْوَةٌ لِلْقَلْبِ، وَإِنَّ أَبْعَدَ النَّاسِ مِنَ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى الْقَلْبُ الْقَاسِي.

[أخرجه الترمذي وقال: حديث حسن غريب، وأخرجه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان]

The Thirty-Forth Hadith Hardening of the Heart

It is narrated from ‘Abd Allah ibn ‘Umar (may Allah be pleased with them both) who said, The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Do not speak much without mentioning Allah. For speaking much without mentioning Allah hardens the heart. Truly, the people furthest away from Allah, the Exalted, are those who are hard-hearted.

Recorded by At-Tirmidhī, who said: a *hasan gharib hadith*; and by Al-Bayhaqī in *Shu‘ab Al-Īmān*.

الحديث الخامس والثلاثون من العجائب

عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ:
أَرْبَعٌ لَا يُصْبَنُ إِلَّا بِعَجَبٍ: الصَّمْتُ وَهُوَ أَوَّلُ الْعِبَادَةِ، وَالتَّوَضُّعُ، وَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ عَزَّ
وَجَلَّ، وَقِلَّةُ الشَّيْءِ.

[أخرجه الحاكم في المستدرک، والبيهقي في شعب الإيمان]

The Thirty-Fifth Hadith Rare to Attain

It is narrated from 'Anas ibn Mālik (may Allah be pleased with him) that The Prophet ﷺ said,

”Four things are rare to attain: Silence – which is the foremost of worship; humility; *dhikr* - remembering and mentioning Allah, Exalted and Majestic is He; and being content with little.”

Recorded by Al-Ĥākim in *Al-Mustadrak* and by Al-Bayhaqī in *Shu'ab Al-Īmān*.

الحديث السادس والثلاثون من كنوز الجنة

عَنْ أَبِي مُوسَى الْأَشْعَرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ
لَهُ: قُلْ لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ فَإِنَّهَا كَنْزٌ مِنْ كُنُوزِ الْجَنَّةِ.
[أخرجه البخاري ومسلم]

The Thirty-Sixth Hadith A Treasure from Paradise

It is narrated from Abū Mūsā al-'Ash'ariyy (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Prophet ﷺ said,

”Say: *La haula wa la quwwata illa bi Allah* (There is no means and no power except by Allah), for this is one of the treasures of Paradise!”

Recorded by Al-Bukhārī and Muslim.

الحديث السابع والثلاثون

تفريج الهموم

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: مَنْ لَزِمَ الْإِسْتِغْفَارَ جَعَلَ اللَّهُ لَهُ مِنْ كُلِّ هَمٍّ فَرَجًا وَمِنْ كُلِّ ضَيْقٍ مَخْرَجًا، وَرَزَقَهُ مِنْ حَيْثُ لَا يَحْتَسِبُ.

[أخرجه أبو داود والنسائي وابن ماجه والحاكم والبيهقي في شعب الإيمان]

The Thirty-Seventh Hadith

Alleviating Worries

It is narrated from ‘Abd Allah ibn ‘Abbās (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”For the one who persistently ask for forgiveness, Allah will grant alleviate all worries, show a way out of every difficulty, and provisions from sources he did not imagine.”

Recorded by Abū Dāwūd, An-Nasā’ī, Ibn Mājah, Al-Ḥākim, and Al-Bayhaqī in *Shu‘ab Al-Īmān*.

الحديث الثامن والثلاثون يُذهب الران

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: إِنَّ الْعَبْدَ إِذَا أَخْطَأَ خَطِيئَةً نُكِنَتْ فِي قَلْبِهِ نُكْتَةٌ، فَإِنْ هُوَ نَزَعَ وَاسْتَغْفَرَ صَقِلَتْ، فَإِنْ عَادَ زِيدَ فِيهَا حَتَّى تَعْلُوَ قَلْبُهُ. فَذَلِكَ الرَّانُ الَّذِي ذَكَرَهُ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى ﴿كَلَّا بَلْ رَانَ عَلَى قُلُوبِهِمْ مَا كَانُوا يَكْسِبُونَ﴾

[أخرجه الترمذي وقال: حديث حسن صحيح والنسائي وابن ماجه وابن حبان والحاكم في المستدرک وقال: صحيح على شرط مسلم]

The thirty-Eighth Hadith Removing the Stains from the Heart

It is narrated from Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”When a servant does something wrong, a black spot appears in his heart. If he retracts and asks for forgiveness, it is wiped out. But if he repeats it, the spot grows, until it overtakes his entire heart. This is the «overtaking» that Allah mentions in the Aya:

”³ (* Ney, their actions have overtaken their heart. *)

Recorded by At-Tirmidhī, who said: a *hasan ṣaḥīḥ hadīth*; and by An-Nasā’ī, Ibn Mājah and Ibn Ḥibbān, and by Al-Hākim in *Al-Mustadrak*, who said: It is *ṣaḥīḥ* according to the criteria i Muslim.

الحديث التاسع والثلاثون منابر النور

عَنْ أَبِي الدَّرْدَاءِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ:
لَيَبْعَثَنَّ اللَّهُ أَقْوَامًا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فِي وُجُوهِهِمُ النُّورُ عَلَى مَنَابِرِ اللُّؤْلُؤِ يَغْبِطُهُمُ
النَّاسُ لَيْسُوا بِأَنْبِيَاءَ وَلَا شُهَدَاءَ. قَالَ: فَجِئْنَا أَعْرَابِيًّا عَلَى رُكْبَتَيْهِ فَقَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ
اللَّهِ حَلِّهِمْ لَنَا نَعْرِفُهُمْ، قَالَ: هُمْ الْمُتَحَابُّونَ فِي اللَّهِ، مِنْ قَبَائِلِ شَتَّى وَبِلَادٍ شَتَّى،
يَجْتَمِعُونَ عَلَى ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى يَذْكُرُونَهُ.

[أخرجه الطبراني في المعجم الكبير بإسناد حسن]

³ Sura Al-Mutaffifin 83:14

The Thirty-Ninth Hadith

Faces Shining with Light

It is narrated from Abu 'd-Dardā' (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

”On the Day of Resurrection, Allah will indeed resurrect a group of people with radiating faces, on balconies adorned with pearls, and people will desire to be in their place. They are neither prophets nor martyrs.”

A desert Arab knelt down and said, ‘O Messenger of Allah, explain to us who they are, so that we can recognise them!’

He ﷺ said:

”They are people from different nations and from different countries, who love each other for the sake of Allah, and gather for the sake of *dhikr* to remember and mention Him.”

Recorded by Aṭ-Ṭabarānī in *Al-Mu'jam al-Kabir* with a *ḥasan isnād*.

الحديث الأربعون ثقل في الميزان

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: كَلِمَتَانِ خِفَتَانِ عَلَى اللِّسَانِ ثَقِيلَتَانِ فِي الْمِيزَانِ حَبِيبَتَانِ إِلَى الرَّحْمَنِ: سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَيَحْمَدُهُ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ الْعَظِيمِ.

[أخرجه البخاري ومسلم]

The Fortieth Hadith Heavy on the Scale

It is narrated from Abū Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said,

”Two phrases are light on the tongue, heavy on the scales, beloved to the Most Merciful: *subhana Allabi wa bi-hamdi-Hi* (Glory and Praise be to Allah) and *subhana Allabi Al-'Azhim* (Glory be the Allah the Supreme)» ”

Recorded by Al-Bukhārī and Muslim.

(قال الشيخ محمد اليعقوبي حفظه الله تعالى)

بعون الله تعالى وتوفيقه وفضله وكرمه تم جمع هذه الرسالة المباركة من كلام النبي صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم في أربعين حديثاً في فضائل ذكر الله تعالى وفضائل الذاكرين وذلك ضحى يوم الأربعاء السابع والعشرين من شهر ذي الحجة سنة ألف وأربعمائة وسبعة وعشرين بمدينة لندن من بلاد البريطان. كتب ذلك عبيد ربه وأسير ذنبه خادم العلماء وتراب نعال أقدام الأولياء المتشرف بالاتصال بالنبي الأعظم صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم نسباً، الواقف على باب فضله أدا محمد بن العلامة الإمام علم الأعلام قطب العارفين وإمام المحققين السيد الشيخ إبراهيم بن القطب الرباني والعارف الصمداني السيد الشيخ إسماعيل بن العلامة الفقيه القارئ الجامع العارف بالله الزاهد المقبل على مولاه السيد الشيخ محمد الصديق بن الولي العارف شمس المعارف السيد محمد الحسن بن الفقيه البركة السيد محمد العربي اليعقوبي الحسيني الإدريسي كان الله له ولذريته ونفعه ببركة نسبته. آمين آمين.

Sheikh Muhammad Al-Yaqoubi (may Allah preserve him) says:

With help and success from Allah, Exalted is He, and with His grace and generosity, this blessed *Risala* has been completed. It contains forty hadith about the virtues of remembering and mentioning Allah, Exalted is He, and of those who remember and mention Him. It was completed in the morning of Wednesday the 27th of Dhul Hijjah 1427, in the city of London, Britain. It was compiled by the servant of his Lord, prisoner of his sins, servant of the scholars, the dust of the sandals of the feet of the Awliya, honoured by their connection to the Prophet (may Allah send salutations and blessings on him) in lineage, standing at the door of his virtue with *adab*, Muhammad son of the erudite scholar, Imam, scholar of the scholars, pole of the Gnostics, Imam of the verifiers, Sayyid Shaykh Ibrahim, son of the Lordly Pole, The Knower of Allah, Sayyid Shaykh Ismail, son of the erudite scholar, the jurist, recitation expert, the combiner, the Knower of Allah, the abstinent, accepted at the hand of his master Sayyid Shaykh Muhammad Al-Siddiq, son of the Saint and Knower, the Sun of spiritual insight, Sayyid Shaykh Muhammad Al-Hassan, son of the blessed jurist Sayyid Muhammad Al-Arabi Al-Yaqoubi Al-Hassani Al-Idrisi, may Allah be for him and his offspring; and a bless him by his blessed lineage. Amin.

