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## HORRORS OF THE BRIDGE OF SIRAAT

### VIRTUES OF DUROOD SHAREEF

The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, “Recitation of Durood upon me is Noor for you on the bridge of Siraat. The one who recites Durood Shareef eighty times on Friday, eighty years of his sins will be forgiven.” (*Jami'-us-Sagheer, P320, Hadith 5191, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah*)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ! صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ  
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### DREAM OF A SLAVE-GIRL

A slave-girl of Sayyiduna Umar bin Abdul-Aziz رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ came to him and said, “I saw a dream that the Hellfire was intensified and the bridge of Siraat was placed over it. The umawi caliphs were brought forward. First, **Abdul-Malik bin Marwan** was ordered to cross the bridge of Siraat. He climbed onto the bridge but alas! I saw that he fell inside the Hellfire, then his son **Waleed bin Abdul-Malik** was brought forward and he too fell inside the Hellfire. Thirdly, **Suleman bin Abdul-Malik** was brought forward and like the previous caliphs, he also fell inside the Hellfire. Finally, **oh leader of Muslims!** You were brought forward.” As soon as Sayyiduna Umar رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ heard this, he screamed out of fear and collapsed. The slave-girl continued and said, “Oh leader of Muslims! Please don't be frightened, I haven't finished yet. By Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! I saw that you successfully crossed the bridge of Siraat.” However, Sayyiduna Umar bin Abdul-Aziz رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ fell unconscious due to the **fears of the bridge of Siraat** and was shaking his feet in this state. (*mulakhkhasan Ihya-ul-Uloom, V4, P198, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah, Beirut*) **May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ shower his mercy upon them and forgive us for their sake.**

## OUR NEGLIGENCE!

Dear Islamic Brothers! Although the dream of a non-Prophet is not considered as proof of authenticity, Sayyiduna Umar bin Abdul-Aziz رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was highly emotional and fearful regarding the matters of crossing the bridge of siraat. Indeed, the matters concerning the bridge of Siraat are very critical and severe. The bridge of Siraat is finer than a strand of hair, sharper than the edge of a sword and is placed above the Hellfire. By Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! It will be very distressing and everyone will be made to cross over it.

## WHY THIS LAUGHTER?

Sayyiduna Hassan Basri رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ saw that a person was laughing and asked him, “Oh young man! Have you crossed the bridge of Siraat yet?” He replied no. He was then asked, “Do you know whether you will go to Heaven or Hell?” He replied no. He رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ said, “Then why this laughter? You should not be laughing when you are aware of the difficulties ahead of you but you are unaware of your final destination.” From that time on, this young man became serious and nobody ever saw him laughing again. *(Akhlaq-us-Saliheen, P44, Maktaba-tul-Madina, Baab-ul-Madina, Karachi)* **May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ shower his mercy upon them and forgive us for their sake.**

## CURIOSITY UPON A PERSON WHO HAS FUN

Sayyiduna Abdullah bin Mas'ood رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ says, “It’s confusing as to why a person laughs when the Hellfire is behind him and it’s strange why a person celebrates and has fun when death is behind him.” *(Tambih-ul-Mughtareen, P46, Maktaba-tul-Ilm, Damascus)*

## EVERYONE WILL CROSS THE BRIDGE OF SIRAAT

It is narrated by Sayyidatuna Hafsa رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا that the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, “I am hoping that those who were present in the battles of Badr and Hudaibiyah will not enter the fire.” I politely asked “Ya Rasool- Allah صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, has Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ not mentioned inside the Holy Qur’an,

وَإِنْ مِنْكُمْ إِلَّا وَارِدُهَا كَانَ عَلَى رَبِّكَ حَتْمًا مَقْضِيًّا ۗ

**Translation Kanzul-Imaan:** There is not one of you who may not pass over Hell. This is necessarily a decided thing for your Lord.” *(Sura Maryam, Verse 71)*

He صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ replied, “Have you not heard that Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ said,

ثُمَّ نُنَجِّي الَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا وَنَذَرُ الظَّالِمِينَ فِيهَا جِثِيًا ۗ

**Translation Kanzul-Imaan:** Then We shall save the God fearing; and will leave the unjust in it falling on their knees.”

(Sura Maryam, Verse 72)

(Sunan Ibn-e-Maja, Hadith No. 4281, V4, P508, Dar-ul-Ma'rifa Beirut)

### **THE EVILDOERS WILL FALL INSIDE THE HELLFIRE**

Dear Islamic Brothers! It is evident from this narration that everyone will have to pass over the Hellfire. The believers, who possess the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, will be saved and protected whereas the culprits and unrighteous people will fall inside Hell! It will be a very difficult phase but still we do not wake from the sleep Of Negligence and heedlessness.

### **CRYING OF A BLESSED COMPANION**

Dear Islamic Brothers! The phase of going over the bridge of Siraat is certainly not easy. Our pious predecessors رَحِمَهُمُ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى were always concerned and afraid regarding the matters of the bridge of Siraat. Sayyiduna Jalaal-ud-Deen Suyuti ash'Shafiee رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ mentions that once, Sayyiduna Abdullah bin Rawaha رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ was weeping. His wife became concerned and asked, “What has brought tears to your eyes?” He رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ replied, “I remembered the divine words of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ وَإِنْ مِنْكُمْ إِلَّا وَارِدُهَا (Translation Kanzul-Imaan: There is not one of you who may not pass over Hell) and I am not sure whether I will be saved or not.” (almustadurak lilhakim, Hadith 8748, V4, P631, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut)

### **IF ONLY MY MOTHER DIDN'T GIVE BIRTH TO ME**

**Once**, Sayyiduna Abu Maysara Amr` bin Shurahbeel رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ, whilst going to take some rest, suddenly spoke of his overwhelming stress and said, “If only my mother did not give birth to me.” His honourable wife رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا asked, “Why are you saying this?” He رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ replied, “Indeed, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has informed us of going over the Hellfire, but we have not been informed whether or not we will successfully pass over it.” (al budurus saafira, P352, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut)

### **THE JOURNEY OF THE BRIDGE OF SIRAAT IS 15,000 YEARS**

Dear Islamic Brothers! May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ shower his mercy upon us. The journey of the bridge of Siraat is extremely long. It is mentioned by Sayyiduna Fuzail bin Iyaad رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ that the journey of the bridge of Siraat is 15,000 years (meaning the length equal to the distance a fast horse travels in 15,000 years). 5,000 years will be of going up, 5,000 years of going down and 5,000 years of staying on a level ground. The bridge of Siraat is however, thinner than a strand of hair, sharper than the edge of the sword and is made upon the back of

Hell. A person who is weak and exhausted due to his fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will pass over the bridge of Siraat. *(al budurus saafira, P344, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut)*

### **THE SCENE AT THE TIME OF CROSSING THE BRIDGE OF SIRAAT**

Dear Islamic Brothers! Just imagine! What will be our state when the sun will be one and a quarter miles away from the ground of the day of Judgement, which will be blazing out fire. People will be naked and barefooted upon the intensely hot ground which will be made of copper. Just imagine when the brains of people will be boiling in the intense and extreme heat. Internal organs such as the liver will burst out, the hearts of people will be pounding powerfully and eventually coming out due to immense grief, terror and panic and in this very process of unimaginable terror, everyone will have to pass over the bridge of Siraat. Experience in boxing, wrestling, running, hand gliding and flying will certainly not benefit you whilst passing over the bridge of Siraat, in fact, Sayyiduna Fuzail bin Iyaad رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ said, “Those people who are weak and exhausted due to their fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will pass over the bridge of Siraat with success.”

### **THE VARIOUS STYLES OF CROSSING THE BRIDGE OF SIRAAT**

It is narrated by Sayyidatuna Aisha Siddiqa رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا, “My beloved husband صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, ‘There is a bridge over Hell which is finer than a strand of hair and sharper than the edge of a sword. Upon it are hooks and thorns made of iron which catch hold of those people whom Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ wills. The people will pass over the bridge of Siraat in different ways. Some will pass over it (very swiftly) like a blink of an eye, some like lightning, some like the wind, some will be like riders riding fast horses and camels. The Angels will be reciting رَبِّ سَلِّمْ ، رَبِّ سَلِّمْ (Oh my Lord, let him pass safely, Oh my Lord, let him pass safely). Some Muslims will be saved, some will be injured, some will be tripping and falling and some will fall face first into the fire of Hell’.” *(musnad Imaam Ahmad, Hadith 24847, V9, P415, Dar-ul-Fikr Beirut)*

### **ONE REASON FOR DISTRESS IN THE HEREAFTER**

Dear Islamic Brothers! The colour of Hellfire will be pitching black and the bridge of Siraat will be in total darkness. Whoever Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is gracious and merciful with, will indeed prosper. Hence, it is narrated by Sayyiduna Sahl bin Abdullah Tustari رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ, “Whoever faced stress and poverty in the world shall be cheerful and stress-free in the hereafter and whoever faced a wealthy and stress-free life shall face distress in the hereafter.” *(hilya-tul-auliya, Hadith 14958, V10, P207, Dar--ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut)*

**Sayyiduna Sa'eed bin Abi Hilal** رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ said, "I have heard that on the Day of Judgement the bridge of Siraat will be like a strand of hair for some people and for others it will be like mansions and wide valleys." (*Shu'ubul-Imaan, V1, P333, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut*)

### **MORE THE WEALTH, MORE THE LOAD**

Dear Islamic Brothers! It's well understood that the more wealth a person has, the more load he will have. Just take travelling for instance. Those passengers, who have the most belongings, face the most difficulties. Those people who travel abroad frequently are well aware of the amount of trouble and pain their fellow passengers are given when they are told to open their luggage at customs. Similarly, those people who possess the least amount of worldly wealth will be at peace & harmony in the afterlife.

### **THE DEFINITION OF A 'HEAVY LOAD'**

**Sayyiduna Anas** رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ has said that the beloved of Allah صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ appeared whilst holding the hand of Abu Dhar رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ and asked, "Oh Abu Zar! Do you realise that we have a difficult pass ahead of us? (and that) only those will successfully pass it that will possess a light load?" Another person asked "Ya Rasool- Allah صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ! Am I from amongst those with a heavy load or from amongst those with a light load?" The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ replied, "Do you have sustenance for today?" He said yes. The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ then asked, "Do you have sustenance for tomorrow?" He again said yes. The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ then asked, "Do you have sustenance for the day after?" He replied no. The Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said "If you had sustenance for three days, you would have been amongst those (people) with the heavy load." (*Mu'jamul Awsat Tabaraani, Hadith 4809, V3, P348, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut*)

### **LOAD UPON LOAD**

Dear Islamic Brothers! Storing food for 3 days seems nothing for us. Our fridges and cupboards are literally packed with all sorts of sweets and savouries because of greed & crave. We are stocked up with varieties of food even though we don't need so much. What will happen with us greedy people?! We possess a heavy load of wealth, greed to increase our wealth, the load of numerous shops and businesses, the load of theft of tax and interest loans, the load of adulteration, deception & betrayal, and countless other loads. We have a very heavy load upon our shoulders, how will we cross the bridge of Siraat!

## [FILL YOUR CARDS IN REGULARLY](#)

**Become** truly shameful and guilty over your sins, repent truly in the court of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and travel regularly in the Sunnah inspired Madani Qafilas of Dawat-e-Islami in the companionship of the lovers of the noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. Also perform Fikr-e-Madina (to fill in your Madani In'aamaat card) on a daily basis. The way to truly act upon the Madani In'aamaat is in fact to read and fill in your Madani In'aamaat cards accordingly, every single day. Those brothers who are truly of Dawat-e-Islami, you will see them regularly fill in their Madani In'aamaat cards. If a brother neglects filling in his Madani In'aamaat card regularly, then in my view, he is presenting an irresponsible attitude, even if he has an organisational responsibility. If, for instance, you are not filling in the Madani In'aamaat just yet, then at least read them for a minimum of 92 seconds. In this way, In'shaa-Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, you will soon develop an enthusiasm and interest of regularly filling in the Madani In'aamaat card. With its blessing, you will develop a passion to prepare yourself for the afterlife and you will desire to attain light for the grave, Day of Judgement and for the bridge of Siraat.

## [THE MUSLIMS OF NOOR](#)

**Those**, upon whom Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will shower His mercy; will be bestowed with a light which will make them successful. Hence, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ mentions in his glorious Qur'an, Para 28, Sura Hadeed, verse 12,

يَوْمَ تَرَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ يَسْعَى نُورُهُمْ بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَبِأَيْمَانِهِمْ

**Translation Kanzul-Imaan:** The day when you will see the believing men and believing women that their light runs before them and on their right

## [THE SPLENDOUR OF THE LIGHT OF IMAAN](#)

A blessed Hadith mentions the splendour and radiance of those fortunate Muslims, who, by the generosity of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, will be sparkling with light whilst joyfully passing over the bridge of Siraat; hence the Merciful Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said, "Hellfire will say to the Mo'min (true believer), 'Oh Mo'min! Pass quickly, because your light has extinguished my fire.'" (*Shu'ubul-Imaan, Hadith 375, P340, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut*)

## FIVE NOOR PROVIDING BLESSED SAYINGS OF THE HOLY PROPHET ﷺ ON THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT

Dear Islamic Brothers! Read 5 blessed sayings of The Holy Prophet ﷺ in regards to the virtuous deeds a believer performs to get Noor on the Day of Judgement:

### (1) PUNISHMENT FOR THE ONE MISSES HIS FARD SALAAH

**Whoever** protects his Salaah will have Noor and Burhan (evidence) and salvation for him on the Day of Judgement, but who didn't protect his Salaah, it will neither be Noor and Burhan and nor will it save him, (instead) that person will be raised with Qaroon, Fir'oun, Hamaan, and Ubay bin Khalaf (the leader of the hypocrites) on the Day of Judgement. *(Musnad Imaam Ahmad, Hadith 6587, V1, P574, Dar-ul-Fikr Beirut)*

### (2) THE EXCELLENCE OF GOING TO THE MASJID IN DARKNESS

**Give** the good news of Noor-e-Taam (receiving complete Noor) on the Day of Judgement to those people who go to the Masjid in darkness. *(Sunan Abu Dawood Shareef, Hadith 571, V1, P222, Dar-ul-Fikr Beirut)*

### (3) THE EXCELLENCE OF REMOVING A DIFFICULTY

**Whoever** removes a difficulty from a Muslim brother, on the Day of Judgement Allah عزوجل will make for him two types of Noor on the bridge of Siraat. Their light will illuminate one universe and Allah عزوجل knows the exact number. *(Tabaraani fil-Awsat, Hadith 4504, V3, P254, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut)*

### (4) THE EXCELLENCE OF KALIMA

**Whoever** recites 'لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ' 100 times, on the Day of Judgement Allah عزوجل will resurrect him in such a state that his face will be shining like the moon on the 14th night. *(Majma'uz Zawaaid, Hadith 16830, V10 P96, Dar-ul-Fikr Beirut)*

### (5) THE EXCELLENCE OF ZIKR IN THE MARKET

**Whoever** does the Zikr of Allah عزوجل in the market, in place of his every hair, he will gain Noor on the Day of Judgement. *(Shu'ubul-Imaan, Hadith 567, V1, P412, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut)*

## 10 HUNDRED THOUSAND VIRTUES

**Subhan-Allah** عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Whenever you pass the market, which are filled with negligence, lower your gaze and begin doing Zikr and reciting Durood and always remember to read the fourth Kalima.

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ ط لَه الْمَلِكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ يُحْيِي وَيُمِيتُ  
وَهُوَ حَيٌّ لَا يَمُوتُ بِيَدِهِ الْخَيْرُ وَهُوَ عَلِيُّ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ 0

In'shaa-Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, you will receive 10 hundred thousand good deeds, 10 hundred thousand of your sins will be pardoned and you will be increased 10 hundred thousand times in rank. *(Jami' Tirmidhi Shareef, Hadith 3439, V5, P270, Dar-ul-Fikr Beirut)*

Dear Islamic Brothers! For the sake of the Noor of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, we will In'shaa-Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ receive Noor in the grave, on the day of Judgement and upon the bridge of Siraat because the beloved and noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ will be concerned about his devout slaves and lovers, hence he صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ will be constantly reciting 'رَبِّ سَلِّمْ، رَبِّ سَلِّمْ' (Oh my Lord, let him pass safely, Oh my Lord, let him pass safely). AlaHazrat Imaam Ahmad Raza Khan رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ writes in his beautiful poetry,

رضائیل سے اب وجد کرتے گزریے  
کہ ہے ربِّ سَلِّمْ صدائے محمد

## PEOPLE DEPRIVED OF NOOR

**The** unlucky person who does not establish his Salaah, shaves his beard or keeps it less than a fistful, disobeys and causes grief to his parents, prevents his children from following Shariah so that they become stylish and trendy, allows his wife and mature daughters to go around unveiled, does not refrain from films & dramas, songs & musical instruments, unlawful occupations, interest inclusive businesses, adulteration, deception & betrayal, dirty language, backbiting, fault-finding, immorality & misbehaviour, offending or harming Muslims without a lawful reason or does not refrain from the company & friendship of a person who misses his salaah, fashionable people, indecent & rude friends, and the company of those people who look at amrad with lust and passion should spare a moment to think and contemplate. If Allah and his beloved صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ become displeased and your Imaan is destroyed because of the sins, surely you will have to face the everlasting unbearable chain of punishments and you will certainly not receive Noor on the bridge of Siraat, hence;

## YOU WILL RECEIVE NO NOOR AT ALL

**Sayyiduna** Imam Jalaal-ud-Deen Suyuti ash-Shafi'ee رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ mentions in his book 'Al-Budoorus-Safira', "Indeed, your names, private conversations, sittings and fellowships (i.e. the people who you associate yourself with) are all recorded by Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. On the Day of Judgement, it will be announced, 'Oh son of so and so, this is your Noor and oh the son of so and so, there is no Noor for you'." (*Al-Budoorus-Safira, P335, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut*)

## THE BEGGARS DEPRIVED OF NOOR

**On** the Day of Judgement, the hypocrites will be coming in such a state that they will not possess the Noor of Imaan. The hypocrites will be full of sorrow and regret when they see the Noor of the fortunate believers and they will beg them for some Noor but will still remain without Noor, hence Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ mentions in the Holy Qur'an, Para 28, Sura Hadeed, verse 13,

يَوْمَ يَقُولُ الْمُنْفِقُونَ وَالْمُنْفِقَاتُ لِلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا انظُرُوا نَائِقْتِسِ مِنْ نُورِكُمْ ۗ

**Translation Kanzul-Imaan:** The day when hypocrite men and hypocrite women will say to the Muslims, "Look mercifully towards us, so that we may gain some of your light!"

## NOBODY CAN GUARANTEE THAT THEY WILL DIE WITH IMAAN

Dear Islamic Brothers! Bear in mind, salvation & forgiveness is conditional upon death with Imaan. It is stated in a blessed Hadith, "إِنَّمَا الْأَعْمَالُ بِالْخَوَاتِيمِ"<sup>1</sup> (deeds are based upon conclusion (death)). Nobody can guarantee that they will die with Imaan. We are unaware of what Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has planned for us and this, in fact, is a point of great fear & concern. Even great pious people رَحِمَهُمُ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى feared a bad death. To gain more information regarding this, please listen to the Bayan cassette entitled 'Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ ki khufya tadbeer'. In'shaa-Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, after listening to this cassette you will be moved by the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Also obtain a small Madani booklet entitled 'causes of a bad death'. If you become enlightened and truly want to safeguard your Imaan, this Madani booklet will bring tears to your eyes. Nowadays, people utter words of Kufr in everyday normal conversations. It is fard on every mature male & female to acquire the knowledge regarding words of Kufr. Obtain the book entitled 'Imaan ki Hifazat' which contains approximately 500 examples of blasphemous words. Also obtain a pocket size booklet entitled '28 Words of Profanity (Kufr)'. This booklet contains examples of profane words that are usually spoken at home. My Madani

<sup>1</sup> *Kashful-Khifa, Hadith 428, VI, P156, Mu'situr-risala Beirut*

advice is that you buy these inexpensive booklets in the quantity of 1200, or if you can't buy 1200 then buy 112, or at least 12, and distribute them. If convenient, talk to your local newsagents or any other newspaper agency and kindly ask them to include these booklets inside the newspapers. This way, your given booklets will be effectively delivered to residents and to other businesses, hence, you and the delivering body will be entitled to great reward. The Sunnah inspired Bayan cassettes and the Madani booklets can be purchased from Maktaba-tul-Madina.

### TALKING DURING AZAAN

It is stated in Bahar-e-Shariat (Part 3) with the reference of Fatawa-e-Razaviya, "Whoever remains occupied in conversations during Azaan should be fearful of a bad death." (*Bahar-e-Shariat, Part 3, P38, Madina-tul-Murshid Bareilly Shareef*) Hence, whilst Azaan is being said, we are supposed to end our conversation and reply to the Azaan. Unfortunately, these days, Muslims pay little attention towards this very important matter. This is why a card has been prepared which can be obtained from Maktaba-tul-Madina. Distribute these in every Masjid and arrange for the card to be read out regularly between Durood Shareef and Azaan. There shall be a notable Madani change - In'shaa-Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

### MOBILE PHONE RING TONES

Some people forget to turn their mobile phones off during salaah, and because today the inspiration to refrain from sins such as listening to music have lessened, different types of melodious ring-tones can be heard inside the Masjid (Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ forbid). First of all, permanently delete these damned melodious ring tones from your mobiles, repent, and in respect of the Masjid, keep your mobile phone switched off. In connection to this matter, obtain the announcement with Azaan card and popularise it as much as you can. Similarly, Maktaba-tul-Madina has issued a card which points out sins that are done by the public during the sermon of Jumu'ah Salaah. I wish every Imaam makes a habit of reading out this card every Friday. This card can be obtained from the stalls of Maktaba-tul-Madina. Become active in distributing these cards in every Masjid and In'shaa-Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ you will receive mountains of reward. (You can see the contents of the card at the end of this booklet)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ! صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

### BEING FREED FROM HELL AFTER ONE THOUSAND YEARS

Sayyiduna Hasan Basri رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ says, "A person will be taken out of Hell after a period of one thousand years" (he later says), "I wish I am that person." Hujja-tul-Islam Sayyiduna Imaam Muhammad Ghazali رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ says, "He mentioned this because a person who will be taken out after one thousand years would have most certainly died with Imaan." (*Ihya-ul-Uloom, V4, P198, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut*)

## **DID NOT LAUGH FOR 40 YEARS**

Dear Islamic Brothers ! Sayyiduna Hasan Basri رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ, overwhelmed by fear, desired to be that person who will eventually be taken out of Hellfire even after one thousand years, why? The reason is that at least he had died with Imaan. One thousand years is unimaginably long. By Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! It is impossible to bear the punishment of Hellfire for even a millionth of a second! Look at the fear Sayyiduna Hasan Basri رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ had. It has been mentioned that he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ did not laugh for 40 years. When he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was sitting, it seemed as though he was a frightened prisoner who will be executed in a short while. Whenever he used to describe scenes of the afterlife, it was as though the afterlife was in front of him. When he remained silent, it seemed as if fire was burning in his eyes. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was asked, “Why do you remain so sorrowful and terror stricken?” He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ replied, “I constantly fear that if, due to some of my disliked actions, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ becomes angry with me and says, go away, I will not forgive you, then what will become of me! *(Ihya-ul-Uloom, V4, P198, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut)*

## **THE ONE WHO CROSSES WITH DIFFICULTY**

**Sayyiduna** Imaam Muhammad Ghazali رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ mentions, “On the Day of Judgement, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will gather all the people from the past and the present at an appointed place. The Day of Judgement will last 50,000 years but during that time there will be a phase when everyone will be looking up towards the sky for 40 years. They will be waiting anxiously for the decision. Believers will be given Noor according to their deeds and actions. Some will be equal to the size of a mountain and some equal to the size of a date tree but some will receive even lesser Noor. There will be a believer among them who will be given Noor equivalent to the size of a big toe, which will sometimes brighten and sometimes it will diminish and fade away. When it diminishes, the believer will stand still because it will be too dark for him to continue walking. Everyone will be crossing the bridge of Siraat according to the strength of their Noor. Some will be crossing the bridge of Siraat like a blink of an eye, some will be crossing like lightening, some like the clouds, some like a shooting star, some like running horses and there will be some who will be like running men. Whoever is given Noor equivalent to the size of a big toe will be crossing using his hands, feet and face. When he will move one of his hands along, the other will be stuck behind and when he will struggle to move one foot, he will forcefully drag the other one along with him and the fire will reach his sides. This person will, however, manage to cross the bridge of Siraat successfully. After facing great difficulties & hardships, this believer will stand up and praise Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. He will then be given ghusl besides a well near the door of Heaven.”

*(Mulakhkhasn Ihya-ul-Uloom, V4, P558, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut)*

## WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ME!

Dear Islamic Brothers! The fortunate people who die with Imaan will eventually be saved and be forgiven, but on the contrary, those people whose Imaan is destroyed and have died without repenting have no way of salvation & forgiveness. This is why we should always be concerned of our Imaan. The bridge of Siraat is made above the fire of Hell and entrance to Heaven is not possible unless you cross this bridge.

### A FRIGHTENING VISION OF CROSSING THE BRIDGE OF SIRAAAT

**Hujja-tul-Islam** Imaam Muhammad Ghazali رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ says (summarised), whoever remained steadfast upon the straight path, on the Day of Judgement, he will not be burdened with anything and so will be saved. Whoever moved away from the straight path in the world and took with him heavy load of disobedience and sins, as soon as he places the first step on the bridge of Siraat, he will immediately slip over. Oh weak person! Just imagine and visualise the time when you will see the narrowness of the bridge of Siraat. You will be immensely terrified. You will see the horrifying darkness of the Hellfire beneath you, the fearsome sound of the Hellfire will be heard, and the awful sound of the rising flames of hellfire will hit your ears. Just imagine! At that time you will be shattered, devastated and overwhelmed by terror. Remember! No matter how restless and afraid you will be, however much you trip over, and even if you are carrying a heavy load (which is difficult for you to carry even on level ground), whether you are in an extremely weak state, you will be made to cross the bridge of Siraat. Just imagine! You will be made to step on the bridge of Siraat against your wish and desire. This bridge of Siraat will be finer than a strand of hair and sharper than the edge of a sword. When taking the first step, you will feel the terrible sharpness of it, but nevertheless, you will have to take another step. You will see that the people in front of you will be slipping, tripping and falling straight into the fire of Hell. You will see angels pulling people into the fire of Hell with terrifying iron hooks and curved rods. You will see and hear people screaming and crying whilst falling into the fire of Hell face first. Just think! What will be your condition after so much fear!

### SCREAMS OF THOSE FALLING INTO HELL

**You** will hear the screams of people from the depths of Hell. Uncountable people will slip over and fall straight inside the Hellfire. Just imagine! What will become of you if your feet slip? At that time, your shame & regret will certainly not be beneficial for you. Your crying, screaming and howling will not save you from being destroyed & ruined forever. At that time, you will be saying, “I used to fear this day. I wish I had performed good deeds for the afterlife and implemented the Sunnah. I wish! I had obeyed the noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ and followed his way. I wish I had turned to dust, I wish I had lost my senses, I wish my mother had not given birth to me.” (*Mulakhkhasan Ihya-ul-Uloom, V4, P557-558, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut*)

## WHO WILL REMAIN SAFE FROM FEAR?

Dear Islamic Brothers! Hujja-tul-Islam Imaam Muhammad Ghazali رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ mentions in Ihya-ul-Uloom (V4, summarised) that always bear in mind the terrors and extreme fear of the bridge of Siraat and whilst bearing this in mind, be sad abundantly because during the traumatising conditions of Judgement Day, only those people will be saved & protected who remained worried and afraid about these matters in the world. The reason for this is that Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ does not put two fears together in a person's heart which means that if a person fears the horrific conditions of Judgement Day in the world, he will not experience them in the hereafter.

## WOMANLY FEAR

**Fear** certainly does not imply being fearful only for a short while, which is often experienced by women of today. Neither does it mean to cry for a short while and then later to forget what you had heard and to become engaged in having fun. It is generally understood that a person will not approach something which he has a phobia of but, on the other hand, if there is something which he is passionate of, he will try to achieve it. Hence, the type of fear which makes you obedient to Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will in fact be a reason for your salvation in the afterlife.

## FEAR WHICH THE STUPID POSSESS

**Remember!** The kind of fear the stupid people possess is worse in comparison to the temporary fear of a sensitive woman because when these people listen to the horrifying happenings and the terrifying conditions of Judgement Day, they insincerely start saying, "Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ forbid, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ forbid. Oh Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Save me. Oh Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Bestow your mercy upon me. Oh Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Help me." These feelings and emotions are only for that particular moment and are not from the depths of the heart. The reason why it is said that their emotions and fears are temporary is because at the same time, they continue to commit sin instead of intending to leave them. (For example, a person who misses salaah continues to miss it, a beardless person remains beardless; a liar does not stop lying, a person in the habit of taking and giving bribery, unlawful occupation, fraud & deception does not stop, a person who looks at strange women and beardless boys with lust does not begin to safeguard his eyes from looking at them, a person who watches film and enjoys listening to music does not develop a mindset to refrain from sins, the people who are dressed against Shariah, or oppress and cause grief to other people do not surrender from oppressing and causing grief, adulterers, alcohol drinkers, disobeyers of parents, the one who does not educate their children about the sunnah and the one who enjoys being associated with modern and corrupt friends and with people who miss their salaah, do not repent and do not give up doing the sins. Instead, all of them remain steadfast upon committing sins.)

## WHO DOES SATAN LAUGH AT?

**Satan** laughs at those people who cry and seek the protection of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ just temporarily because other people present are doing the same. He is like that person who is in a jungle and is sitting outside a strongly constructed and well protected house. Suddenly, from at a distance, he hears a lion roaring and this lion is coming closer to attack him. Instead of taking refuge in the house, he begins to weep and say, “I seek the protection of this house from being attacked”. If this person remains where he is and does not run inside the house, do you think his pathetic cries will save him from the lion? Never. Unless he does not make an effort to move and take refuge of the house, he will most definitely be attacked. By having this example in mind, decide for yourself as to how temporary fear and emotion will benefit you. *(Mulakhkhasan Ihya-ul-Uloom, V4, P559, Dar-ul-Kutubul Ilmiyyah Beirut)*

## STOP COMMITTING SINS ALTOGETHER INSTEAD OF SLOWLY

Dear Islamic Brothers! If you become emotional and start crying sincerely, even if it is just for a moment, In'shaa-Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, you will gain benefit. It will In'shaa-Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ change you positively. Develop the mindset that ‘I will try my best to improve myself’. Remember your sins and cry with shame and repent. Promise to yourself that ‘from now on I will not commit so-and-so sin ever again - In'shaa-Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ’. Beware! Satan will whisper in your ears and will say to you, “Hang on, it's not good to make a quick and instant decision. You should rectify yourself steadily. Do not become a Maulvi just yet. It is not important to travel in the Madani QafilaS with the Aashiqan-e-Rasool(lovers of the noble Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ). Keep on trying slowly, you've a full life ahead of you. You are young, you are not even married, grow or lengthen your beard after you have married, in fact, keep a beard when you go to perform Hajj and visit Madina-tul-Munawwara. Wear an Imaama Shareef later in your life”.

Dear Islamic Brothers! By Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! This is a very dangerous attack from Satan. It is extremely dangerous to delay repenting. You might receive a satanic whisper that, “I am not preventing you from repenting, go ahead and repent”.

## THREE CONDITIONS OF REPENTANCE

Dear Islamic Brothers! Repentance does not mean just uttering this word a couple of times. Please remember the conditions of repentance. There are three conditions of repentance. If even one is left out, your repentance will not be accepted. The three conditions are: **(1)** Confession of crime, **(2)** Shamefulness, **(3)** Firm aim to quit the Sin.

## WHEN IS THE REPENTANCE OF PERSON WHO MISSES SALAAH ACCEPTED?

If the sin can be compensated for, it is essential to compensate for it. For example, the repentance of a person who misses salaah will only be considered as repentance if he

performs qada of the salaah he missed. If money or goods of somebody were seized or stolen, repentance will only be considered if that amount is returned or if he is forgiven by that person. It is insufficient to just go and apologise and to say sorry for not returning the money or goods. If the person has passed away, return the money to his inheritors. If you do not remember the people who you owe money to, donate that amount amongst the poor people. For detailed information regarding rulings of the rights of people, purchase the booklet entitled 'Zulm ka anjaam' from Maktaba-tul-Madina or, alternatively, listen to the cassette.

### **SELF-RECTIFICATION SHOULD BE DONE AT ONCE INSTEAD OF SLOWLY**

It is dangerous to think of changing slowly because death does not only come to the elderly or to cancer and heart patients. Everyday, it is unknown exactly how many of our healthy youth are tragically killed in accidents and disasters not to mention deaths caused by natural disasters such as earthquakes and floods.

### **MORE THAN 220,000 PEOPLE DEAD**

We all remember the enormous tsunami which battered parts of South East Asia on December 26<sup>th</sup> 2004. It came suddenly and according to the Jang newspaper of 20.01.2005, more than 220,000 people died in the eleven affected countries. This disaster serves as a warning. This tsunami has in fact shaken the whole world, but sins have not decreased. As a warning, I present to you an article from the Jang newspaper of 20.01.2005.

### **DESTRUCTION OF A TSUNAMI**

One of the hardest hit areas was Banda Aachay, the capital of the Indonesian Province of Aceh. Death tolls of this area alone rose above the 100,000 figure. A journalist that was present in Banda Aachay spoke of his grief and said that all of Banda Aachay was beautiful and lush green. No other city was as vibrant and colourful as this one. The tsunami came and within minutes, turned this bustling city into debris. Not only has this tsunami destroyed this place, it has also destroyed thousands of families and has left thousand others devastated and in mourning. According to the statistics of a non- governmental Indonesian organisation, 60% of the population of Banda Aachay has perished. Corpses are still scattered around everywhere and thousands of dead bodies are disposed in mass burial sites everyday. Those who survived the tsunami are in relief camps, crying and grieving for their loved ones. Among them are people who have lost their entire families. The sadness and grief in their eyes might never go away. They are those people who saw their loved ones helplessly dying in front of them. Their pain & sorrow can never be understood. Firstly, the earthquake shook the people and then tsunami has caused so much destruction and loss of life which its generation of people has never experienced before. It is said that if this was at come at night, those people that have managed to survive would have also been killed. The river flowing through the centre of Banda Aachay used to silently flow from the North to the South but now it flows in the opposite direction.



