

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَمَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ وَدِدِ أَدَمَ كَمَا يُحِبُّ وَيَرْضَى بِأَنْ يُصَلَّى عَلَيْهِ

Allah Almighty, in Whose Name we begin, The Most Compassionate,

The Most Merciful

All Praise is due to Allah Almighty, Countless Peace and Blessings be upon  
His Beloved Messenger – *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* – his family & his  
companions – *may Allah be pleased with them all*

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## Adopting Patience and Forgiveness

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There is no doubt that Hadrat Sayyiduna Syed Ahmed Kabeer - *may Allah be pleased with him* - is considered amongst the giants of the Awliya.

Once, during Ramadaan when it was extremely hot, a certain person invited him to his residence for supper. It was also his habit of accepting the invitation of the most common person on the street and never displayed pride or arrogance. At the same time, since accepting the invite of another Muslim is also a Sunnah, he advised the person that he had accepted the invite but before coming, he would like to read two Rak'ah of Salaah.

It was also his habit of always performing two Rak'ah of Salaah after Maghrib, but this person insisted that they leave immediately.

To please this poor Muslim, Hadrat Sayyiduna Sayyed Ahmed Kabeer - *may Allah be pleased with him* - left aside his two Rak'ah of Nafil and began to walk with the person. When they arrived at his house, the host mentioned to the great Saint that he should wait outside a little while so that he could prepare everything. The great Saint agreed to this.

However, the host became so involved inside his house that he had forgotten about Hadrat Sayyiduna Syed Ahmed Kabeer - *may Allah be pleased with him* - who was waiting outside. When the time came for the 'Isha, the host then left his house and was shocked to see the great Saint at the front door. He was also extremely embarrassed and profusely apologised to the great Saint. And at the same time, he also swore an oath that he had completely forgotten. However, Hadrat Sayyiduna Syed Ahmed Kabeer - *may Allah be pleased with him* - replied, "My son! No harm has been done. Come let us go for Salaah together and after that we shall return to have Iftaar". In fact, he displayed no anger whatsoever.

(Qalaa'idul Jawaahir fi Zikr Al Ghous Al Rifaa'i)

On another occasion, a person invited Hadrat Sayyiduna Syed Ahmed Kabeer - *may Allah be pleased with him* - and when he arrived at this person's house, the person told him to go away. Hadrat Sayyiduna Syed Ahmed Kabeer - *may Allah be pleased with him* - silently left the house. The person called him back. Again, with extreme happiness, he accepted this invite. However, on the second occasion, this person did the same thing. Hadrat Sayyiduna Syed Ahmed Kabeer - *may Allah be pleased with him* - again silently left the house. The person did this for the third time and on the third occasion, the person invited him inside. When Hadrat Sayyiduna Syed Ahmed Kabeer - *may Allah be pleased with him* - entered the house, this person told him, "I swear by Allah that I have never seen someone as patient as you and someone who is able to display such humility." When he heard this, he mentioned that this was nothing unusual.

(Qalaa'idul Jawaahir)