

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَمَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ الْوُلْدِ 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*

Charity is not Returned

It is reported that once a person was resting inside a Masjid and next to him he had left his purse. When he awoke, he realised that his purse was missing. The only person he could see inside the Masjid was Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Jafer Sadiq - *may Allah be pleased with him*. (He did not know who this Saint was at that time). The great Imam was reading his Salaah as well. He then approached the great Imam and began to argue with him. When the great Imam asked the reason for this, he replied that only he was present in the Masjid and that his purse had gone missing.

The great Imam then asked him how much was in the purse and he replied that he had a thousand Ashrafis inside the purse. Without saying a word, Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Jafer Sadiq - *may Allah be pleased with him* - went home and returned with a thousand Ashrafis. He then handed this to the person.

Later, when the person returned to his friends, they revealed to him that they had played a joke with him and that they had taken his purse. He then began to inquire from the people about the person who had handed him the one thousand Ashrafis and they revealed that this was none other than Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Jafer Sadiq - *may Allah be pleased with him*.

He was obviously embarrassed and went to the great Imam to return his money. However, the great Imam refused to take this money back and said to him, “Once we expel something from our ownership, we do not accept it again.” (Nawaadir Al Qalyubi)