

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَمَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ وُلْدِ آدَمَ كَمَا يُحِبُّ وَيَرْضَى بِأَنْ يُصَلِّيَ 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*

His sixty years of Kufr were Pardoned

Hadrat Sayyiduna Abu Bakr - *may Allah be pleased with him* - narrates that Dahiyah Kalbi was one of the respected leader among the Arabs. It was the wish of the Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - that this person accepts Islam because he also controlled nearly seven hundred households.

The Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - used to make Du'a for him in this manner, "O Allah! Please bless Dahiyah Kalbi with Islam."

When Dahiya Kalbi accepted Islam, it was revealed to the Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - that the heart of Dahiyah Kalbi had been filled with the Nur of Imaan.

The Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - was also informed that very soon he would come in front of the Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him*. When this blessed companion came in the Masjid, as a mark of love and respect, the Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - removed his shawl and placed it on the floor for him to sit on. When Dahiyah Kalbi saw this, he began to weep and picking up the blessed shawl, he kissed and placed it on his eyes.

He then asked the Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - to present the condition (for accepting Islam). The Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - recited the Kalimah. Again he wept. The Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - then asked him, "Are you weeping in happiness for Islam or for another reason?" He replied that he had committed major sin and wanted to know whether these would be pardoned by Allah Almighty and even if Allah Almighty wanted him to give away his wealth in charity he was prepared to do so.

The Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - asked him what major sin he had committed. He replied, "I was the leader of my tribe and have killed seventy daughters of mine with my own hands."

When the Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - and the other Muslims heard this, they were certainly shocked. At that moment, Jibra'eel Ameen appeared and said, "O Prophet of Allah, Allah Almighty has Declared that you should inform Dahiyah that, 'when I have pardoned your sixty years of Kufr with the acceptance of Islam, why can I not pardon you for killing sixty of your daughters?'"

The Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - wept with all his companions. In the same manner of humility, the Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - asked Allah Almighty that if He has pardoned Dahiyah Kalbi all of his years of sin with reciting the Kalimah just once, certainly He would pardon his Ummah who recite the Kalimah their entire life.