

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*

My Heart is filled with Imaan

It is reported that Hadrat Sayyiduna Amaar bin Yaasir - *May Allah be pleased with him* - was the slave of the Bani Makhzum. He also accepted Islam with his blessed parents.

The Kuffaar of Makkah Shareef made sure that he suffered all types of punishment because of his acceptance of Islam. They used to make this blessed family lay on the hot sand and placed large boulders of their chests. In the books of Islamic history, it is said, "The Mushriks of Makkah at the time, and among whom Abu Jahl was at the forefront, used to wait for the weather to become extremely hot. They then used to place the blessed family on the sand and deliver all types of punishment to them." (The name of his blessed father was Hadrat Sayyiduna Yaasir, the name of his blessed mother was Sayyidah Sumayyah - *May Allah be pleased with them*)

It is also mentioned that when the Holy Prophet - *May Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - used to pass by, he used to declare, "Adopt patience, O Ale Yaasir. Without doubt, the promise made to you is Jannah." (Mustadrak, Imam Haakim)

In fact, such was the severity of this oppression that finally, the blessed companion, Hadrat Sayyiduna Yaasir - *May Allah be pleased with him* - passed away. Sayyidah Sumayyah - *May Allah be pleased with her* - was killed with a spear by Abu Jahl. In fact, in the history of Islam, this was the first female who gave her life for Islam.

After his blessed parents had passed away, the Kuffaar continued to punish Hadrat Sayyiduna Amaar - *May Allah be pleased with him* - with all forms of tyranny and hardship. At times, he was placed on the hot desert sand with no clothes on his back and at times, large hot rocks were placed on him. At times, he was immersed in water. He was told that as long as he did not insult the Holy Prophet - *May Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - or did not say something good about their idols, he will continue to suffer this torment.

Hafiz ibn Katheer reports from ibn Jareer that at certain times the Kuffaar placed such immense punishment on him that involuntarily, he did mention a few words against the Holy Prophet - *May Allah's peace and blessings be upon him*. Later on, he did come and complain to the Holy Prophet - *May Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - that when the kuffaar placed such immense punishment on him, he was guilty of uttering a few words against the Holy Prophet - *May Allah's peace and blessings be upon him*.

The Holy Prophet - *May Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - then asked him, "How did you find your heart at this moment." He replied, "My heart was still filled with Imaan."

The Holy Prophet - *May Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - declared, "If they force you, then you have permission." At that time, the Holy Prophet - *May Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - recited the verse from Surah Nahl, (verse 106):

وَلَا تَقُولُوا لِمَا تَصِفُ السِّنُّكُمْ الْكَذِبَ هَذَا حَلَلٌ وَهَذَا حَرَامٌ لِّتَفْتَرُوا

عَلَى اللَّهِ الْكَذِبَ ۖ إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَفْتَرُونَ عَلَى اللَّهِ الْكَذِبَ لَا يُفْلِحُونَ ﴿١٠٦﴾

“The one who disbelieves in Allah after accepting faith - except him who is forced to and whose heart is still firmly upon faith - but whoever is wholeheartedly a disbeliever, upon them is the wrath of Allah; and for them is a great punishment.”

Bilazari narrates from Mohammed bin Ka'ab that, “Amaar was sometimes punished to such a degree (that in a state of where he lost his senses), he had no idea what his tongue was saying.”

Ibn Sa'ad also reports from Mohammed bin Ka'ab that, “That person informed me who himself saw the wounds on the back of Hadrat Sayyiduna Amaar - *May Allah be pleased with him* - and asked him about it and he replied, ‘When the Quraish of Makkah used to place me on the hot sand and punish me, these are the signs (of that punishment).’” (Musnad Imam Ahmed, Mustadrak, etc)