

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*

Punishment for a Tormentor of Hadrat 'Uthman

Hadrat Sayyiduna Abu Qulaabah - *may Allah be pleased with him* – narrates:

I once arrived in Syria with some of my companions. While we were in one of the areas of Syria we heard someone screaming, “I am destroyed, the Fire, the Fire.”

I then approached this person and noticed that both his hands and feet were cut off, he was blind and his mouth was also dragging on the ground. I was shocked and asked him what had happened to him. He replied, “I am that unfortunate person who had become involved in the fitnah against Hadrat Sayyiduna 'Uthman Ghani - *may Allah be pleased with him*. I was also among those tyrants who forcefully entered the blessed house of Hadrat Sayyiduna 'Uthman Ghani - *may Allah be pleased with him*. When we approached Hadrat Sayyiduna 'Uthman Ghani - *may Allah be pleased with him*, his

wife began to scream and shout and I decided to slap her. When I did this, she cursed me and said, 'Allah will remove your hands and feet, He will take away your vision and you will be thrown into the Fire.' When I heard this curse, I ran from that house but could not run from what was destined to happen to me. Now you can see my state, my hands and feet have been cut, I am also blind and very soon, I will be thrown into the Fire.'

When I heard his story, I said to him, "There is no doubt that you are someone who is completely entitled for what you have experienced and there is no doubt that the Fire of Hell is certainly waiting for you."

This is when the mutineers had surrounded the blessed house of Hadrat Sayyiduna 'Uthman Ghani - *may Allah be pleased with him* - and finally had him martyred. It is mentioned that they had also made sure that no food or water reaches him.

However, all tyrants must remember that tyranny is something which always has a repayment. This is the nature of tyranny. Even though at this moment in time a person might think that he is extremely powerful and influential, he will never be able to escape from what will be coming for him. The Qur'an and the Hadith Shareef clearly proves to us that in the end, the oppressor is never successful. Not only does he go through immense punishment in this world in the end, but the terrible punishment of the Hereafter still awaits him.