

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ كَمَا هُوَ اَهْلُهُ وَالصَّلٰوةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلٰى سَيِّدِ وُلْدِ اٰدَمَ كَمَا يُحِبُّ وَيَرْضٰى بِاَنْ يُصَلِّىَ 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*

The Lady who became Blind

Hadrat Sayyiduna ‘Uthman bin Ata - *may Allah be pleased with him* - narrates, “Whenever the great Imam, Hadrat Sayyiduna Abu Muslim Kholani - *may Allah be pleased with him* - used to arrive at his house from the Masjid, he used to stand at the front door of his house and say ‘Allahu Akbar’. His wife used to also answer in this manner by saying the ‘Allahu Akbar’. Whenever he went into the yard, he used to also utter the ‘Allahu Akbar’ and his wife used to do the same. When he entered his room, again he used to say ‘Allahu Akbar’ and his wife used to reply with the same words. This became their daily habit and behaviour.

However, one night when he arrived from the Masjid, as he stood at his front door and mentioned the ‘Allahu Akbar’, he got no answer from his wife. When he entered the yard and mentioned the ‘Allahu Akbar’, again he got no answer. When he entered his room and mentioned the ‘Allahu Akbar’, still too, he got no reply from his wife. His wife gave him his food silently and sat on one side.

It seemed that she was angry with him for some reason. Bear in mind that this was that lady who did not even complain even though they did not even have a light or a lantern in their house. She was extremely patient and forbearing.

Finally, the great Saint asked his wife, “O slave of Allah, why do you look so troubled?”

She replied, “You enjoy a very respected position in the court of Ameerul Mo’mineen, Hadrat Sayyiduna Ameer Mu’awiyah - *may Allah be pleased with him*. He also respects you a lot. If you ask him for one servant who can serve us, he will certainly accede to your request. We do not even have one servant who can help us. If a servant comes to us, it will become easy for us.”

When the great Saint heard these words, he raised his hands and made Du’a, “O Allah, make that person blind who has corrupted the mind of my wife and who has created disunity among us.”

The Du’a of the great Saint was immediately accepted because suddenly a lady from next door lost her vision. This is the lady who used to come into the house of the great Saint and put all types of words and thoughts in the mind of his wife. Suddenly, this lady found herself in total darkness and asked her family why they had put off the lights. However, her family replied that the lantern was still burning and perhaps, there was something wrong with her eyes. She was obviously extremely perturbed and also came to the conclusion that this was the effect of the Du’a of the great Saint. She began to weep and wail and pleaded to the great Saint to make Du’a so that her vision could return to her. The great Saint felt sorry for this female and raised his hands to make Du’a for her. Even before he could complete his Du’a, the female was able to see again. (Uyunul Hikaayah)