

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَمَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ وَلَدِ آدَمَ 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*

The Ways of the Pious

It is mentioned that once, the blessed companion, Hadrat Sayyiduna Amar bin Al Aas - *may Allah be pleased with him* - had pitched his tent near one of the forts in Egypt. When Hadrat Sayyiduna Amar bin Al Aas - *may Allah be pleased with him* - decided to leave and wanted his tent to be removed, he noticed that a bird had made a nest on the roof of the tent. It was a pigeon. She had laid an egg and was waiting for the egg to hatch. Obviously, by removing the tent, the egg would be destroyed. When the blessed companion saw this, he ordered his companions not to remove the tent and they were leave it in place until the egg had hatched. All of them followed this instruction. (Jahan Deedah)

It is mentioned that before he could pass away, the great Saint, Hadrat Sayyiduna Qutbudeen Bakhtiyar Khakhi - *may Allah be pleased with him*, gave instruction that only that person should lead his Janazah Salaah who had the following qualities. The first is that he had remained chaste his entire life. The second is that he had never missed

the Sunnat Salaah of Asr in his entire life. The third is that he had always performed the Salaah with congregation never missing the first Takbeer.

When this announcement had been made, the Sultan of his era, namely Sultan Iltumesh, also heard this proclamation. However, since there were many people in the Janazah, he did not want to go forward thinking that there were other more pious people in the congregation who could also have these qualities. However, when he realised that no one was coming forward, he was forced to come forward. He then mentioned that it was his intention to always keep these traits as a secret, but since this was the conditions mentioned by the great Saint, he had no other option but to listen and obey. (Bazme Raftah ki Sachi Kahaaniyah)

One person mentions that he married a woman from a village and she was very obedient and dutiful. He said that one day, she did something which made him angry and in a fit of anger he said to her, "It is impossible to live with you, I suggest that you leave me and find your own way."

However, his wife herself became angry and said to him in an angry tone, "Yes, I will now go to the house of my parents. My parents and my brother are still alive and I will also pardon the Mehr which I was supposed to give you."

When he heard this remark, his anger disappeared. He then came outside the house and gave thanks to Allah Almighty that he had been given such a simple wife who did not even know whose right it was to give the Mehr and whose right it was to pardon the Mehr! (Jahaan Daanish)

It is mentioned that once a person named Utbah married when he was only eighty years old. When people asked him the reason for his interest in getting married when he was so old, he replied, "The children of today are very disobedient. I wish to die before they become mature so that I am spared from this trouble." (Rafeequl Muslim)