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SWEETNESS OF FAITH


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## INTRODUCTION

SUPPLICATION TO ADORN THE FAITH IN  
OUR HEARTS

اللَّهُمَّ حَبِّبْ إِلَيْنَا الْإِيمَانَ وَزَيِّنْهُ فِي قُلُوبِنَا، وَكَرِّهْ إِلَيْنَا الْكُفْرَ  
وَالْفُسُوقَ وَالْعِصْيَانَ وَاجْعَلْنَا مِنَ الرَّاشِدِينَ

O Allah endear to us faith and beautify it in our hearts, and cause us to abhor infidelity, immorality and sinning, and make us of the guided ones<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Sahih Al-Adab Al-Mufrad No# 699; Al-Hakim No# 4308

## SURAH AN NISA' 35

إِنْ يُرِيدَا إِصْلَاحًا يُوَفِّقِ اللَّهُ بَيْنَهُمَا ۗ

If they both desire reconciliation, Allah will cause it between them.

- Surely Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) wants reforming (إصلاح) in all our relations - first and foremost in our relation with Him, before anyone else.
- Reforming has three steps:
  1. (تقويم) fixing
  2. (تغيير) modifying
  3. (تحسين) improving
- How can we bring a change within ourselves?
- There are five matters to bring a truthful change:

1. **Belief:** belief needs to be right. If the foundation of faith is not right, then surely the change cannot be easy.
  2. **Concern:** is your concern this world or Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and the hereafter?
  3. **Role:** We need to know ourselves, our strengths, weaknesses and likings.
  4. **Good companions**
  5. **Role model:** which is our Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and the sahaba.
- If a person truly wants to change, he needs to address all these issues.

# MEANS TO ATTAIN SWEETNESS OF FAITH

## 1 & 2 LOVE OF ALLAH AND THE LOVE OF THE MESSENGER ( ﷺ )

- Loving Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and His Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) come together and not separately.
- It includes fulfilling the rights. It does not make sense to say we love someone and neglect their rights.
- Love is the last condition of the conditions of laa ilaaha illa Allah (لا إله إلا الله) (There is no one worthy of worship except Allah).
- The Name Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) means the One Who is loved a great love and the One Who

overtakes our minds. And this makes us attach to Him intensely.

- The Name of Allah is the greatest Name.
- Also attached with loving Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is loving His Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and the people for His sake. It is not like any worldly love which is possessive and does not like to have any part with anyone else.
- Any love in this world loses its charm once attained but loving Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is a delight with no end.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) covered Himself from us in this world.
- Ibn Al Qayyim (may Allah have mercy on him) said: there is nothing more beloved to the heart than its' Creator. He is the One it

worships and He is its Nurturer and Provider. Loving Him is its delight and there is nothing sweeter, tastier, purer or brings feelings of familiarity more than this Love.

- When a person loves, he does not feel tiredness or fatigue. He is enjoying everything he faces because he is enjoying this love.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) took the Prophet (صلى الله عليه) and Ibrahim (عليه السلام) as His Khalil. They went through so many trials but they always loved Him.
- Some of the salaf said, the heart goes through moments of feeling so much familiarity and love to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

- In this world, the body goes through situations so the soul gets reformed to reach the hereafter.
- In the end, the struggles of the believers are to reach the greatest delight in paradise which is to see the Face of Allah full of Majesty and Honor. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) grant this delight to us and our families.

## SUPPLICATION FOR LOOKING AT THE FACE OF ALLAH

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ لَذَّةَ النَّظَرِ إِلَى وَجْهِكَ وَالشَّوْقَ إِلَى لِقَائِكَ فِي  
غَيْرِ ضَرَاءٍ مُضِرَّةٍ وَلَا فِتْنَةٍ مُضِلَّةٍ

O Allah, I ask You for the sweetness of looking upon Your Face and a longing to encounter You in a manner which does not entail a calamity which will bring about harm, nor a trial which will cause deviation.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup> An-Nasa'i No# 1305, 1306



- The one who loves to meet Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), Allah loves to meet him and the one who hates to meet Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) hates to meet Him.
- The greatest delight is to 'look' at the Face of Allah. It is not related to anything that we touch or feel, but only by looking at the Face of Allah.
- We want to reach this greatest delight without going through any trials.
- Others said, the best feeling in this world is by knowing and loving Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and the best feeling in the hereafter is to see Him.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) takes care of everything for us so we can be busy with Him and feeling for Him.

- Even for worships, He tells us to rely on Him so that we do not get busy with anything else from loving Him.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) never leaves anyone, He is always with us.
- Loving Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is what reforms us and makes us better, more than any worship.
- It also removes having feelings for ourselves when there is pure love for Him alone.
- The strength or weakness of this love for Allah is according to the strength or weakness of the faith.

## SUPPLICATION FOR THE LOVE OF ALLAH

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ حُبَّكَ وَحُبَّ مَنْ يُحِبُّكَ، وَحُبَّ عَمَلٍ يُقَرِّبُ إِلَى  
حُبِّكَ

*Allahumma in-nee as 'aluka ḥub-bak wa ḥub-ba man yuḥib-buk, wa ḥub-ba 'amal-lin yuqar-rib-buni ilaa 'ub-bik*

O Allah, I ask You o make me love You and to love those who love You, and to love the actions that get me closer to Your love.<sup>3</sup>

- The essence of worship is love.

### SURAH ADH DHARIYAT 56

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ

And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me.

- To love Allah is to be His slave. His love is what makes us move forward.

### SURAH AL BAQARAH 165

وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَشَدُّ حُبًّا لِلَّهِ ۗ

But those who believe are stronger in love for Allah .

<sup>3</sup> At-Tirmidhi No# 3235

- Why does a person go through trials? So his heart can be purified, and filled with loving Allah.
- This is why this love needs strong faith.
- As the faith increases, the Muslim feels the sweetness of faith, and he finds the sweetness of obedience. As his love increases for his Rabb and Creator, his faith becomes sweeter.
- Knowing Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is like paradise and to be deprived from seeing Him is the greatest torment.
- Surah Al Ikhlas is a surah that a companion recited out of his love for the surah. Whereas Surah Al Falaq is a surah Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) loves. The relation between us and Allah is that of love.

MAY ALLAH GRANT US THE SWEETNESS OF FAITH. AMEEN.

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