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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ * اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ.
اللَّهُمَّ أَعِنِّي فِيهِ عَلَى صِيَامِهِ وَقِيَامِهِ،
وَجَنِّبْنِي فِيهِ مِنْ هَفَوَاتِهِ وَآثَامِهِ،
وَارزُقْنِي فِيهِ ذِكْرَكَ بِدَوَامِهِ،
بِتَوْفِيقِكَ يَا هَادِيَ الْمُضِلِّينَ.

Bismillāh. Salawāt. O Allah on this day:

Help me with its fasts and prayers,

And keep me away from mistakes and sins of the day,

Grant me that I remember You continuously through the day.

By Your assistance, O the Guide of those who stray. (*Mafātīh*, 1: 625)

Chapt 3: The bond that Allah has set amongst believers

وعن أبي عبد الله (ع) قال: لا والله، لا يكون المؤمن مؤمناً أبداً حتى يكون لأخيه مثل الجسد إذا ضرب عليه عرق واحد تداعت له سائر عروقه.

It has been reported that Abu ‘Abd Allah عليه السلام: Nay, by Allah! A believer is not a true believer ever until he acts as the body of his brother; when one vein in it is struck, it evokes the rest of the body.

It has been reported that Abu ‘Abd Allah عليه السلام: For everything, there is a thing that gives it comfort; and a believer finds rest in the company of his fellow believer just as a bird finds comfort amongst its own kind.

المؤمنون في تبارهم وتراحمهم وتعاطفهم كمثل الجسد
إذا اشتكى تداعى له سائرُه بالسهر والحمى.

It has been reported that Abu ‘Abd Allah عليه السلام: The believers in their reverence, affection and compassion for each other are like one body; when it falls ill, it affects all over with restlessness and fever.

Let us learn from Nabi Yusuf's response_1

Bismillāh. When the brother of Yusuf and their father went to meet him. The very first sentence which Yusuf uttered upon seeing them, was:

وَقَدْ أَحْسَنَ بِي إِذْ أَخْرَجَنِي مِنَ السِّجْنِ وَجَاءَ بِكُمْ مِنَ الْبَدْوِ مِنْ بَعْدِ أَنْ نَزَغَ الشَّيْطَانُ بَيْنِي
وَبَيْنَ إِخْوَتِي ۚ إِنَّ رَبِّي لَطِيفٌ لِمَا يَشَاءُ ۚ

And He was indeed kind to me when He took me out of the prison (Q 12:100). Apparently, it was out of courtesy that Yusuf desisted from mentioning the troubles he had experienced; first being flung into the well, then his subsequent slavery and then unpleasant incidents, which he had to endure due to the acts of his brothers. He did not wish to revive those bitter memories, which would cause them to experience mortification and embarrassment. He then added, “It was Shaytan who incited my brothers to commit those inappropriate deeds towards me, hurling me into the well and separating me from my father; however, the Glorious God exhibited kindness towards me in that he made those very acts a means for granting eminence and reverence to our family!”

Let us learn from Nabi Yusuf's response_2

Bismillāh. Attributing the unjust acts of his brothers to Shaytan and regarding him as the prime culprit for the crimes of his brothers, was another example of Yusuf's ('a) magnanimity. He thus shielded them from embarrassment and left them with an opportunity to apologize for their deeds.

قَالَ لَا تَثْرِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الْيَوْمَ ۖ يَعْفِرُ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ ۖ وَهُوَ أَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِمِينَ

He said: *There shall be no reproof against you, (from) this day* (Q 12:92).

You can rest assured with respect to me, for I have forgiven you and chosen to disregard all that has happened previously, and on behalf of God too, I can give you this good news and seek from Him that Allah may forgive you and He is the Most Merciful of the merciful (Q 12:92).

إِنَّهُ مَنْ يَتَّقِ وَيَصْبِرْ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُضِيعُ أَجْرَ الْمُحْسِنِينَ

“Surely he who guards (against evil) and is patient (is rewarded) (Q 12:90) for surely Allah does not waste the reward of those who do good.”