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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ * اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ.

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ لِي فِيهِ نَصِيبًا مِنْ رَحْمَتِكَ الْوَاسِعَةِ،

وَاهْدِنِي فِيهِ لِبَرَاهِينِكَ السَّاطِعَةِ،

وَخُذْ بِنَاصِيَتِي إِلَى مَرْضَاتِكَ الْجَامِعَةِ، بِمَحَبَّتِكَ يَا أَمَلَ الْمُشْتَاقِينَ.

Bismillāh. Salawāt. O Allah on this day:

Appoint for me a portion of Your all-embracing mercy;

Guide me to Your clear and bright proofs; and

Take me with my forelock towards Your all-around approval.

With Your love, O Hope of the ardent. (*Mafātīh*, 1: 626)

The Rights of a Believer on a fellow believer (continued)

والثاني أن تُعينه بنفسك ومالك، ولسانك، ويديك، ورجليك.

The second is that you should help him with your self, your wealth, your tongue, your hands and your feet.

والثالث أن تتبع رضاه وتجتنب سخطه وتطيع أمره.

The third is that you should pursue what pleases him and avoid his displeasure and obey his command.

والرابع أن تكون عينه ودليله ومِرآته.

The fourth is that you should be his eyes, his guide and his mirror.

والخامس ألا تشبع ويَجُوع، وتروى ويَظمأ، وتكتسي ويعرى.

The fifth is that you should not fill your stomach whilst he is hungry, you are quenched whilst he is thirsty, and you are clothed whilst he is unclothed.

PM Ali b. Yaqtīn had to humble before a believer

Bismillah. Ibrahim Jammāl wanted to meet Ali Ibne Yaqtīn, the Prime Minister of Harun – Abbasid caliph, but he was not granted an audience. The same year Ali Ibne Yaqtīn had the opportunity to for hajj and later went to Madinah. There he decided to meet Imam Musa al-Kazim عليه السلام, but the Imam refused to see him. Again, the next day he presented himself and upon the refusal to see the Imam (a), he asked as to what sine committed by him, that the Imam was not keen to meet him. The Imam عليه السلام said that since he had refused to meet his brother, the Almighty Allah would not allow his efforts to succeed, till the time Ibrahim Jammāl does not forgive him. Ali ibn Yaqtīn said that since he was in Madinah and Ibrahim in Kufa how was it possible to obtain his forgiveness at that moment?

The Imam said, “When it is dark, go alone to al-Baqi’, and do not let anyone know it. You will find a thoroughbred horse there. Mount that horse.” Ali b Yaqtīn did as instructed and in a short time found himself at the door of Ibrahim Jammāl. He knocked at the door saying, “I am Ali Ibne Yaqtīn.” Ibrahim said from inside, "What do I have to do with Ali Ibne Yaqtīn?”. Ali said that he had some urgent work with him and begged for the permission to enter. When he was allowed inside, he said, “My Master has refused to see me till you forgive me.” Ibrahim said, “May Allah forgive you.” Ali Ibne Yaqtīn fell and implored him to put his foot on his (Ali’s) face. Ibrahim did not agree. Ali b. Yaqtīn again implored him in the Name of Allah. Ibrahim complied with his request. Then Ali said: O Allah, be my witness”, and mounted the horse again. Within a few minutes he found himself at the door of Imam al-Kazim عليه السلام. He knocked the door and Imam allowed him to enter.

From this we can learn the importance of helping our believing brothers. Ali Ibne Yaqtin was one of the closest companions of the Imam and had taken the post of the Prime Minister by the permission of the Imam. He was also held in such high esteem that on the day of Eid al-Adha Imam said, "I did not recall anyone else’s name. I just prayed for Ali Ibne Yaqtīn!” Despite such an honorable position he was not able to satisfy the Imam till he had satisfied his believing brother. We must exercise utmost caution in our daily lives that we may not cause any believer's rights to be trespassed; which may bring down the anger of Allah and the Holy Prophet ﷺ, and Imam al-Mahdi (*‘ajjallāhu farajah*) upon us. (<https://erfan.ir/english/47734.html>).