

8. On softening the hearts, remembrance, and supplication.

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ أَبِي طَلْحَةَ عَنْ أَبِيهِ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ جَاءَ ذَاتَ يَوْمٍ وَالْبُشْرَى فِي وَجْهِهِ فَقُلْنَا إِنَّا لَنَرَى الْبُشْرَى فِي وَجْهِكَ. فَقَالَ " إِنَّهُ أَتَانِي الْمَلَكُ فَقَالَ يَا مُحَمَّدُ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ يَقُولُ أَمَا يُرْضِيكَ أَنَّهُ لَا يُصَلِّي عَلَيْكَ أَحَدٌ إِلَّا صَلَّيْتُ عَلَيْهِ عَشْرًا وَلَا يُسَلِّمُ عَلَيْكَ أَحَدٌ إِلَّا سَلَّمْتُ عَلَيْهِ عَشْرًا "

(H15/63) Abdullah bin Abi Talha, from his father, said:

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ emerged one day, exhibiting signs of happiness on his countenance. We remarked, "We observe you appearing joyful." He responded: "The Angel approached me and conveyed: 'O Muhammad, ﷺ your Lord states: 'Would it not please you to know that anyone who sends blessings upon you, I will send blessings upon them tenfold; and anyone who sends salutation upon you, I will send salutation upon them tenfold?'"

Study Questions (H15)

1. What does this hadith teach us about the special status of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ in the sight of Allah, and how should that influence the love and respect we hold for him in our hearts?
2. How might regularly sending blessings and salutations upon the Prophet ﷺ affect a person's inner state (their heart, thoughts, and character) over time?