

# 'Ziyarah of Masomeen<sup>asws</sup> under Difficult Times'

## Abbreviations:

**saww:** - Sal lal la ho Allay hay Wa Aal lay he Wasallam

**azwj:** - Az Za Wa Jalla

**asws:** - Allay hay Salawat Wass Salam

**AJFJ:** Ajal Allah hey wa Fara Jaak

**ra:** - Razi Allah<sup>azwj</sup>

**La:** - Laan Allah<sup>azwj</sup>

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ, وَ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَ آلِهِ الطَّاهِرِينَ, وَسَلَّم تَسْلِيمًا.

*In the Name of Allah<sup>azwj</sup> the Beneficent, the Merciful. The Praise is for Allah<sup>azwj</sup> Lord<sup>azwj</sup> of the Worlds, and Blessing be upon our Chief Muhammad<sup>saww</sup> and his<sup>saww</sup> Purified Progeny<sup>asws</sup>, and greetings with abundant greetings.*

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَجِّلْ فَرَجَهُمْ وَالْعَنِ أَعْدَاءَهُمْ أَجْمَعِينَ

## ‘Ziyarah of Masomeen<sup>asws</sup> under Difficult Times’

Some Ahadith are presented regarding Ziyarah of Masomeen<sup>asws</sup> under distress and difficult times.

حَدَّثَنِي مُحَمَّدُ بْنُ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ جَعْفَرٍ عَنْ أَبِيهِ عَنْ عَلِيِّ بْنِ مُحَمَّدٍ بْنِ سَالِمٍ عَنْ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ خَالِدٍ عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ حَمَّادِ الْبَصْرِيِّ عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ الْأَصَمِّ عَنْ حَمَّادِ ذِي النَّابِ عَنْ زُوَيْبٍ عَنْ زُرَّارَةَ قَالَ: قُلْتُ لِأَبِي جَعْفَرٍ ع مَا تَقُولُ فِيمَنْ زَارَ أَبَاكَ عَلَى خَوْفٍ قَالَ يُؤْمِنُهُ اللَّهُ يَوْمَ الْفَرَجِ الْأَكْبَرِ وَ تَلْقَاهُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ بِالْبِشَارَةِ وَ يُقَالُ لَهُ لَا تَخَفْ وَ لَا تَحْزَنْ هَذَا يَوْمُكَ الَّذِي فِيهِ فَوْزُكَ.

Imam Baqir<sup>asws</sup> was asked, “What do you<sup>asws</sup> say about one who goes to the Ziyarah of your (grand) father [Imam Hussain<sup>asws</sup>] during difficult times?” Imam<sup>asws</sup> replied, “On the day of great terror (Judgment Day) Allah<sup>azwj</sup> will Keep him safe and the angels will welcome him. They will give glad tidings saying, “Don’t be afraid or distressed (by the difficult situation), this is the day (having to put up with difficulties in Ziyarah) of your success.”<sup>1</sup>

وَ بِإِسْنَادِهِ عَنِ الْأَصَمِّ عَنِ ابْنِ بُكَيْرٍ عَنْ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ع قَالَ: قُلْتُ لَهُ إِنِّي أَنْزِلُ الْأَرْحَانَ وَ قَلْبِي يُنَازِعُنِي إِلَى قَبْرِ أَبِيكَ فَإِذَا خَرَجْتُ فَقَلْبِي وَجَلَّ مُشْفِقٌ حَتَّى أَرْجِعَ خَوْفًا مِنَ السُّلْطَانِ وَ السُّعَاةِ وَ أَصْحَابِ الْمَسَالِحِ فَقَالَ يَا ابْنَ بُكَيْرٍ أَمَا تُحِبُّ أَنْ يَرَكَ اللَّهُ فِينَا خَائِفًا أَمَا تَعْلَمُ أَنَّهُ مَنْ خَافَ لِحُؤْفِنَا أَظَلَّهُ اللَّهُ فِي ظِلِّ عَرْشِهِ وَ كَانَ مُحَدِّثُهُ الْحُسَيْنَ ع تَحْتَ الْعَرْشِ وَ آمَنَهُ اللَّهُ مِنْ أَنْزَاعِ يَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ يَفْرَعُ النَّاسَ وَ لَا يَفْرَعُ فَإِنْ فَرَعَ وَفَرَّتْهُ [قَوْنَتُهُ] الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَ سَكَّنَتْ قَلْبَهُ بِالْبِشَارَةِ.

(The narrator) said to Imam Sadiq<sup>asws</sup>, “I often travel to Arjan and my heart pulls me to the Ziyarat of Imam Hussain<sup>asws</sup>; but when I go, I am afraid of the rulers (hostilities), their governors and their guards until I return.”

Imam<sup>asws</sup> said: Ibne Bukair! Don’t you want Allah to See you in fear for us<sup>asws</sup>? Don’t you know that Allah<sup>azwj</sup> will Shelter one who is in fear because of us<sup>asws</sup>, under the shade of His<sup>azwj</sup> Throne and that Imam Hussain<sup>asws</sup> will be speaking to him under the throne? That Allah<sup>azwj</sup> will Keep him safe from terrors of Judgment Day? He will not be afraid whereas others will be terrified. And if he is scared, angels will pacify him and soothe his heart by giving glad tidings.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> H. 1, كامل الزيارات، النص، ص: 126

<sup>2</sup> H. 2, كامل الزيارات، النص، ص: 126

حَدَّثَنِي عَلِيُّ بْنُ الْحُسَيْنِ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ عَنْ سَعْدِ بْنِ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ عَنْ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ الْحُسَيْنِ بْنِ أَبِي الْخَطَّابِ عَنْ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ إِسْمَاعِيلَ بْنِ بَرِيْعٍ عَنْ الْحَبِيْرِيِّ عَنْ يُونُسَ بْنِ زَيْبَانَ عَنْ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ع قَالَ: قُلْتُ لَهُ جُعِلْتُ فِدَاكَ زِيَارَةُ قَبْرِ الْحُسَيْنِ ع فِي حَالِ التَّعْيَةِ قَالَ إِذَا أَتَيْتَ الْفُرَاتَ فَاعْتَسِلْ ثُمَّ الْبَسْ أَتَوَابِكَ الطَّاهِرَةَ [تَوْبَتِكَ الطَّاهِرِينَ] ثُمَّ تَمُرْ بِإِزَاءِ الْقَبْرِ وَ قُلْ -

Imam Sadiq<sup>asws</sup> was asked, “May I be sacrificed on you, how should one perform the Ziyarat of Imam Hussain<sup>asws</sup> in Taqayyah (when it becomes very difficult)?” Imam<sup>asws</sup> replied: Perform a Ghusl in Euphrates and put on your most purified clothes. Then pass by the grave saying:

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

Allah<sup>azwj</sup>'s Blessing be on you, O Abu Abdullah! Allah<sup>azwj</sup>'s blessings be on you, O Abu Abdullah! Allah<sup>azwj</sup>'s blessings be on you, O Abu Abdullah!

فَقَدْ تَمَّتْ زِيَارَتُكَ

“And your Ziyarat will be correct and complete,” said the Imam<sup>asws</sup>.<sup>3</sup>

حَدَّثَنِي مُحَمَّدُ بْنُ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ جَعْفَرِ الْحَمِيرِيِّ عَنْ أَبِيهِ عَنْ عَلِيِّ بْنِ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ سَالِمٍ عَنْ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ خَالِدٍ عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ حَمَّادِ الْبَصْرِيِّ عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ الْأَصَمِّ قَالَ حَدَّثَنَا مُدَلِّجٌ عَنْ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ مُسْلِمٍ فِي حَدِيثٍ طَوِيلٍ قَالَ: قَالَ لِي أَبُو جَعْفَرٍ مُحَمَّدُ بْنُ عَلِيٍّ ع هَلْ تَأْتِي قَبْرَ الْحُسَيْنِ ع قُلْتُ نَعَمْ عَلَى خَوْفٍ وَ وَجَلٍ فَقَالَ مَا كَانَ مِنْ هَذَا أَشَدَّ فَالْتَّوَابُ فِيهِ عَلَى قَدْرِ الْخَوْفِ وَ مَنْ خَافَ فِي إِيْتَانِهِ آمَنَ اللَّهُ رُوعَتَهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ يَوْمَ يَفْجُرُ النَّاسُ لِرَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ وَ انْصَرَفَ بِالْمَغْفِرَةِ وَ سَلَّمَتْ عَلَيْهِ الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَ زَارَهُ النَّبِيُّ ص وَ دَعَا لَهُ - وَ انْقَلَبَ بِنِعْمَةٍ مِنَ اللَّهِ وَ فَضِّلَ لَمْ يَمْسَسْهُ سُوءٌ وَ اتَّبَعَ رِضْوَانَ اللَّهِ ثُمَّ ذَكَرَ الْحَدِيثَ.

Imam Baqir<sup>asws</sup> asked, “Do you visit the tomb of Imam Hussain<sup>asws</sup>?” I replied, “Yes, but in fear and trepidation.” Imam<sup>asws</sup> said: The reward for his Ziyarat is proportionate to the degree of fear involved; the greater the fear, the greater the reward! On Judgment Day, when people are raised for accounting for the Lord of the Worlds, Allah will make the hearts of one who has gone fearfully to the Ziyarat of Imam Hussain<sup>asws</sup>, peaceful. One who performs the Ziyarat of Imam Hussain<sup>asws</sup> in fear will return forgiven. The angels salute him and Allah’s Messenger will go to his Ziyarat and pray for him. **“So they returned with favour from Allah and (His) grace, no evil touched them and they followed the pleasure of Allah”** (3:174)<sup>4</sup>

<sup>3</sup> H. 4, Kamal al-Ziyarat, al-nas, ص: 126

<sup>4</sup> H. 5, Kamal al-Ziyarat, al-nas, ص: 126

## What One Should do When it Becomes Impossible to Visit the Holy Shrines:

مُحَمَّدُ بْنُ يَحْيَى عَنْ سَلَمَةَ بْنِ الْحَطَّابِ عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ الْحَطَّابِ عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ سِنَانٍ عَنْ مِسْمَعٍ عَنْ يُوسُفَ بْنِ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ عَنْ حَنَانٍ عَنْ أَبِيهِ قَالَ قَالَ أَبُو عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ( عليه السلام ) يَا سَدِيدُ تَزُورُ قَبْرَ الْحُسَيْنِ ( عليه السلام ) فِي كُلِّ يَوْمٍ قُلْتُ جَعَلْتُ فِدَاكَ لَا قَالَ فَمَا أَجْفَاكُمْ قَالَ فَتَزُورُونَهُ فِي كُلِّ جُمُعَةٍ قُلْتُ لَا قَالَ فَتَزُورُونَهُ فِي كُلِّ شَهْرٍ قُلْتُ لَا قَالَ فَتَزُورُونَهُ فِي كُلِّ سَنَةٍ قُلْتُ قَدْ يَكُونُ ذَلِكَ

Muhammad Bin Yahya, from Salma Bin Al Khattab, from Abdullah Bin Al Khattab, from Abdullah Bin Muhammad Bin Sinan, from Misma'a, from Yunus Bin Abdul Rahman, from Hanaan, from his father who said,

‘Abu Abdullah<sup>asws</sup> said: ‘O Sadeyr! Do you visit the grave of Al-Husayn<sup>asws</sup> every day?’ I said, ‘May I be sacrificed for you<sup>asws</sup>, No’. He<sup>asws</sup> said: ‘So how discourteous you are. So, do you visit it every Friday?’ I said, ‘No’. He<sup>asws</sup> said: ‘So do you visit it every month?’ I said, ‘No’. He<sup>asws</sup> said: ‘So do you visit it every year?’ I said, ‘That some (years) may happen to be’.

قَالَ يَا سَدِيدُ مَا أَجْفَاكُمْ لِلْحُسَيْنِ ( عليه السلام ) أَمَا عَلِمْتَ أَنَّ لِلَّهِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ أَلْفَيْ أَلْفِ مَلَكٍ شَعْتٌ غُبْرٌ يَبْكُونَ وَ يَزُورُونَ لَا يَفْتُرُونَ وَ مَا عَلَيْكَ يَا سَدِيدُ أَنْ تَزُورَ قَبْرَ الْحُسَيْنِ ( عليه السلام ) فِي كُلِّ جُمُعَةٍ خَمْسَ مَرَّاتٍ وَ فِي كُلِّ يَوْمٍ مَرَّةً قُلْتُ جَعَلْتُ فِدَاكَ إِنْ بَيْنَنَا وَ بَيْنَهُ فَرَسَاخٌ كَثِيرَةٌ

He<sup>asws</sup> said: ‘O Sadeyr! How discourteous of you towards Al-Husayn<sup>asws</sup>. Do you not know that Allah<sup>azwj</sup> Mighty and Majestic Has two million Angels, dishevelled, dusty, crying and performing his<sup>asws</sup> Ziyarah, not wavering. And it is not (difficult) upon you, O Sadeyr, that you should be visiting the grave of Al-Husayn<sup>asws</sup> five times every week, and once every day’. I said, ‘May I be sacrificed for you<sup>asws</sup>! In between us and him<sup>asws</sup> there are a lot of Farsakhs (travel distance)’.

فَقَالَ لِي اصْعَدْ فَوْقَ سَطْحِكَ ثُمَّ تَلْتَفِتْ يُمْنَةً وَ يُسْرَةً ثُمَّ تَرَفِّعْ رَأْسَكَ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ ثُمَّ انْحِ نَحْوَ الْقَبْرِ وَ تَقُولُ السَّلَامَ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ السَّلَامَ عَلَيْكَ وَ رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَ بَرَكَاتُهُ تُكْتَبُ لَكَ زُورَةٌ وَ الزُّورَةُ حَجَّةٌ وَ عُمْرَةٌ

So he<sup>asws</sup> said to me: ‘Ascend above your roof, then turn towards the right and the left, then raise your head towards the sky, then face towards the grave and you should be saying:

السَّلَامَ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ السَّلَامَ عَلَيْكَ وَ رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَ بَرَكَاتُهُ

‘The greetings be upon you<sup>asws</sup>, O Abu Abdullah<sup>asws</sup>! The greetings be upon you<sup>asws</sup>, and the Mercy of Allah<sup>azwj</sup>, and His<sup>azwj</sup> Blessings – there would be Written for you a Ziyarah, and the Ziyarah of the Hajj, and Umra’.

قَالَ سَدِيدُ فَرِيحًا فَعَلْتُ فِي الشَّهْرِ أَكْثَرَ مِنْ عِشْرِينَ مَرَّةً .

Sadeyr said, 'So I used to do it during the month, more than twenty times'.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> Al Kafi – V 4 – The Book of Hajj Ch 234 H 8