

### 31 – THE BOOK OF TARĀWĪH PRAYERS

[*Nawāfil* Prayers at night in Ramaḍān].

(1) CHAPTER. The superiority of praying  
(*Nawāfil*) at night in Ramaḍān.

2008. Narrated Abū Hurairah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ: I heard Allāh's Messenger ﷺ saying regarding Ramaḍān, "Whoever performed *Ṣalāt* (prayers) at night in it (the month of Ramaḍān) with sincere faith and hoping for a reward from Allāh, then all his past sins will be forgiven."

2009. Narrated Abū Hurairah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ: Allāh's Messenger ﷺ said, "Whoever performed *Ṣalāt* (prayers) at night in the month of Ramaḍān with sincere faith and hoping for a reward from Allāh, then all his past sins will be forgiven." Ibn Ṣhīhāb (a subnarrator) said, "Allāh's Messenger ﷺ died and the people continued observing that (i.e., *Nawāfil* offered individually, not in congregation), and it remained as it was, during the caliphate of Abū Bakr and in the early days of 'Umar's caliphate."

2010. Narrated Ibn Ṣhīhāb: Abdur Raḥmān bin 'Abdul Qarī said, "I went out in the company of 'Umar bin Al-Khaṭṭāb one night in Ramaḍān to the mosque and found the people performing *Ṣalāt* (prayers) in different groups. A man performing *Ṣalāt* (prayers) alone, or a man performing *Ṣalāt* (prayers) with a little group behind him. So,

### ٣١ - كتاب صلاة التراويح

(١) بَابُ فَضْلِ مَنْ قَامَ رَمَضَانَ

٢٠٠٨ - حَدَّثَنَا يَحْيَى بْنُ بُكَيْرٍ: حَدَّثَنَا اللَّيْثُ، عَنْ عُقَيْلٍ، عَنْ ابْنِ شِهَابٍ قَالَ: أَخْبَرَنِي أَبُو سَلَمَةَ أَنَّ أَبَا هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ لِرَمَضَانَ: «مَنْ قَامَهُ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ». [راجع: ٣٥]

٢٠٠٩ - حَدَّثَنَا عَبْدُ اللهِ بْنُ يُوْسُفَ: أَخْبَرَنَا مَالِكٌ، عَنِ ابْنِ شِهَابٍ؛ عَنْ حُمَيْدِ بْنِ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ، عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ: أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللهِ ﷺ قَالَ: «مَنْ قَامَ رَمَضَانَ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ». قَالَ ابْنُ شِهَابٍ: فَتَوَفَّى رَسُولُ اللهِ ﷺ وَالنَّاسُ عَلَى ذَلِكَ. ثُمَّ كَانَ الْأَمْرُ عَلَى ذَلِكَ فِي خِلَافَةِ أَبِي بَكْرٍ، وَصَدْرًا مِنْ خِلَافَةِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمَا. [راجع: ٣٥]

٢٠١٠ - وَعَنِ ابْنِ شِهَابٍ، عَنْ عُرْوَةَ بْنِ الزُّبَيْرِ عَنْ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ بْنِ عَبْدِ الْقَارِيِّ أَنَّهُ قَالَ: خَرَجْتُ مَعَ عُمَرَ بْنِ الْخَطَّابِ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ لَيْلَةً فِي رَمَضَانَ إِلَى الْمَسْجِدِ فَإِذَا النَّاسُ

'Umar said, 'In my opinion I would better collect these (people) under the leadership of one *Qārī* (reciter) [i.e., let them perform *Ṣalāt* (prayers) in congregation!]. So, he made up his mind and he congregated them behind Ubāi bin Ka'b. Then on another night I went again in his company and the people were performing *Ṣalāt* (prayers) behind their reciter. On that, 'Umar remarked, 'What an excellent *Bid'a* (i.e., innovation in religion) this is; but the *Ṣalāt* (prayers) which they do not perform, and sleep at its time is superior than the one they are performing now.' He meant the *Ṣalāt* (prayers) in the last part of the night. (In those days) people used to perform *Ṣalāt* (prayers) in the early part of the night."

2011. Narrated 'Āishah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا, the wife of the Prophet ﷺ: Allāh's Messenger ﷺ used to perform *Salāt* (prayer) (at night) in Ramaḍān.

2012. Narrated 'Urwa that he was informed by 'Āishah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا, "Allāh's Messenger ﷺ went out in the middle of the night and performed *Ṣalāt* (prayer) in the mosque and some men performed *Ṣalāt* (prayer) behind him. In the morning, the people spoke about it and then a large number of them gathered and performed *Ṣalāt* (prayer) behind him (on the second night). In the next morning the people again talked about it and on the third night the mosque was full with a large number of people. Allāh's Messenger ﷺ came out and the people performed *Ṣalāt* (prayer) behind him. On the fourth night the mosque was

أَوْزَاعٌ مُتَفَرِّقُونَ، يُصَلِّي الرَّجُلُ لِنَفْسِهِ وَيُصَلِّي الرَّجُلُ فَيُصَلِّي بِصَلَاتِهِ الرَّهْطُ، فَقَالَ عُمَرُ: إِنِّي أَرَى لَوْ جَمَعْتُ هَؤُلَاءِ عَلَى قَارِيٍّ وَاحِدٍ لَكَانَ أَمْثَلًا، ثُمَّ عَزَمَ فَجَمَعَهُمْ عَلَى أَبِي بِنِ كَعْبٍ. ثُمَّ خَرَجْتُ مَعَهُ لَيْلَةَ أُخْرَى وَالنَّاسُ يُصَلُّونَ بِصَلَاةِ قَارِيَّتِهِمْ، قَالَ عُمَرُ: نِعَمَ الْبِدْعَةُ هَذِهِ، وَالَّتِي يَنَامُونَ عَنْهَا أَفْضَلُ مِنَ الَّتِي يَقُومُونَ، يُرِيدُ آخِرَ اللَّيْلِ. وَكَانَ النَّاسُ يَقُومُونَ أَوَّلَهُ.

٢٠١١ - حَدَّثَنَا إِسْمَاعِيلُ قَالَ:

حَدَّثَنِي مَالِكٌ، عَنِ ابْنِ شِهَابٍ، عَنْ عُرْوَةَ بْنِ الزُّبَيْرِ، عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا زَوْجَ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ: أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللهِ ﷺ صَلَّى، وَذَلِكَ فِي رَمَضَانَ.

[راجع: ٧٢٩]

٢٠١٢ - وَحَدَّثَنِي يَحْيَى بْنُ

بُكَيرٍ: حَدَّثَنَا اللَّيْثُ، عَنْ عَقِيلٍ، عَنْ ابْنِ شِهَابٍ: أَخْبَرَنِي عُرْوَةُ: أَنَّ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا أَخْبَرَتْهُ: أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللهِ ﷺ خَرَجَ لَيْلَةً مِنْ جَوْفِ اللَّيْلِ، فَصَلَّى فِي الْمَسْجِدِ وَصَلَّى رِجَالٌ بِصَلَاتِهِ، فَأَصْبَحَ النَّاسُ فَتَحَدَّثُوا فَاجْتَمَعَ أَكْثَرُ مِنْهُمْ فَصَلَّى فَصَلُّوا مَعَهُ. فَأَصْبَحَ النَّاسُ فَتَحَدَّثُوا فَكَثُرَ أَهْلُ الْمَسْجِدِ مِنَ اللَّيْلَةِ الثَّلَاثَةِ،

overwhelmed with people and could not accomodate them, but the Prophet ﷺ came out (only) for the morning *Ṣalāt* (prayer). When the morning *Ṣalāt* (prayer) was finished, he recited *Taḥah-hud* and (addressing the people) said, “*Ammā ba’du*, your presence was not hidden from me but I was afraid lest the night *Ṣalāt* (prayer) should be enjoined on you and you might not be able to carry it on.” So, Allāh’s Messenger ﷺ died and the situation remained like that (i.e., people offered the night prayers individually).”

2013. Narrated Abū Salama bin ‘Abdur Raḥmān that he asked ‘Āishah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا ‘Āishah “How was the *Ṣalāt* (prayer) of Allāh’s Messenger ﷺ in Ramaḍān?” She replied, “He did not perform *Ṣalāt* (prayer) more than eleven *Rak’ā* in Ramaḍān or in any other month. He used to perform four *Rak’ā* – let alone their beauty and length – and then he would perform four *Rak’ā* – let alone their beauty and length – and then he would perform three *Rak’ā* (*Witr*).” She added, “I asked, ‘O Allāh’s Messenger! Do you sleep before praying the *Witr*?’ he replied, ‘O ‘Āishah! My eyes sleep but my heart does not sleep.’”

فَخَرَجَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَصَلَّى بِصَلَاتِهِ. فَلَمَّا كَانَتِ اللَّيْلَةُ الرَّابِعَةَ عَجَزَ الْمَسْجِدُ عَنْ أَهْلِهِ حَتَّى خَرَجَ لِصَلَاةِ الصُّبْحِ فَلَمَّا فَضِيَ الْفَجْرَ أَقْبَلَ عَلَى النَّاسِ فَتَسَهَّدَ. ثُمَّ قَالَ: «أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَإِنَّهُ لَمْ يَخْفَ عَلَيَّ مَكَانَكُمْ، وَلَكِنِّي خَشِيتُ أَنْ تُفْرَضَ عَلَيْكُمْ فَتَعَجِزُوا عَنْهَا». فَتَوَفَّى رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ وَالْأَمْرُ عَلَى ذَلِكَ. [راجع: ٧٢٩]

٢٠١٣ - حَدَّثَنَا إِسْمَاعِيلُ قَالَ: حَدَّثَنِي مَالِكٌ، عَنْ سَعِيدِ الْمَقْبُرِيِّ، عَنْ أَبِي سَلَمَةَ بْنِ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ أَنَّهُ سَأَلَ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا: كَيْفَ كَانَتْ صَلَاةَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فِي رَمَضَانَ؟ فَقَالَتْ: مَا كَانَ يَزِيدُ فِي رَمَضَانَ وَلَا فِي غَيْرِهِ عَلَى إِحْدَى عَشْرَةَ رَكْعَةً، يُصَلِّي أَرْبَعًا فَلَا تَسْأَلُ عَنْ حُسْنِهِنَّ وَطَوْلِهِنَّ، ثُمَّ يُصَلِّي أَرْبَعًا فَلَا تَسْأَلُ عَنْ حُسْنِهِنَّ وَطَوْلِهِنَّ، ثُمَّ يُصَلِّي ثَلَاثًا. فَقُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، أَتَأْتُمُ قَبْلَ أَنْ تُوتِرَ؟ قَالَ: «يَا عَائِشَةُ، إِنَّ عَيْنِي تَنَامَانِ وَلَا يَنَامُ قَلْبِي». [راجع: ١١٤٧]