

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَمَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ وُلْدِ آدَمَ كَمَا يُحِبُّ وَيَرْضَى بِأَنْ يُصَلَّى عَلَيْهِ

Allah Almighty, in Whose Name we begin, The Most Compassionate,
The Most Merciful

All Praise is due to Allah Almighty, Countless Peace and Blessings be upon
His Beloved Messenger – *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* – his family & his
companions – *may Allah be pleased with them all*

They had great Love for the Qur'an

It is mentioned that Shaikh Taque'udeen Misri was considered a great authority in the Science of Tajweed and Qirah. He was also considered an Imam in this field. He also had a very beautiful voice. It is also mentioned that Shaikh Taque'udeen Misri used to stand so still in Salaah that people sometimes thought that he appeared to look like a pillar.

There is also a miracle which is attributed to him. It is mentioned that once, Shaikh Taque'udeen Misri was reading Surah Naml and came to the verse:

And he surveyed the birds – he therefore said, “What is to me that I do not see the Hudhud (*hoopoe*), or is he really absent?”

Shaikh Taque'udeen Misri continued repeating this verse and suddenly a bird appeared and sat on his head. This bird appeared to listen to the verse itself. When he had completed his Salaah and people looked closely at the bird, they noticed that it was in fact a Hud Hud. (Tafseer Ruhul Bayaan, 7/69)

Shaikhul Islam Mohammed bin Nasr Faqeeh Maruzi was extremely handsome. He was reddish white in complexion and had a long beard as well. Besides being an eminent Muhaddith, he was extremely pious and noble. When he was in Salaah he was so still that once, a wasp stung him on his forehead and blood gushed from this wound but, even at this moment, he remained absolutely still.

One of his miracles is that one day, Shaikhul Islam Mohammed bin Nasr decided to travel from Egypt to Mecca Shareef on a boat. He was accompanied by his female slave. During the journey, a massive storm appeared and the boat broke into pieces. Many volumes which he had written were also destroyed in the waves. They both held on to a piece of timber and floated towards a strange island. As he sat there with his female slave waiting for death, suddenly a person appeared from nowhere and presented him with water. After he drank the water, the person disappeared. No one knew where he had appeared from and where he had gone. (Tadkiratul Huffaz, 2/203)

The eminent teacher of Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Ahmed bin Hambal - *may Allah be pleased with him* - was someone named Shaikhul Islam, Abu Bakr bin Ayyash - *may Allah be pleased with him*. He was a great authority on Hadith and he was extremely pious. It is mentioned that for nearly forty years, he never placed his back on any support. Shaikhul Islam, Abu Bakr bin Ayyash - *may Allah be pleased with him* - was extremely pious and noble and it is also reported that on one corner of his house, he had completed nearly eighteen thousand recitals of the Qur'an.

One of his famous miracles is that once, while Shaikhul Islam, Abu Bakr bin Ayyash - *may Allah be pleased with him* - was standing in front of the Zam Zam, he placed a container inside and drew Zam Zam. The second time when he did this he withdrew a container of honey. He used to also advise Sultan Harun Rashid. In fact Sultan Harun Rashid used to always send him gifts and was a great admirer of the eminent Saint and scholar. He passed away in 193 A.H. at the age of ninety two. (Tadkiratul Huffaz, 245)

Shaikhul Islam, Abu Mohammed Abdur Rahman bin Abu Hatim Tameemi - *may Allah be pleased with him* - was also considered an eminent Muhaddith of his era. During his early days as a student, he worked very hard and worked day and night to achieve knowledge. Hence, in the field of Hadith, he was considered as one of the masters of his day. Shaikhul Islam, Abu Mohammed Abdur Rahman - *may Allah be pleased with him* - was also a very pious person and could certainly perform amazing miracles. In fact, many of the ‘Ulama place him among the eminent Saints of his period.

Once, there was a severe drought in his area and it so happened that at that moment, one of his friends had sent him a horse from Isfahan. His friend had asked him to sell this horse and buy him a house in the city. However, Shaikhul Islam, Abu Mohammed Abdur Rahman bin Abu Hatim Tameemi - *may Allah be pleased with him* - sold the horse for nearly twenty thousand Dirhams and distributed all the money among the poor and needy in the city. He then sent a message to his friend that he had sold this horse but instead of buying a house in this world, he had purchased a house for him in Jannah. His friend replied that as long as he can guarantee this, then he had no problem in this transaction.

He then wrote a special note to his friend that he stood guarantee for the purchase of his house in Jannah.

During the night while he slept, he heard a Voice declared, “O ibn Abi Hatim! We have fulfilled your guarantee which you had undertaken, however, do not stand guarantee for anyone else in future.”

He passed away in the month of Muharram 324 A.H. (Tadkiratul Huffaz, 3/48)

Muhaddith Abu Bakr ibn Al Khaadiyah - *may Allah be pleased with him* - was considered as an eminent Muhadith of his era. In fact, Shaikh Abu Bakr Muhaddith - *may Allah be pleased with him* - used to explain in public that there was no one better than this person in the entire world who could recite the Ahadith. In fact, it is mentioned that even if Muhaddith Abu Bakr ibn Al Khaadiyah - *may Allah be pleased with him* - recited the Ahadith in front of people for two days in a row, still people would not tire of his reading. On seven occasions, he wrote the complete *Muslim*

Shareef and earned his livelihood in this fashion. He used to also take care of his family in this manner.

One of his miracles is that one day, one of the sons of a rich merchant was troubled because a sixth finger had appeared in his hand. There was so much of pain that this young man found it difficult to even stand. The family then called this Saint to their house to help. When Muhaddith Abu Bakr ibn Al Khaadiyah - *may Allah be pleased with him* - arrived at this house, all he did was pass his blessed hands over the finger of this young man and also informed the family not to worry. In fact, as soon as he stepped out of the house, this same sixth finger fell off and there was no longer pain. He passed away in 489 A.H. It is also reported that thousands of people gathered for his Janazah. (Tadkiratul Huffaz, 4/24)