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Virtue of Sending Blessings upon the Messenger of Allah ﷺ

Imām al-Ḥabīb ‘Abdullāh al-Ḥaddād¹

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As for salutation² upon the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, its virtue is great and benefit in this world and the hereafter for those who are excessive in it are plenty. Allah the Exalted said: ***“Indeed Allah and His angels confer blessings upon the Prophet, O believers! Confer blessings upon him and salute him with a worthy salutation”*** [33:56]

So make conclusion from what Allah stipulates in this verse in great honour for his messenger; an encouragement and stimulus for the believing worshippers to send blessings and salutation upon him.

He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“Allah confers ten blessings upon the person who confers one blessing upon me”*. Some of the rightful scholars, may Allah have mercy on them, have said: If Allah was to send *one* blessing upon a slave during his entire life, that would be enough honour and bounty for him. So what (can be said) for ten blessings for every blessing the Muslim sends to his Prophet?! So, praise be to Allah for this great virtue and rich gift.

He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“He who confers blessings upon me, Allah confers upon him ten blessings, raises him in ten ranks, writes ten virtuous deeds for him, and forgives ten of his sins”*.

¹ Excerpted from Imam ‘Abdullāh al-‘Alawī al-Ḥaddād's *‘Nasā’ih al-Diniya wal-Wasāya al-Imāniya’*

² Translated from the word *Salawāt*, this is also known as *Durūd* in Urdu.

He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“Indeed, those closest to me on the Day of Judgement will be those who confer blessings upon me the most.”*

He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“My intercession will become incumbent upon whoever confers the following blessing: O Allah, confer blessings upon Muḥammad and bestow upon him the station of proximity to You on the Day of Judgement.”*

He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“Whoever says: ‘May Allah reward Muḥammad on our behalf with a reward befitting what he deserves’, Allah will put seventy angels to trouble in writing its reward for one thousand days.”*

He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“Send blessings upon me wherever you are as indeed your blessings are conveyed to me”*

He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“Allah has certain angels who roam the earth and convey the salutations of my followers to me.”*

(From) a narration: Indeed no one from his community sends salutations upon him except Allah returns his noble soul to him until he replies to him. Shaykh Ibn Ḥajar mentions in *‘Dur al-Mandud’*, it has reached us from the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, that he said: *“There is not one of you who sends salutations upon him except Allah returns his noble soul until he replies to him”*

He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“May that person be destroyed who refrains from conveying blessings upon me when I am mentioned in his presence”,* and *“Whoever forgets to confer blessings upon me has lost the way to Paradise.”*

Indeed he, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, instructed specifically on the day of Friday to increase in sending blessings upon him. He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“Confer blessings upon me abundantly on Friday, for the blessings of my followers are presented to me every Friday. Whoever confers the most blessings upon me the closer he shall be with me on the Day of Judgement.”* He, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said: *“Confer blessings upon me abundantly on the luminous night and the luminous day”*(meaning: The night and day of Friday).

Hence, it is paramount for each believer to increase in their sending of blessings upon the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, during all periods and in particular the night of Friday and it's day. Send salutations along with blessings upon him as indeed Allah has commanded them both together. In a tradition, Allah the Exalted said to him, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, *“Whoever confers blessings upon you I confer blessings upon him and he who confers salutations upon you I confer salutations upon him”*.

It is vital that for the one who sends blessings and salutations upon his Prophet: to send blessings and salutations upon his family after it, as indeed he loved for them that, may Allah bless him and grant him peace. It has reached us from traditions and from some narrations that the blessings presented with which no blessings conferred upon the household (of the Prophet) is known as a void blessing.

And Allah knows best.

