
Encouragement to fast the Day of 'Aashoora

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Chapter: Persuasion to Fast the Day of 'Aashoora¹

[1] On the authority of Abu Qataada (rad iyallaahu `anhu)² that the Messenger of Allaah (صلى الله عليه وسلم)³ was asked about the fast of the day of 'Aashoora, so he answered: **'It expiates the sins of the previous year.'**

Narrated by Muslim (رَجَمَهُ اللهُ)⁴ and other than him, and by Ibn Maajah (رَجَمَهُ اللهُ) and his wording is: **'The fast of the day of 'Aashoora; Indeed the reward that I request from Allaah is that He expiates the sins of the year before this year.'**⁵

[2] On the authority of Ibn Abbaas (rad iyallaahu `anhu) 'that the Messenger of Allaah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) fasted the day of 'Aashoora, and he ordered for it to be fasted.'⁶

[3] On the authority of Ibn Abbaas (rad iyallaahu `anhu) was asked about the fast of the day of 'Aashoora, so he answered: 'I do not know of the Messenger of Allaah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) fasting a day, wanting the excellence of that fast above that of other days, nor any other month other than this month. I.e. Ramadan.'⁷

[4] On the authority of Ibn Abbaas (rad iyallaahu `anhu) 'That the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) never aspired for the excellence of a day after Ramadaan; except the day of 'Aashoora.'⁸

[5] On the authority of Abu sa'eed al-khudaree (rad iyallaahu `anhu) said that the Messenger of Allaah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said; **'Whoever fasts the day of Arafat he is forgiven for the following year and the previous year. And whoever fasts 'Aashoora then he is forgiven the year.'**⁹

All Praise belongs to Allaah, may His peace and blessings be upon our final Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله عليه وسلم), his family, his companions and all those who follow his guidance.

¹ The day of 'Aashoora is the tenth day of Muharram.

² (rad iyallaahu `anhu) May Allaah be pleased with him

³ (صلى الله عليه وسلم) May the peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him

⁴ (رَجَمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah have mercy on him

⁵ 1017 – Saheeh

⁶ 1018 – Saheeh: Narrated by Bukhaaree and Muslim

⁷ 1019 – Saheeh: Narrated by Muslim

⁸ 1020- Hasan li ghayreehi', (hasan due to other hadeeth). Narrated by Tabaraanee in 'al-Awasat', and its isnaad is Hasan with the isnaad before it.

⁹ 1021 – Saheeh li ghayreehi' (authentic due to other hadeeth). Narrated by Tabaraanee with an isnaad which is Hasan.