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Taken from Silsilah Ahadeeth as-Saheehah¹

No. 2654 – From Aboo Hurairah from the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم)²: ‘Whoever does not supplicate (make Dua’) to Allaah, then Allaah is angry with him.’³

Shaykh al-Albaanee (rahimahullaah)⁴ brought a supporting hadeeth from an-Nu’maan (rad iyallaahu `anhu)⁵, the wording of which was: ‘Dua’ is worship’ then the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم): recited: [And your Lord said: ‘Call on Me, (and ask Me for anything) I will respond to your (invocation). Verily! Those who scorn My worship [i.e. do not invoke Me, and do not believe in My Oneness,] they will surely enter Hell in humiliation!]⁶

Collected by the collectors of the Sunnan and by other than them. Ibn Hibbaan, al-Hakim and Dhahabee authenticated it, as well as others. It is researched in ‘Ahkaam al-Janaiz’, ‘Saheeh Abee Daawood’ and in ‘Rowda al-Nadeer’.

Shaykh al-Albaanee (rahimahullaah) comments:

‘And there is no doubt that staying away from Allaah’s -Ta’aala⁷- worship due to arrogance and not making Dua’ to Him necessitates Allaah’s anger upon the one who does not make Dua’ to Him. This hadeeth [of Nu’maan (rad iyallaahu `anhu)] is a strong support for the hadeeth of Aboo Hurairah due its meaning and not from its chain.

Some of the ignorant Soofees have neglected these ahadeeth or have pretended to neglect them. They claim that making Dua’ to Allaah is inappropriate behaviour with Allaah, they have become affected with an Israaelee narration: ‘His knowledge of my condition spares me from asking from Him.’

So they were ignorant that when the slave of Allaah makes Dua’ to His Lord –Ta’ala- it is not the case that the slave of Allaah is informing Allaah –Subhanahu wa Ta’aala – his need of Him [He knows what is kept secret and that which is yet more hidden]⁸ rather it is the act of actualization of the Uboodeeyah⁹ of Allaah (servitude of worship) and the slave of Allaah’s need of Him and his own impoverishment.

¹ Vol.6 Hadeeth no. 2654 p.323-326.

² (صلى الله عليه وسلم) May the peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him.

³ Collected by Bukhaaree in ‘Adab al-Mufrad’, Tirmidhee, Ibn Maajah, al-Hakim, Ahmad, Ibn Abi Shaybah, al-Baihaqee in ‘ash-Shawba’ and by Tabaraanee. Albaanee declared it Hasan.

⁴ (rahimahullaah) May Allaah have mercy on him.

⁵ (rad iyallaahu `anhu) May Allaah be pleased with him.

⁶ Soorah Ghaafir [40:60].

⁷ He, The Most High

⁸ Soorah Taa-Haa [20:07]

⁹ Uboodeeyah comprises the slavery of the heart, tongue and limbs to Allaah Ta’aala.

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