

Imaam Abu Haneefah RAH. Sees Allaah in a Dream and Asks about the way to save Oneself from Punishment

Q: Ilm-46:

Imaam Abu Haneefah RAH. said that he saw Allaah in his dream on 99 occasions. It was his desire that if he had the good fortune to see Allaah again, he would beseech Allaah to show him how human beings could be saved from His punishment on the Day of Resurrection. When he had the great pleasure of seeing Allaah for the 100<sup>th</sup> time, he entreated: "O Allaah How can we be saved from Your punishment on the Day of Judgement? Allaah replied that anybody who sincerely recites these Glorious Names morning and evening, shall get salvation from His punishment. The du'aa then follows: "Glory be to Him Who remains Forever and Ever..." Is this an authentic narration? Which book does it appear in?

Answer: This incident is reported in the reliable books of Hanafi Fiqh such as Tahtaawi alaa Durriil Mukhtaar (Vol.1 Pg.36) , Fataawaa Shaami (Vol.1 Pg.48) and Ghaayatul Awtaar (Vol.1 Pg.21). Here are the words of Shaami: "I saw the Rabb of glory 99 times in a dream and told myself that if I see Him for a 100<sup>th</sup> time, I shall definitely ask Him what it is that will save the creation on the Day of Qiyaamah, when I then saw Him again I asked, 'O Most Honoured Rabb Whose praises are most sublime and Whose names are most pure! What is it that will save creation from Your punishment on the Day of Qiyaamah?' Allaah then said that it was to recite the following du'aa morning and evening:

Glory be to Him Who remains Forever and Ever.

Glory be to Him Who is The One and Only.

Glory be to Him Who is Single and Independent.

Glory be to Him Who raised the Firmament (sky) without any pillars.

Glory be to Him Who stretched out the earth on frozen water

Glory be to Him Who created the creation and then kept meticulous count of them

Glory be to Him Who distributes sustenance and never forgets anyone

Glory be to Him Who has neither a wife nor children

Glory be to Him Who does not have offspring, is not the offspring of anyone and Who has no equal

Every Muslim ought to make the above du'aa part of daily recitations for it is a most excellent prescription for being saved from Allaah's punishment.

Before he passed away, Rasulullaah SAW. Used to recite the following du'aa whether standing, sitting or reclining.

SUBHANAK ALLAHUMM RABBANA WABIHAMDIK ALLAHUMMAG FIRLI WATUB ALAYY  
INN NAK ANTA TAWWABUR RAHIM.

"Glory be to You, O Allaah our Rabb and All praise belongs to You. O Allaah! Forgive me and accept my repentance because You are the One who accepts repentance and the Most Merciful." Rasulullaah SAW. sometimes worded this du'aa differently, but the meaning is the same. Another du'aa worth reciting regularly is:  
(Du'aa on page no.488 in Fataawa Rahimiyyah.)

And Allaah knows best what is most correct.

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