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The Book of Tayammum

Ahadith 15

(334-348)



In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

Rubbing hands and feet with dust

The saying of Allah

and ye find no water, then take for yourselves clean sand or earth, and rub therewith your faces and hands. (5:6)

Hadith # 334

Narrated `Aisha:

We set out with Allah's Messenger (**) on one of his journeys till we reached Al-Baida' or Dhatul-Jaish, a necklace of mine was broken (and lost). Allah's Messenger (**) stayed there to search for it, and so did the people along with him. There was no water at that place, so the people went to Abu- Bakr As-Siddiq and said, "Don't you see what `Aisha has done? She has made Allah's Apostle and the people stay where there is no water and they have no water with them."

Abu Bakr came while Allah's Messenger (**) was sleeping with his head on my thigh, He said, to me: "You have detained Allah's Messenger (**) and the people where

there is no water and they have no water with them. So he admonished me and said what Allah wished him to say and hit me on my flank with his hand. Nothing prevented me from moving (because of pain) but the position of Allah's Messenger (**) on my thigh.

Allah's Messenger (**) got up when dawn broke and there was no water. So Allah revealed the Divine Verses of Tayammum. So they all performed Tayammum.

Usaid bin Hudair said, "O the family of Abu Bakr! This is not the first blessing of yours."

Then the camel on which I was riding was caused to move from its place and the necklace was found beneath it.

Hadith # 335

Narrated Jabir bin `Abdullah:

The Prophet (*) said,

"I have been given five things which were not given to any one else before me.

- 1. Allah made me victorious by awe, (by His frightening my enemies) for a distance of one month's journey.
- 2. The earth has been made for me (and for my followers) a place for praying and a thing to perform Tayammum, therefore anyone of my followers can pray wherever the time of a prayer is due.
- 3. The booty has been made Halal (lawful) for me yet it was not lawful for anyone else before me.
- 4. I have been given the right of intercession (on the Day of Resurrection).
- 5. Every Prophet used to be sent to his nation only but I have been sent to all mankind.

What to do if neither water nor earth is available

Hadith # 336

Narrated `Urwa's father:

Aisha said, "I borrowed a necklace from Asma' and it was lost. So Allah's Messenger (**) sent a man to search for it and he found it. Then the time of the prayer became due and there was no water.

They prayed (without ablution) and informed Allah's Messenger (**) about it, so the verse of Tayammum was revealed."

Usaid bin Hudair said to `Aisha, "May Allah reward you. By Allah, whenever anything happened which you did not like, Allah brought good for you and for the Muslims in that."

It is permissible to perform tayammum even in the state of Iqamah

When there is no water and there is fear of missing the prayer..'Ata' supported that opinion

;Al-Hasan says, "If a patient has water but there is no one to hand it over to him, then he can perform Tayammum ."

Ibn 'Umar came from his land at Al-Jurf and the time for the `Asr prayer became due while he was at Marbad-An-Na`am (sheepfold), so he (performed Tayammum) and prayed there and then entered Medina when the sun was still high but he did not repeat that prayer.

Hadith # 337

Narrated Abu Juhaim Al-Ansari:

The Prophet (**) came from the direction of Bir Jamal. A man met him and greeted him. But he did not return back the greeting till he went to a (mud) wall and wiped his face and hands with its dust (performed Tayammum) and then returned back the greeting.

Can a person blow off the dust from his hands in performing Tayammum

Hadith # 338

Narrated `Abdur Rahman bin Abza:

A man came to `Umar bin Al-Khattab and said, "I became Junub but no water was available."

`Ammar bin Yasir said to `Umar, "Do you remember that you and I (became Junub while both of us) were together on a journey and you didn't pray but I rolled myself on the ground and prayed?

I informed the Prophet (*) about it and he said,

'It would have been sufficient for you to do like this.' The Prophet then stroked lightly the earth with his hands and then blew off the dust and passed his hands over his face and hands."

Tayammum is for the hands and the face

Hadith # 339

Narrated Father of Sa`id bin `Abdur Rahman bin Abza:

`Ammar said so (the above Statement).

And Shu'ba stroked lightly the earth with his hands and brought them close to his mouth (blew off the dust) and passed them over his face and then the backs of his hands.

`Ammar said, "Ablution (meaning Tayammum here) is sufficient for a Muslim if water is not available."

Hadith # 340

Narrated `Abdur Rahman bin Abza:

while he was in the company of `Umar, `Ammar said to `Umar, "We were in a detachment and became Junub and I blew the dust off my hands (performed the rolling over the earth and prayed.)"

Hadith # 341

Narrated `Abdur Rahman bin Abza:

`Ammar said to `Umar "I rolled myself in the dust and came to the Prophet (*) who said, 'Passing dusted hands over the face and the backs of the hands is sufficient for you.' "

Hadith # 342

Narrated `Ammar:

As above.

Hadith # 343

Narrated `Ammar:

The Prophet (*) stroked the earth with his hands and then passed them over his face and the backs of his hands (while demonstrating Tayammum).

Clean earth is sufficient as a substitute for water for

ablution

And Hasan al-Basri said that Tayammum is sufficient as long as it does not occur to him (i.e. objects that break ablution are not found).

And Ibn Abbas led the prayer from Tayammum

And Yahya bin Saeed Ansari said that there is no harm in praying on salty ground and performing tayammum on it.

Hadith # 344

Narrated `Imran:

Once we were traveling with the Prophet (**) and we kept on traveling till the last part of the night and then we (halted at a place) and slept. There is nothing sweeter than sleep for a traveler in the last part of the night. So it was only the heat of the sun that made us to wake up and the first to wake up was so and so, then so and so and then so and so and the fourth person to wake up was `Umar bin Al- Khattab.

And whenever the Prophet (eh llit mih pu ekaw dluow ydobon ,peels ot desu (himself used to get up as we did not know what was happening (being revealed) to him in his sleep. So, `Umar got up and saw the condition of the people, and he was a strict man, so he said, "Allahu Akbar" and raised his voice with Takbir, and kept on saying loudly till the Prophet (him) got up because of it. When he got up, the people informed him about what had happened to them. He said, "There is no harm (or it will not be harmful). Depart!"

So they departed from that place, and after covering some distance the Prophet (**) stopped and asked for some water to perform the ablution. So he performed the ablution and the call for the prayer was pronounced and he led the people in prayer.

After he finished from the prayer, he saw a man sitting aloof who had not prayed with the people. He asked, "O so and so! What has prevented you from praying with us?" He replied, "I am Junub and there is no water. " The Prophet (*) said, "Perform Tayammum with (clean) earth and that is sufficient for you."

Then the Prophet (**) proceeded on and the people complained to him of thirst. Thereupon he got down and called a person and `Ali, and ordered them to go and bring water. So they went in search of water and met a woman who was sitting on her camel between two bags of water. They asked, "Where can we find water?" She replied, "I was there (at the place of water) this hour yesterday and my people are behind me."

They requested her to accompany them. She asked, "Where?" They said, "To Allah's Messenger (**)." She said, "Do you mean the man who is called the Sabi, (with a new religion)?" They replied, "Yes, the same person. So come along."

They brought her to the Prophet (*) and narrated the whole story. He said, "Help her

to dismount."

The Prophet (**) asked for a pot, then he opened the mouths of the bags and poured some water into the pot. Then he closed the big openings of the bags and opened the small ones and the people were called upon to drink and water their animals. So they all watered their animals and they (too) all quenched their thirst and also gave water to others and last of all the Prophet (**) gave a pot full of water to the person who was Junub and told him to pour it over his body.

The woman was standing and watching all that which they were doing with her water. By Allah, when her water bags were returned the looked like as if they were more full (of water) than they had been before (Miracle of Allah's Messenger (**))

Then the Prophet (**) ordered us to collect something for her; so dates, flour and Sawiq were collected which amounted to a good meal that was put in a piece of cloth. She was helped to ride on her camel and that cloth full of foodstuff was also placed in front of her and then the Prophet (**) said to her, "We have not taken your water but Allah has given water to us."

She returned home late. Her relatives asked her: "O so and so what has delayed you?" She said, "A strange thing! Two men met me and took me to the man who is called the Sabi' and he did such and such a thing. By Allah, he is either the greatest magician between this and this (gesturing with her index and middle fingers raising them towards the sky indicating the heaven and the earth) or he is Allah's true Apostle."

Afterwards the Muslims used to attack the pagans around her abode but never touched her village. One day she said to her people, "I think that these people leave you purposely. Have you got any inclination to Islam?" They obeyed her and all of them embraced Islam.

Abu `Abdullah said: The word Saba'a means "The one who has deserted his old religion and embraced a new religion."

Abul 'Ailya said, "The S`Abis are a sect of people of the Scripture who recite the Book of Psalms."

A Junub can perform Tayammum if he is afraid of disease, death or thirst

Hadith # 345

Narrated Abu Wail:

Abu Musa said to `Abdullah bin Mas`ud, "If one does not find water (for ablution) can he give up the prayer?"

`Abdullah replied, "If you give the permission to perform Tayammum they will perform Tayammum even if water was available if one of them found it cold."

Abu Musa said, "What about the statement of `Ammar to `Umar?" `Abdullah replied, "`Umar was not satisfied by his statement."

Hadith # 346

Narrated Shaqiq bin Salama:

I was with `Abdullah and Abu Musa; the latter asked the former, "O Abu `Abdur-Rahman! What is your opinion if somebody becomes Junub and no water is available?"

`Abdullah replied, "Do not pray till water is found."

Abu Musa said, "What do you say about the statement of `Ammar (who was ordered by the Prophet (*) to perform Tayammum). The Prophet (*) said to him: "Perform Tayammum and that would be sufficient."

`Abdullah replied, "Don't you see that `Umar was not satisfied by `Ammar's statement?"

Abu- Musa said, "All right, leave `Ammar's statement, but what will you say about this verse (of Tayammum)?"

`Abdullah kept quiet and then said, "If we allowed it, then they would probably perform Tayammum even if water was available, if one of them found it (water) cold."

The narrator added, "I said to Shaqiq, "Then did `Abdullah dislike to perform Tayammum because of this?" He replied, "Yes."

Tayammum with one light stroke (on the earth)

Hadith # 347

Narrated Al-A`mash:

Shaqiq said, "While I was sitting with `Abdullah and Abu Musa Al-Ash`ari, the latter asked the former, 'If a person becomes Junub and does not find water for one month, can he perform Tayammum and offer his prayer?' (He applied in the negative).

Abu Musa said, 'What do you say about this verse from Sura "Al-Ma'ida": When you do not find water then perform Tayammum with clean earth?

`Abdullah replied, 'If we allowed it then they would probably perform Tayammum with clean earth even if water were available but cold.'

I said to Shaqiq, 'You then disliked to perform Tayammum because of this?' Shaqiq

said, 'Yes.'

Shaqiq added, "Abu Musa said, 'Haven't you heard the statement of `Ammar to `Umar? He said: I was sent out by Allah's Messenger (*) for some job and I became Junub and could not find water so I rolled myself over the dust (clean earth) like an animal does, and when I told the Prophet (*) of that he said, 'Like this would have been sufficient.'

The Prophet (**) (saying so) lightly stroked the earth with his hand once and blew it off, then passed his (left) hand over the back of his right hand or his (right) hand over the back of his left hand and then passed them over his face.'

So `Abdullah said to Abu- Musa, 'Don't you know that `Umar was not satisfied with `Ammar's statement?'

"Narrated Shaqiq: While I was with `Abdullah and Abu Musa, the latter said to the former, "Haven't you heard the statement of `Ammar to `Umar? He said, "Allah's Messenger (*) sent you and me out and I became Junub and rolled myself in the dust (clean earth) (for Tayammum). When we came to Allah's Apostle I told him about it and he said, 'This would have been sufficient,' passing his hands over his face and the backs of his hands once only.' "

Hadith # 348

Narrated `Imran bin Husain Al-Khuza`i:

Allah's Messenger (*) saw a person sitting aloof and not praying with the people. He asked him, "O so and so! What prevented you from offering the prayer with the people?" He replied, "O Allah's Messenger (*)! I am Junub and there is no water." The Prophet (*) said, "Perform Tayammum with clean earth and that will be sufficient for you."



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