Class First in Life

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Chapter-2=Lesson-18

HADITH 7

[Hadith Concerning Public Service (Benevolence)]

WORDS MEANINGS

Akhun - brother Haa Jati- need, want

La Yazlimu -he does not oppress him

La Yuslimuhu- he does not surrender him

Meaning: "A Muslim is a brother to another Muslim. He does not oppress his brother, nor does he surrender him to his enemy. Allah fulfils the needs of a Muslim who tries to fulfil his brother's wants." (Bukhari and Muslim)

EXPLANATION

Muslims are brothers unto themselves. They believe in the same ideology; they are the followers of the same philosophy of life. As a result, any Muslim residing in any comer of the globe is tied together with all other Muslims by the bond of Islamic brotherhood. It does not recognize any discrimination of land, age, race, colour, rich and poor, black and white. Arab and non-Arab.

So, a Muslim has got to discharge certain obligations to his fellow Muslim brothers. For instance, a Muslim brother cannot be oppressed or tortured or unjustly treated. Rather, one must come forward to his aid. His life, property and honour must be protected. He must be helped in combating his enemy. His enemy must not be helped. A Muslim brother must be helped in the hour of any need, be it petty or major. If ability permits, one must come forward to his rescue even at financial cost. Else, he must be helped by advice and intelligent counsel. Even he must be helped with physical means, if so needed.

In fact, a Muslim must come up with sincerity to see his Muslim brother out of danger with the best of his ability. This makes Allah the Most High pleased with him. He Himself helps the generous Muslim in return and fulfils all his needs.

TEACHINGS

- 1. Musims are brothers unto themselves.
- 2. They will not oppress and torture one another.
- 3. They will come forward unitedly against their enemies.
- 4. They will help one another in problems and dangers.
- 5. A helping Muslim is a favourite of Allah. Allah the Most High will satisfy his wants.

Worksheet of lesson 18

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- 1) Hadith on benevolence is taken from which Hadith book?
- 2) What is the meaning of benevolence?
- 3) What do you mean by Islamic brotherhood?
- 4) Allah fulfils whose needs?
- 5) What is the meaning of Zulum?
- 6) What is the meaning of Akhun?

\mathbf{CQ}

- Write the translation of the Hadith on benevolence.
- Write the teachings of the Hadith on Public Service.
- Why should we follow the hadith on public service?