

The Angel that Stands at the Blessed Grave of Hazrat Rasulullah (sallallahu 'alaihi wasallam) to Convey the Durood of the Ummah

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عن عمار بن ياسر رضي الله عنه قال قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم إن الله وكل بقبري ملكا أعطاه الله أسماء الخلائق فلا يصلي علي أحد إلى يوم القيامة إلا أبلغني باسمه واسم أبيه هذا فلان بن فلان قد صلى عليك (رواه البزار كما في الترغيب والترهيب، الرقم: 2574، قال الهيثمي: رواه البزار وفيه ابن الحميري واسمه عمران يأتي الكلام عليه بعده ... قال البخاري: لا يتابع على حديثه وقال صاحب الميزان: لا يعرف ونعيم بن ضمضم ضعفه بعضهم، وبقية رجاله رجال الصحيح كذا في مجمع الزوائد، الرقم: 17291)

Hazrat Ammaar bin Yaasir (radhiyallahu 'anhu) reports that Hazrat Rasulullah (sallallahu 'alaihi wasallam) said, "Allah Ta'ala has appointed an angel to remain by my grave, such an angel whom Allah Ta'ala gave the knowledge of

the names (and in some narrations, the ability of hearing the voices) of the creation. Thus, no person will send Durood upon me until the day of Qiyaamah, except that he conveys it to me with his name and the name of his father. (He will say,) ‘This is so-and-so the son of so-and-so, who has recited Durood upon you.’

Incident of Hazrat Shaikh Moulana Muhammad Zakariyya (rahimahullah)

In Pakistan, a certain Aalim had once seen Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) in a dream. He asked Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) as to who was the most beloved to Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) from the entire Ummah at that time. Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) replied, “Hazrat Shaikhul Hadith Moulana Muhammad Zakariyya Kandhelwi (rahimahullah) is the most beloved to me.”

The Aalim then enquired, “On account of which special action did Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah) receive this position?” Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) explained, “It is on account of a particular Durood that he is punctual on reciting for the last fifty years.” The Aalim then asked Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) in the dream regarding the Durood. Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) recited the Durood. When the Aalim awoke from the dream, he wrote the Durood he heard from Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) and placed it in his pocket.

After performing hajj, the Aalim visited Madinah Tayyibah and subsequently met Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah). Upon meeting Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah), he asked Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah) as to which Durood he was punctual in reciting for the last fifty years. Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah)

initially became disturbed by this person wishing to know Hazrat's personal ma'moolaat. Hence Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah) asked him, "What is the reason that you wish to know, and how does this concern you?" The Aalim then removed the piece of paper from his pocket and showed it to Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah). Contained in it was the following Durood which he heard from Rasulullah (sallallahu 'alaihi wasallam):

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ النَّبِيِّ الْأُمِّيِّ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَسَلِّمْ تَسْلِيمًا

O Allah, shower your choicest Durood and abundant peace upon Muhammad (sallallahu 'alaihi wasallam) the unlettered Nabi, and on his family.

The Aalim addressed Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah) saying, "Perhaps this is the Durood you have been reciting for the last fifty years." Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah) was surprised and asked the Aalim how he had come to know of this. The Aalim thereafter related the dream to Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah).

When Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah) heard the dream, his facial expression changed and he began to weep uncontrollably out of humility and happiness. After weeping for some while, Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah) mentioned, "Who am I, and what worth does my Durood have? This is nothing but the kindness of Rasulullah (sallallahu 'alaihi wasallam) and his affection upon me." (Durood Shareef ke Fazaail awr thamaraat)

Note: The Durood which Hazrat Shaikh (rahimahullah) used to punctually recite every Friday is the Durood which is mentioned in the Hadith of Hazrat Abu Hurairah (radhiyallahu 'anhu):

Hazrat Abu Hurairah (radhiyallahu ‘anhu) reports that Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) said, “The one who performs Asr Salaah on Friday and thereafter recites eighty times before standing up from his place,

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eighty years of sins are forgiven for him and eighty years of (nafl) ibaadat are written for him”.

The Scribe of Durood

Hazrat Shaikhul Hadith, Moulana Muhammad Zakariyya (rahimahullah) mentioned:

A reliable friend of mine informed me regarding a scribe of Lucknow. He would commence his daily work after writing durood on a sheet of paper which he had reserved for this very purpose.

At the time of his death, he was overcome with fear of the Hereafter saying, “What will become of me after I depart this world?” On saying this, a majzoob (saint constantly engaged in the remembrance of Allah Ta‘ala) appeared and said, “Why are you so worried? The sheet of paper (upon which you would write Durood) is with Rasulullah (sallallahu ‘alaihi wasallam) and is being adorned.” (Fazaail – e – Durood Pg. 153)