

Chapter – 20

Obedience of Prophet

(اطاعتِ رسول)

❖ قُلْ أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ فَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ الْكَافِرِينَ -

Say; “Obey Allah and Rasool (His Messenger)”; so if they turn away then Allah is not blessed with the disbelievers. (03:32)

❖ وَأَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ -

And obey Allah and Rasool, so that you could gain mercy. (03:132)

It is obligatory for everyone to obey the Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. Disobeying him is Blasphemy (كفر). What is the return of obeying God and His Prophet? ---- Forgiveness of all sins. Becoming favorite of Allah و تعالیٰ و سبحانه . Is there anything superior than becoming a favorite of God ---?

Emphasizing for the obedience of His Prophet, Quran says:

فَلَا وَرَبِّكَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ حَتَّىٰ يُحَكِّمُوكَ فِيمَا شَجَرَ بَيْنَهُمْ ثُمَّ لَا يَجِدُوا فِي أَنفُسِهِمْ حَرَجًا مِّمَّا قَضَيْتَ وَيُسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا

{But no, (O Muhammad!), by your Lord, they will not be faithful until they make you judge over which they dispute among themselves, and then find within themselves no discomfort from what you have judged and they must accept it wholeheartedly. (04:65)}

O People! Just look at the present day situation. Nowadays, people think that follow up of Islam is not very much needed. Rather, with their ignorance they even question that, in these days, is it really

possible to accomplish each and every order of Islam ----? But remember, if even one order of the prophet is not accepted, it is equivalent to having no faith on the Noble Prophet. And similarly, if even one order of Islam is rejected means it is the rejection of Islam.

Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم becoming as Prophet is not a new thing. The series of Allah's Messengers is continued from Prophet Adam عليه السلام and terminated at Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. Periods were changing, Messengers were changing. Orders were changing. Every person, every nation was assigned to follow the Prophets of their periods. They were bound to do so.

With the fear of Non-Muslims, nowadays Muslims are telling with adulation that just do good works, no matter you remain as Muslim, Jew, or Christian. But they should know that until you do not have faith on Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم with all sincerity, and do not obey his orders regularly, you will never get deliverance. If Prophet is rejected means it is the rejection of all Messengers.

Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم is the Last of the Prophets. His religion supersedes and abolishes all the old religions. Previous religions were effective till the arrival of Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. Every holy book gave the tidings or good news for the arrival of the Noble Prophet. The person who do not have faith on Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم means he refutes to all other Messengers too. Many books have revealed very extensive debates on this subject. Nevertheless, there is Hadith:

لَوْ كَانَ مُوسَى حَيًّا مَا وَسِعَهُ إِلَّا اتِّبَاعِي

(If Moosa would have alive, he had no options except to follow me)

Therefore, those who say that “no matter you follow any religion but do good deeds”, is not correct. It is but obvious that lacking the endorsement of Allah's Messenger there would be no genuine Faith. Can simple good deeds have any weight without faith? With us, not doing good deeds is crime, but no faith is Revolt.

Look! When God says, لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ, He affiliates His mercy with His own obedience as well as the obedience of the Noble Prophet. رَحِمَ means to turn. You turned your face from God and His Prophet, then how God would look towards you ---?