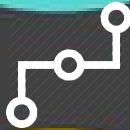


The Excellence of a Poor Person Over a Rich Person

Narrated Sahl bin Sa'd (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that he Prophet salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam said: "What is your opinion about this (second) one?" He said, "O Allah's Messenger! This person is one of the poor Muslims. If he should ask a lady's hand in marriage....



.. no-one will accept him and if he intercedes for somebody, no one will accept his intercession, and if he talks, no-one will listen to his talk." Then Allah's Messenger salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam said, "This (poor man) is better than such a large number of the first type (i.e. rich men) as to fill the earth." [Bukhari no. 6447]

The Poor Enter Paradise Before the Rich

Abu Sa'eed may Allah be pleased with him) said that the Messenger of Allah salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam said: "The poor Muhajirin will enter Paradise before the rich among them by five hundred years" [Saheeh Tirmidhi no. 2351]

Taqwa is a Means to the Provisions and Wealth

Allah said: "And if the people of the towns had believed and had the **Taqwa** (piety), certainly, We should have opened for them blessings from the heaven and the earth..." [7:96]



**A REMINDER
FOR THE POOR
AND NEEDY**



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A Believer Should Ask Allah for His Bounty

And wish not for the things in which Allah has made some of you to excel others. For men there is reward for what they have earned, (and likewise) for women there is reward for what they have earned, and ask Allah of His Bounty. Surely, Allah is Ever All-Knower of everything [4:32]

Be Mindful of Allah

Ibn 'Abbas (may Allah be pleased with him) said: I was behind the Prophet salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam one day when he said: 'O boy! I will teach you a statement: Be mindful of Allah and He will protect you. Be mindful of Allah and you will find Him before you. When you ask, ask Allah, and when you seek aid, seek Allah's aid...

Real Richness and Poverty are in the Heart

Abu Dharr (may Allah be pleased with him) said: the Messenger of Allah salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam said: "Verily richness is the richness of the heart and poverty is the poverty of the heart..." [Saheeh Targheeb no. 320]

Most People in Paradise are Poor

'Imran bin Husain (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that the Prophet salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam said, "I looked at Paradise and found poor people forming the majority of its inhabitants; and I looked at Hell and saw that the majority of its inhabitants were women [Bukhari no. 3241]

... Know that if the entire creation were to gather together to do something to benefit you- you would never get any benefit except that Allah had written for you. And if they were to gather to do something to harm you- you would never be harmed except that Allah had written for you. The pens are lifted and the pages are dried." Saheeh Tirmidhi no. 2516]

Action Plan

The following are things a you can do to improve your situation:

- Make Dua
- Seek Forgiveness from Allah
- Continue to Obey Allah
- Repent to Allah
- Put your Trust in Allah
- Do not despair of Allah's mercy and aid