

Chapter Four

The Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ being mentioned in the Adhan¹ during the era of Sayyiduna Aadam عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام and in the Highest Kingdom

1. Imam Abu Nu'aym (d. 430 AH) رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ in Al-Hilyah and Al-Imam Ibn 'Asakir (d. 571 AH) رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ narrate from Sayyiduna Abu Hurayrah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ that the Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said; "(Sayyiduna) Aadam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) descended to India (Sarandeep - modern day Sri Lanka) and felt lonely and estranged. (Sayyiduna) Jibreel (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) descended and recited the Adhan (call to prayer);

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ Allah is The Greatest

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أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ (twice)

I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah (عَزَّوَجَلَّ)

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ (twice)

I bear witness that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ)

Sayyiduna Aadam عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام asked, "Who is Muhammad (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ)?" Sayyiduna Jibreel عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said, "He is the last of the Prophets (عَلَيْهِمُ السَّلَام) amongst your children."

2. Imam Bazaar (d.292 AH) رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ narrates from Sayyiduna 'Ali رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ who said; "When Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ willed to teach the Adhan (call to prayer) to His Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, Sayyiduna Jibreel عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام came with an animal called Buraq. When the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ intended to ride the Buraq, it became nervous (startled). Sayyiduna Jibreel عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said, "Be steady, by Allah (عَزَّوَجَلَّ), no bondsman more virtuous than (Sayyiduna) Muhammad (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) has ever mounted you." The Prophet (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) mounted it until they came to a great veil that is close to the Court of the Merciful (Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ). An Angel came from behind the veil and said;

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ - اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ Allah is The Greatest, Allah is The Greatest

It was said to him from behind the veil;

صدق عبدي لا إله إلا أنا

"My bondsman spoke the truth, there is none worthy of worship but I."

Then the Angel عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said;

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ

I bear witness that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ)

It was said from behind the veil;

¹ Call to prayer.

صدق عبدي أنا أرسلت محمدا

“My servant spoke the truth. I sent Muhammad as a Messenger.” (صَلَّى اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ)

After this, the Angel عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said;

حَيَّ عَلَى الصَّلَاةِ

Rush to prayer

حَيَّ عَلَى الْفَلَاحِ

Rush to success

قَدْ قَامَتِ الصَّلَاةُ

Prayer is to begin

Then he said;

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

Allah is The Greatest

It was said from behind the veil;

صدق عبدي أنا أكبر أنا أكبر

“My servant spoke the truth. I am the Greatest, I am the Greatest.”

Then the Angel عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said;

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

There is no deity except Allah

It was said from behind the veil;

صدق عبدي لا إله إلا أنا

“My bondsman spoke the truth, there is none worthy of worship but I.”

After this, the Angel held the hand of the Prophet صَلَّى اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and sent him forward. Sayyiduna Adam and Sayyiduna Nuh عَلَيْهِمُ السَّلَام were amongst the dwellers of the heavens. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ completed the nobility of the Prophet صَلَّى اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ over the dwellers of the heavens and the earth on that day.

