

Chapter Six

The supplication of Sayyiduna Ibrahim عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام for the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

1. Imam Ibn Jareer (d. 310 AH) رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ extracted in his Tafsir (exegesis) of the Qur'an from Sayyiduna Abu al-Aaliya رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ that Sayyiduna Ibrahim عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام supplicated;

رَبَّنَا وَابْعَثْ فِيهِمْ رَسُولًا مِّنْهُمْ يَتْلُو عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِكَ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ
الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ

“Our Lord! And send towards them a Noble Messenger, from amongst them, to recite to them Your verses, and to instruct them in Your Book and sound wisdom, and to fully purify them; indeed You only are the Almighty, the Wise.”¹

It was said to him عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام: “Your request has been granted. He will be in the final era.”

Imam Ahmad (d. 241 AH) رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ, Imam Hakim (d. 405 AH) رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ and Imam Baihaqi (d. 458 AH) رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ narrate from Sayyiduna ‘Irbadh Ibn Saariyah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ who stated that the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said: “I am the supplication of my father, Ibrahim and the glad tiding of ‘Isa (عليه السلام).”

2. Imam Ibn ‘Asaakir (d. 571 AH) رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ extracted a narration from Sayyiduna ‘Ubadah Ibn Saamit رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ who stated that it was said, “O Messenger of Allah (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ)! Inform us about yourself.” He (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) said, “I am the supplication of my father, Ibrahim (عليه السلام) and the last of those who gave glad tidings in relation to me was ‘Isa son of Maryam (عليه الصلاة والسلام).”

3. Imam Ibn Sa’d (d. 230 AH) رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ extracted a narration from the chain of Juwaybir from Sayyiduna Dahhaak رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ that the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, “I am the supplication of my father, (Sayyiduna) Ibrahim (عليه السلام).” He supplicated when laying the foundations of the Ka’bah;

رَبَّنَا وَابْعَثْ فِيهِمْ رَسُولًا مِّنْهُمْ يَتْلُو عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِكَ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَزِيزُ
الْحَكِيمُ

“Our Lord! And send towards them a Noble Messenger, from amongst them, to recite to them Your verses, and to instruct them in Your Book and sound wisdom, and to fully purify them; indeed You only are the Almighty, the Wise.”²

Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ accepted his supplication and fulfilled his wish.

¹ Surah Baqarah. Surah No: 2. Verse No: 129.

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