

The Encouragement to Fast the Day of ‘*Ashura*

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Chapter: Persuasion to Fast the Day of ‘*Ashura*

(1) -1017 - Saheeh

On the authority of Abu Qataada -*RadhiAllaahu anhu*- that the Messenger of Allaah -*sallAllaahu alayhi wa sallam*- was asked about the fast of the day of ‘*Ashura*, so he answered: 'It expiates the sins of the previous year.'

Narrated by Muslim and other than him, and by Ibn Majah and his wording is: 'The fast of the day of ‘*Ashura*; Indeed the reward that I request from Allaah is that He expiates the sins of the year before this year.'

(2) -1018 - Saheeh

On the authority of Ibn Abbas -*RadhiAllaahu anhu*- 'that the Messenger of Allaah -*sallAllaahu alayhi wa sallam*- fasted the day of ‘*Ashura*, and he ordered for it to be fasted.'

Narrated by Bukhari and Muslim

(3) - 1019 -

On the authority of Ibn Abbas -*RadhiAllaahu anhu*- was asked about the fast of the day of ‘*Ashura*, so he answered: 'I do not know of the Messenger of Allaah -

sall'Allaahu alayhi wa sallam- fasting a day, wanting the excellence of that fast above that of other days, nor any other month other than this month. i.e. Ramadan.'

Narrated by Muslim

(4) - 1020- Hasan li ghayreehi'

On the authority of Ibn Abbas *-Rabi'allaahu anhu-* 'That the Prophet *-sall'Allaahu alayhi wa sallam-* never aspired for the excellence of a day after ramadan; except the day of 'Ashura.'

Narrated by Tabaraneer in 'al-Awasat', and its isnaad is Hasan with the isnaad before it.

(5) - 1021 - Saheeh li ghayreehi'

On the authority of Abu Sa'eed al-khudaree *-Rabi'allaahu anhu-* said that the Messenger of Allaah *-sall'Allaahu alayhi wa sallam-* said; 'Whoever fasts the day of Arafat he is forgiven for the following year and the previous year. And whoever fasts 'Ashura then he is forgiven the year.'

Narrated by Tabaraneer with an isnaad which is Hasan.

The day of 'Ashura is the tenth day of Muharram.

All Praise belongs to Allaah, may His peace and blessings be upon our final Prophet Muhammad, his family, his companions and all those who follow his guidance.