

Receive three rewards as you wait for relief

Explained by Shaykh Uthaymeen

Shaykh Uthaymeen: It is obligatory upon the person who is afflicted with distress and increased sadness to remain patient, anticipate the reward from Allah the Exalted, and wait for the relief. These are three matters.

1. Patience
2. Anticipate the reward
3. Wait for the relief from Allah the Exalted

That is because when the person is afflicted with a calamity such as grief or other than that, Allah forgives their sins and transgressions because of it. And how many sins and transgressions does man have!

كُلُّ ابْنِ آدَمَ خَطَّاءٌ وَخَيْرُ الْخَطَّائِينَ التَّوَّابُونَ

“Every son of Adam sins; and the best of those who sin are those who repent.”¹

If they are patient and anticipate the reward from Allah, they will be rewarded for that; meaning they will receive two things, forgiveness of sins and the reward.

If they wait for the relief from Allah the Exalted they will be rewarded for that, this is the third reward. This is because waiting for the relief is to have a good thought about Allah the Exalted. And having a good thought about Allah the Exalted is a righteous action which the person will be rewarded for.

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¹ Narrated by al-Tirmidhi, 2499; classed as Hasan by al-Albani.