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SELECTED AHADITH WITH TRANSLATION AND EXPLANATION

Hadith No. 1: Importance of Intentions

عَنْ عُمَرَ بْنِ الْخَطَّابِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ إِنَّمَا الْأَعْمَالُ بِالنِّيَّاتِ وَإِنَّمَا لِلكُلِّ عَمَلٍ مِمَّا نَوَى فَمَنْ كَانَتْ هِجْرَتُهُ لِي اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ فَهِيَ حَجْرَةٌ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ وَمَنْ كَانَتْ هِجْرَتُهُ لِدُنْيَا يُصِيبُهَا أَوْ امْرَأَةٍ يَنْكِحُهَا فَهِيَ هِجْرَةٌ إِلَى مَا يَجْرُ إِلَيْهِ (رواه البخاري ومسلم)

Narrated 'Umar bin -Khattab I heard Allah's Apostle saying, "The reward of deeds depends upon the intentions and every person will get the reward according to what he has intended. So whoever emigrated for worldly benefits or for a woman to marry, his emigration was for what he emigrated for." (Al-Bukhari, Al-Muslim)

Meaning of Hadith: Hazrat Umar Bin Khattab narrated that he heard Prophet (SAW) saying that reward of deeds depends-upon the intentions, and every individual will be rewarded according to his intentions. So whosoever has migrated for Allah and His Prophet, he will be rewarded accordingly. The person who migrated for the worldly gains or for a woman to marry, his migration would be considered for the purpose he emigrated and will be rewarded accordingly.

Explanation: This hadith is very important from the point of view that all acts of human being are dependent upon the intentions. Intention is the yard stick of measuring the reliability and accuracy of intentions, e.g. if a person who digs a well with the intention of