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الهِجْرَةُ إِلَى الْحَبَشَةِ

The Hijrah (migration)
to Abyssinia

Part 5

ABOO IBRAAHEEM HAARON BIN SAAJIDUR-RAHMAAN

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فَلَمَّا اشْتَدَّ عِتْدَاءُ الْمُشْرِكِينَ عَلَى الْمُسْلِمِينَ أذِنَ
اللَّهُ فِي الْهَجْرَةِ إِلَى الْحَبَشَةِ.

When the aggression of the Mushrikoon became severe upon the Muslims, Allaah granted them permission to migrate to Abyssinia.

فَكَانَ أَوَّلَ مَنْ خَرَجَ فَارًّا بِدِينِهِ إِلَى الْحَبَشَةِ عُثْمَانُ

بْنُ عَفَّانَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ ،

وَمَعَهُ زَوْجَتُهُ رُقَيْيَةُ بِنْتُ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ

عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

`Uthmaan ibn `Affaan - radiyallaahu `anhu- and his wife Ruqayyah, the daughter of Allaah's Messenger (الله عليه وسلم صلى), were the first ones who fled to Abyssinia.

فَانْحَازَ الْمُهَاجِرُونَ إِلَى مَمْلَكَةِ أَصْحَمَةَ النَّجَّاشِيِّ
فَأَوَاهُمُ وَ أَكْرَمَهُمْ ، فَكَانُوا عِنْدَهُ آمِنِينَ .

The Muhaajiroon (migrators) withdrew to the kingdom of As-hamah, the Negus, so he gave them shelter and treated them honourably, so they were safe with him.

فَلَمَّا عَلِمَتْ قُرَيْشٌ بِذَلِكَ بَعَثَتْ فِي إِثْرِهِمْ عَبْدَ
اللَّهِ بْنِ أَبِي رَبِيعَةَ وَعَمْرَو بْنَ الْعَاصِ بِهَدَايَا وَ
تُحَفٍ مِنْ بِلَادِهِمْ إِلَى النَّجَاشِيِّ ، لِيُرُدَّهُمْ عَلَيْهِمْ .

When Quraish came to know of this they sent after them `Abdullaah ibn Abee Rabee`ah and `Amr ibn `Aas, bearing presents and valuable gifts from their land for the Negus, so that he would send the Muslims back to them.

فَأَبَىٰ ذَٰلِكَ عَلَيْهِمْ ، وَ تَشَفَّعُوا إِلَيْهِ بِالْقَوَادِمِ مِنْ
جُنْدِهِ ، فَلَمْ يُجِبْهُمْ إِلَىٰ مَا طَلَبُوا.

However he refused to do that, so they tried to get the heads of his army to convince him on their behalf; but he still refused their request.

فَوَشَّوْا إِلَيْهِ : إِنَّ هَؤُلَاءِ يَقُولُونَ فِي عِيسَى قَوْلًا
عَظِيمًا ، يَقُولُونَ : إِنَّهُ عَبْدٌ .

So they slandered them to him and said: 'They say something very serious concerning
'Eesaa, they say that he was a slave!!'

فَأَحْضِرَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ إِلَىٰ مَجْلِسِهِ ، وَ زَعِيمُهُمْ
جَعْفَرُ بْنُ أَبِي طَالِبٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ ، فَقَالَ :
مَا يَقُولُ هَؤُلَاءِ إِنَّكُمْ تَقُولُونَ فِي عِيسَى ؟ !
فَتَلَا عَلَيْهِ جَعْفَرُ سُورَةَ مَرْيَمَ .

So the Muslims were brought to his gathering, and he said: 'What is it that those people say is your saying about `Eesaa?!' So Ja`far recited Soorah Maryam.

فَلَمَّا فَرَغَ أَخَذَ النَّجَّاشِيُّ عُودًا مِّنَ الْأَرْضِ فَقَالَ:
مَا زَادَ هَذَا عَلَى مَا فِي التَّوْرَةِ وَلَا هَذَا الْعُودِ ،
ثُمَّ قَالَ : اذْهَبُوا فَأَنْتُمْ بِأَرْضِي ، مَنْ سَبَّكُمْ
غَرِمَ .

So when he finished the Negus took a small splinter of wood from the ground and said:
“This is no more than what is stated in the Tawraat [Torah], not even by the amount of
this splinter”. Then he said go freely, for you are safe in my land; whoever abuses you
will be fined!”

وَ قَالَ لِعَمْرٍو وَ عَبْدِ اللّٰهِ : وَ اللّٰهُ لَوْ اَعْطَيْتُمُونِي
دَبْرًا مِنْ ذَهَبٍ مَا سَلَّمْتُهُمْ اِلَيْكُمْا ، ثُمَّ اَمْرًا فَرَدَّتْ
عَلَيْهِمَا هَدَايَاهُمَا ، وَ رَجَعَا مَقْبُوحِينَ بِشَرِّ خِيَّةٍ
وَ اَسْوَأِهَا .

He also said to `Amr and `Abdullaah: “By Allaah, if you were to give me a mountain of gold I would not surrender them to you two”. Then he commanded that their gifts be returned to them, and they went back in disgrace: frustrated and in a wretched state.

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