

# FRUITS OF ACTUAL WORSHIP

## IMAM ASH'SHAFEY AND MATTERS CONCERN MUSLIMS:

One day Imam Ash'shafey went to visit imam Ahmed Ibn Hambal who used to talk a lot with his daughter about Ash'shafey, he spent the night there, in the morning Ahmed Ibn Hambal asked his daughter: What do you think of Ash'shafey? She said: I saw three things in him not in virtuous people. He asked: What are they? She said: I saw that he didn't stay up during the night while all righteous people stay up nights, I saw him performed the morning prayer without making ablution and I saw him eating a lot. He said: We will ask Ash'shafey about this, because there is an Islamic principle in Koran if we apply it, it will comfort us in everything, what is it? Allah says:

*"Verify it, lest you harm people in ignorance" 49-6*

I.e. man should be sure before judging things and verify their facts, the disease of suspicion which prevailed in our societies is a powerful disease, it makes a man hate his brother although he didn't hear or verify the fact, this is not Islam, we must verify and make sure

When Ash'shafey was asked, he said: During that night I solved one hundred matters concern Muslims, he applied the right concept of actual worship, he didn't stay up night praying, but he spent it solving difficult problems that faced Muslims at that time, he knew and understood that spending his time to find solutions for Muslims' juristic matters is better than staying up doing acts of worship to Allah, because his worship is only for himself but his solutions are for all Muslims. A worship that returns to other people has got more bounty and more satisfaction from Allah. So Allah blessed his understanding and made him solve a hundred matter concern Muslims during that night, so he prayed the Morning Prayer without making ablution because he didn't sleep since he performed night prayer.

**As for eating much that was criticized by imam Ahmed's daughter, he knew by his deep understanding of facts of religion that the food of his brother Ahmed Ibn Hambal is completely legal (Halal), he said: I eat much because I knew that your food is Halal and the wisdom says: Whoever eats his full from the food of righteous people, Allah will fill his heart by faith and wisdom.**

**So, we must change Islamic conceptions among all our youths, old people and women.**