

## *Repentance from repentance*

There are even some people who repent from repentance, if they see themselves that they repent; such people need to look at themselves in front of The Benevolent and The Generous Giver. A man once said to lady Rabe'ah Al-Adaweya: I committed so many crimes; if I repent, can Allah (Glory to Him) forgive me? She said: No, but if He repents upon you (forgives you) you will repent. He said: What is the evidence? She said: What Allah The Almighty and The Wise said in Koran:

**9-118: "Then He turned to them, that they might repent,"**

How He turns to them so that they might repent, what makes man repent to God? The heart is between two of God's fingers, He turns it as He wills.

Who sends the thoughts that come to the heart? He is God, if he sends good thoughts to my heart, I feel I am mistaken and I am heedless, then my soul and my body move seeking repentance and going back to God. Then who is to be thanked for my repentance? He is the one who sent divine thoughts that made me feel I am wrong and that I need to go back to God.

The beginning is from God. Is it me that sent the thoughts to my heart? Thoughts are from God. In life there are so many people who do sins, at the same time they think they are not defects, they might even boast and feel proud among people by doing sins. This is because God is so angry with them. The prophet said:

***“Oh Abu-Dharr, a believer sees his sin as if it is a big rock going to fall upon him, and a disbeliever sees his sin as if it is a fly passes his nose.”<sup>1</sup>***

The second man doesn't repent because he doesn't see his sins, but the first one might not sleep or eat or feel any

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<sup>1</sup> It was narrated in Jam'ea Al-Ahadeeth Wal-Maraseel and Ad'daylamy after Abu-Dharr, the complement is: “Oh Abu-Dharr, keep to being pious more than keeping to knowledge. Oh Abu-Dharr, if God wills good to someone, He makes him remembers his sins, .....(the Hadith above), Oh Abu-Dharr, don't look at the smallness of a sin but remember the greatness of whom you disobey. Oh Abu-Dharr, a man can't be pious until he questions himself more than partners do. He should know where his food, drink, and clothing come from, are they Halal (legal) or Haram (illegal)?”

sweetness in his life if he said a word of insult to someone until he knows that he pardons him, or if he takes someone's right. What can make a heart afraid? He is God who says:

**91-8: "Then He showed it what is evil and what is good."**

God passes these thoughts on the soul.