



## Clarifying the Narrations Pertaining to the Prostration Places in the Qur'aan.

### *Terminolgy:*

*marfoo'*: "raised," a narration attributed to the Prophet ﷺ.

*mawqoof*: "stopped," a narration from a companion.

*radiyallaahu 'anhu* (τ): may Allaah be pleased with him.

*soorat*: a chapter of the Qur'aan.

*mufassal*: means the "last seventh of the Qur'aan," and it starts from *soorat* Qaaf (#50) to the last *soorat* of *An-Naass* (#114).

### 1-al A'raf 7:206

"Surely, those who are with your Lord (angels) are never too proud to perform acts of worship to Him, but they glorify His Praise and prostrate before Him"

The Narration is *marfoo'* to Abud Dardaa' (τ) and it is weak, but authentically *mawqoof* to Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*) as reported by 'Abdur Razzaaq (i.e. in his *musannaf*). The scholars unanimously agreed to prostrate in this place as reported by Ibn Katheer in his *Tafseer*.

### 2-ar Ra'd 13:15

"And unto Allaah (Alone) falls in prostration whoever is in the heavens and the earth, willingly or unwillingly, and so do their shadows in the mornings and in the afternoons"

An authentic *mawqoof* report from Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*). Reported by 'Abdur Razzaaq (i.e. in his *musannaf*).

### 3-an Nahl 16:49

"And to Allaah prostate all that is in the heavens and all that is in the earth, of the live moving creatures and the angels, and they are not proud (i.e. they worship their Lord with humility)"

An authentic *mawqoof* report from 'Umar Ibn al-Khattaab (τ) in al-Bukhaari. 'Umar (τ) recited *soorat* an-Nahl on a Friday on the pulpit and when reached the verse of the *sajdah* he got down from the pulpit and prostrated and the people also prostrated. The next Friday 'Umar did recite the same *soorat* and when he reached the verse of *sajdah* he said: O people! When we recite the verses of *sajdah* whoever prostrates does the right thing, yet it is no sin for the one who does not prostrate. Also it is an authentic *mawqoof* report in 'Abdur Razzaaq's (*musannaf*) from Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*).

### 4- al Israa 17:109

"And they fall down on their faces weeping and it adds to their humility"

An authentic *mawqoof* report from Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*). Reported by 'Abdur Razzaaq (i.e. in his *musannaf*).

5- Maryam 19:58

"... When the Verses of the Most Beneficent were recited unto them, they fell down prostrating and weeping."

An authentic *mawqoof* report from Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*). Reported by 'Abdur Razzaaq. Ibn Katheer reported the unanimous agreement to prostrate in this place.

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al Hajj 22:18

"See you not that to Allaah prostrates whoever is in the heavens and whoever is on the earth, and the sun, and the moon, and the stars, and the mountains, and the trees, and Ad-Dawab (moving living creatures, beasts, etc.), and many of mankind?"

al Hajj 22:77

"O you who believe! Bow down, and prostrate yourselves, and worship your Lord and do good that you may be successful"

The hadeeth on the first prostration is an authentic *mawqoof* report from Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*). Reported by 'Abdur Razzaaq. And the narration on both prostrations is a *mawqoof* report from 'Amr Ibn al-'Aas but there is weakness therein. However, there is a supporting report to it from 'Uqbah bin 'Aamir and Khaalid bin Ma'daan. It is authentically *mawqoof* from 'Umar and his son 'Abdullaah, Abud Dardaa', and Abu Musa al-Ash'aree (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*). Ishaq said: For seventy years I have seen people prostrating the two prostrations in *soorat* al-Hajj.

8- al Furqan 25:60

"And when it is said to them: "Prostrate to the Most Beneficent (Allaah)! They say: "And what is the Most Beneficent? Shall we fall down in prostration to that which you command us?" And it increases in them only aversion"

Its is an authentic *mawqoof* report from Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*). Reported by 'Abdur Razzaaq (i.e. in his *musannaf*).

9- an Naml 27:25

"Allaah, Iaa ilaaha illa Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He), the Lord of the Supreme Throne!"

An authentic *mawqoof* report from Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*). Reported by 'Abdur Razzaaq.

10- as Sajdah 32:15

"Only those believe in Our Ayat, who, when they are reminded of them fall down prostrate, and glorify the Praises of their Lord, and they are not proud."

Its narration is an authentic *mawqoof* report from Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*). Reported by 'Abdur Razzaaq (i.e. in his *musannaf*). And from Abu Hurairah (τ) that the Prophet (ρ) used to recite *soorat* Alif Laam Meem as-Sajdah (chapter 32) in the Fajr prayer (authentic, in al-Bukhaari). Al-Haafidh Ibn Hajar said in al-Fath (i.e. *Fathul Baari*). I did not see in the transmissions an

explicit statement that he (ρ) prostrated except in the Book of Sharee'ah, then he (al-Haafidh) mentioned the narration and said: And in its *isnaad* (transmission) there is some whose condition (of reliability) require (careful) study. Then he said: And At-Tabaraani has, in his *sagheer*, a narration that is *marfoo'* to 'Ali (τ). There is, however, weakness in its chain of transmission (*isnaad*). [End of al-Haafidh's statements].

11- Saad 38:24

"... And Dawud guessed that We have tried him and he sought Forgiveness of his Lord, and he fell down prostrate and turned (to Allaah) in repentance"

Its hadeeth is authentically *marfoo'* in al-Bukhaari.

12- Fussilat 41:38

"But if they are too proud (to do so), then there are those who are with your Lord (angels) glorify Him night and day, and never are they tired."

It is an authentic *mawqoof* report from Ibn 'Umar and Ibn 'Abbaas (*radiyallaahu 'anhum*). Reported by 'Abdur Razzaaq (i.e. in his *musannaf*).

13- an Najm 53:62

"So fall you down in prostration to Allaah, and worship Him (Alone)"

Its hadeeth is authentically *marfoo'* in al-Bukhaari.

14- Inshiqaq 84:21

"And when the Qur'an is recited to them, they fall not prostrate,"

Its hadeeth is authentically *marfoo'* in Muslim

15- al 'Alaq 96:19

" ... Fall prostrate and draw near to Allaah!"

Its hadeeth is authentically *marfoo'* in al-Bukhaari

**Point of Benefit:** Al-Muwafaq (Ibn Qudaamah Al-Maqdisee) in *al-Kaafi* (v.1, p. 206) said that, "the places of the verses of prostrations are unanimously affirmed except those of the *mufassal* and the second *sajdah* in soorat al-Hajj." The evidences for those prostrations, however, are as mentioned (above).

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