13816 - Status of the Hadeeth, “Do not please anyone by angering Allah?”

the question

What is the status of the hadeeth (prophetic narration), “Do not please anyone by angering Allah, do not thank anyone for the blessings of Allah, and do not condemn anyone for that which Allah did not give you. For the provision of Allah does not come to you because of anyone’s efforts and it is not diverted from you because of anyone’s hatred. By His fairness and justice, Allah has connected peace and joy to contentment and certain faith, and He has connected worry and distress to discontentment.”

Detailed answer

This hadeeth was narrated by al-Tabarani in al-Kabeer, 10/215.

Al-Haythami said:

It was narrated by al-Tabarani in al-Kabeer, and its isnad (chain of narrators) includes Khalid ibn Yazeed al-‘Umari, who was accused of fabricating hadeeth.

Majma’ al-Zawaid, 4/71.

It was also narrated – via a different isnad – by Abu Na’eem in al-Hilyah (5/106) and by al-Bayhaqi in Shu’ab al-Eeman, 1/221.

Its isnad includes ‘Atiyah al-‘Awfi, who is da’eef (weak), and the comments of the scholars concerning him have been quoted above (p.78); and it includes Muhammad ibn Marwan al-Saddi, who is matrook al-hadeeth (his hadeeth is not to be accepted).

Yahya ibn Ma’een said: he is not thiqah (trustworthy), and on one occasion he said: he is nothing. Ibraheem said: he is kadhdhab (a liar). Al-Sa’adi said, he is dhahib (i.e., his hadeeth is not accepted). Al-Nasai, Abu Hatim al-Razi and al-Azdi said: he is matrook al hadeeth (his hadeeth is not to be accepted). Al-Bukhari said: his hadeeth should not be written down. And on

one occasion he said: they did not say anything concerning him. Ibn Hibban said: his hadeeth is not to be written down, and it is haram (impermissible) to use his hadeeth as evidence.

See Meezan al-I'tidaal, 6/328; al-Du'afa wa'l-Matrookeen, 3/98

It was also narrated by Hannad al-Sirri in al-Zuhd, 1/304; and by al-Bayhaqi in Shu'ab al-Eeman, 1/221, with an isnad which is mawqoof and stops at 'Abd-Allah ibn Mas'ood (may Allah be pleased with him).