

Book 13, Number 4027:

Narrated Imran ibn Husayn:

The tribe of Thaqif was the ally of Banu Uqayl. Thaqif took two people from amongst the companions of Allah's Messenger (peace_be_upon_him) as prisoners. The companions of Allah's Messenger (peace_be_upon_him) took one person of Banu Uqayl as prisoner, and captured al-Adba' (the she-camel of the Holy Prophet) with him. Allah's Messenger (peace_be_upon_him) came to him and he was tied with ropes. He said: Muhammad. He came up to him and said: What is the matter with you? Thereupon he (the prisoner) said: Why have you taken me as prisoner and why have you caught hold of one preceding the pilgrims (the she-camel as she carried the Holy Prophet on her back and walked ahead of the multitude)? He (the Holy Prophet) said: (Yours is a great fault). I (my men) have captured of you for the crime of your allies, Banu Thaqif. He (the Holy Prophet) then turned away.

He again called him and said: Muhammad, Muhammad, and since Allah's Messenger (peace_be_upon_him) was very compassionate and tenderhearted, he returned to him, and said: What is the matter with you? He said: I am a Muslim. Thereupon he (the Holy Prophet) said: Had you said this when you had been the master of yourself, you would have gained every success. He then turned away. He (the prisoner) called him again saying: Muhammad, Muhammad. He came to him and said: What is the matter with you? He said: I am hungry, feed me, and I am thirsty, so provide me with drink. He (the Holy Prophet) said: That is (to satisfy) your want. He was then ransomed for two people (who had been taken prisoner by Thaqif).

He (the narrator) said: A woman of the Ansar had been taken prisoner and also al-Adba' was caught. The woman had been tied with ropes. The people were resting to their animals in front of their houses. She escaped one night from the bondage and came to the camels. As she drew near the camels, they fretted and became angry and so she left them alone until she came to al-Adba'. It did not fret and fume; it was docile. She mounted upon its back and rode away. Thus she escaped. When they (the enemies of Islam) were warned of this, they went in search of it, but it (the she-camel) exhausted them. She (the woman) made vow to Allah that He saved her through it, she would offer that as a sacrifice.

As she reached Medina, the people saw her and they said: Here is al-Adba', the she-camel of Allah's Messenger (peace_be_upon_him). She (the woman) said that she had taken a vow that if Allah would save her on its back, she would sacrifice it. They (the Prophet's companions) came to Allah's Messenger (peace_be_upon_him) and mentioned that to him. Thereupon he said: Hallowed be Allah, how ill she rewarded it by vowing to Allah that if He saved her on its back, she would sacrifice it! There is no fulfilment of the vow in an act of disobedience, nor in an act over which a person has no control. In the version of Ibn Hujr (the words are): "There is no vow in disobedience to Allah."

Book 13, Number 4030:

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace_be_upon_him) found an old man walking between his two sons supported by them, whereupon Allah's Apostle (peace_be_upon_him) said: What is the matter with him? He (the narrator) said: Allah's Messenger, they are his sons and there is upon him the (fulfilment) of the vow, whereupon Allah's Apostle (peace_be_upon_him) said: Ride, old man, for Allah is not in need of you and your vow.

Book 13, Number 4034:

Narrated Uqbah ibn Amir:

Allah's Messenger (peace_be_upon_him) said: The expiation of the (breach of) a vow is the same as that of the (breach of an oath).

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