

## VIRTUES OF GUARDING THE MUSLIMS

1. Sayyiduna Sahl ibn Sa'd as-Sa'idi (radiyallahu 'anhu) reported that Rasulullah (sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam) said:

**'Keeping watch/Guarding the Muslims in the path of Allah is better than the world and whatever is upon it.'**

(Sahih Bukhari, Hadith: 2892)

2. Sayyiduna Salman al-Farisi (radiyallahu 'anhu) reported that he heard Rasulullah (sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam) say:

**'Guarding the Muslims for a day and a night is better than fasting for a month and spending the nights in prayer. If he passes away [while guarding, the reward of] the deeds he used to carry out will continue, his sustenance will continue [in Jannah] and he will be protected from the punishment of the grave.'**

(Sahih Muslim, Hadith: 1913)

3. Sayyiduna 'Abdullah ibn 'Abbas (radiyallahu 'anhuma) reports that Nabi (sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam) said:

**'Two eyes will never be touched by Jahannam; an eye which weeps out of the fear of Allah Ta'ala and an eye which spends the night guarding in the Cause of Allah.'**

(Sunan Tirmidhi, Hadith: 1639. Declared sound by Imam Tirmidhi)

4. Sayyiduna Anas (radiyallahu 'anhu) narrates that Nabi (sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam) was asked about the reward of guarding the Muslims. He replied:

**'Whoever keeps watch of the security of the Muslims for a night, will receive the reward of all those who offer Salah and fast.'**

(Al Mu'jamul Awsat, Hadith: 8055)

*'Allamah Mundhiri (rahimahullah) has declared the chain authentic (jayyid).*

(Targhib, vol.2 pg.245. Also Majma'uz Zawaid, 5/289 & Al Ajwibatul Mardiyah, 1/124)

**May Allah Ta'ala bless all those who practiced on the above during the recent unrest, protect them and their families and accept their efforts.**