

*Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Raheem*

## **As-Siddeeq, radiyallaahu ` anhu, Fighting Those Who Refused to Pay the Zakaah**

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### **As-Siddeeq, radiyallaahu ` anhu, Fighting Those Who Refused to Pay the Zakaah and the Apostates Despite the Difficult Conditions**

When the issue of fighting those who refused to pay the Zakaah took place, we see this true devotee, radiyallaahu ` anhu, express his sincere determination and firm resolution by saying: By Allaah, if they refuse to pay me (even) a bridle which they used to pay the Messenger of Allaah, sallallaahu `alayhi wa sallam, then I will fight them because of their refusal. [Muslim 1/52]

Then, when as-Siddeeq, radiyallaahu ` anhu, heard about the intentions of some of those apostate tribes to attack al-Madeenah al-Munawwarah, he left for them in person brandishing his sword. As-Siddeeqah `Aa'ishah, the Mother of the Believers, radiyallaahu ` anhu, said: My father left, brandishing his sword, mounted on his steed for Dhi il-Qissah. (A place 24 miles away from al-Madeenah and its on the way to ar-Rubdah.) [al-Bidaayah wan-Nihaayah 6/355].

When he was asked to remain in al-Madeenah and send someone who would represent him, he refused by saying: No, by Allaah, I will not send someone else. I will give comfort to you (i.e. support you) myself. [Tareekh at-Tabaree 3/247. See also: Al-Kaamil fi at-Taareekh, by Ibn ul-Atheer 2/233, and al-Bidaayah wan-Nihaayah 6/355.]

|How could this true devotee sit when he could see that the Religion which al-Habeeb, al-Kareem, sallallaahu `alayhi wa sallam, came with was calling him to act? How could he not go when he heard the illustrious Sharee`ah, which Allaah had revealed to His beloved, al-Mustafaa, sallallaahu `alayhi wa sallam, calling upon him to fight, and to make it victorious?

Where are we in regard to this? Do we not see that this Religion of Truth, calls for our help, in the east and west? Do we not hear the cries of the Islaamic Sharee`ah calling to us from the corners of the world, near and far? So is there anyone who will answer its call?

Is it not feared that some of us, despite our love for the Noble Prophet, sallallaahu `alayhi wa sallam, have become from among those whom Allaah mentioned:

They have hearts wherewith they understand not, they have eyes wherewith they see not, they have ears wherewith they hear not (the truth). They are like cattle, nay even more astray; Those! They are the heedless ones. [Soorah Al-A` raaf: 179]