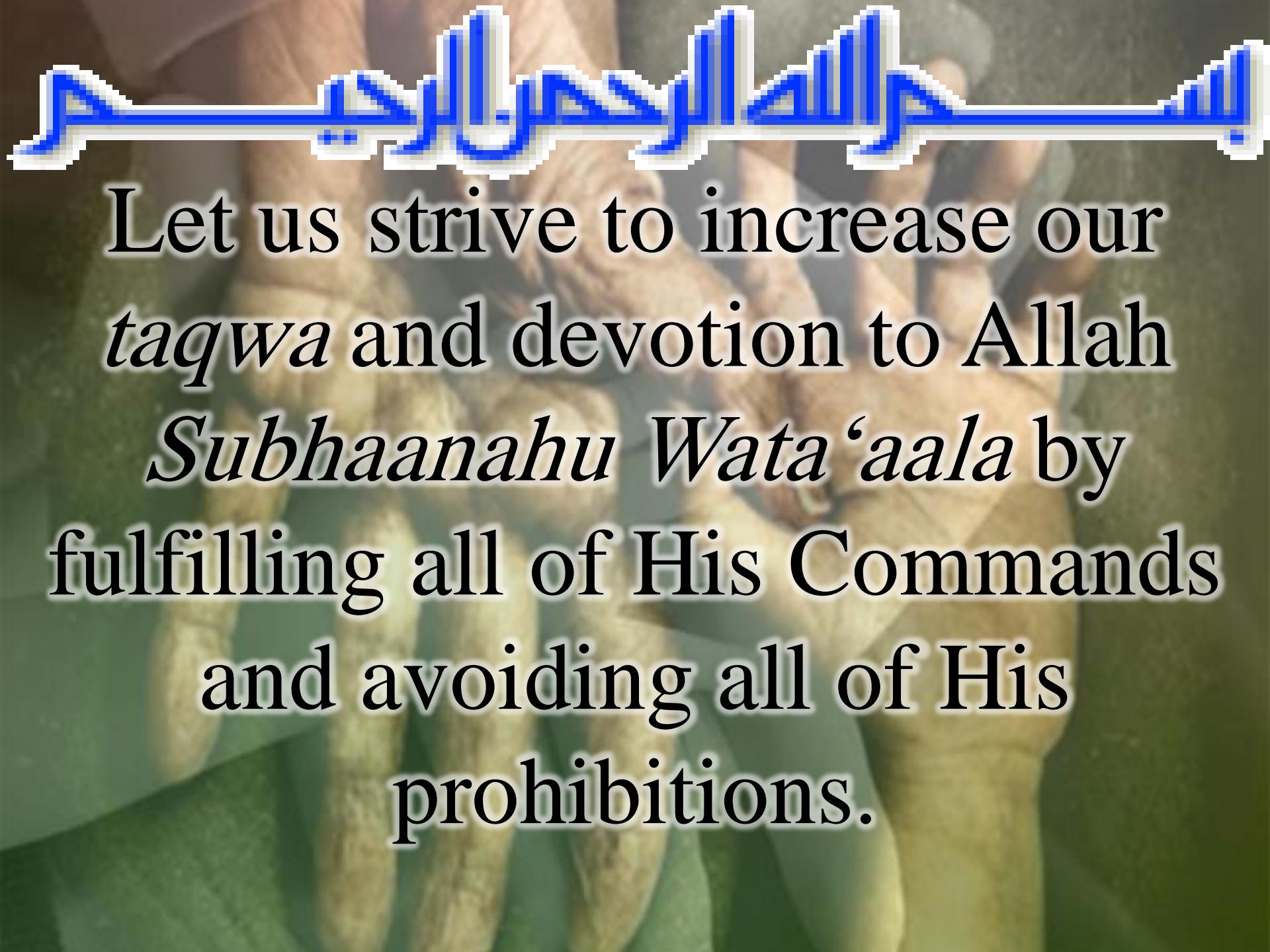


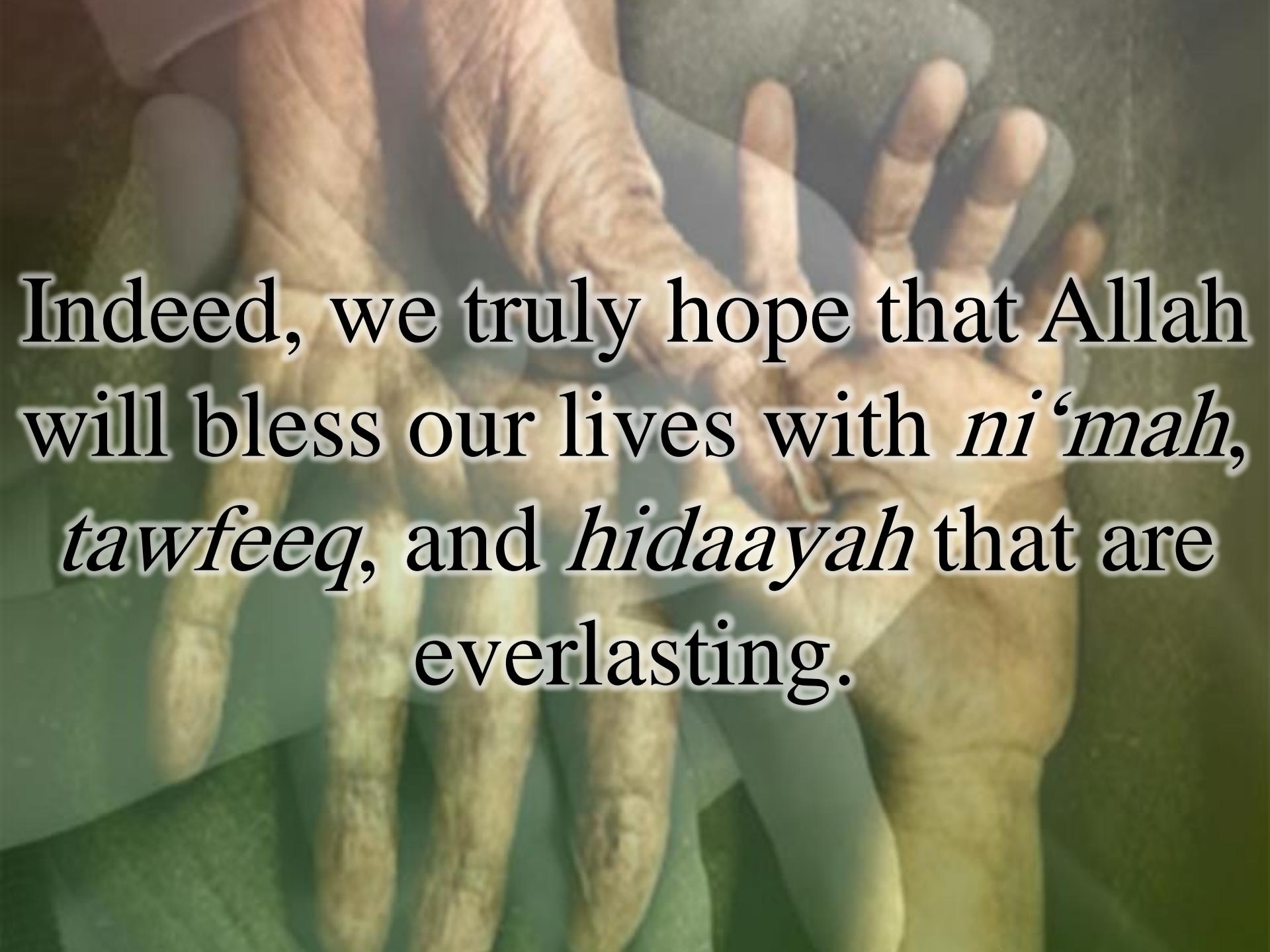


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THE OBLIGATION OF RESPECTING THE PARENTS



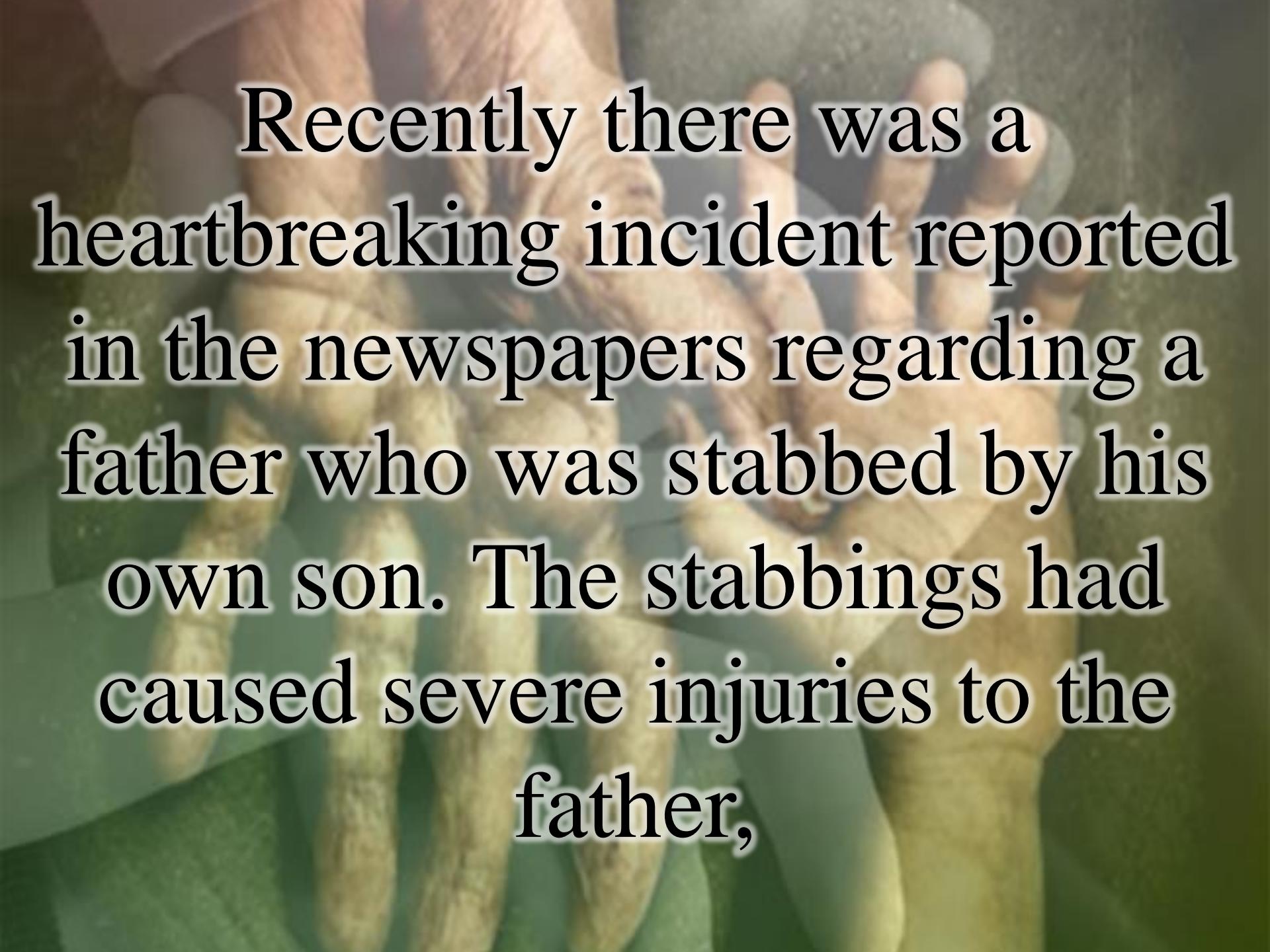
Let us strive to increase our
taqwa and devotion to Allah
Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala by
fulfilling all of His Commands
and avoiding all of His
prohibitions.



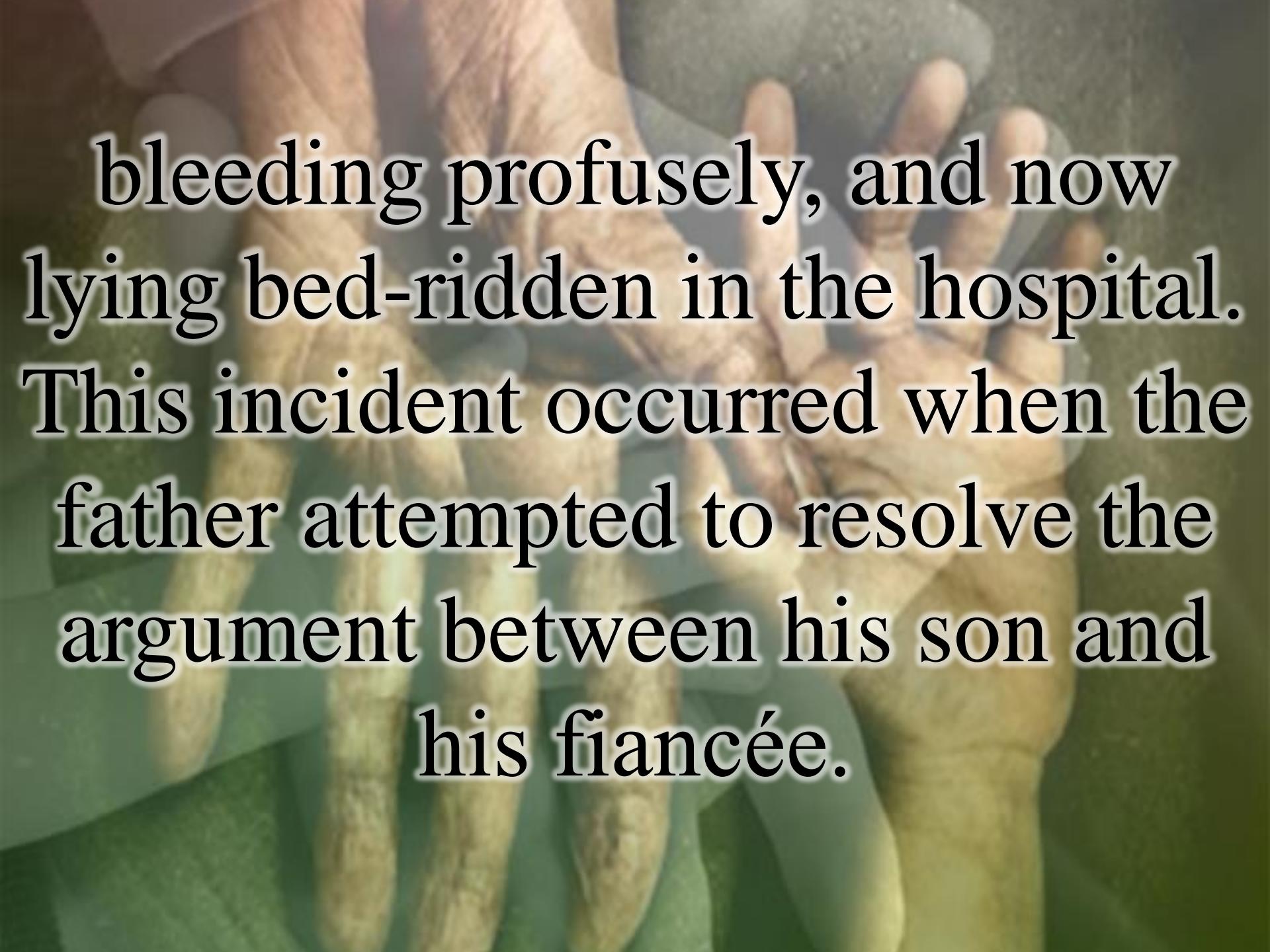
Indeed, we truly hope that Allah will bless our lives with *ni‘mah*, *tawfeeq*, and *hidaayah* that are everlasting.



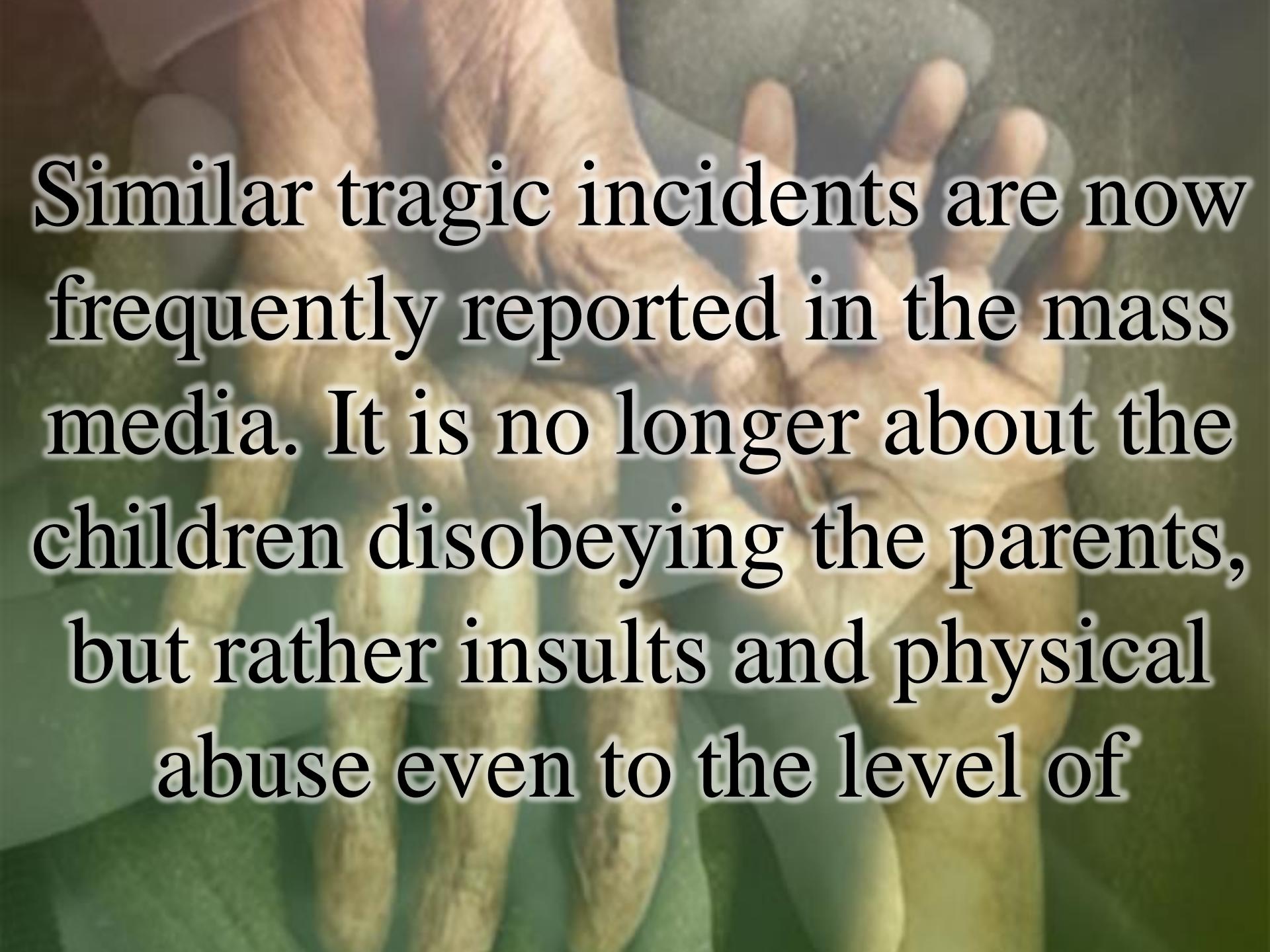
The *khutbah* today intends to enlighten us on the significance of the responsibility and “*The Obligation Of Respecting The Parents.*”

A blurry background image of a man in a grey shirt holding a small child in his arms. The man is looking down at the child. The child has dark hair and is wearing a light-colored shirt.

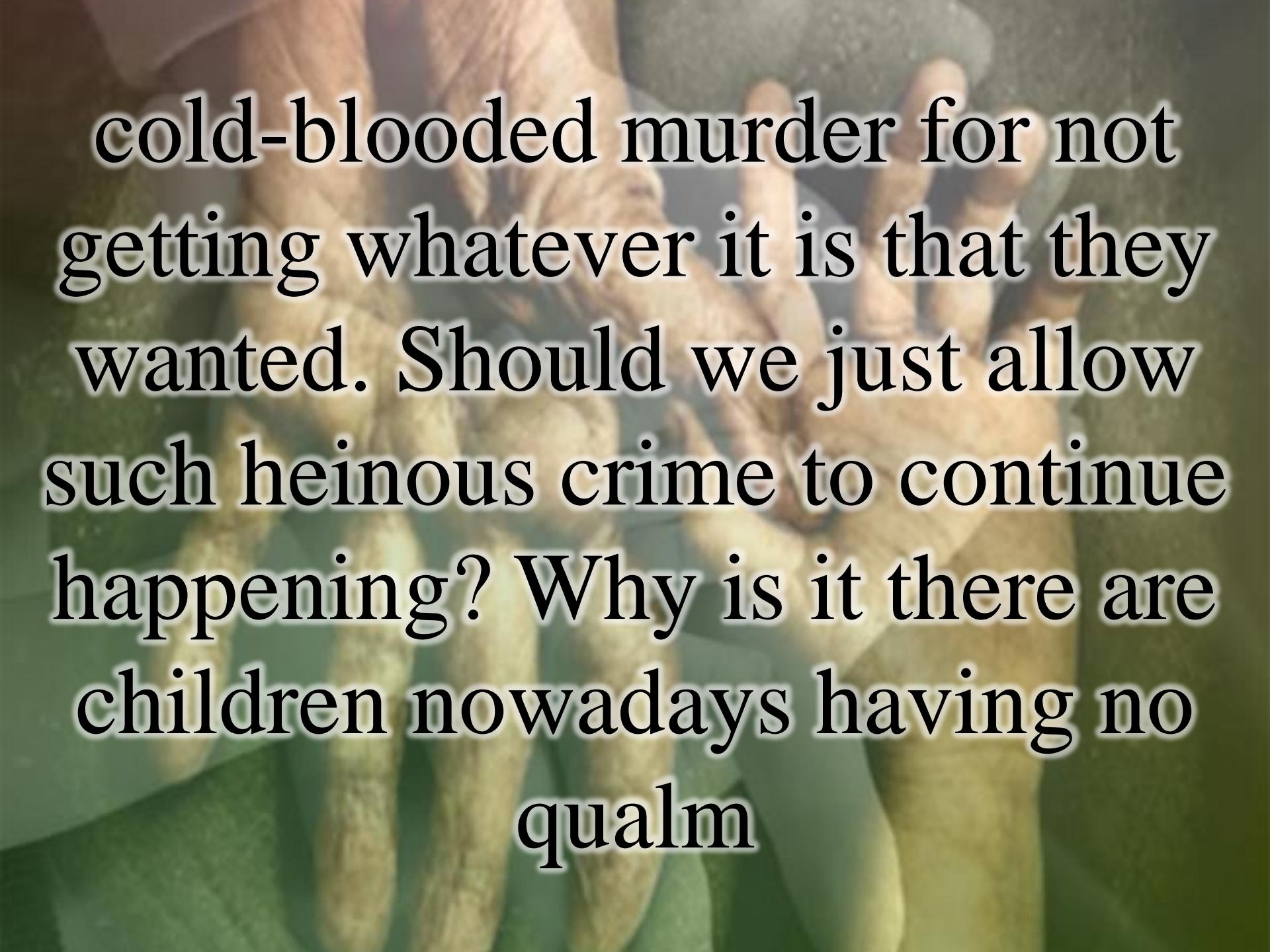
Recently there was a heartbreakingly incident reported in the newspapers regarding a father who was stabbed by his own son. The stabbings had caused severe injuries to the father,



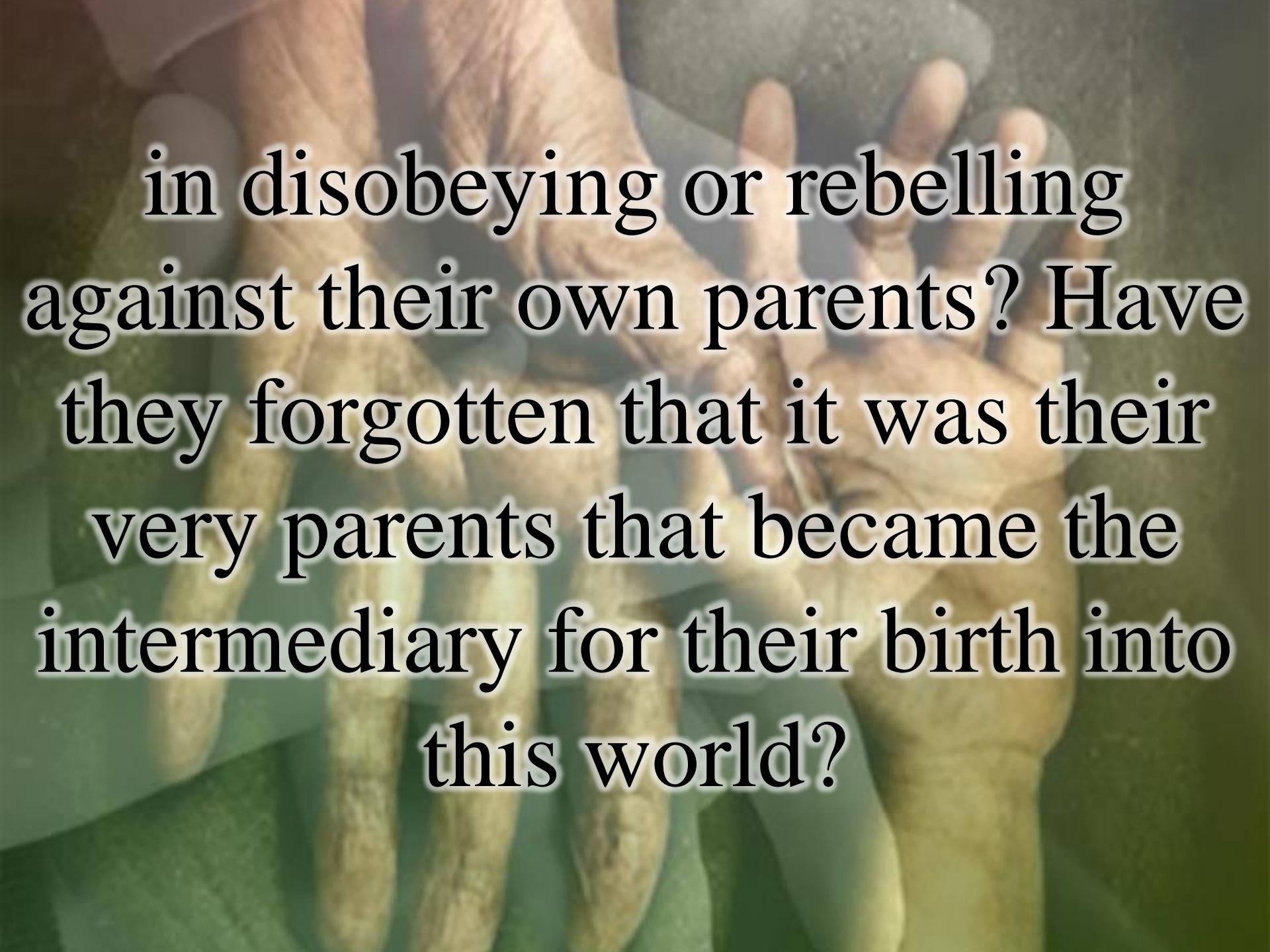
bleeding profusely, and now
lying bed-ridden in the hospital.
This incident occurred when the
father attempted to resolve the
argument between his son and
his fiancée.



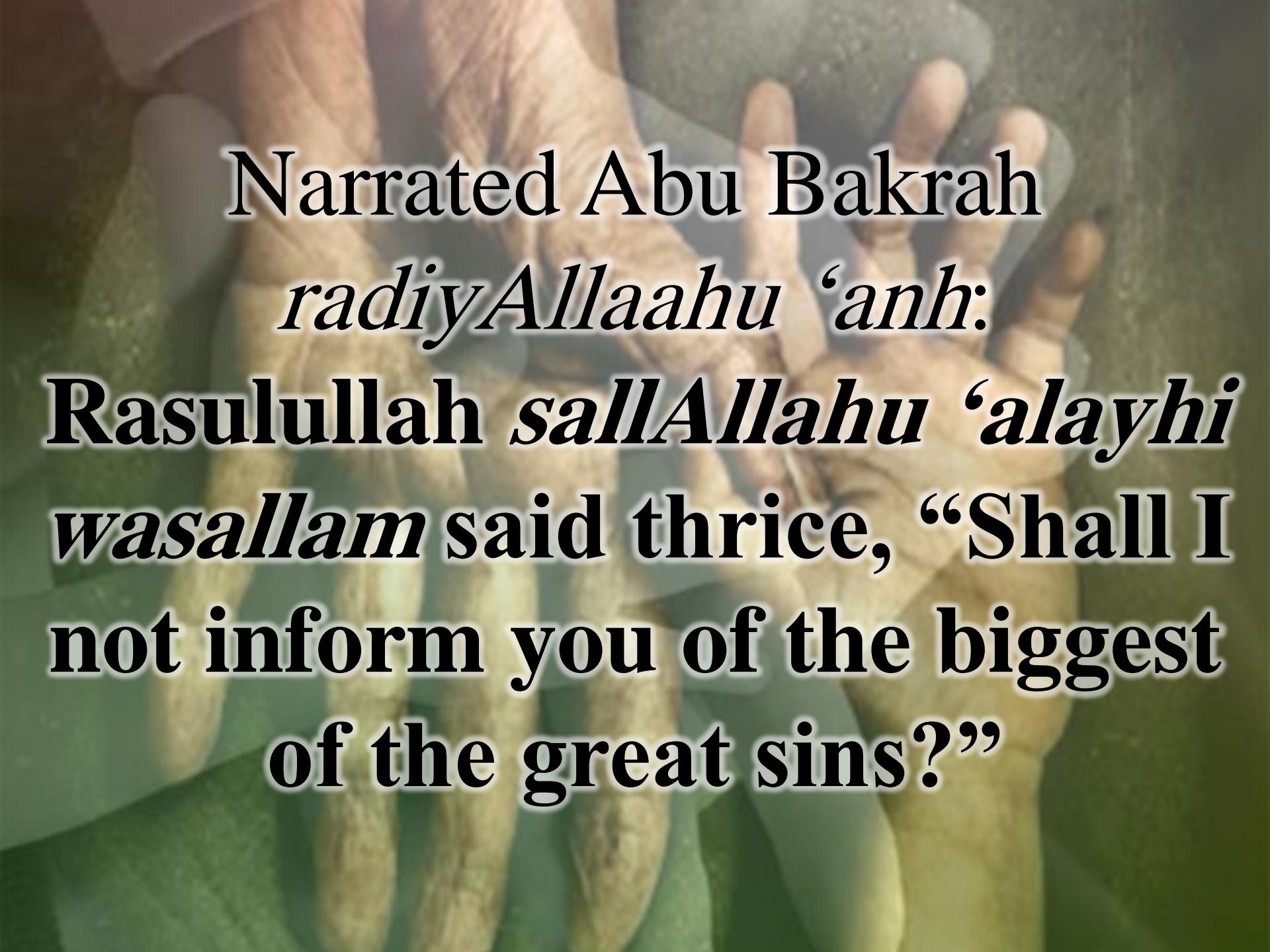
Similar tragic incidents are now frequently reported in the mass media. It is no longer about the children disobeying the parents, but rather insults and physical abuse even to the level of



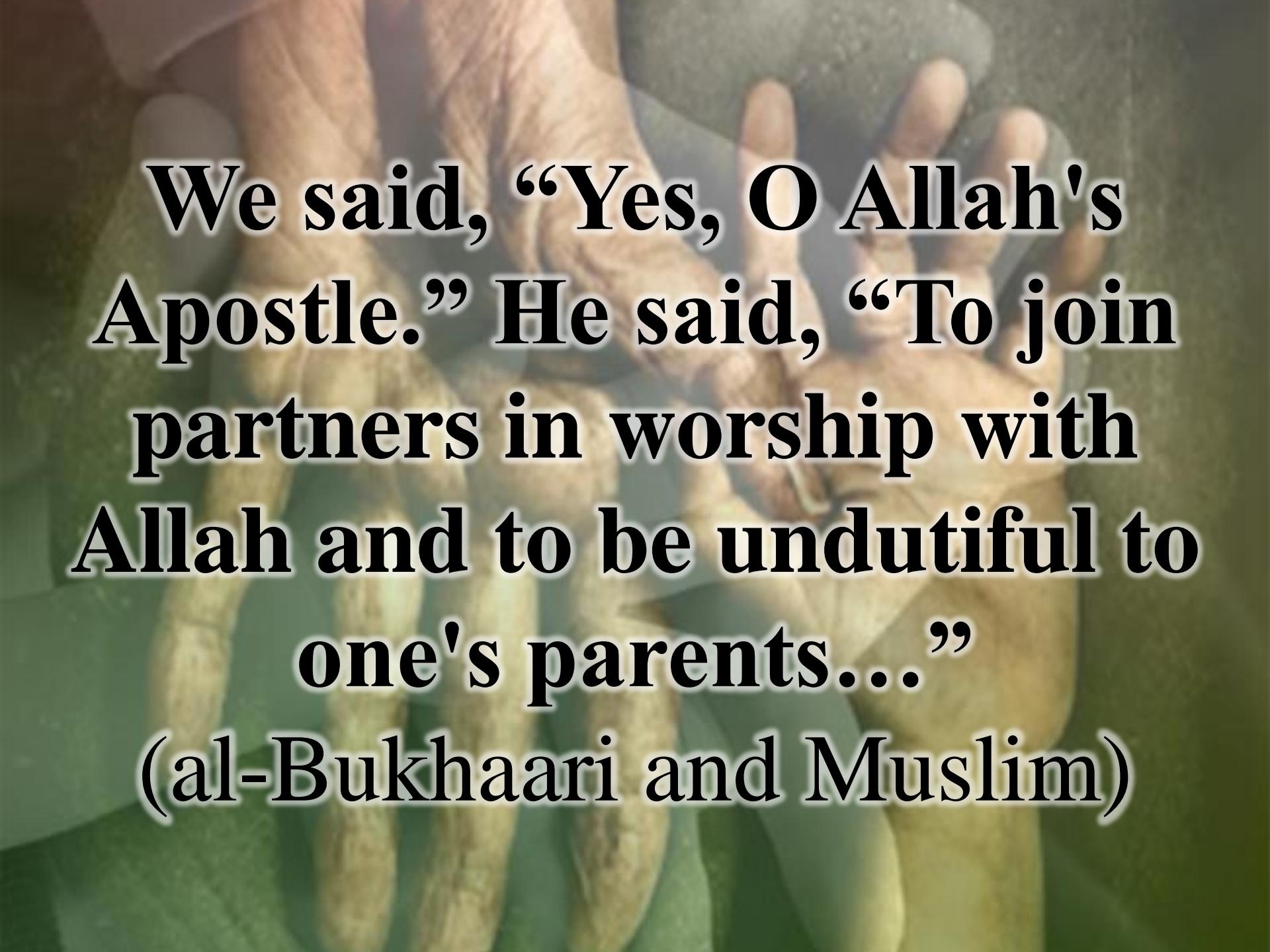
cold-blooded murder for not getting whatever it is that they wanted. Should we just allow such heinous crime to continue happening? Why is it there are children nowadays having no qualm



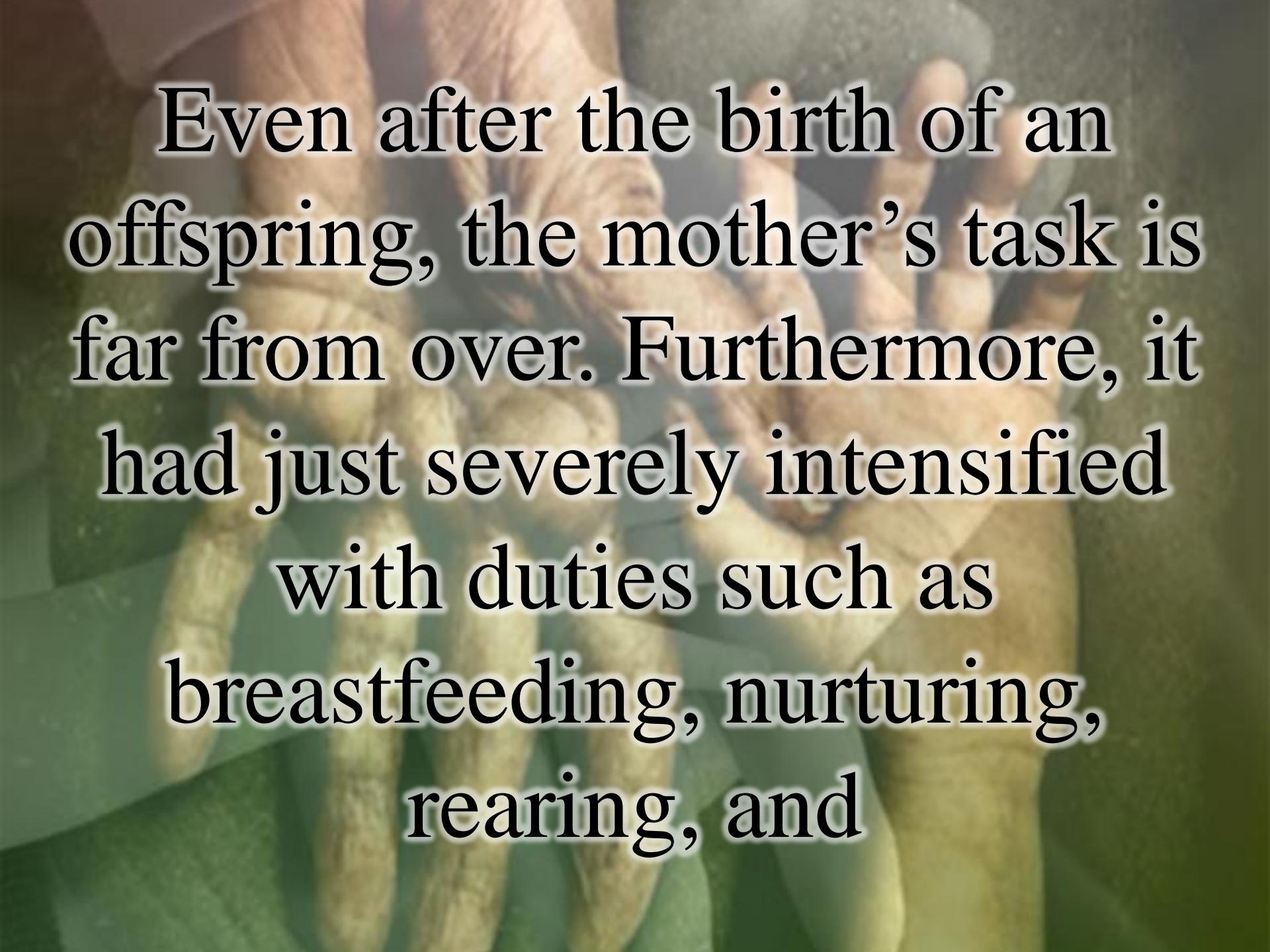
in disobeying or rebelling
against their own parents? Have
they forgotten that it was their
very parents that became the
intermediary for their birth into
this world?

A close-up photograph of a person's hands clasped together in a traditional Islamic prayer (Salat) position. The hands are dark-skinned and resting on a light-colored surface. The background is slightly blurred.

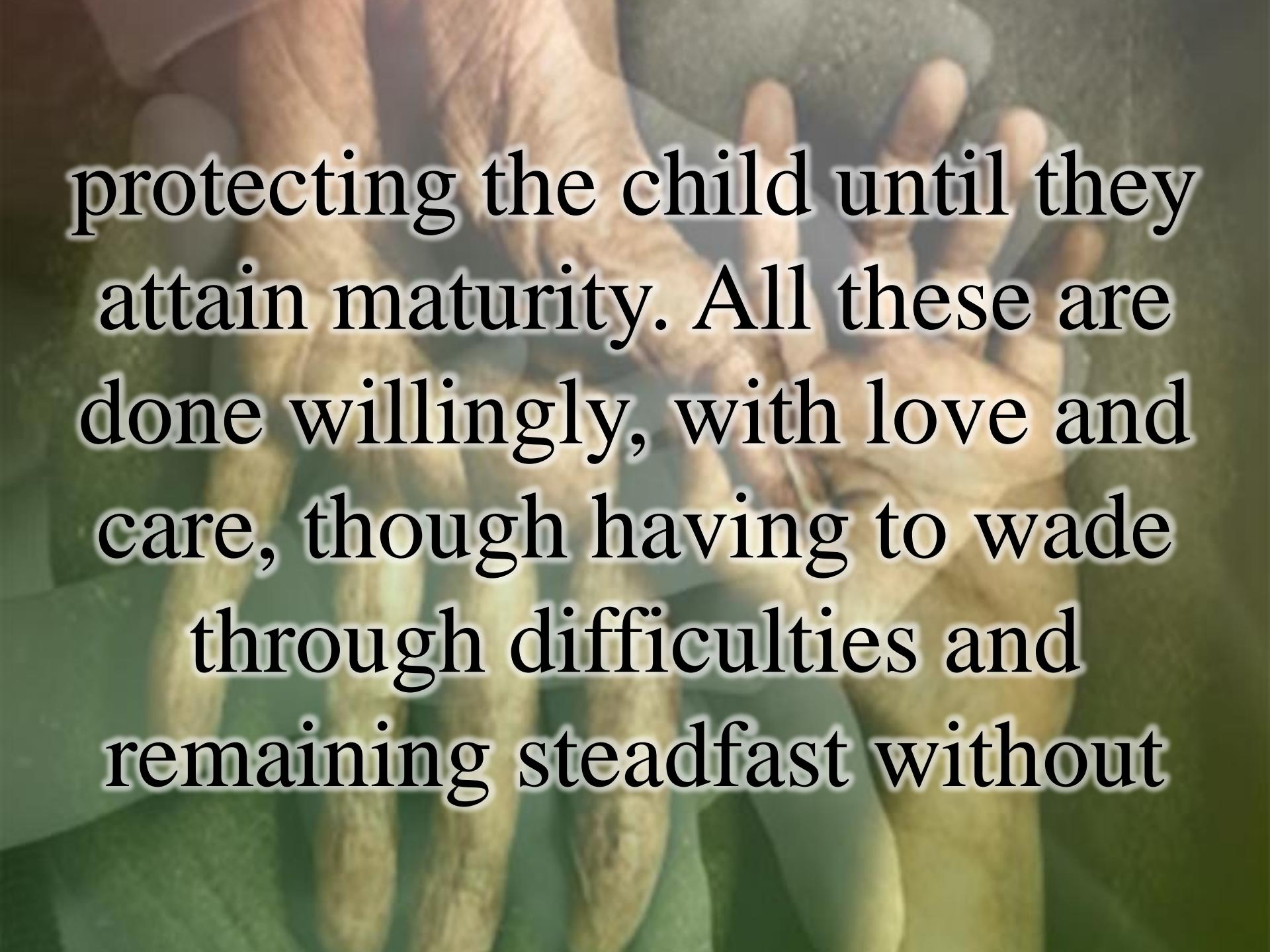
Narrated Abu Bakrah
radiyAllaahu 'anh:
Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* said thrice, “Shall I not inform you of the biggest of the great sins?”

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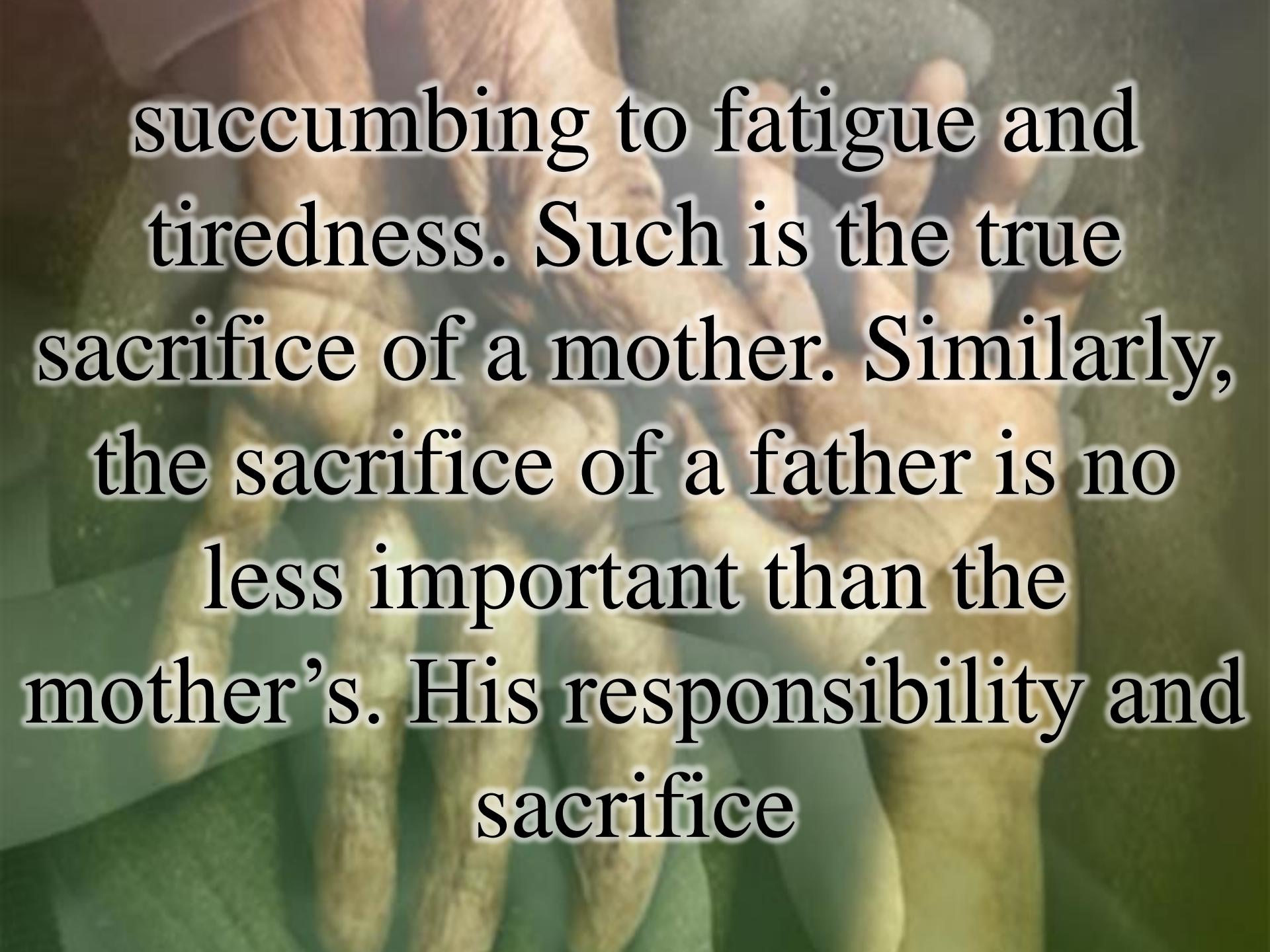
We said, “Yes, O Allah's Apostle.” He said, “To join partners in worship with Allah and to be undutiful to one's parents...”
(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)



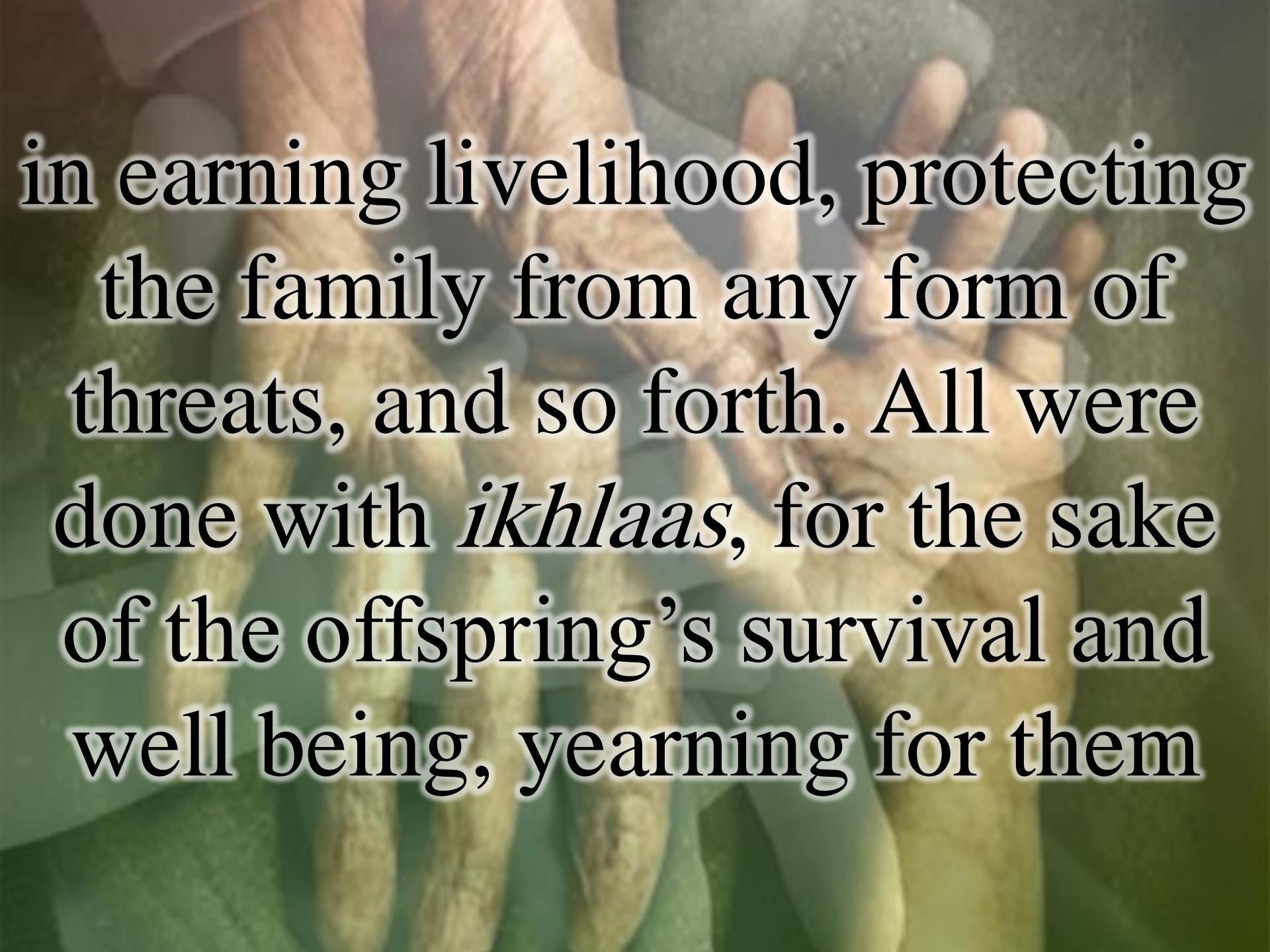
Even after the birth of an offspring, the mother's task is far from over. Furthermore, it had just severely intensified with duties such as breastfeeding, nurturing, rearing, and



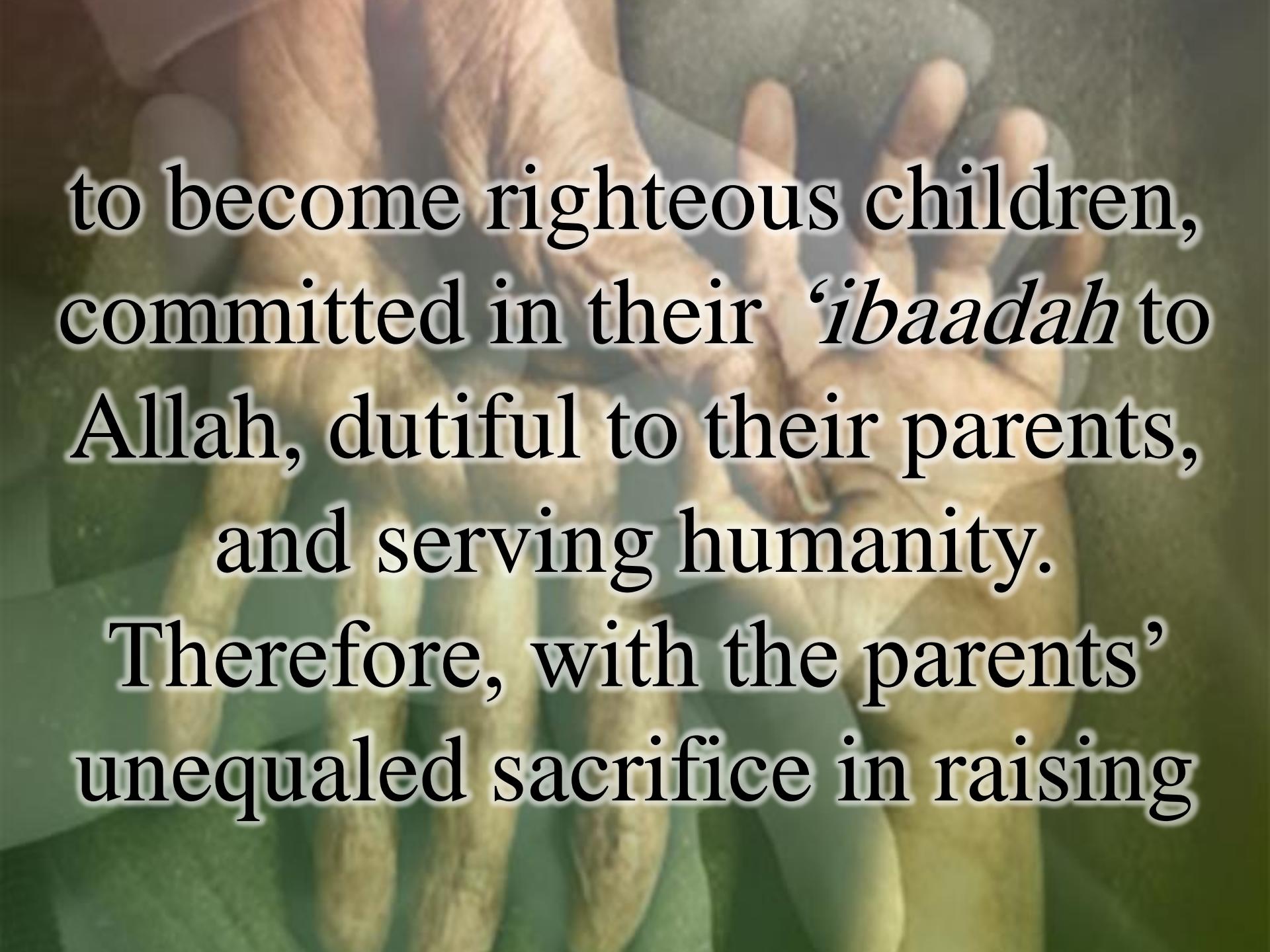
protecting the child until they attain maturity. All these are done willingly, with love and care, though having to wade through difficulties and remaining steadfast without

A soft-focus photograph of a woman in a green dress holding a small child. The woman has long dark hair and is looking down at the child. The child is wearing a light-colored shirt and dark pants. The background is blurred, showing what might be other people or foliage.

succumbing to fatigue and tiredness. Such is the true sacrifice of a mother. Similarly, the sacrifice of a father is no less important than the mother's. His responsibility and sacrifice

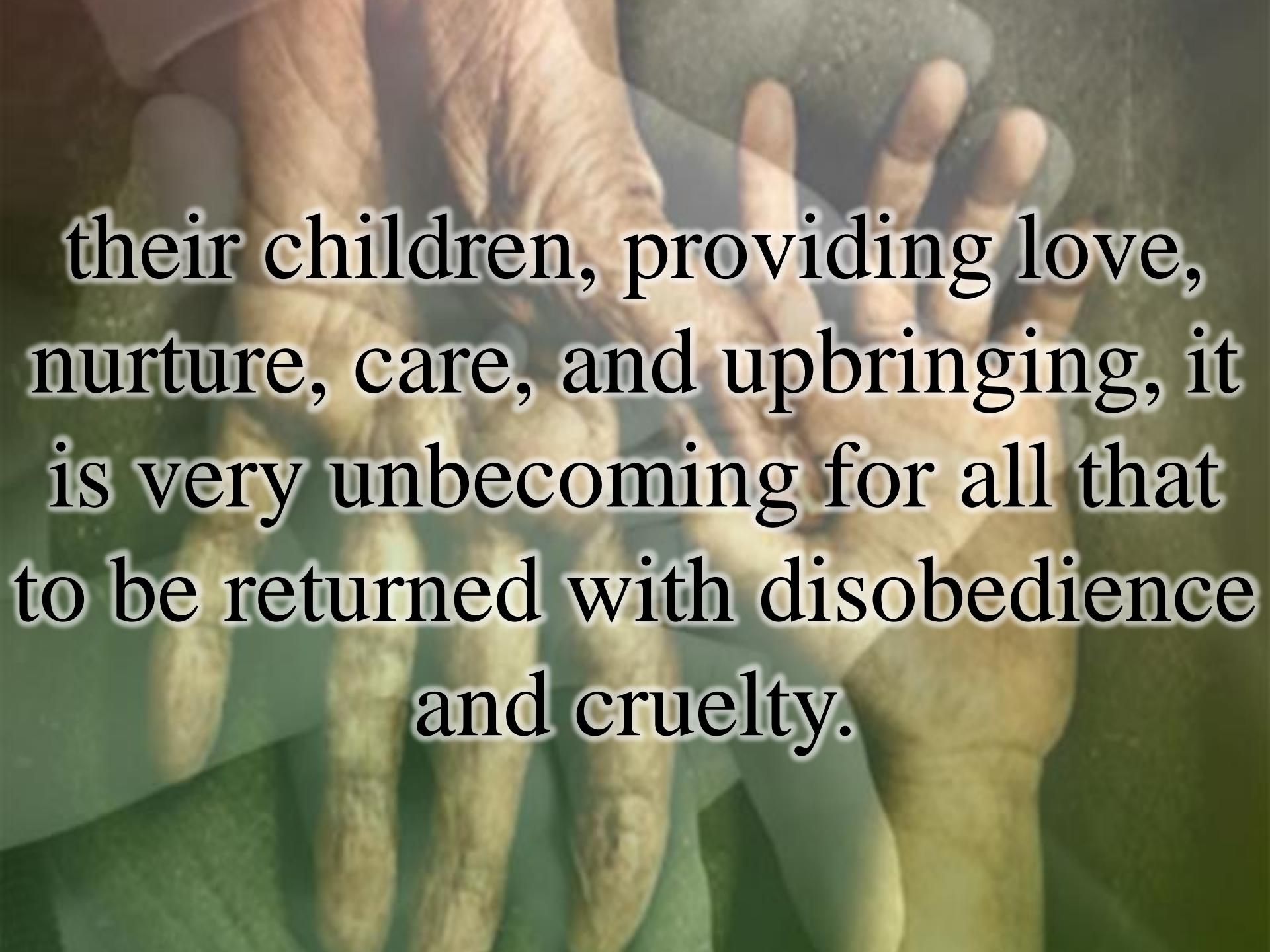


in earning livelihood, protecting the family from any form of threats, and so forth. All were done with *ikhlaas*, for the sake of the offspring's survival and well being, yearning for them



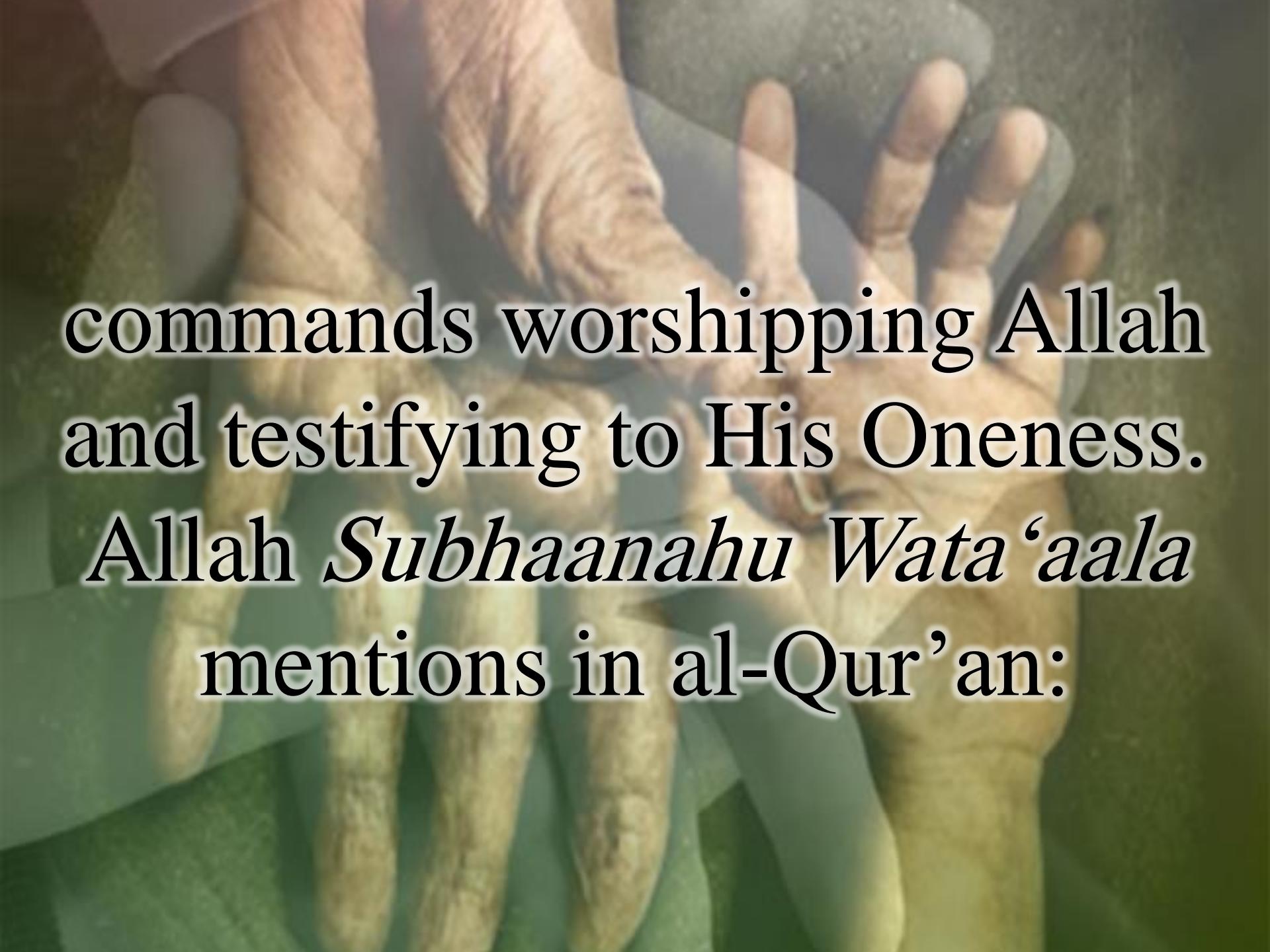
to become righteous children,
committed in their ‘ibaadah to
Allah, dutiful to their parents,
and serving humanity.

Therefore, with the parents’
unequaled sacrifice in raising

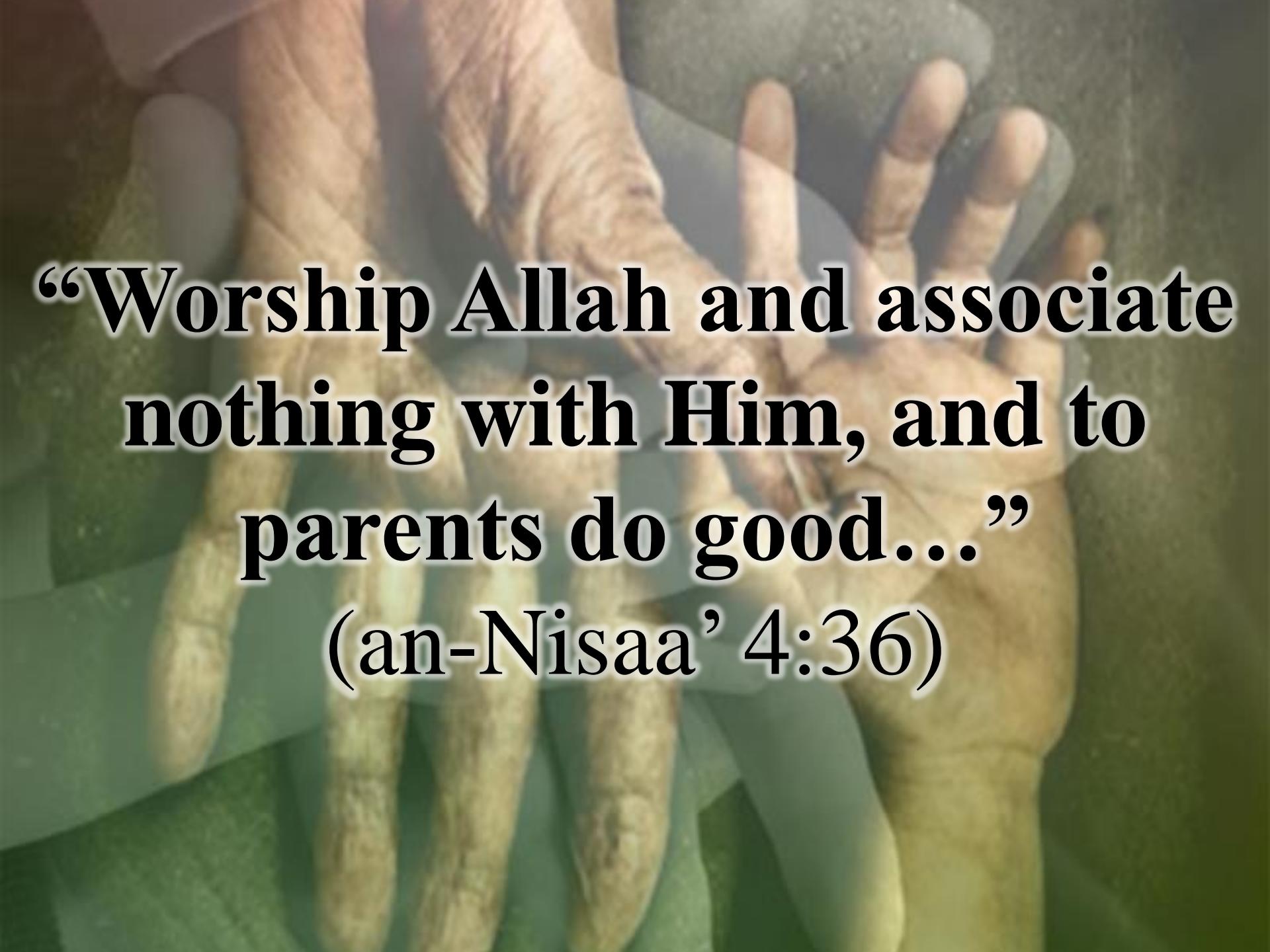


their children, providing love, nurture, care, and upbringing, it is very unbecoming for all that to be returned with disobedience and cruelty.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wata‘aala*
has granted the parents a very
special status and privilege, that
the command of dutifulness to
the parents are mentioned in the
same verse that



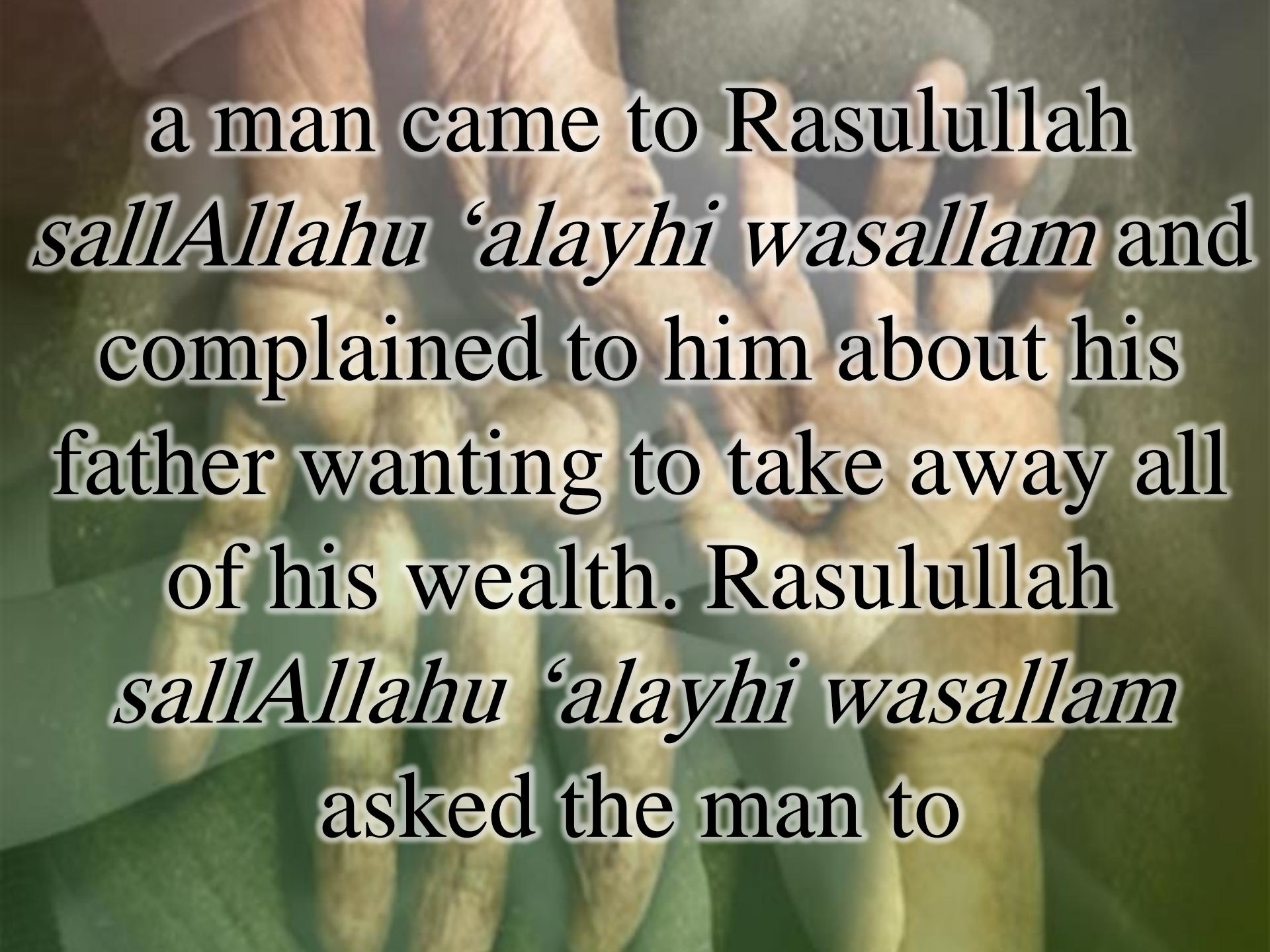
commands worshipping Allah
and testifying to His Oneness.
Allah *Subhaanahu Wata‘aala*
mentions in al-Qur‘an:



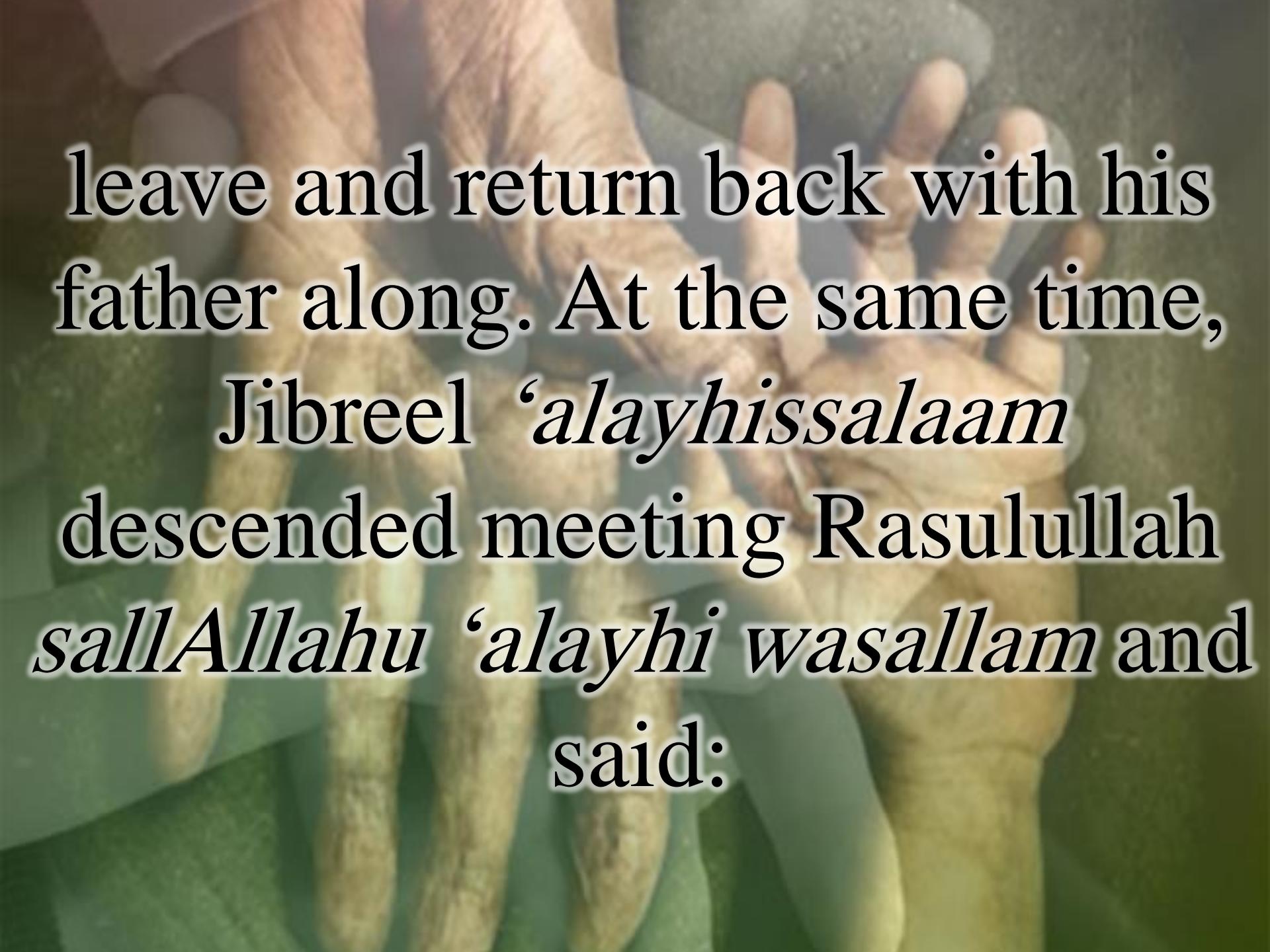
**“Worship Allah and associate
nothing with Him, and to
parents do good...”**
(an-Nisaa’ 4:36)

This verse explains that obedience to parents is an obligation upon every child, and it is an act that must be highly prioritized.

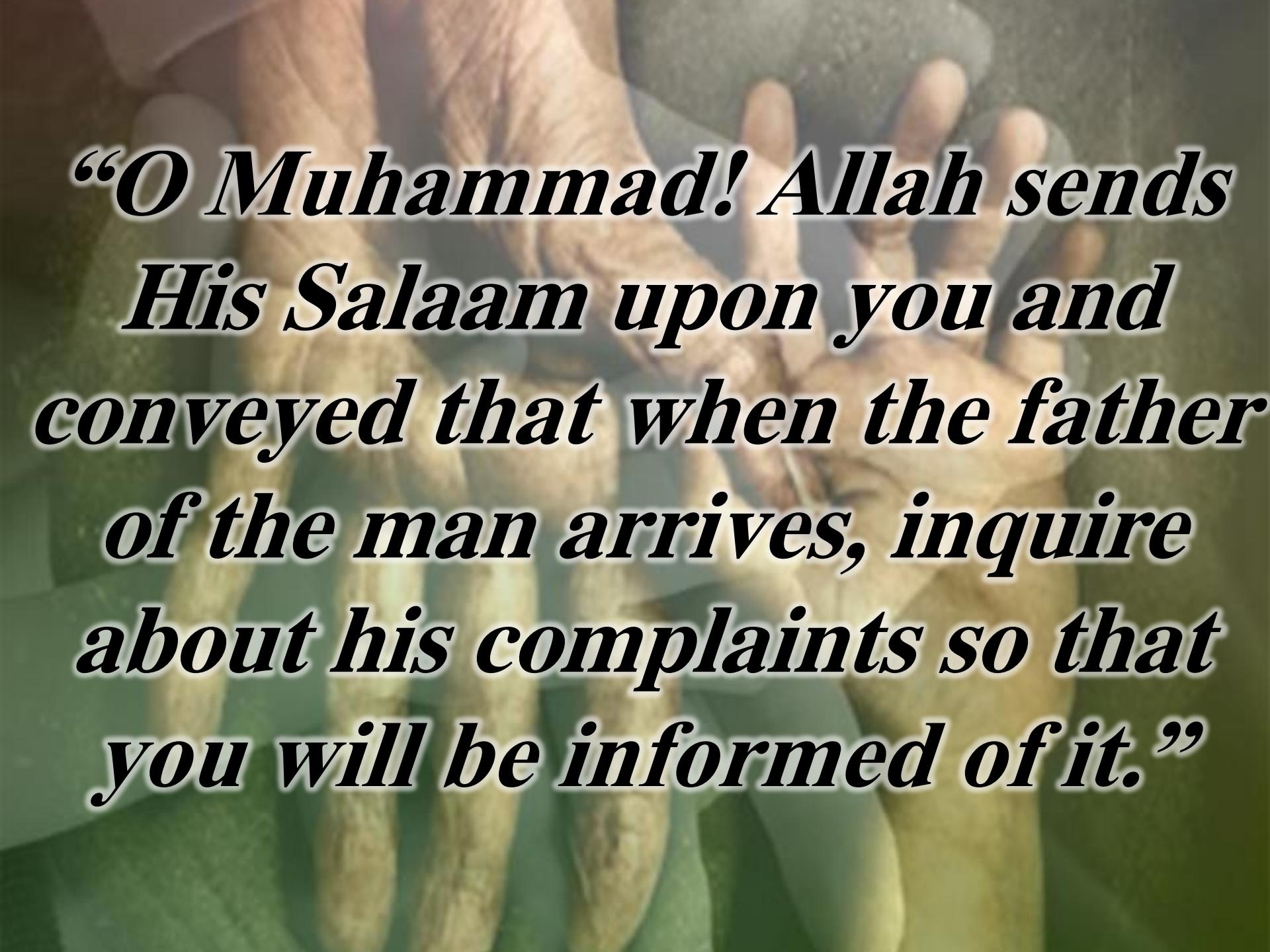
According to the *hadeeth* of Jaabir *radiyAllaahu ‘anh*,



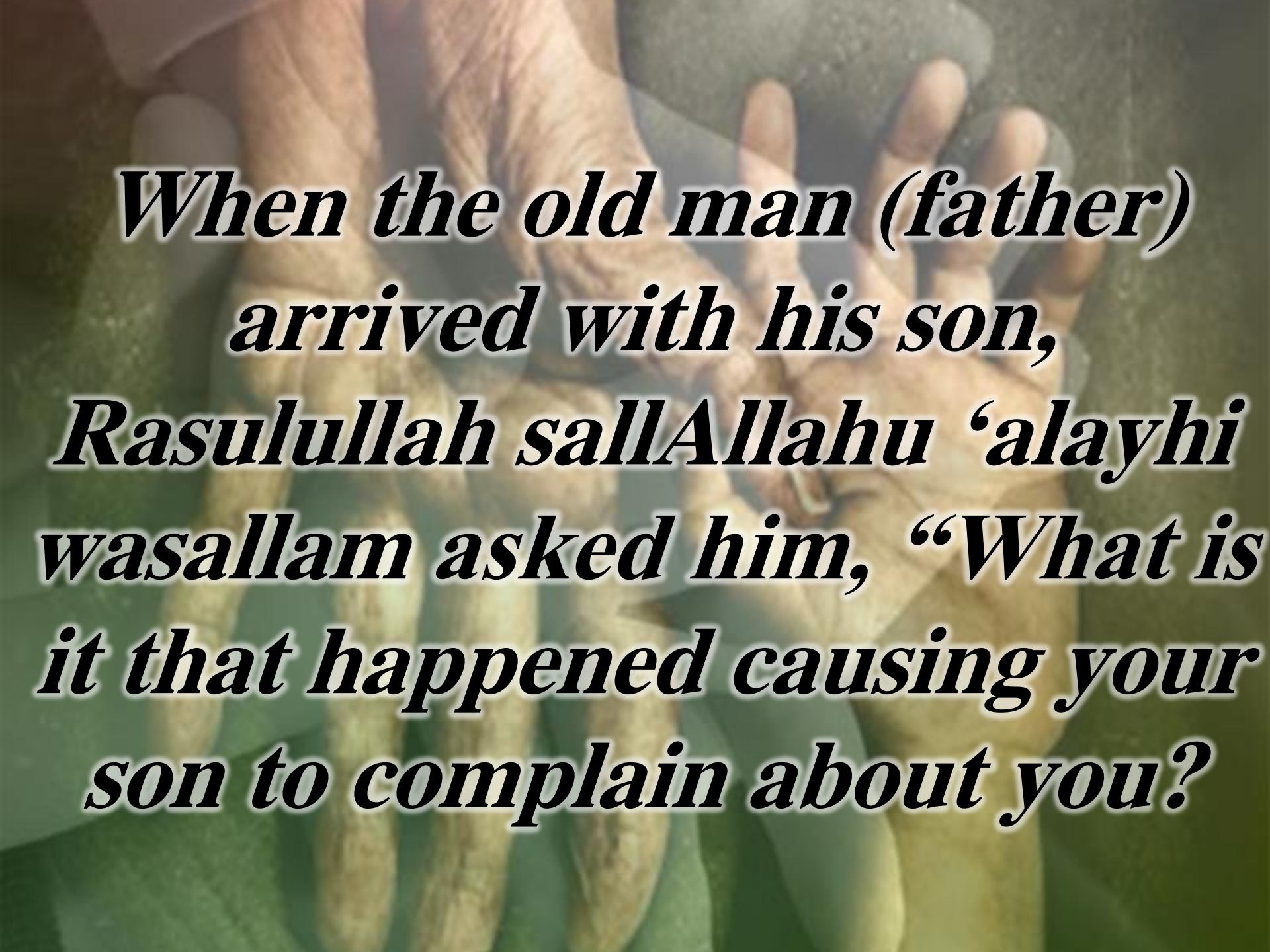
a man came to Rasulullah
sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam and
complained to him about his
father wanting to take away all
of his wealth. Rasulullah
sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam
asked the man to



leave and return back with his father along. At the same time, Jibreel ‘alayhissalaam descended meeting Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* and said:

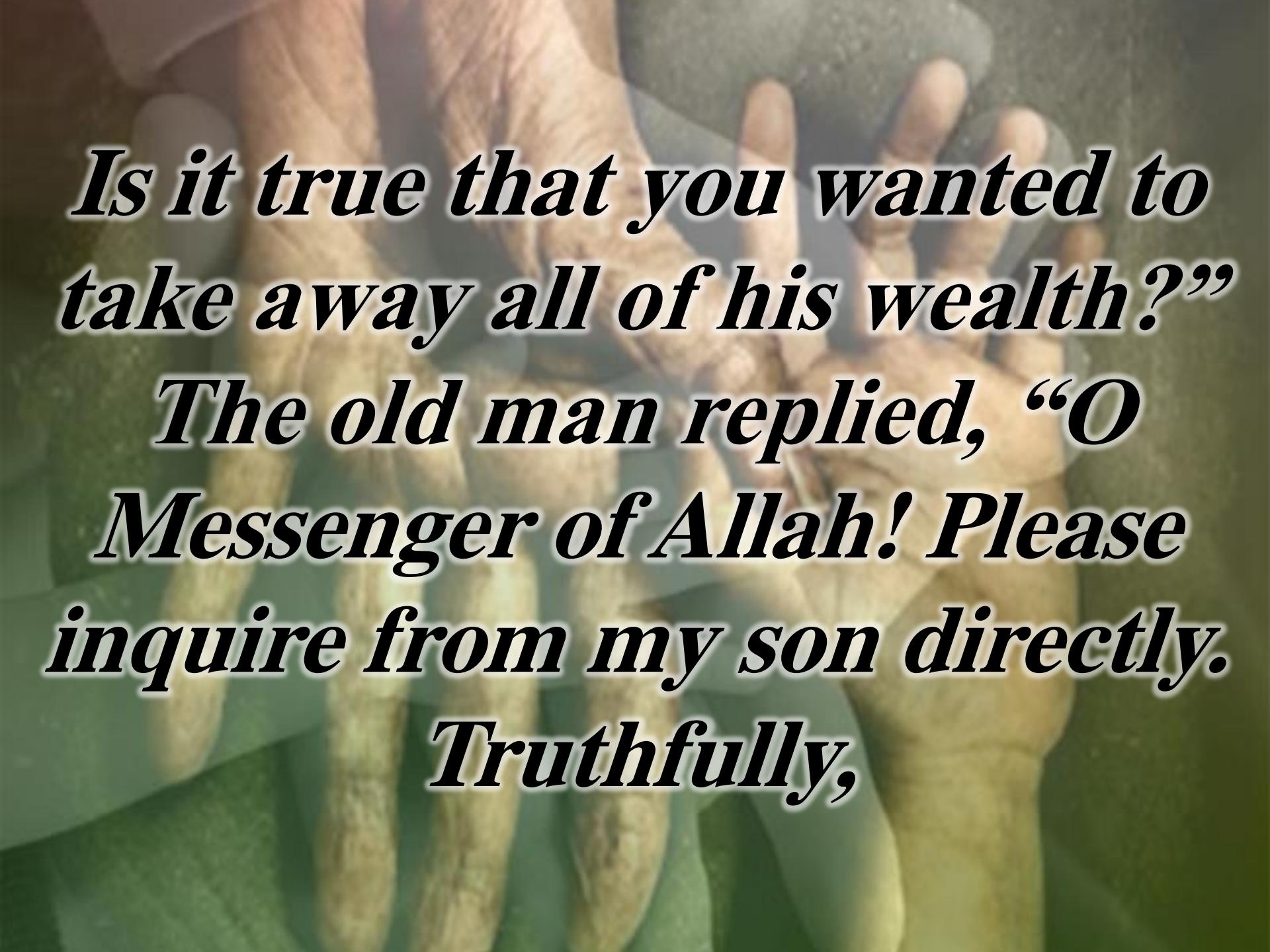


“O Muhammad! Allah sends His Salaam upon you and conveyed that when the father of the man arrives, inquire about his complaints so that you will be informed of it.”



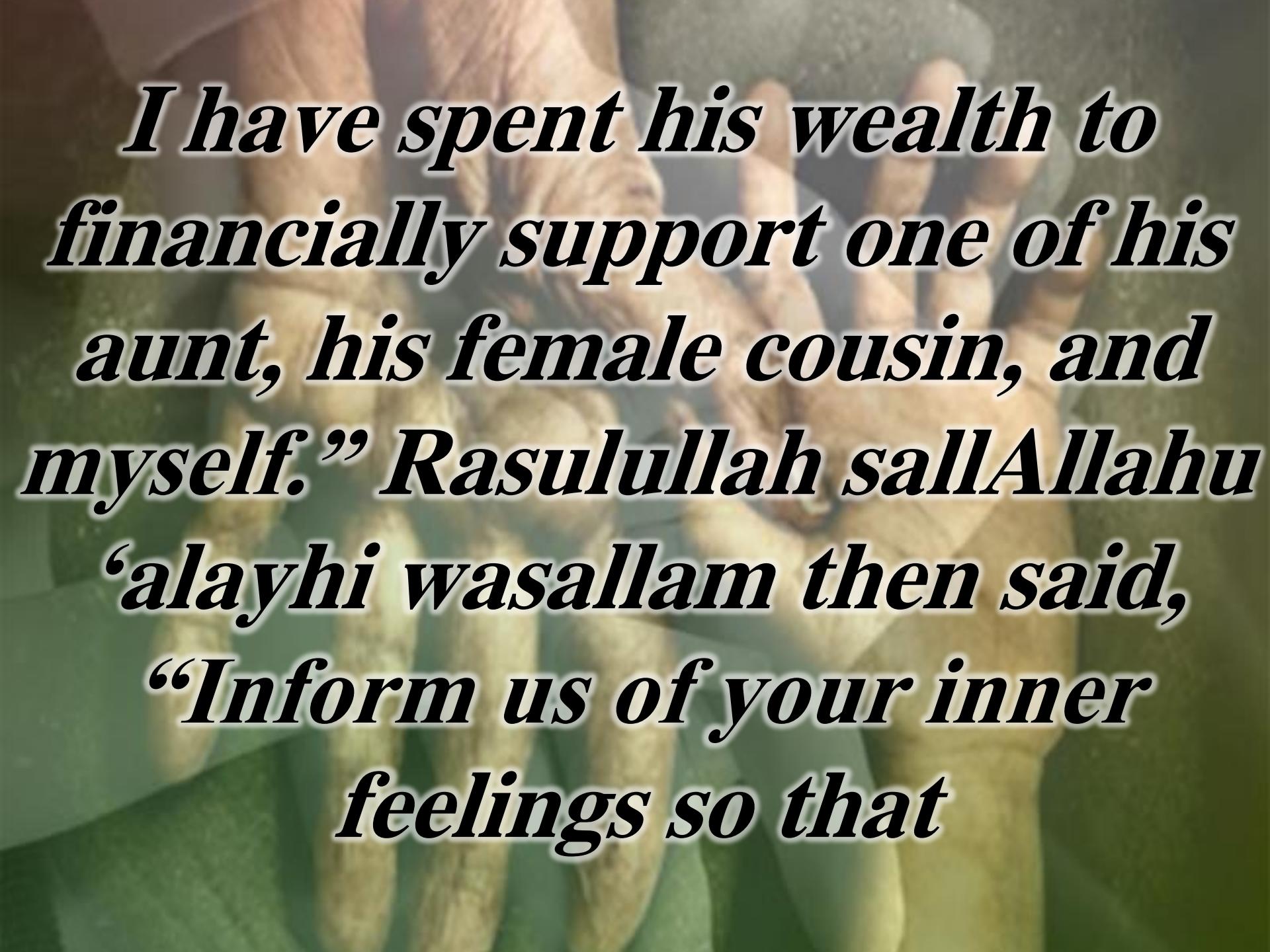
*When the old man (father)
arrived with his son,*

*Rasulullah sallAllahu ‘alayhi
wasallam asked him, “What is
it that happened causing your
son to complain about you?*

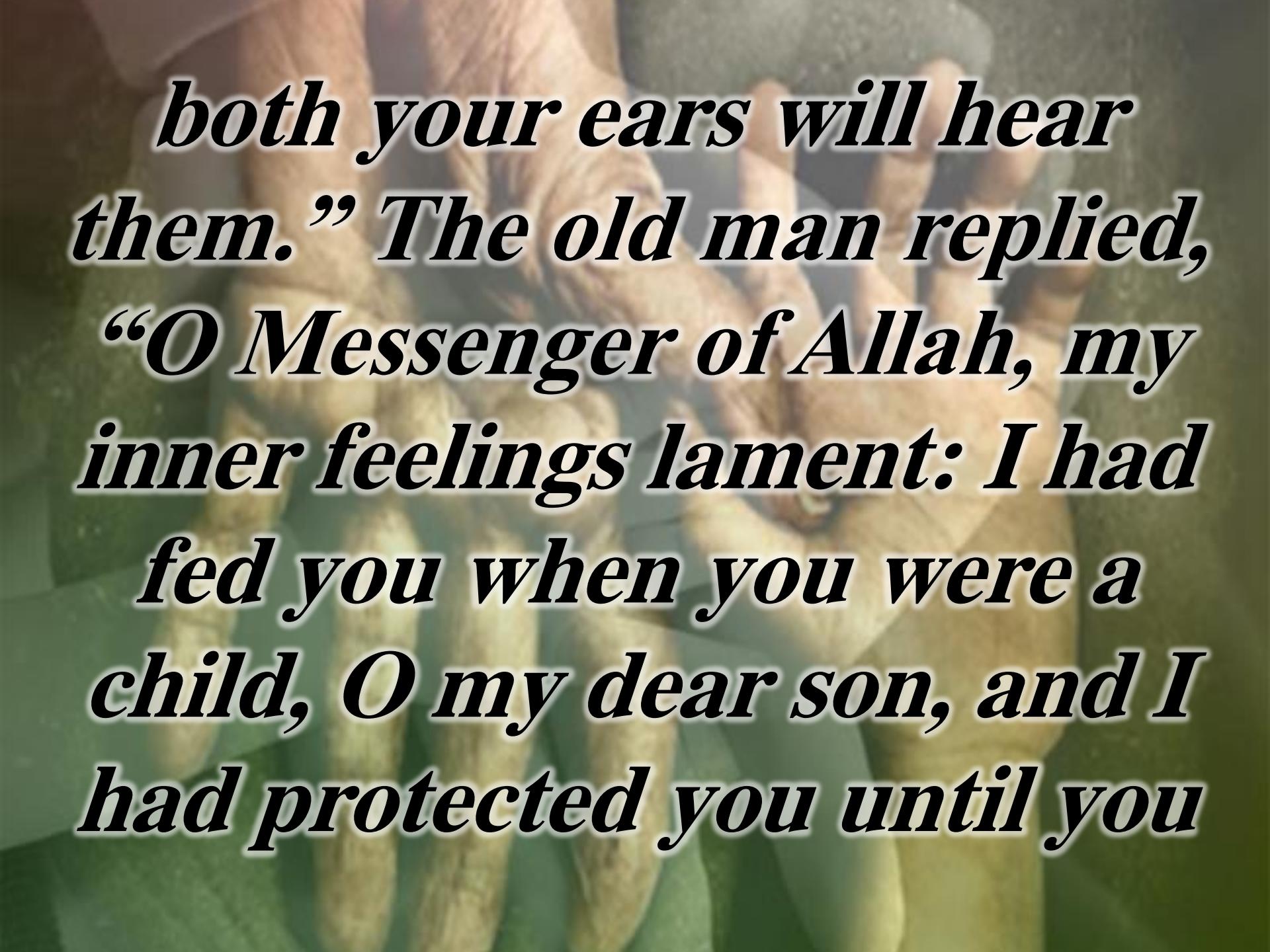


*Is it true that you wanted to
take away all of his wealth?"*

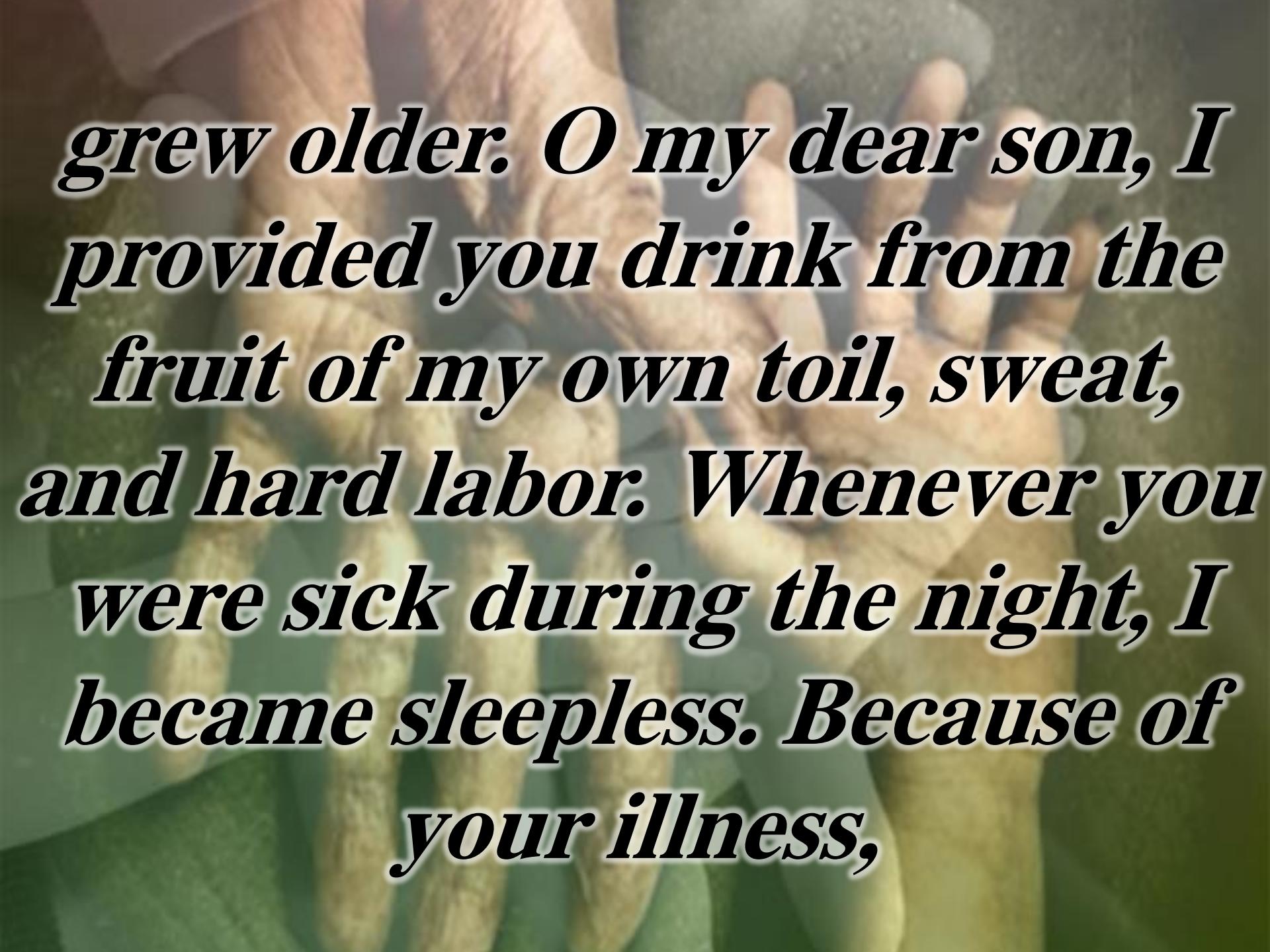
*The old man replied, "O
Messenger of Allah! Please
inquire from my son directly.
Truthfully,*



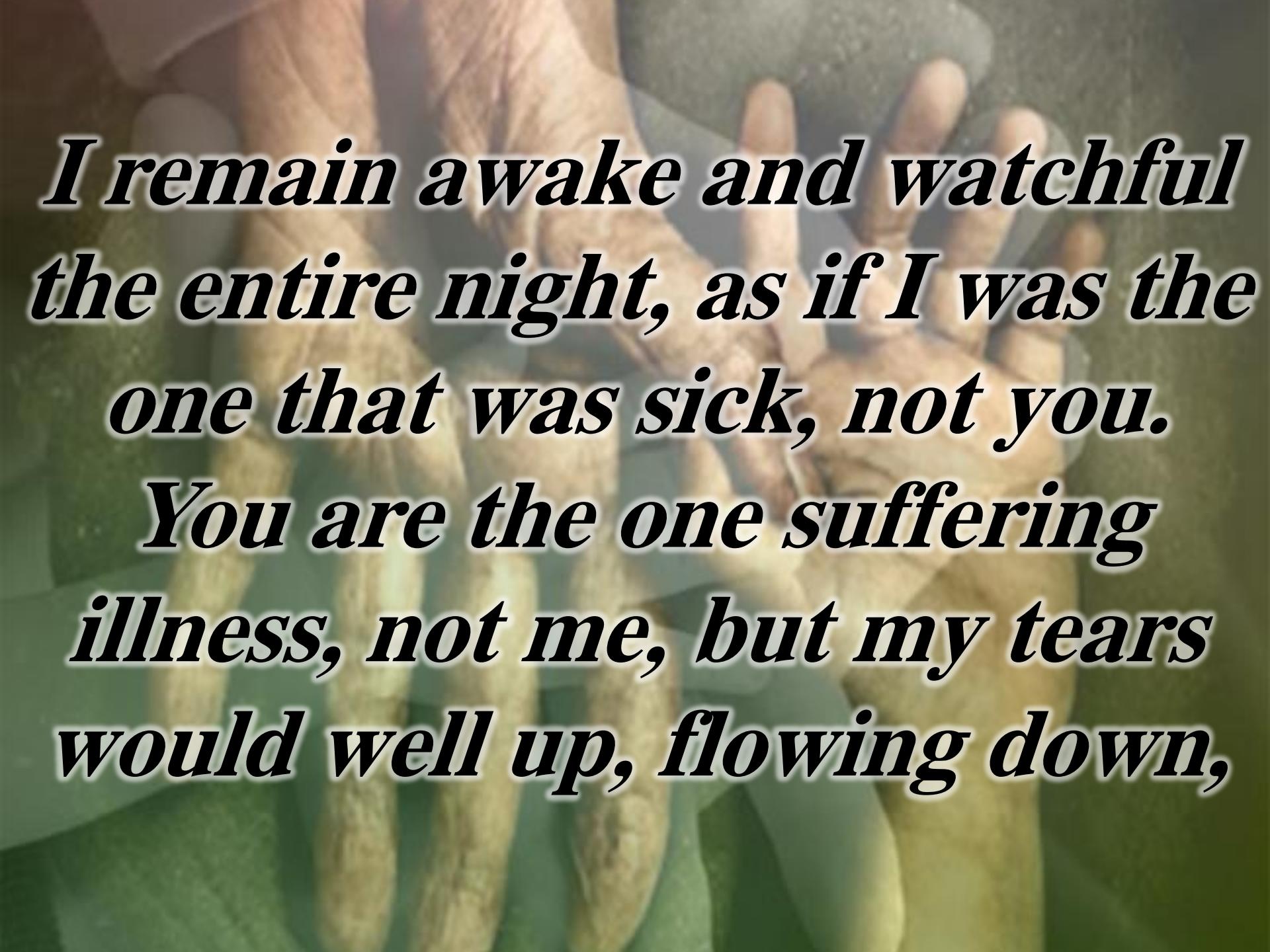
I have spent his wealth to financially support one of his aunt, his female cousin, and myself.” Rasulullah sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam then said, “Inform us of your inner feelings so that

A soft-focus photograph of a man in traditional brown robes holding a small child. The man has a beard and is looking down at the child. The child is also in traditional clothing. They are outdoors, possibly in a garden or courtyard, with some greenery visible in the background.

both your ears will hear them.” The old man replied, “O Messenger of Allah, my inner feelings lament: I had fed you when you were a child, O my dear son, and I had protected you until you

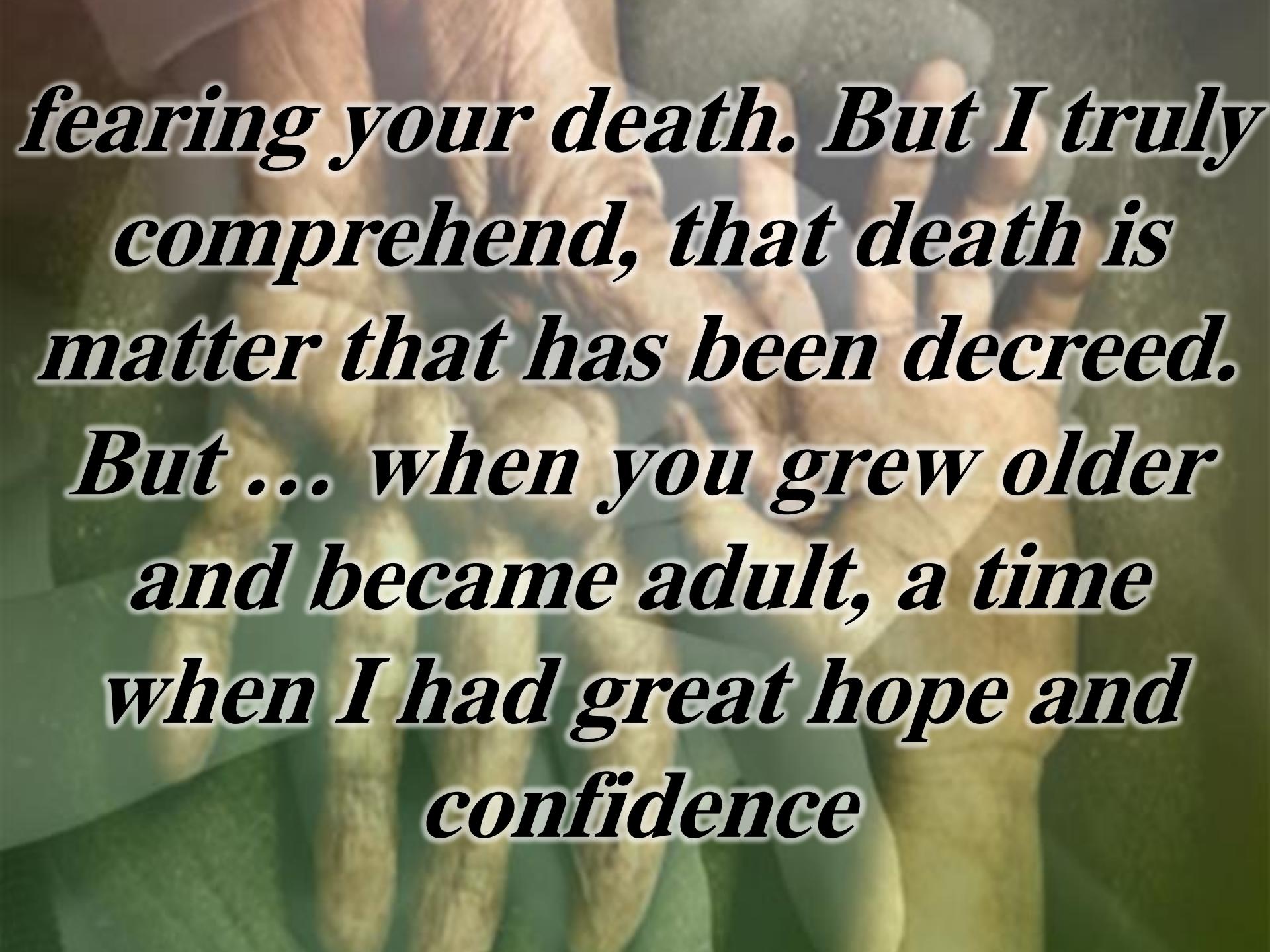


*grew older. O my dear son, I
provided you drink from the
fruit of my own toil, sweat,
and hard labor. Whenever you
were sick during the night, I
became sleepless. Because of
your illness,*

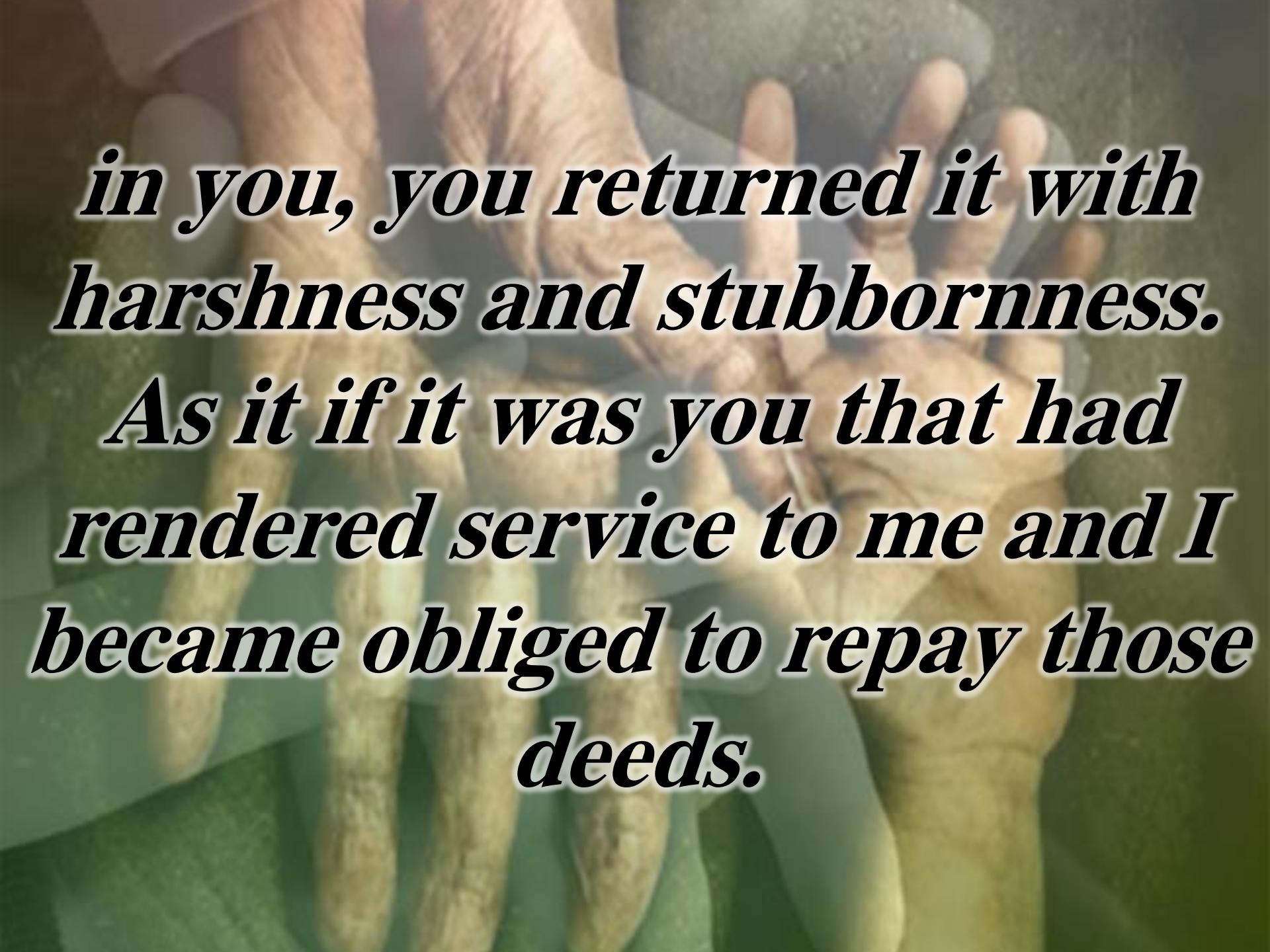


*I remain awake and watchful
the entire night, as if I was the
one that was sick, not you.*

*You are the one suffering
illness, not me, but my tears
would well up, flowing down,*

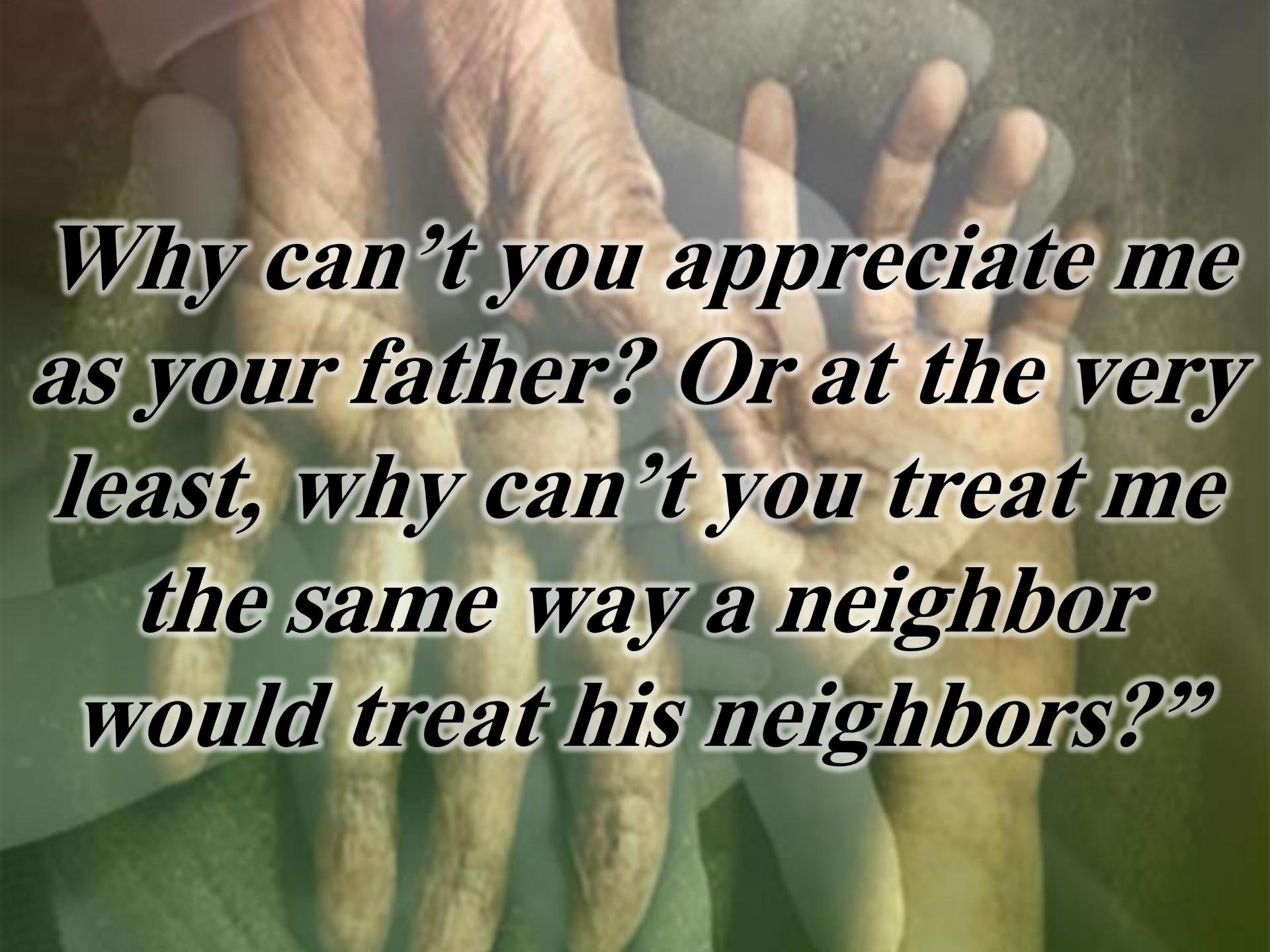


*fearing your death. But I truly
comprehend, that death is
matter that has been decreed.
But ... when you grew older
and became adult, a time
when I had great hope and
confidence*

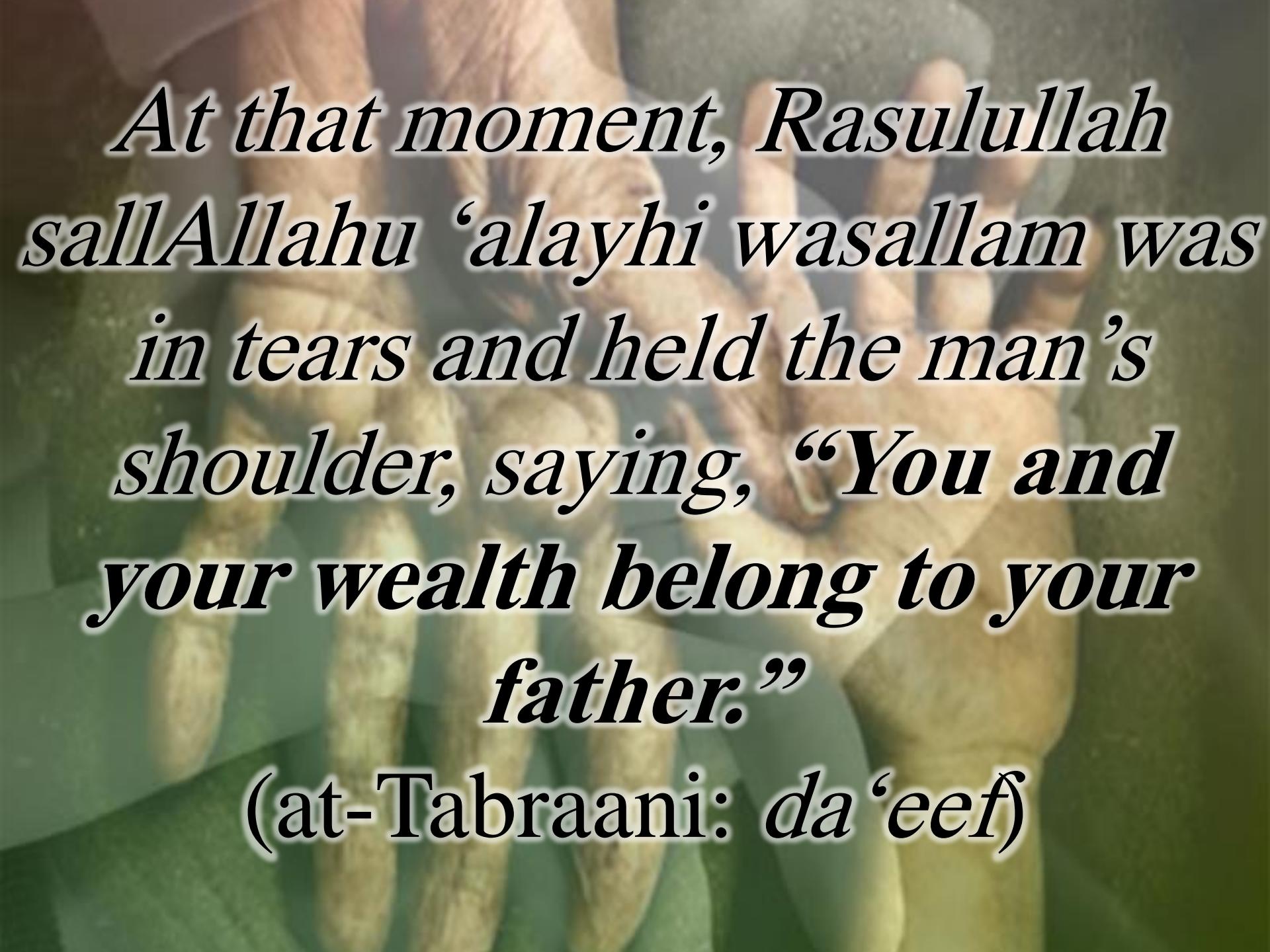


*in you, you returned it with
harshness and stubbornness.*

*As if it was you that had
rendered service to me and I
became obliged to repay those
deeds.*



*Why can't you appreciate me
as your father? Or at the very
least, why can't you treat me
the same way a neighbor
would treat his neighbors?"*

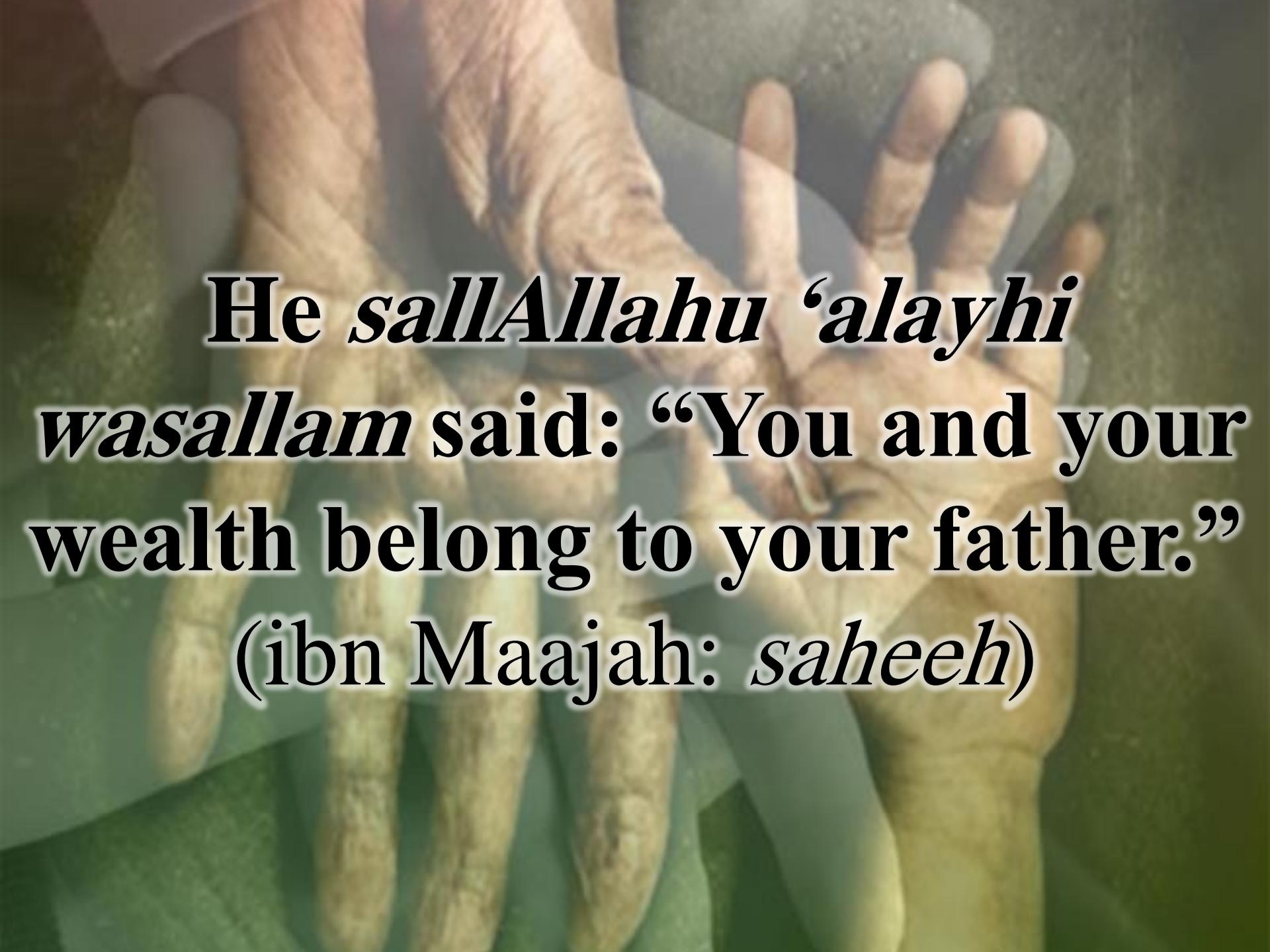


*At that moment, Rasulullah
sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam was
in tears and held the man’s
shoulder, saying, “You and
your wealth belong to your
father.”*

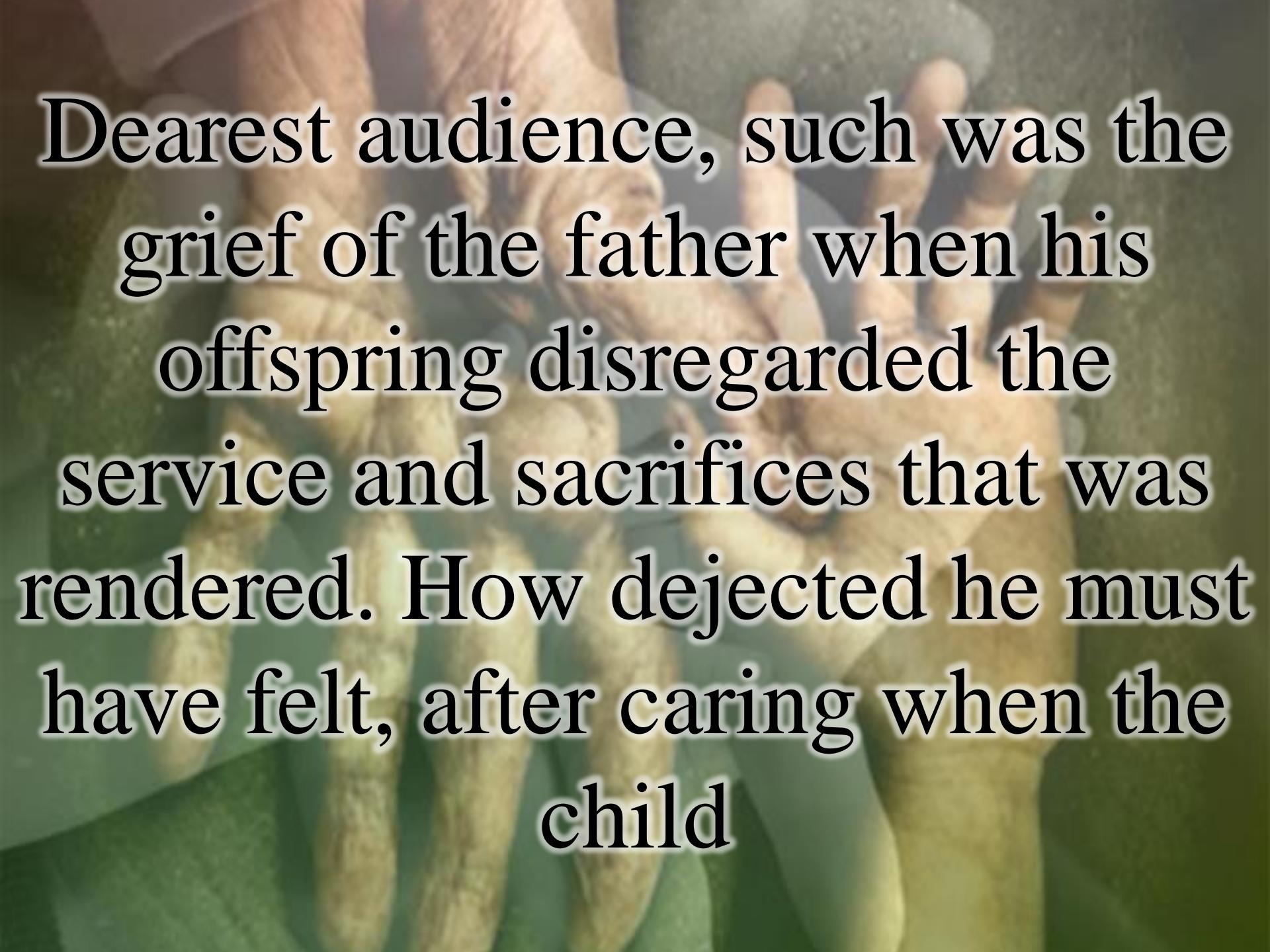
(at-Tabraani: *da‘eef*)

It was narrated from Jaabir ibn
‘Abd-Allah *radiyAllaahu ‘anh*
that a man said:

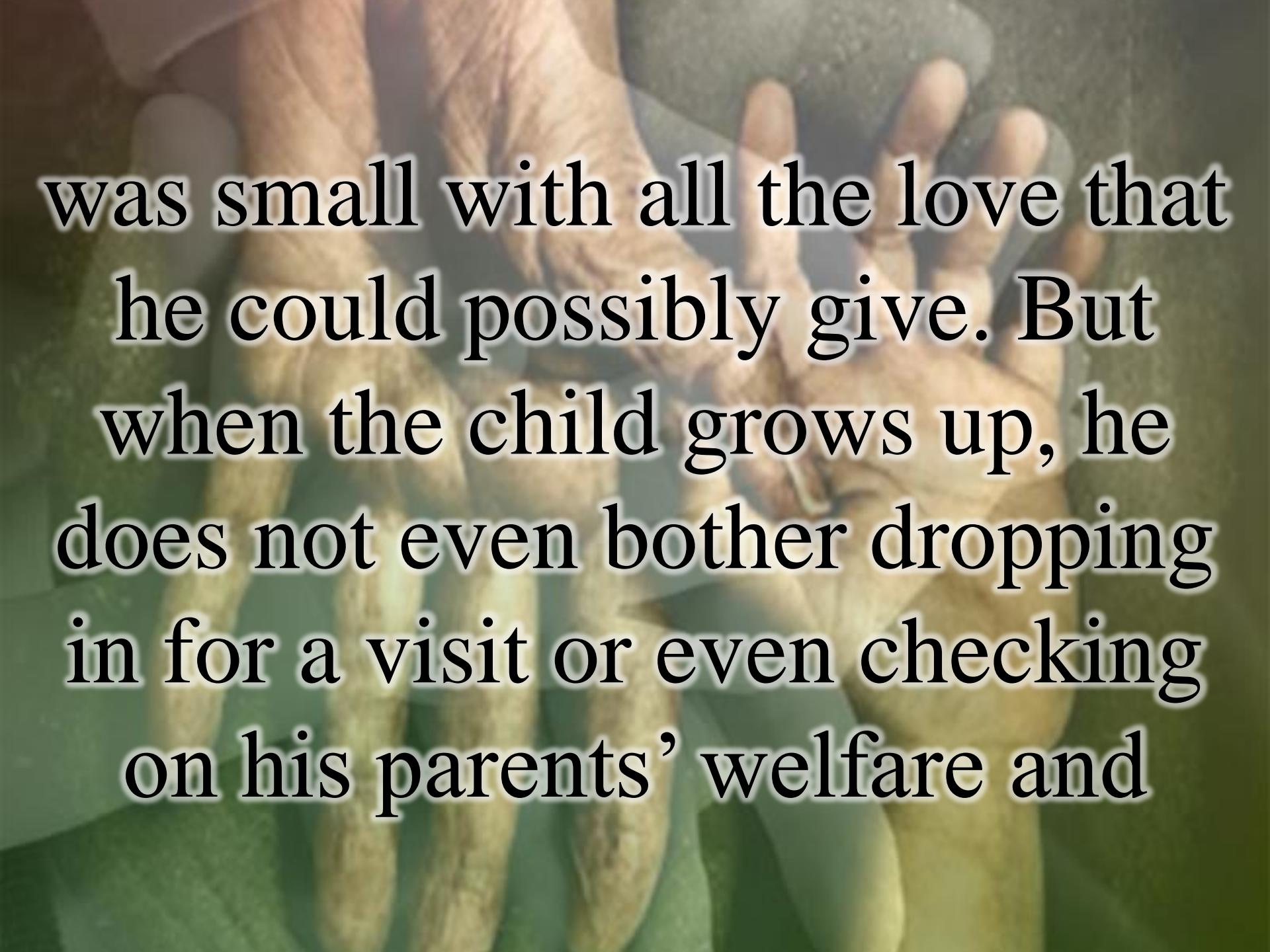
“O Messenger of Allah, I have
wealth and children, and my
father wants to take all my
wealth.”



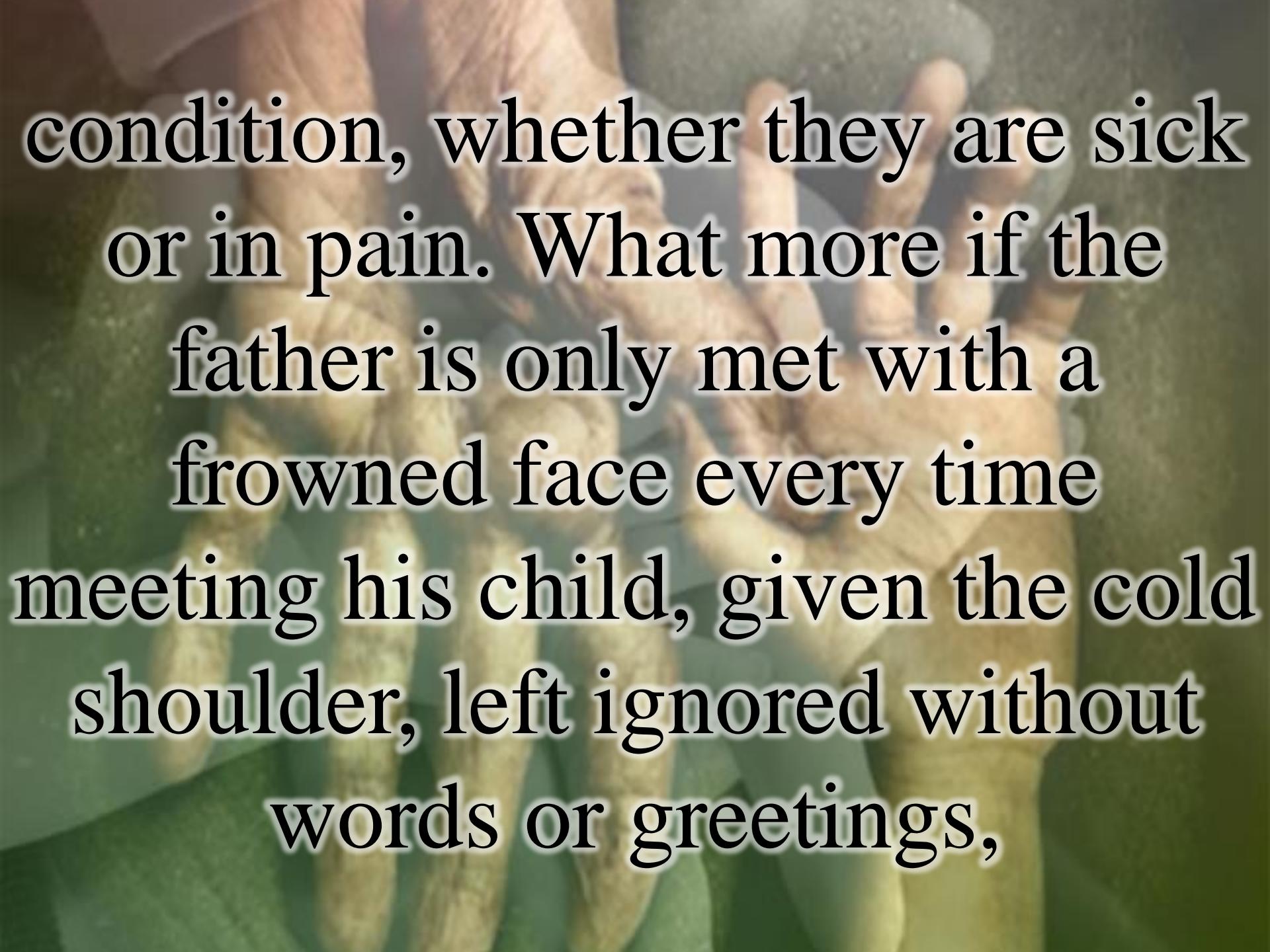
He *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* said: “You and your wealth belong to your father.”
(ibn Maajah: *saheeh*)



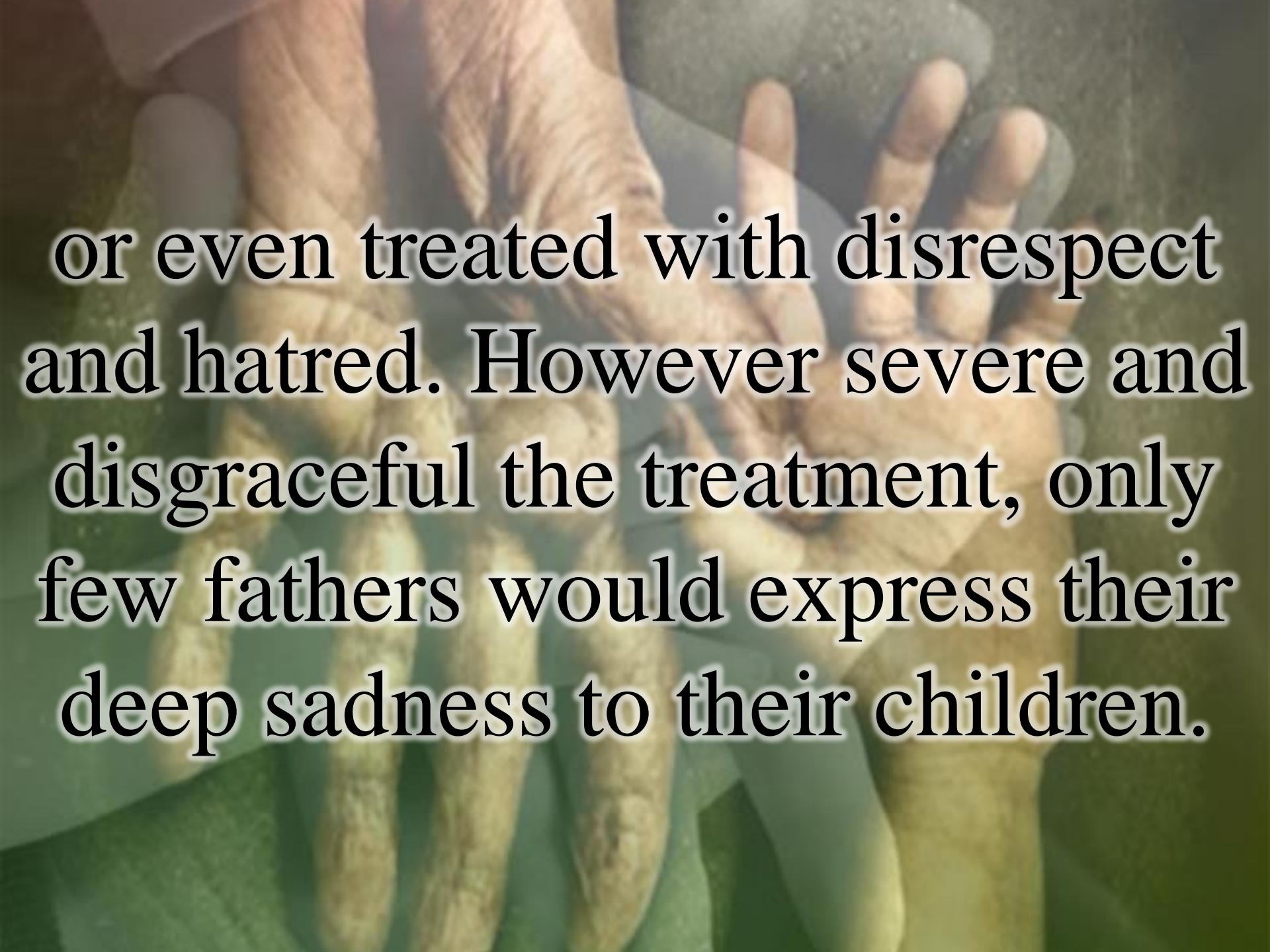
Dearest audience, such was the grief of the father when his offspring disregarded the service and sacrifices that was rendered. How dejected he must have felt, after caring when the child



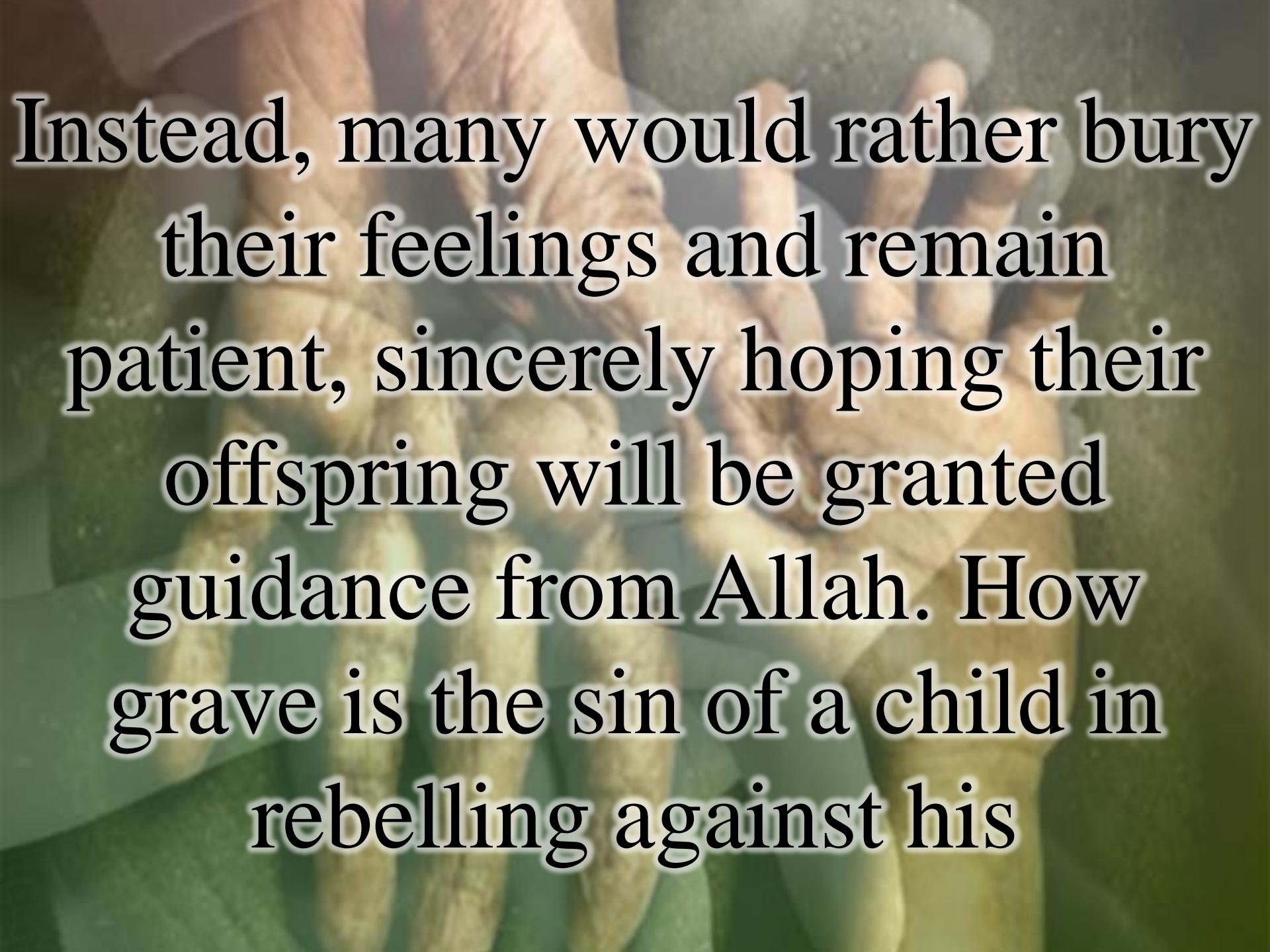
was small with all the love that he could possibly give. But when the child grows up, he does not even bother dropping in for a visit or even checking on his parents' welfare and

A black and white photograph showing a man from the chest up. He is wearing a dark suit jacket over a light-colored shirt and a patterned tie. His head is bowed, and he appears to be looking down at a small child who is partially visible in front of him. The background is slightly blurred.

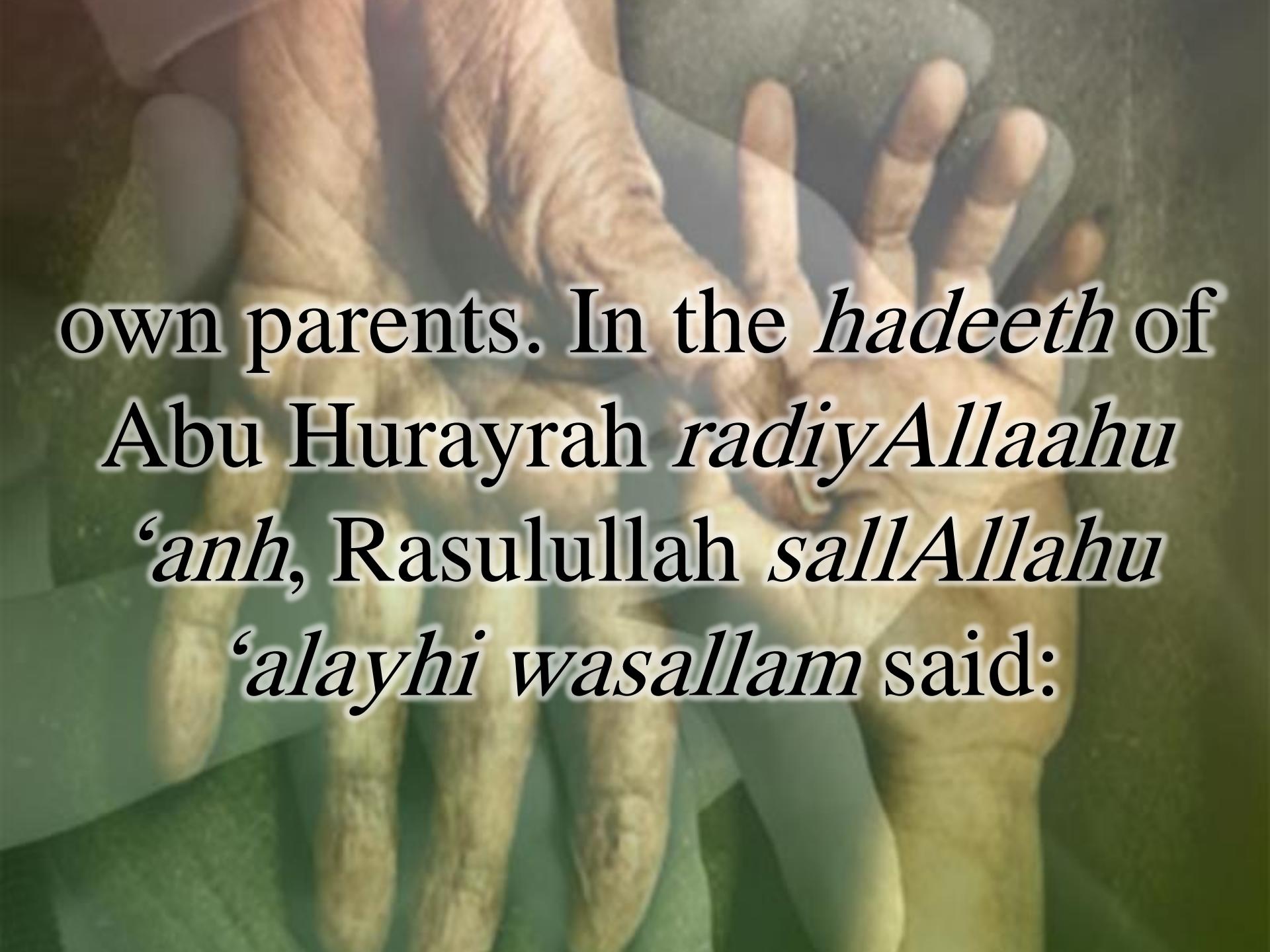
condition, whether they are sick
or in pain. What more if the
father is only met with a
frowned face every time
meeting his child, given the cold
shoulder, left ignored without
words or greetings,



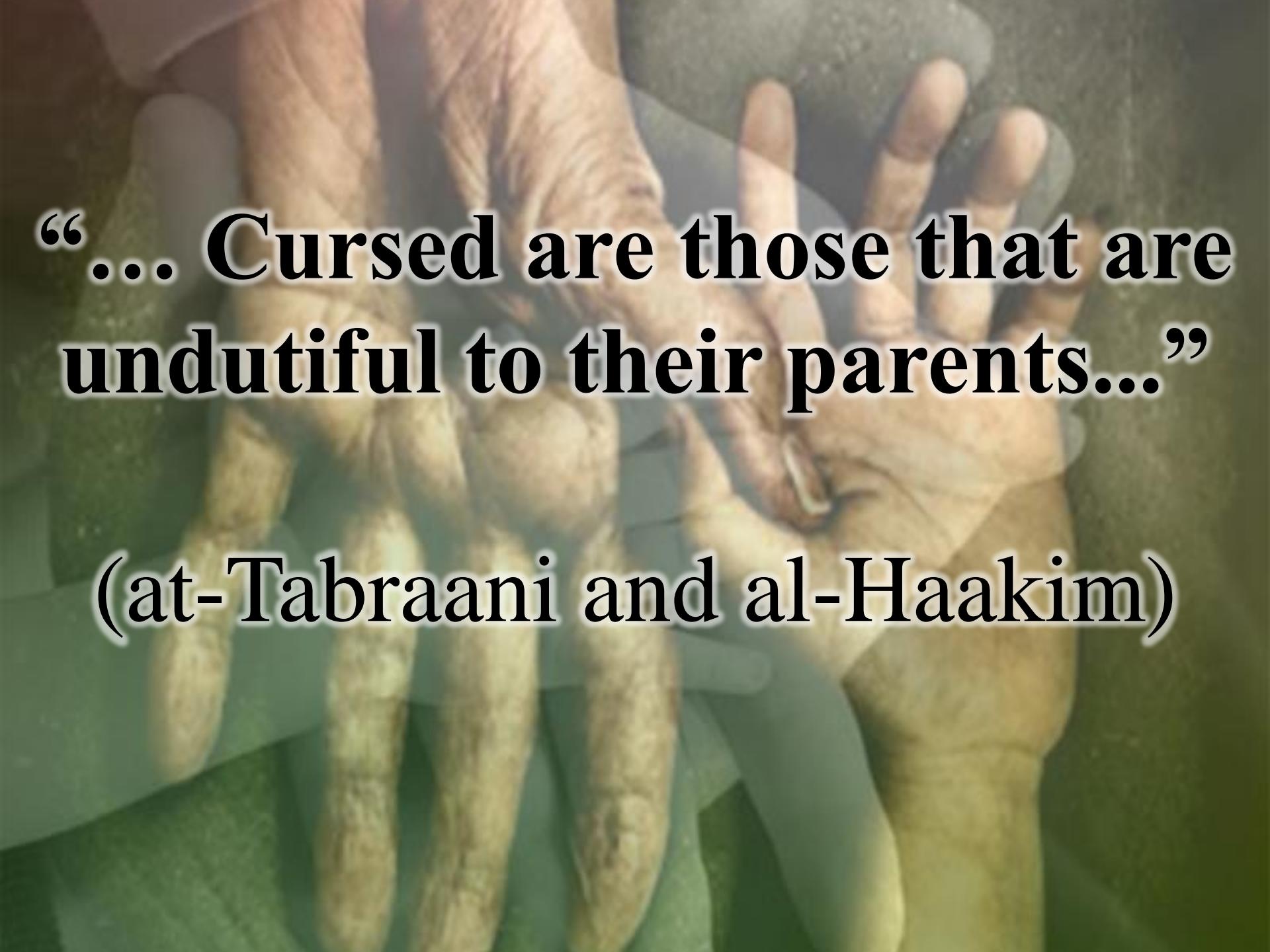
or even treated with disrespect and hatred. However severe and disgraceful the treatment, only few fathers would express their deep sadness to their children.

A soft-focus photograph of a woman with long brown hair, wearing a dark top, holding a small child in her arms. The child has light-colored hair and is looking towards the camera. The background is blurred, suggesting an indoor setting.

Instead, many would rather bury
their feelings and remain
patient, sincerely hoping their
offspring will be granted
guidance from Allah. How
grave is the sin of a child in
rebelling against his

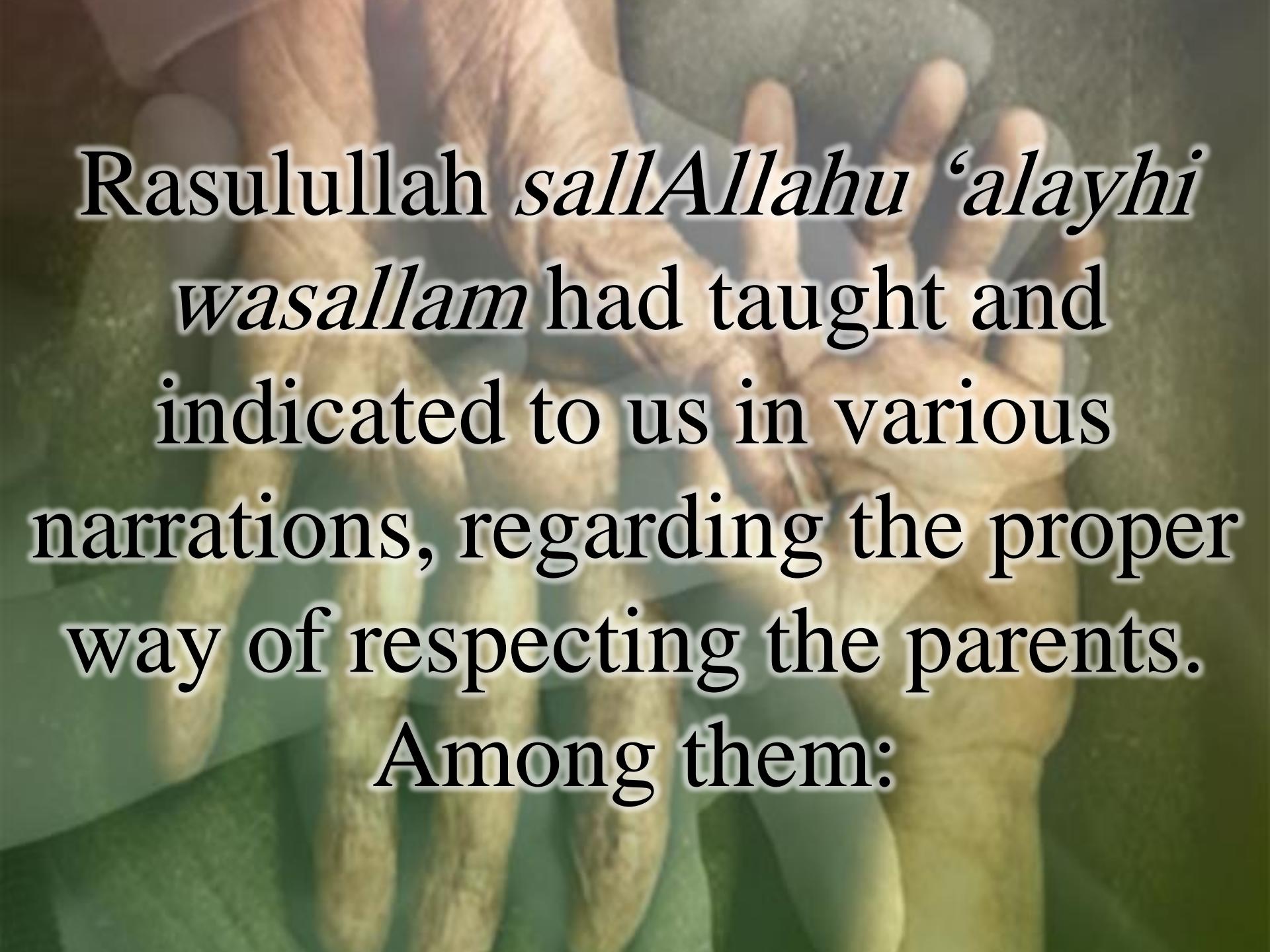


own parents. In the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah *sallAllaahu 'alayhi wasallam* said:



“... Cursed are those that are undutiful to their parents...”

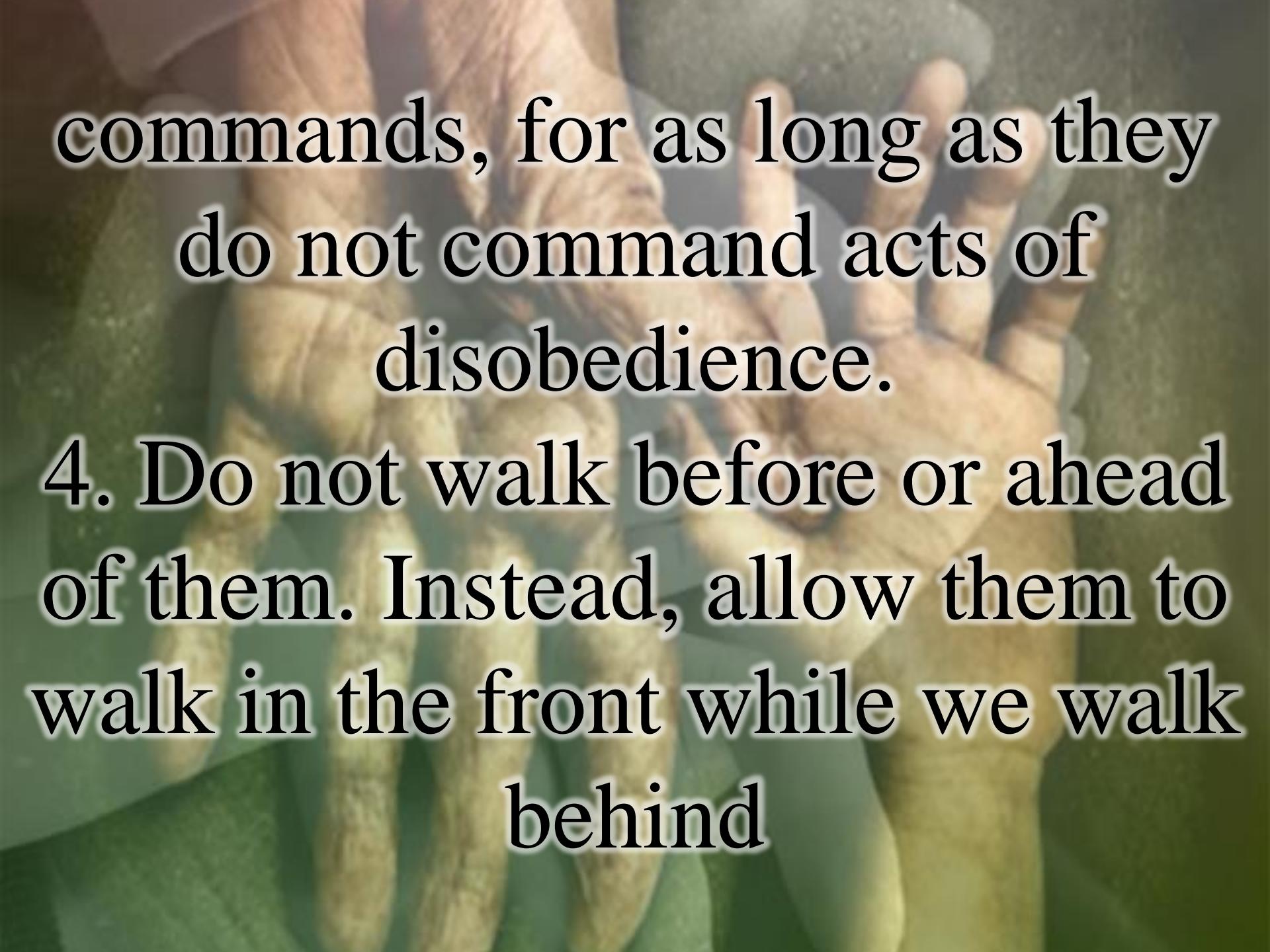
(at-Tabraani and al-Haakim)



Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* had taught and indicated to us in various narrations, regarding the proper way of respecting the parents.

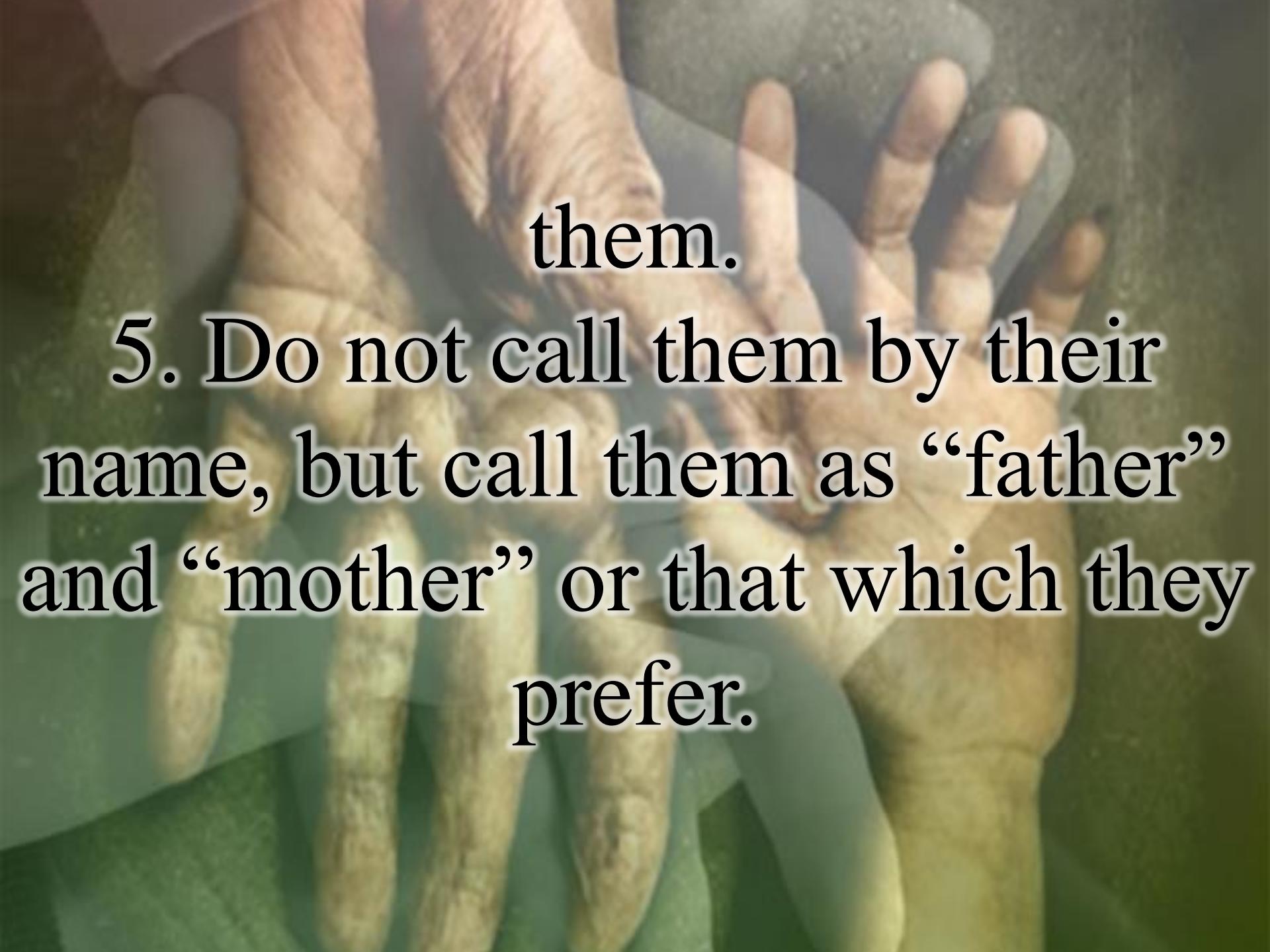
Among them:

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1. We should stand while receiving our parents.
 2. We should look into their faces with full respect, love, and care.
 3. We should obey and comply with their



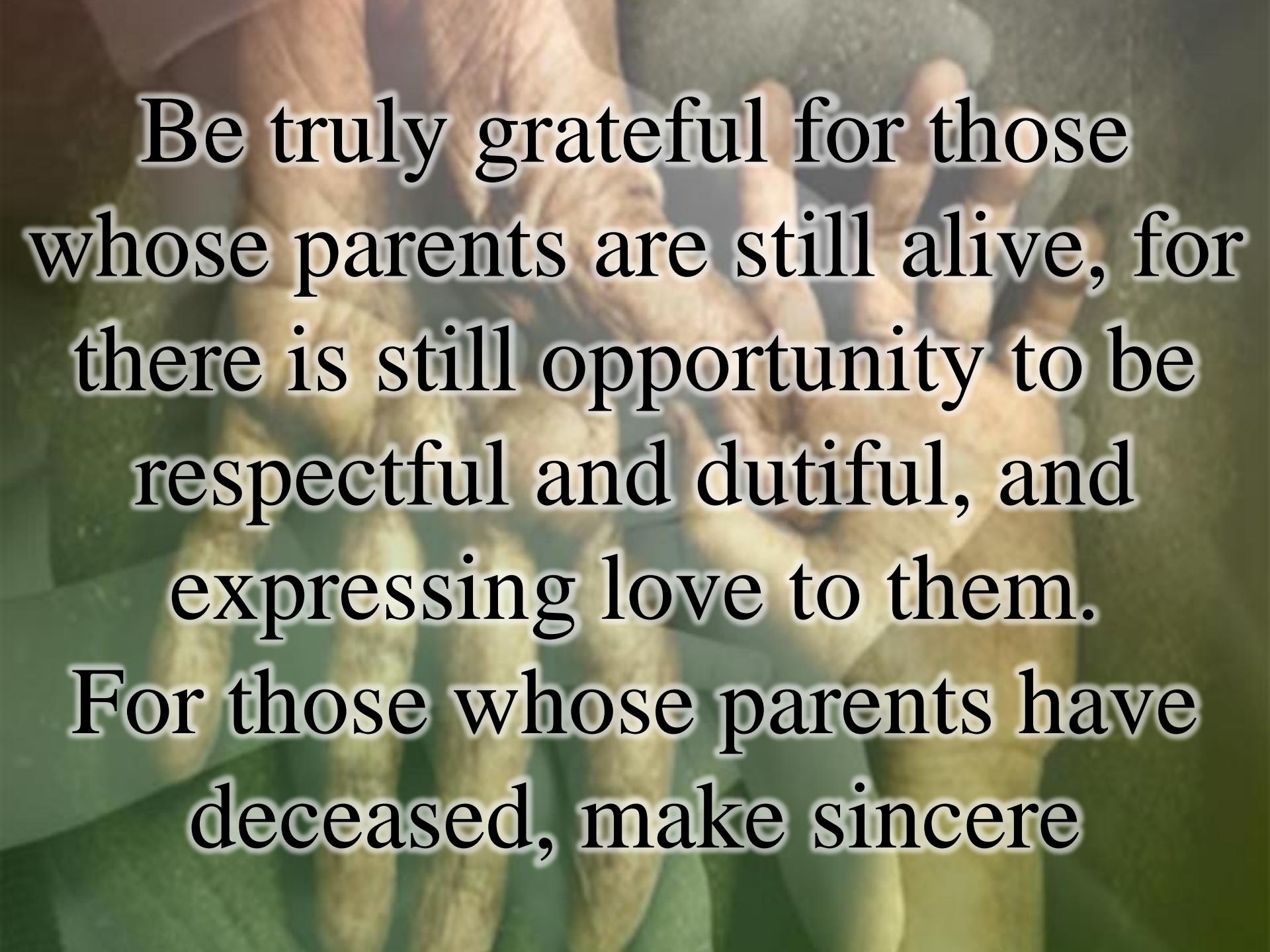
commands, for as long as they do not command acts of disobedience.

4. Do not walk before or ahead of them. Instead, allow them to walk in the front while we walk behind



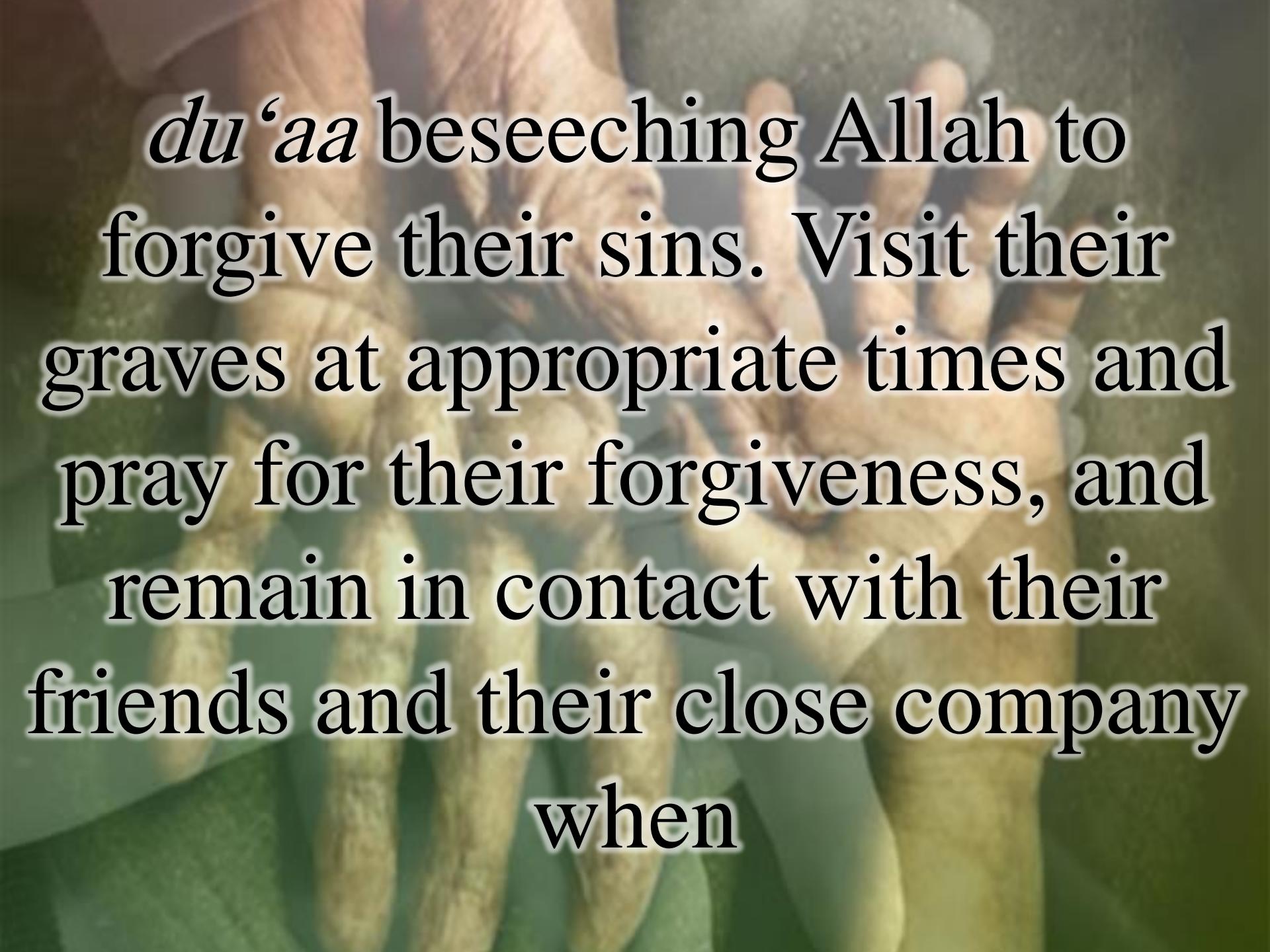
them.

5. Do not call them by their name, but call them as “father” and “mother” or that which they prefer.

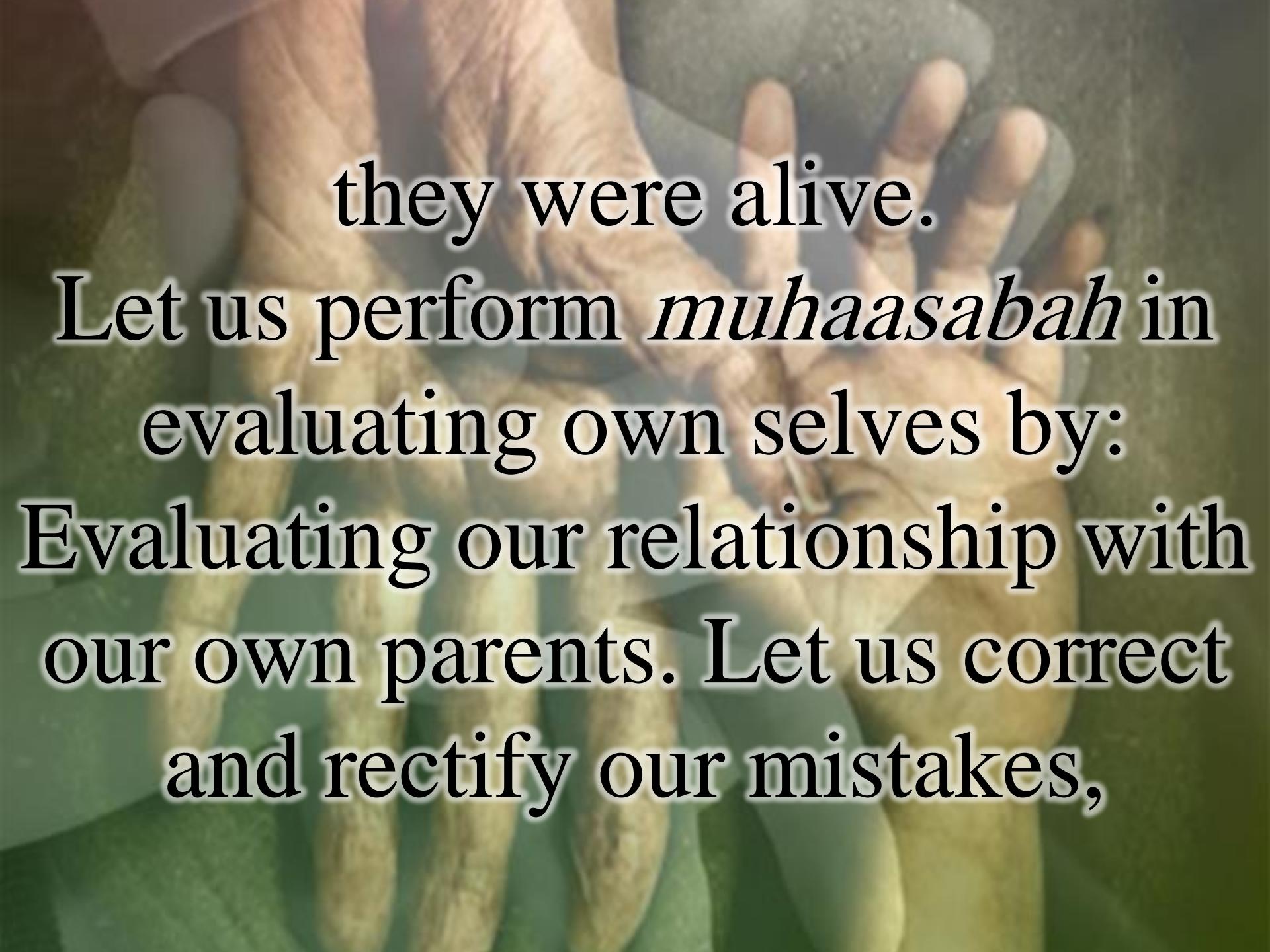


Be truly grateful for those whose parents are still alive, for there is still opportunity to be respectful and dutiful, and expressing love to them.

For those whose parents have deceased, make sincere

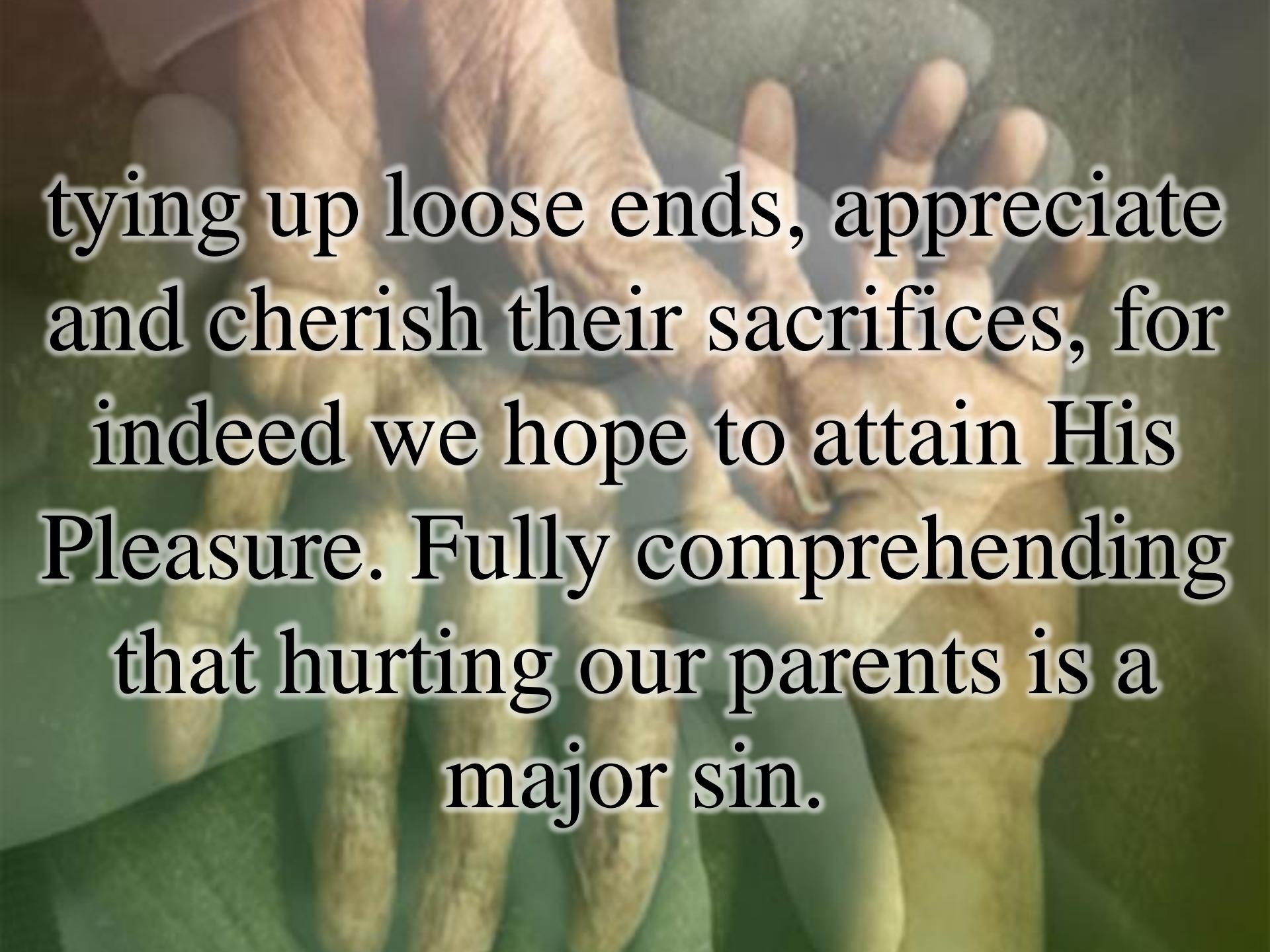


du‘aa beseeching Allah to forgive their sins. Visit their graves at appropriate times and pray for their forgiveness, and remain in contact with their friends and their close company when

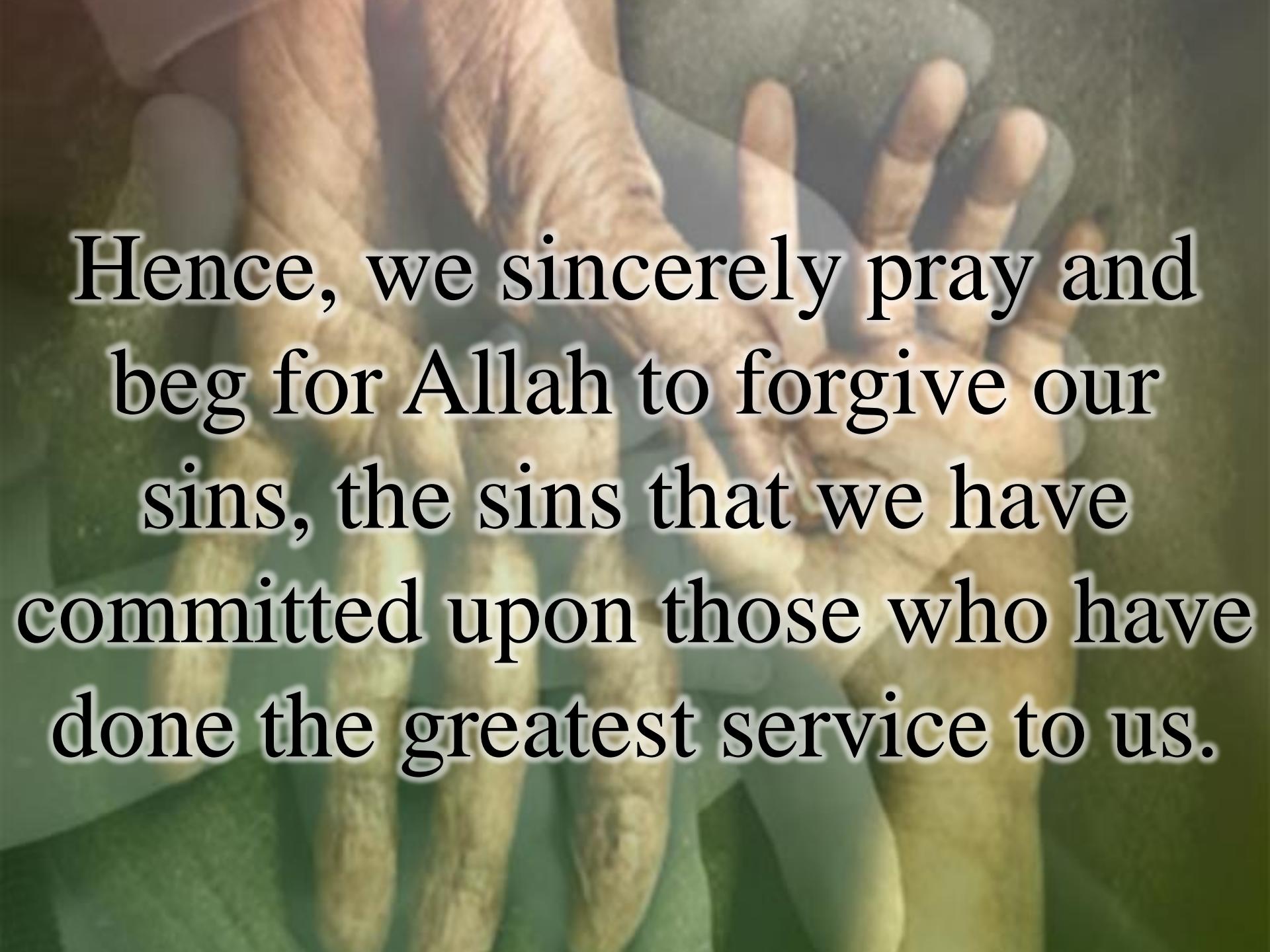


they were alive.

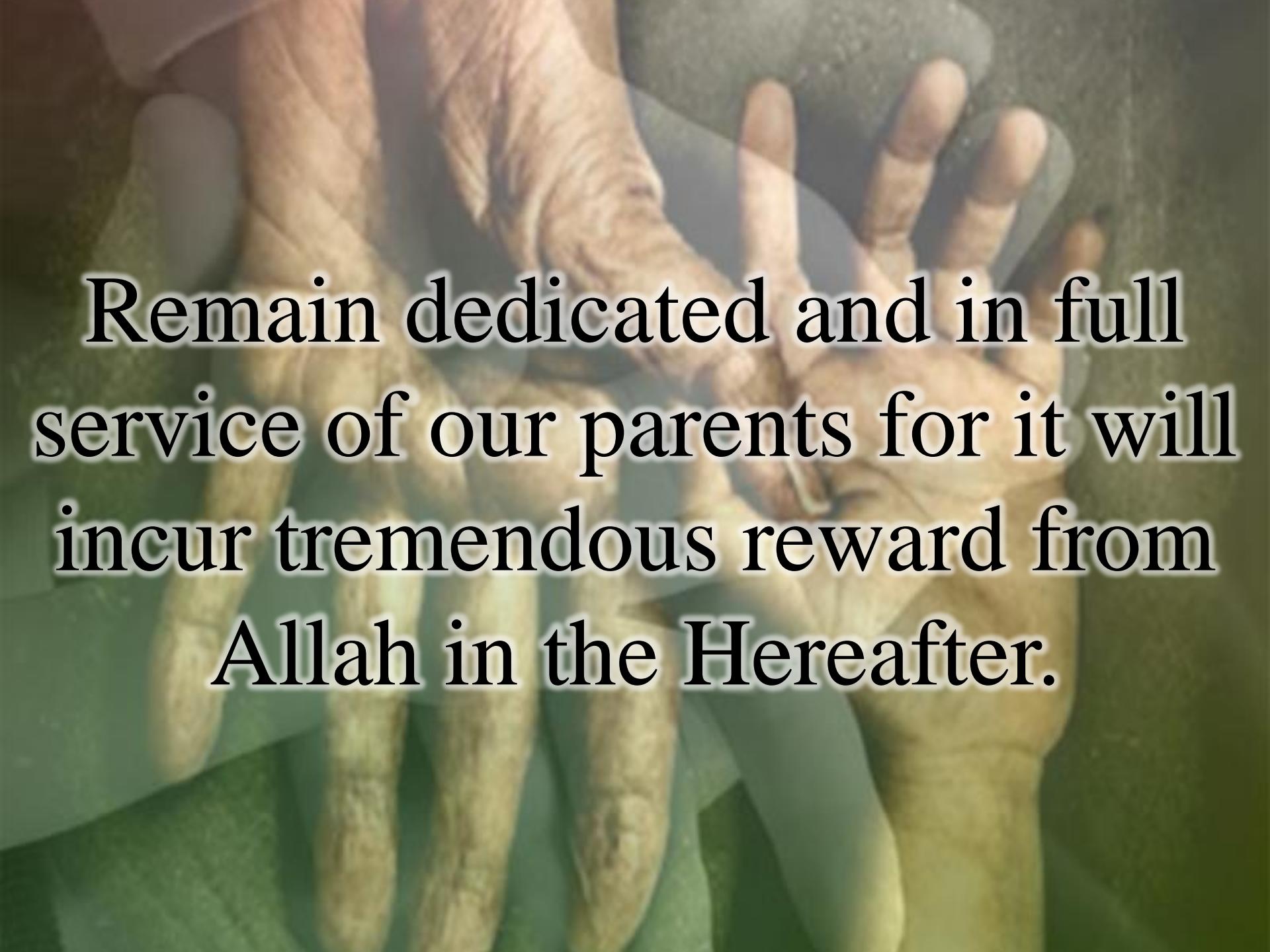
Let us perform *muhaasabah* in evaluating own selves by: Evaluating our relationship with our own parents. Let us correct and rectify our mistakes,



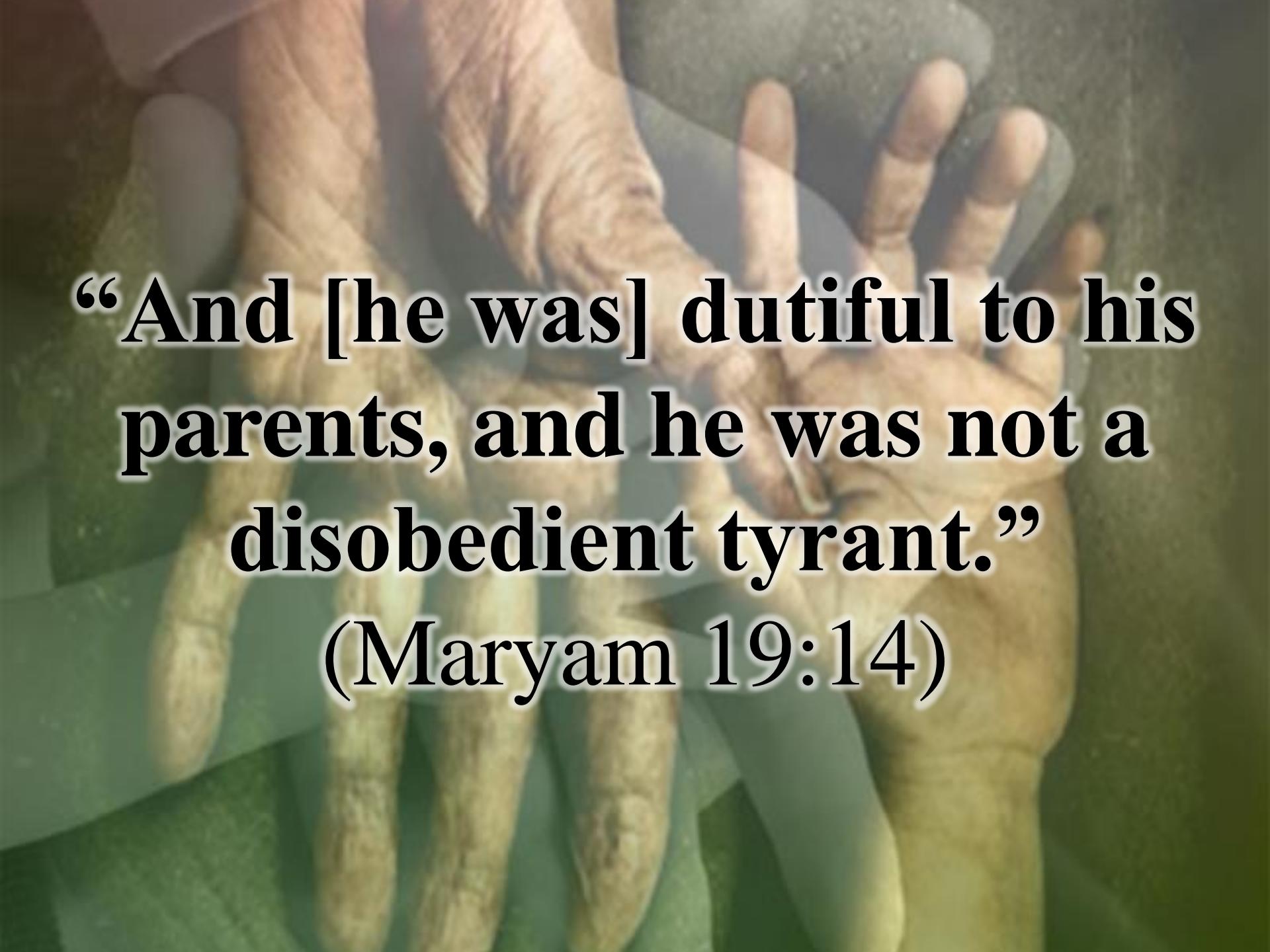
tying up loose ends, appreciate and cherish their sacrifices, for indeed we hope to attain His Pleasure. Fully comprehending that hurting our parents is a major sin.



Hence, we sincerely pray and
beg for Allah to forgive our
sins, the sins that we have
committed upon those who have
done the greatest service to us.



Remain dedicated and in full service of our parents for it will incur tremendous reward from Allah in the Hereafter.

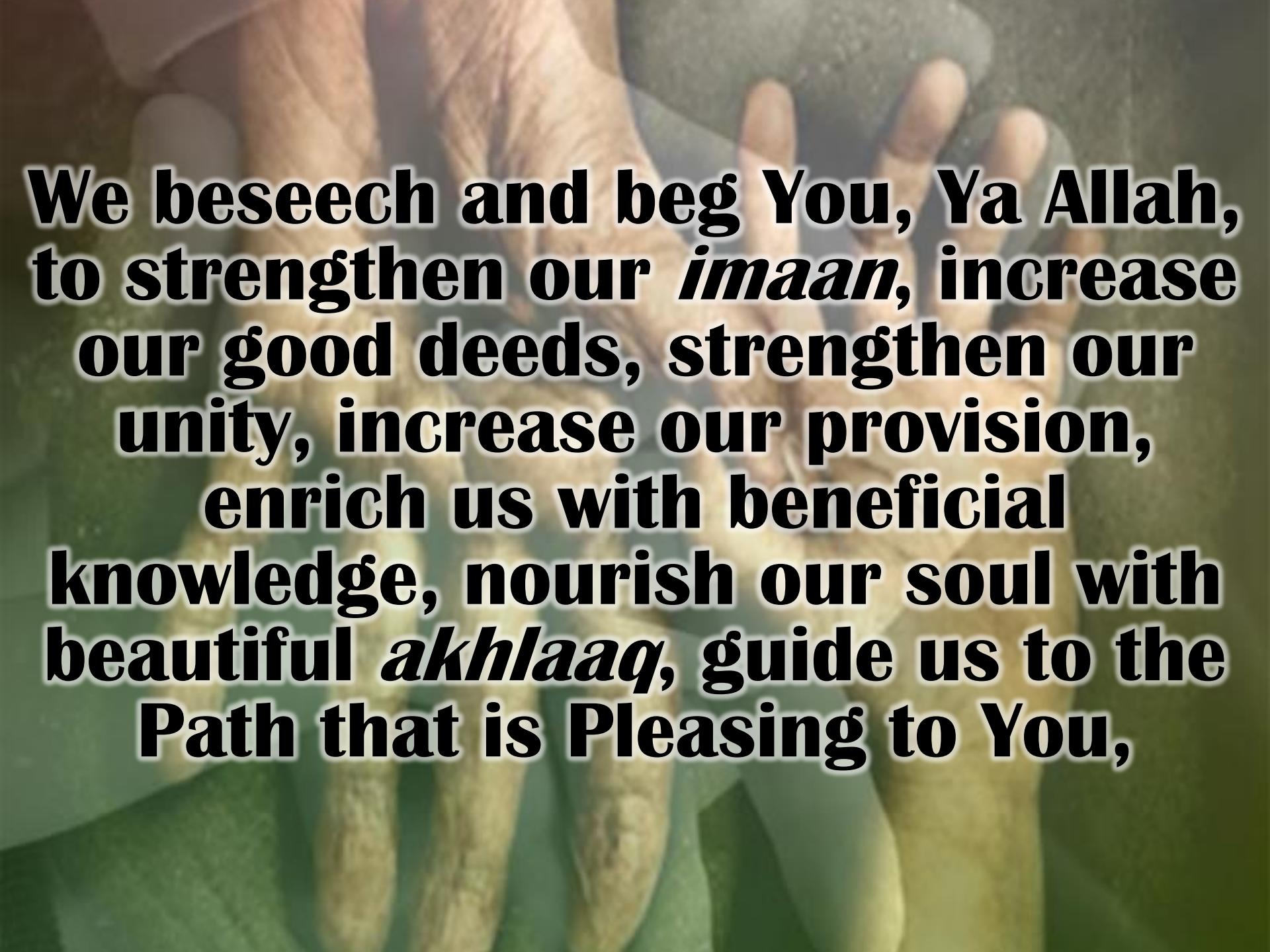


“And [he was] dutiful to his parents, and he was not a disobedient tyrant.”

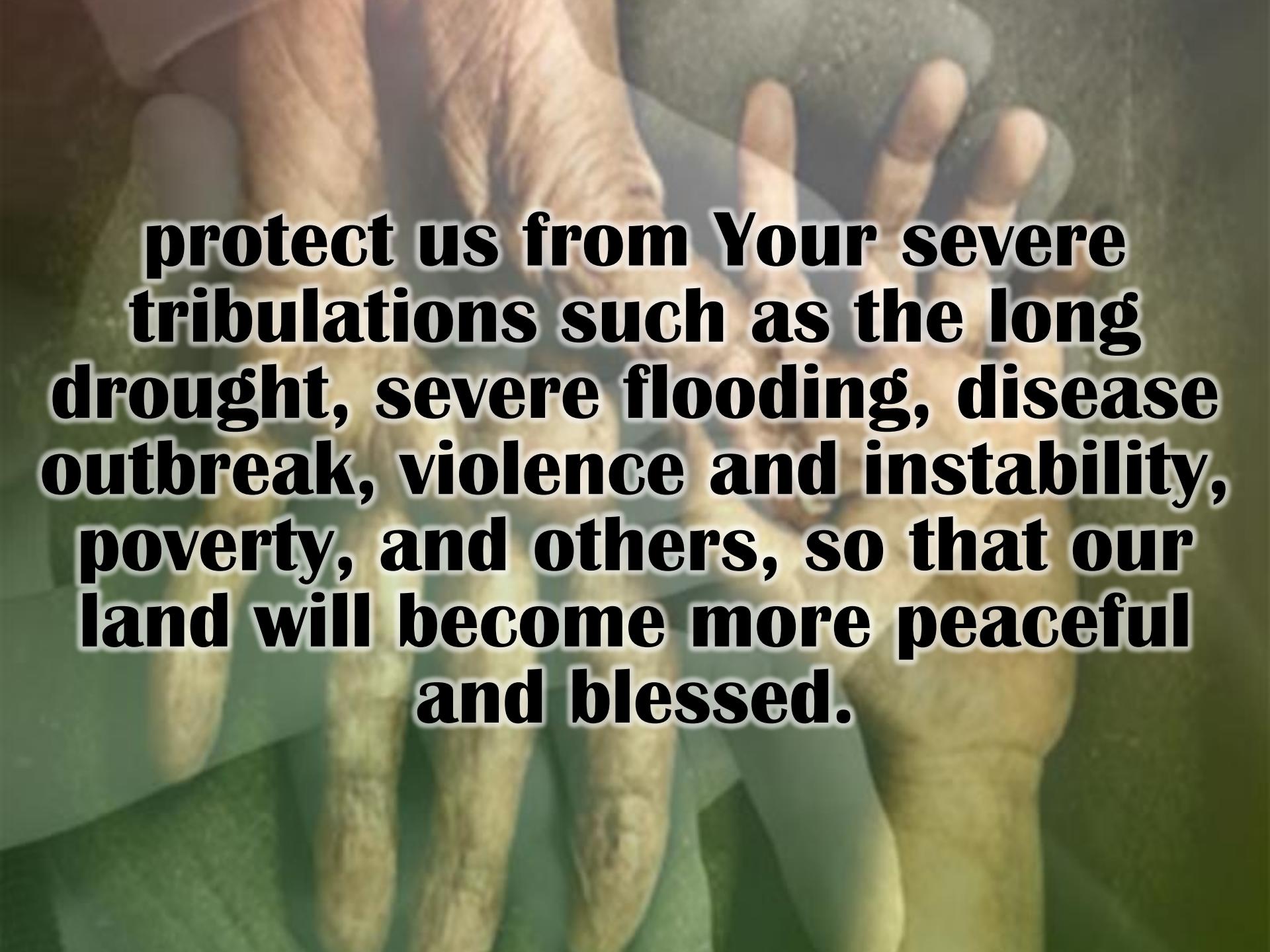
(Maryam 19:14)

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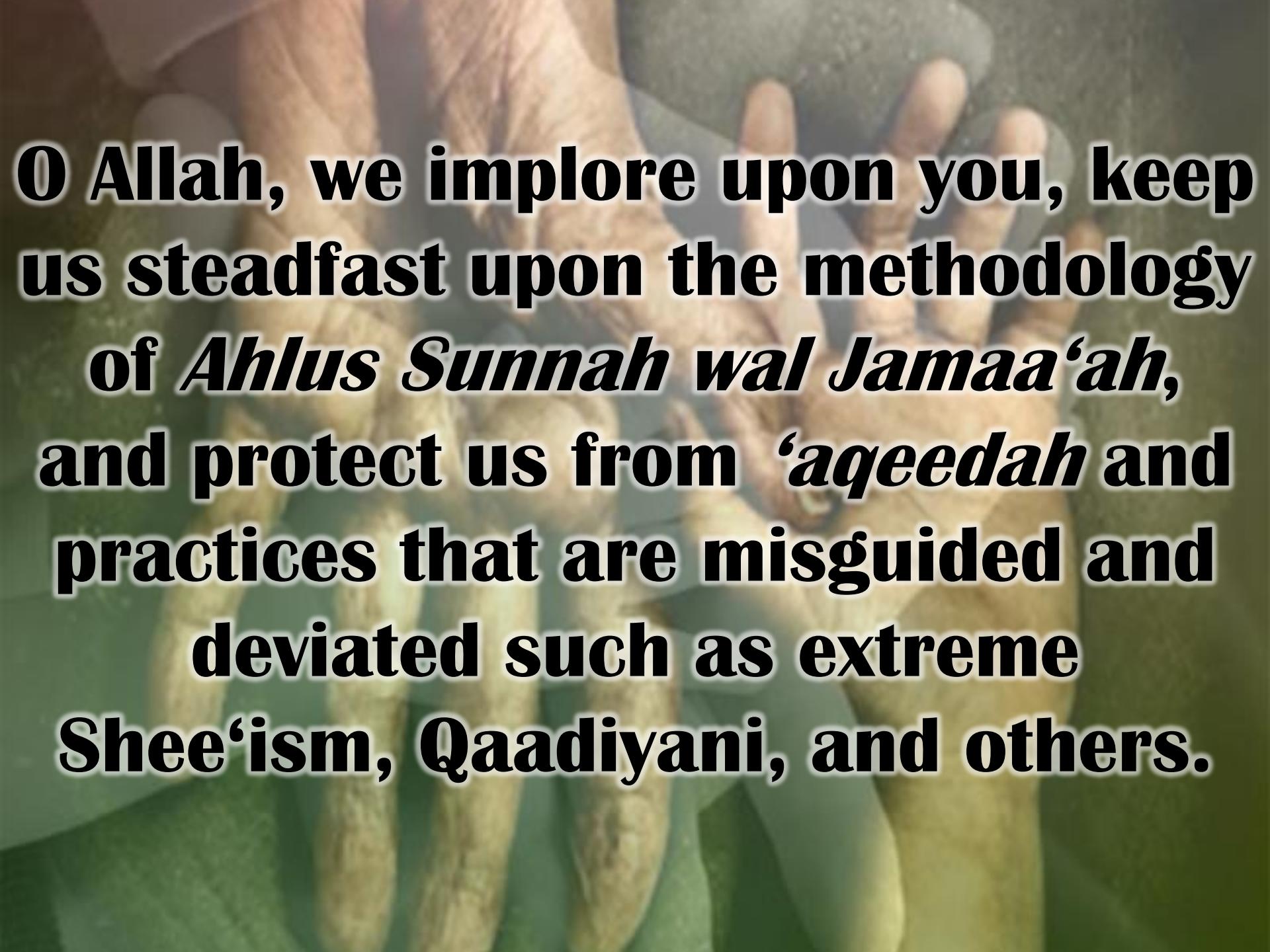
**O Allah, You are the Almighty Lord,
we are grateful unto You for
having bestowed upon us Mercy
and Blessings, nourishing us to
strive to continue in strengthening
the Muslim nation especially the
state of Selangor, as an advanced,
progressive, peaceful, and
benevolent state.**



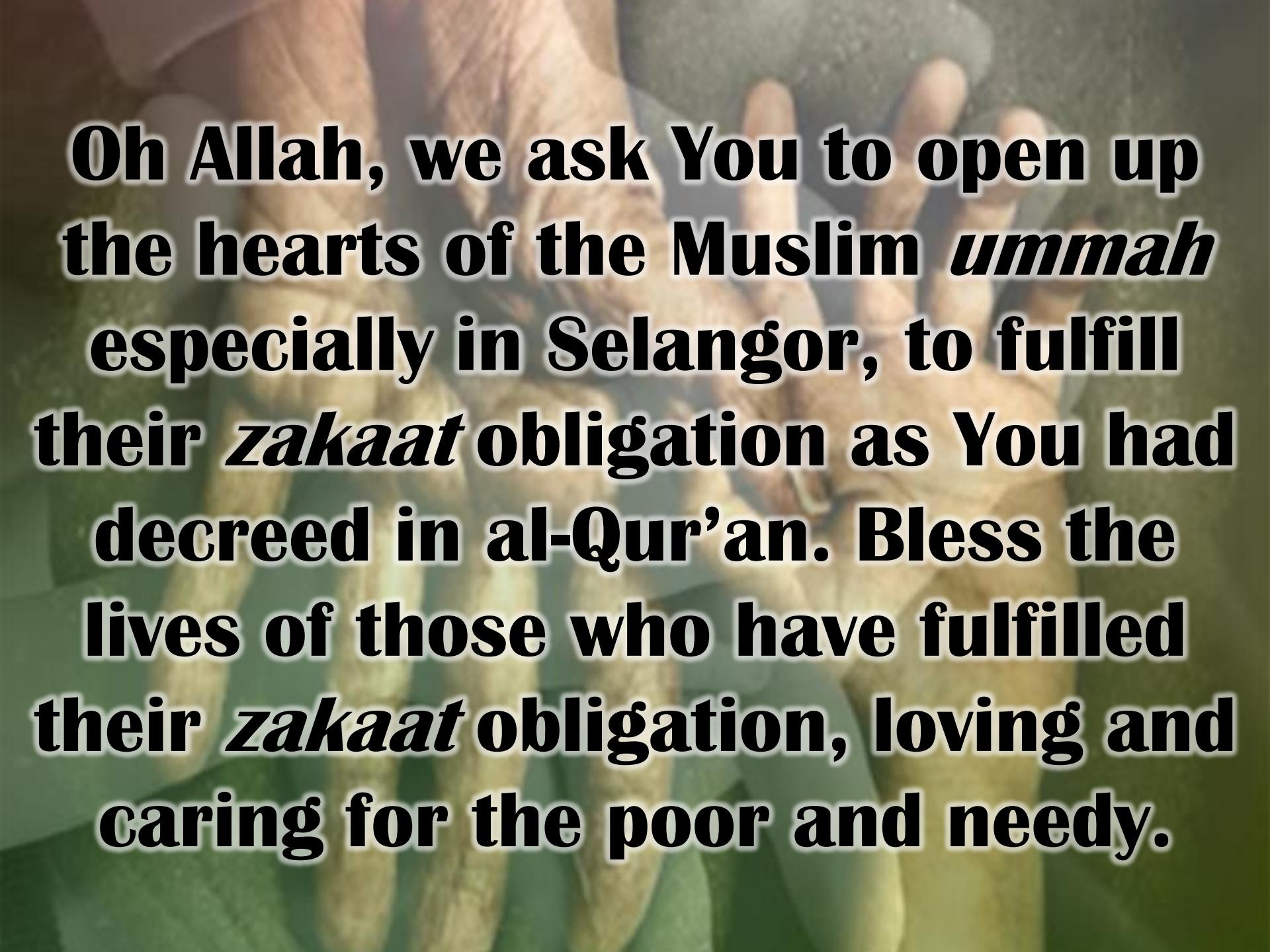
**We beseech and beg You, Ya Allah,
to strengthen our *imaan*, increase
our good deeds, strengthen our
unity, increase our provision,
enrich us with beneficial
knowledge, nourish our soul with
beautiful *akhlaaq*, guide us to the
Path that is Pleasing to You,**



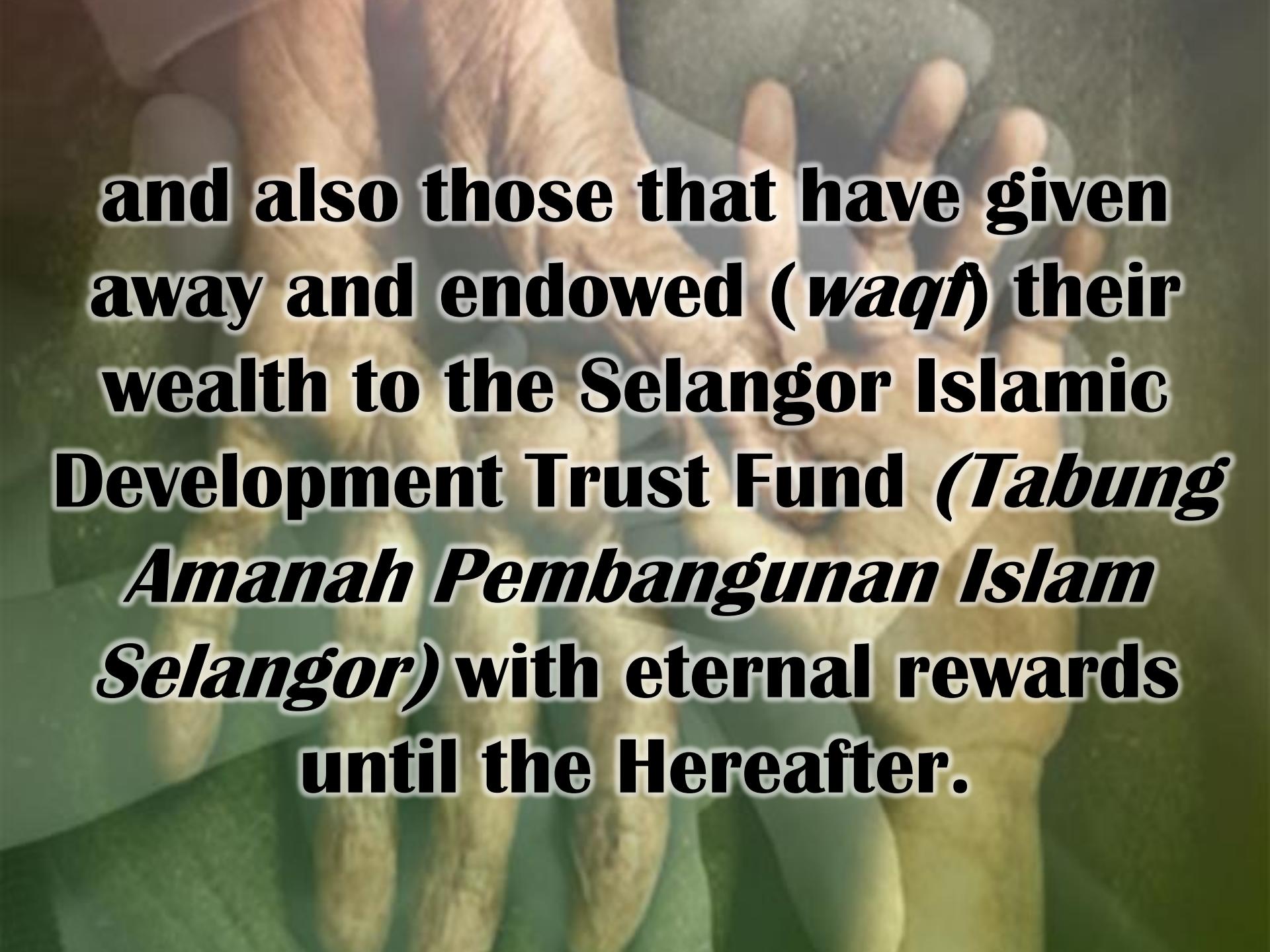
protect us from Your severe tribulations such as the long drought, severe flooding, disease outbreak, violence and instability, poverty, and others, so that our land will become more peaceful and blessed.



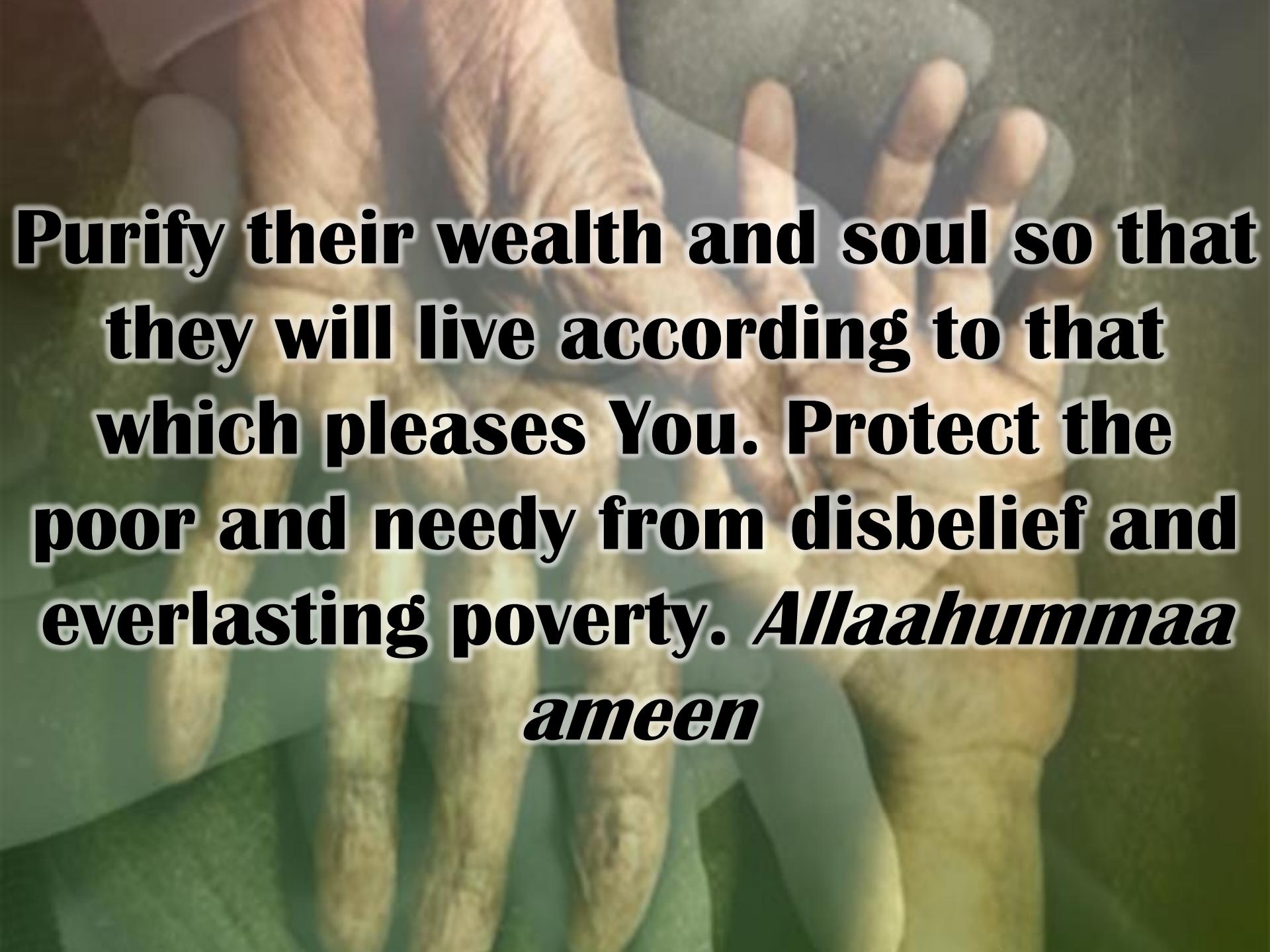
**O Allah, we implore upon you, keep
us steadfast upon the methodology
of *Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamaa'ah*,
and protect us from 'aqeedah and
practices that are misguided and
deviated such as extreme
Shee'ism, Qaadiyani, and others.**



**Oh Allah, we ask You to open up
the hearts of the Muslim *ummah*
especially in Selangor, to fulfill
their *zakaat* obligation as You had
decreed in al-Qur'an. Bless the
lives of those who have fulfilled
their *zakaat* obligation, loving and
caring for the poor and needy.**



and also those that have given away and endowed (*waqf*) their wealth to the Selangor Islamic Development Trust Fund (*Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor*) with eternal rewards until the Hereafter.



**Purify their wealth and soul so that
they will live according to that
which pleases You. Protect the
poor and needy from disbelief and
everlasting poverty. *Allaahummaa
ameen***



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