

Hadith 39: Leniency for the One who Errs, the One who Forgets, and the One who is Forced

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عَنِ ابْنِ عَبَّاسِ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ رَسُوْلَ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ رَسُوْلَ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: إِنَّ اللهَ تَجَاوَزَ لِيْ عَنْ أُمَّتِيْ الْخَطَأَ وَالنِّسْيَانَ وَمَااسْتُكْرِهُوْا عَلَيْهِ. حَدِيْتُ حَسَنُ. رَوَاهُ ابْنُ مَاجَهْ وَالْبَيْهَقِيُّ وَغَيْرُهُمَا.

On the authority of Ibn Abbas (ra), that the Messenger of Allah (saw) said:

Verily Allah has pardoned [or been lenient with] for me my ummah: their mistakes, their forgetfulness, and that which they have been forced to do under duress.

[hasan hadeeth related by Ibn Majah, and al-Bayhaqee and others]