

Hadith 40: Be in This World As a Traveler

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عَنِ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُما قَالَ: أَخَذَ رَسُوْلُ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ بِمَنْكِبِيْ. فَقَالَ: كُنْ فِيْ الدُّنْيَا كَأَنَّكَ عَرِيْبٌ أَوْ عَابِرُ سَبِيْلٍ. وَكَانَ ابْنُ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُما يَقُوْلُ: إِذَا أَمْسَيْتَ فَلَاتَنْتَظِرِ الصَّبَاحَ، وَإِذَا أَصْبَحْتَ فَلَاتَنْتَظِرِ السَّبَاحَ، وَإِذَا أَصْبَحْتَ فَلَاتَنْتَظِرِ الْمَسَاءَ، وَخُذْ مِنْ صِحَتِكَ لِلرَضِكَ وَمِنْ حَيَاتِكَ لِلْمَ اللهَ وَمِنْ حَيَاتِكَ لِلْمَاتَ وَمِنْ حَيَاتِكَ لِلْمَ اللهَ اللهُ عَارِيُّ .

On the authority of Abdullah ibn Umar (ra), who said:

The Messenger of Allah (saw) took me by the shoulder and said, "Be in this world as though you were a stranger or a wayfarer."

And Ibn Umar (ra) used to say, "In the evening do not expect [to live until] the morning, and in the morning do not expect [to live until] the evening. Take [advantage of] your health before times of sickness, and [take advantage of] your life before your death."

[Bukhari]