

Ān abī sa-ū-dil khu-da-riyy ﷺ, qā-la: Sa-miq-tu ra-sū-lulla-hi ﷺ: ya-qul: Man ra-a miñ-kum muñ-ka-rañ fal yu-ghayyi-ru-hu bi ya-dih, fa illam yas-ta-tiq fa billi-sā-nih, fa illam yas-ta-tiq fa bi qal-bih, wa dha-li-ka ad-ă-ful ī-mān.

Ra-wā-hu mus-lim

Narrated Abu Sa‘id Al-Khudrī (may Allāh be pleased with him) that:

He heard the Prophet (peace be upon him) saying: “Whoever amongst you notices something evil, should correct it with his own hands, and if he is unable to do so, he should prohibit the same with his tongue, if he is unable even to do this, he should at least consider it as bad in his heart. This is the lowest degree of faith.”

Muslim

Lessons to be learned from the ḥadīth:

1. One of the main responsibilities of the individual Muslim is to change the evil.
2. A Muslim is not supposed to participate in an evil deed.
3. Muslims are different in their abilities concerning changing the evil deed.
4. Faith is in ranks. It increases through obedience to Allāh, and decreases through disobedience to Allāh.
5. The true believer will object to the evil, at least with his heart so he will stay away from the evil deed as well as the doors leading to the evil deeds, otherwise he will expose his faith to the possibility of being lost.