



## Standing Firm by Sitting Still!

### Description

Imaam **ÊġAlĤġ ibn al-JaĤġd ibn ÊġUbayd**, the **Imam, Hadith Master, Authority in Transmission**, and the **Musnid of Baghdad**, AbĤġ al-ġġasan al-BaghdĤġ dĤġ.

### His Encounter with al-MaĤġġmĤġġn

ÊġAbd al-RazzĤġ q ibn SulaymĤġ n ibn ÊġAlĤġ ibn al-JaĤġd narrated:

Ĥġ I heard my father say: Al-MaĤġġmĤġġn once summoned jewel merchants and engaged them in a discussion about their goods. After a while, he left to attend to some business and then returned. When he entered, everyone in the gathering stood up for himĤġ except for ÊġAlĤġ ibn al-JaĤġd.Ĥġ

Al-MaĤġġmĤġġn **looked at him with displeasure**, then signalled for him to meet him in private.

He asked: Ĥġ O Shaykh, what prevented you from standing?Ĥġ

ÊġAlĤġ ibn al-JaĤġd replied:

Ĥġ O Commander of the believers, I refrained from standing **out of reverence for a hadith** that we narrate from the Prophet ġġ.Ĥġ

Al-MaĤġġmĤġġn asked: Ĥġ And what is that hadith?Ĥġ

He responded:

\*â€‹ I heard **Mubâ€‹ rak ibn Faâ€‹, â€‹ lah** say, that he heard **al-â€‹asan** say:

The Messenger of Allah ã€‹ said:

â€‹ **Whoever loves that men should stand for him out of honour, let him take his seat in the Fire.**â€‹ â€‹ [1](#)

Hearing this, **al-Maâ€‹n fell silent in contemplation.** Then he raised his head and declared:

â€‹ *No purchases should be made except from this man!*â€‹

That day, they bought from him thirty thousand dinarsâ€‹ worth of goods!.

(Siyar Aâ€‹ laamin Nubalaa: 10/459)

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