

## Haste in Burial

Imaam Al-Nawawee's Riyad-us-Saliheen Chapter 158 - 159

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

**941.** Aboo Hurairah (May Allaah be pleased with him) reported: I heard the Prophet (sallallaahu alayhi wa sallam) saying, *“Hurry up with the dead body (for its burial), for if it is pious, you are speeding it to goodness and if it is otherwise, you are laying an evil off your necks.”*<sup>1</sup>

**933.** Aboo Sa'eed Al-Khudree (May Allaah be pleased with him) reported: The Prophet (sallallaahu alayhi wa sallam) said, *“When a dead body is placed on a bier and men carry it on their shoulders, if he was a pious man, it (corpse) says: ‘Take me in haste.’ But if he was not righteous, it says to its bearers: ‘Woe to it. Where are you taking it?’ Everything except man hears its voice. Had a human being heard its voice, he would have surely fallen into swoon.”*<sup>2</sup>

**944.** Hussain bin Wahwah (May Allaah be pleased with him) reported: When Talhah bin Al-Bara' (May Allaah be pleased with him) fell ill, the Prophet (sallallaahu alayhi wa sallam) came to visit him and said, *“Verily, I think that Talhah is about to die. So inform me when he is dead and make haste (in burying him). Indeed, it is improper for the corpse of a Muslim to be kept lying unburied among his family members.”*<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Al-Bukhaaree and Muslim

<sup>2</sup> Al-Bukhaaree

<sup>3</sup> Aboo Dawood