Calls Fellow Muslim Abdullah Ibn Rabbat a Donkey

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يَٰٓأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ لَا يَسۡخَرۡ قَوۡمٞ مِّن قَوۡمٍ عَسَىٰٓ أَن يَكُونُواْ خَيۡرٗا مِّنۡهُمۡ وَلَا نِسَآءٞ مِّن نِّسَآءٍ عَسَىٰٓ أَن يَكُنَّ خَيۡرٗا مِّنۡهُنَّۖ وَلَا تَلۡمِزُوٓاْ أَنفُسَكُمۡ وَلَا تَنَابَزُواْ بِٱلۡأَلۡقَٰبِۖ بِئۡسَ ٱلِٱسۡمُ ٱلۡفُسُوقُ بَعۡدَ ٱلۡإِيمَٰنِۚ وَمَن لَّمۡ يَتُبۡ فَأُوْلَٰٓئِكَ هُمُ ٱلظَّٰلِمُونَ ﴿١١﴾

O you who have believed, let not a people ridicule [another] people; perhaps they may be better than them; nor let women ridicule [other] women; perhaps they may be better than them. And do not insult one another and do not call each other by [offensive] nicknames. Wretched is the name of disobedience after [one's] faith. And whoever does not repent - then it is those who are the wrongdoers.

Al-Hujuraat · 49:11 · Translation: Saheeh International

Summary

Accusation. Daniel Haqiqatjou refers to Abdullah Ibn Rabbat as a "donkey" and accuses him of gaslighting during a discussion about Sayyidna Ali (may Allah be pleased with him). Haqiqatjou criticizes Rabbat for saying Ali "lacked political prowess" and uses unacceptable language to express his frustration: "Rather than put this donkey in his place, you are trying to gaslight us. Disappointing."

Haram Action. Daniel Haqiqatjou's tweet is haram, plain and simple. He insults and demeans another Muslim by calling him a "donkey", a clear violation of Islamic etiquette. The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said: "The believer is not a slanderer, nor does he curse others, and he is not vulgar or obscene in speech" (Tirmidhi). Insulting others, especially in the context of religious debate, is not only harmful but also creates unnecessary hostility.

Evidence of Haram. The Quran explicitly forbids name-calling and insults among Muslims. Allah says: "And do not insult one another and do not call each other by [offensive] nicknames." (Quran 49:11).