

From the Signs our Deeds have been accepted

Ibn Al Qayyim رحمه الله said:

From the signs that your deeds have been accepted is that you have contempt, disdain, and belittlement for your actions in your heart; such that those who have knowledge seek Allah's forgiveness at the conclusion of their worship. The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم would seek Allah's forgiveness three times when he exited the prayer. And Allah commanded His slaves to seek His forgiveness at the conclusion of Hajj and He commended those who seek His forgiveness at the conclusion of standing the night in prayer. The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم prescribed seeking forgiveness and repentance at the conclusion of performing purification. Consequently whoever is cognizant of his obligations towards His Lord, proportionate to his actions and his shortcomings; will find no recourse except to seek forgiveness from His Lord, while belittling and denigrating himself.

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