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Jundub ibn 'Abdullāh (may Allah be pleased with him) reported that the Messenger of Allah (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) said: "A man said: 'By Allah, Allah will not forgive so-and-so.' Thereupon, Allah said: 'Who is that who swears that I will not forgive so-and-so? Indeed, I have forgiven him and rendered worthless your deeds.'" In a similar Hadīth reported by Abu Hurayrah: "The sayer was a worshiper." Abu Hurayrah said: "He said a word that ruined his life and Hereafter."

[Authentic hadith] [Narrated by Muslim]

Warning against the dangers of the tongue, the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) says that a man once swore that Allah would not forgive a sinner. It was as if he was passing a judgment that limits Allah's authority, believing in his credit and the sinner's disgrace. His conceit implies his rudeness toward Allah, a practice that subjected him to a miserable fate in life and the Hereafter.

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