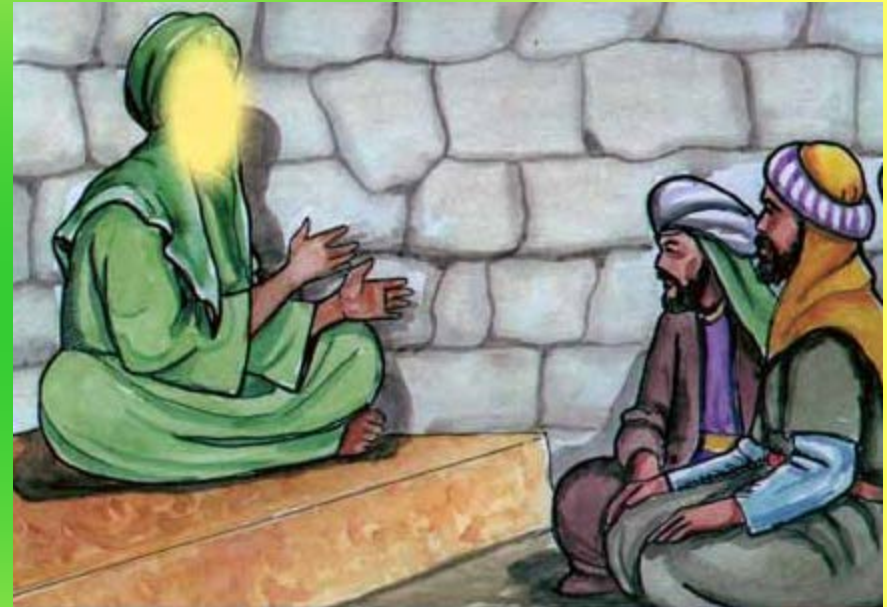




TYPES OF SIN
and
ASKING FOR
FORGIVENESS

Once In the time of our 6th Imam, Imam Ja'far as-Sadiq (a.s.), two men came and said that they wanted to ask Allah for forgiveness for their sins. The first man said that he had done 2 very big sins, while the second man said that he had only done lots of small sins.





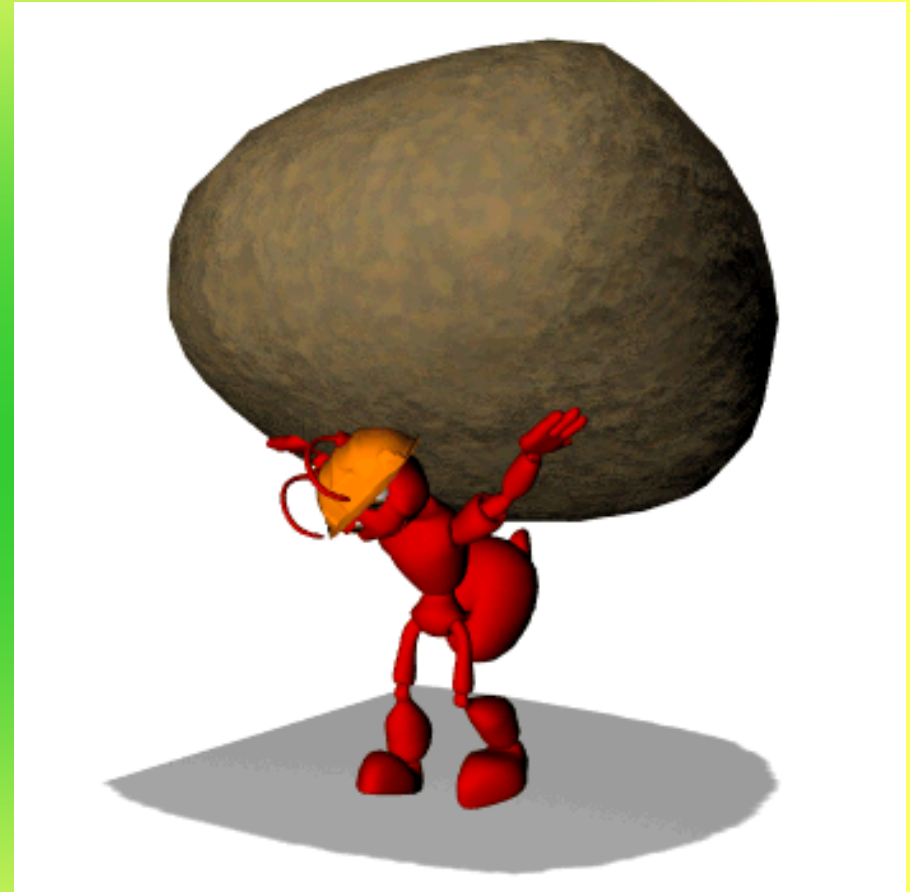
Imam Ja'far As-Sadiq (a.s.) told the men that they should bring to him stones, one for each sin they had committed.





After a while the two men returned to Imam (a.s.). The man who had done the big sins was very tired from carrying the large rocks whereas the other one was fine. Imam (a.s.) then told them both to put the stones back in the exact place they had found them.

The man who had done the big sins found it very tiring and difficult, but finally managed to put the two rocks in their place.





The man who had done the small sins had picked up so many pebbles from everywhere that he had no idea where the exact place of each one was and so could not put them back.

Moral:

It is very difficult to ask Allah for forgiveness for the sins that we think are small because we forget about them.

It is important that we keep doing Taubah and praying that Allah forgives us for our sins.

He is the Most Forgiving and the Most Merciful.

