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[Good hadith] [Narrated by Abu Daoud - Narrated by Ahmad]

Meaning of this Hadīth: When the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) was taken up to heaven on the Night of Ascension, he came across a group of people who were scratching their bodies with their copper nails. He wondered at their state and asked Jibrīl: "Who are these people, and why are they doing this to themselves?" Jibrīl replied that those were the ones who used to backbite people and slander them.

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