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Jābir ibn ‘Abdullāh (may Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) used to stand by the trunk of a date-palm tree while delivering the sermon. When a pulpit was placed in the mosque, we heard the trunk crying out like a pregnant she-camel until the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) came down from the pulpit and placed his hand over it and it became quiet. In another narration: "On Friday, the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) sat on the pulpit, so the date palm tree that he used to stand by while delivering the sermon cried out until it almost split asunder." In a third narration: "... so it cried like a child, and the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) descended (from the pulpit) and embraced it while it continued moaning like a child being quietened until it calmed down. He said: 'It was crying for (missing) what it used to hear of Dhikr near it.’"

[Authentic hadith] [Narrated by Bukhari]

The Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) took a trunk as a pulpit, and when he replaced it, he heard the sound and crying of that trunk over the Dhikr it used to hear. So, the Prophet descended and put his hand over it, and it calmed as a result. In another narration: "He descended and took it in his arms, and this took place during the Friday sermon."


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