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Abu Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him) reported that the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) said: "If Allah, the Almighty, loves a slave, He calls out to Jibrīl and says: 'Verily, Allah, the Almighty, loves so-and-so; so love him.' So, Jibrīl loves him and announces to the inhabitants of the heavens: 'Verily, Allah loves so- and-so; so love him;' and the inhabitants of the heavens (the angels), thus, love him, and then he is granted acceptance on earth." A narration of Muslim reads: The Messenger of Allah (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) said: "Verily, if Allah, the Almighty, loves a slave, He calls Jibrīl and says: 'I love so-and-so; so love him.' Jibrīl, thus, loves him. Then Jibrīl announces in the heavens saying: 'Allah loves so-and-so; so love him;' then the inhabitants of the heavens (the angels) also love him; and then he is granted acceptance on earth. And if Allah hates a slave, He calls Jibrīl and says: 'I hate so- and-so, so hate him.' Jibrīl, thus, hates him. Then Jibrīl announces among the inhabitants of the heavens: 'Allah hates so- and-so, so hate him.' Jibrīl, thus, hates him. Then Jibrīl announces the object of hatred on earth."

[Authentic hadith] [Narrated by Bukhari & Muslim]

When Allah, the Almighty, loves someone, He calls out to Jibrīl – and this is a preference for him over the other angels – and says: "I love so-and-so, so love him." So Jibrīl loves him and calls out to the inhabitants of the heavens that Allah loves so-and-so, so they too must love him. Then all the inhabitants of the heavens (the angels) love him. Then he is granted acceptance on earth, so he becomes loved by the people on earth from among the believers and religious ones. When Allah hates someone, He calls out to Jibrīl and says: "I hates so-andso, so hate him." So Jibrīl hates him, in accordance with the hatred of Allah for that person. Then Jibrīl calls out to the inhabitants of the heavens and tells them that Allah hates so-andso, so they too must hate him, and they, thus, hate him. Then hatred for him is placed on the earth and he becomes hated and loathed by the people on earth.

