



NAMES OF ALLAH

ALLAH AS SALAM THE PEACE

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Allah As Salam (السلام) – All Classes

Introduction

- To love Allah is a pleasure and it's a cure from all sicknesses of the heart. You will know yourself and understand this life when you know Who is Allah. Knowledge about Allah is obligatory and He linked knowing His names to paradise. When you know the names of Allah then you enter paradise, and you will also have that paradise in your heart in this duniya when you know Allah, subhan Allah.

As Salam (السلام)

- The name As Salam is mentioned only once in the Qur'an in Surah Al Hashr. And when a name is mentioned only once then it has a heavy meaning. Allah called His deen Islam, He called its followers Muslimeen, and our greeting is 'salam'.
- The scholars said this name is called (أسماء الجامعة) – meaning all of the names and attributes of Allah have 'Salam' before it. There is salam in His mercy, salam in His love, salam in His pleasure, salam in His wrath, salam in His honor, salam in His humiliation.
- The desire of everyone is 'peace' – salam. Everyone wants peace in his house, peace of mind, peace in his country, peace on the Day of Judgement, peace on the Sirat. Everyone wants safety and security, and we need to thank Allah for the salam we have. Alhamdulliah, fadhli min Allah, may Allah keep this great blessing. Ameen. And when you are thankful then Allah will increase you (و لئن شكرتم لأزيدنكم).
- If you have food for one day and are safe in your house then you're living as a king. We need to remember this blessing upon us and thank Allah, alhamdulliah.

Meaning in the language (المعنى اللغوي)

- Peace/salam is freedom, well-being, and to be from all faults, evil and anything disliked (السلام البراءة و العافية و الخلاص من كل عيب و مكروه و شر).
- When you are in peace then you're a free person, when you are a Muslim then you're free, subhan Allah.
- As Salama is security, safety, to be at rest, and protected (السلامة هي). Sometimes you might have everything nice around but you have the feeling of fear inside you – you cannot enjoy when you're in this kind of state; you're not in peace. But when you believe that Allah is As Salam then you will ask for 'salam' from Him and He will give you. Recall in Surah Maryam 15, (وَسَلِّمْ عَلَيْهِ يَوْمَ وُلِدَ وَيَوْمَ يَمُوتُ وَيَوْمَ يُبْعَثُ حَيًّا) (And Salâm (peace) be on him the day he was born, the day he dies, and the day he will be raised up to life (again)!) – salam is mentioned in the moments of transit. You need peace/protection at the time of birth, at the time of death, and at the time of resurrection. We need salam in every moment in our lives because we're going from one decree to another until we meet Allah.
- Allah named Himself 'As Salam' and He called paradise – 'Dar As Salam'. Surah Yunus 25: (وَاللَّهُ يَدْعُوا إِلَىٰ دَارِ السَّلَامِ وَيَهْدِي مَنْ يَشَاءُ إِلَىٰ صِرَاطٍ مُسْتَقِيمٍ) (Allâh calls to the Home of peace (i.e. Paradise, by accepting Allâh's religion of Islâmic Monotheism and by doing righteous good deeds and abstaining from polytheism and evil deeds) and guides whom He wills to a Straight Path)
- What is 'Dar As Salam'? – Paradise is a place free from all disturbances, grief, and sadnesses. You have reached a place where you are safe – there is no hellfire, there is no fitna, there is no evil, there are no bad words, there are no bad people, there are no tears, there are no regrets – you are safe. May Allah make us enter Dar As Salam. Ameen. But in this life, wherever you may be you can't truly enjoy, you're bound to worry, feel fear, fall sick, etc.

- Ahmed ibn Hanbal (may Allah have mercy on him) was asked, 'when will be a person be at rest?' He said, 'when you first set foot in paradise'.
- Sometimes you might find children who are innocent, newborns with no sin though they struggle and can be sick and go through pain, and this shows Surah Al Inshiqaq 6 (يَا أَيُّهَا الْإِنْسَانُ إِنَّكَ كَادِحٌ إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ كَدْحًا) (فَمُلَاقِيهِ) (O man! Verily, you are returning towards your Lord with your deeds and actions (good or bad), a sure returning, and you will meet). In this life you're not in Dar As Salam. But if you are a Muslim, you are in peace, even if your outer is not peace, but the only think that can give you peace is Islam. If you are saved, then you'll be happy. So Allah called Himself As Salam, His deen is Islam, and paradise is Dar As Salam. And the only way you can have peace is (أَسْلَمْتُ وَجْهِيَ لِلَّهِ) – (I submitted my face to Allah). Surah Al Maeda 6: (إِنَّ الدِّينَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ الْإِسْلَامُ) (Truly, the religion with Allâh is Islâm)
- Islam is the only religion calling for all types of peace – financial peace, marriage peace, social peace. When you are submitting to the rulings of Islam then you will be in peace.
- Allah created us and wants the best for us – He wants the best religion for you. If there is no peace in the house, then ask yourself, 'where is the Islam?', subhan Allah.
- Allah calls the people who accept Islam – Muslimeen. Who is the Muslim? Hadith: (عَنْ عَامِرٍ، قَالَ سَمِعْتُ عَبْدَ اللَّهِ بْنَ عَمْرٍو، يَقُولُ قَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ) (وسلم " الْمُسْلِمُ مَنْ سَلِمَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ مِنْ لِسَانِهِ وَيَدَيْهِ، (Narrated `Abdullah bin `Amr: The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "A Muslim is the one who avoids harming Muslims with his tongue or his hands.) - Sahih al-Bukhari 6484 If you are a true Muslim then you will be in peace and this is a basic and essential definition of a Muslim. What's the cause of disturbance and insecurity? The tongue and hands. Someone can tell you something that makes you afraid and worry and hands can harm you. We want to follow this hadith and be a true Muslim, how? You begin with yourself,

way, each goes on the side of the tree, and when they come together they say 'as salam alaykum', subhan Allah.

- When you submit to Allah then you're living in peace. And when you enter paradise it will be said: Surah Az Zumar 73: (وَسَيَقَ الَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا رَبَّهُمْ إِلَى الْجَنَّةِ زُمَرًا حَتَّىٰ إِذَا جَاءُوهَا وَفُتِحَتْ أَبْوَابُهَا وَقَالَ لَهُمْ خَزَنَتُهَا سَلَامٌ عَلَيْكُمْ طِبْتُمْ فَادْخُلُوهَا خَالِدِينَ) (And those who kept their duty to their Lord will be led to Paradise in groups, till, when they reach it, and its gates will be opened (before their arrival for their reception) and its keepers will say: Salâmun 'Alaikum (peace be upon you)! You have done well, so enter here to abide therein.)"

Introduction

- Knowing Allah As Salam is a solution for all of the miseries, sickness and grief we go through in life. Allah can make the fitna you're facing to be 'salam' because He is As Salam. Just as Allah made the fire of Ibrahim (عليه السلام) cool and salam.
- When you know Allah then you will understand this life and you will live in peace and tranquility.

Meaning in the language (المعنى اللغوي)

1. Allah named His deen Islam.
2. It's followers are called Muslimeen
3. The greeting is 'salam'
4. The name of paradise is Dar As Salam
5. Night of Decree is salam: Surah Al Qadr 5: (سَلَامٌ هِيَ حَتَّىٰ مَطَلَعِ الْفَجْرِ) ((All that night), there is Peace (and Goodness from Allâh to His believing slaves) until the appearance of dawn) the earth will be filled with angels and with the presence of angels there will be peace. Unlike a place filled with shayteen, it will be corruption and mischief. May Allah prolong our lives to witness Laylut al Qadr. Ameen.
6. In the hereafter there is salam:

- At the crossing of the Sirat: the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) will say (اللهم سلّم اللهم سلّم) (O Allah make them have peace, O Allah make them have peace)
- Entering paradise: the angels will greet the dwellers of paradise with 'salam' – they will live in peace, there will be no misery or sadness.
- Among the people of paradise is salam: Surah Al Waqiah 25-26: ((إِلَّا قِيلًا سَلَمًا سَلَمًا (٢٦) (No Laghw (dirty, false, evil vain talk) will they hear therein, nor any sinful speech (like backbiting). (25) But only the saying of: Salâm!, Salâm! (greetings with peace) ! (26))
- Allah will say salam to the people of paradise, subhan Allah. In general, when someone greets you then then you feel happy. But when someone with a high position says salam to you, then you'll be even happier. Imagine salam Allah to the believers. Surah Al Ahzab 44: (تَحِيَّتُهُمْ يَوْمَ) (يَلْقَوْنَهُ سَلَامًا) (Their greeting on the Day they shall meet Him will be "Salâm: Peace). Whenever Allah meets the people of paradise, His greeting is salam. And when you hear salam Allah, then it will be sufficient from any other 'salam'. It will make you amazed and is a delight in itself. May Allah make us hear it. Ameen.
- There are different salams from Allah to the people of paradise, according to their level, subhan Allah.
 - The least salam from Allah will make you forget everything. And nothing can harm you. Surah Ya Seen 58: ((سَلَامٌ قَوْلًا مِّن رَّبِّ رَحِيمٍ) ((It will be said to them): Salâm (peace be on you),— a Word from the Lord (Allâh), Most Merciful). On a side note, all of Allah's speech is salam – it is free from taking revenge. Even when He speaks to the dwellers of hellfire, it is 'salam'

– free from harshness. Unlike when we speak to others, there could be revenge and harshness. In Surah Maryam, Allah says salam to Yahya (عليه السلام). If in life Allah says ‘salam’ to you, though you can’t hear it, then you will live in peace. May Allah grant us this salam. Ameen.

- Allah gave salam Khadija (رضي الله عنه) in this life. Hadith: (عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، قَالَ " هَذِهِ خَدِيجَةُ أَتَتْكَ بِإِنَاءٍ فِيهِ طَعَامٌ أَوْ إِنَاءٍ فِيهِ) ("شَرَابٌ فَأَقْرَبُهَا مِنْ رَبِّهَا السَّلَامَ وَبَشَّرَهَا بِبَيْتٍ مِنْ قَصَبٍ لَا صَخَبَ فِيهِ وَلَا نَصَبَ (Narrated Abu Huraira: The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said that Gabriel said, "Here is Khadija coming to you with a dish of food or a tumbler containing something to drink. Convey to her a greeting from her Lord (Allah) and give her the glad tidings that she will have a palace in Paradise built of Qasab wherein there will be neither any noise nor any fatigue (trouble).") - Sahih al-Bukhari 7497

Allah As Salam (السلام)

- The name of Allah As Salam:
 - He is Salam Himself (صاحب السلام): anyone other than Allah can be influenced and not have peace. Some creations are pure evil like the shayateen.
 - He is the Giver of Salam/Peace (واهب السلام): Allah is the source of salam. That’s why Allah gave us Islam. When you follow it, then you will have salam. When you guard your tongue then you will have salam. Every sane human being wants peace, no one wants problems, but people mistake the way to get salam. If I want peace in my life, my house, anywhere – I need to ask Allah As Salam to

give me peace. The deen Allah wants us to be in is all peace, He wants the good and ease, not evil.

Allah As Salam (السلام) – He is Salam Himself (صاحب السلام)

- He is As Salam Himself (في ذاته): no one else is salam himself except Allah.
- He is As Salam in all of His names (في أسمائه): all of His names are peaceful, when you know Who He is then it gives you peace. Allah does not have 'unpeaceful' names like 'The Wrathful One'. When you talk about the names of Allah then it gives you peace. The more names you know, the more in peace you will live. That's why the one who knows 99 names of Allah enters paradise. You will taste this paradise in your heart in this this when you know Who is Allah. When you're worried about your provision, and you learn about the name of Ar Razaq, then you come out in peace. Or you go out and someone breaks your heart, you remember Allah Al Jabar and He gathers your heart and consoles you. When you are wronged, then you remember Allah An Nasir Who gives support and victory. Or you have so much to do in life and you're restless, then you remember Allah Al Wakil, He will take care of your affairs so why worry. Remember it's not you to change others, your duty is to change yourself. When you're facing any situation in life, you need to know which name of Allah to turn to and this is a treasure. The names of Allah are all solutions, they give you peace. People look for relief in shopping, food, spa, yoga, etc – but still it's only temporary and it costs money, though the solution is closer to you, subhan Allah. When you talk about anything other than Allah, then it makes the heart restless, but when you talk about Allah then it gives you peace. Surah Ar Ra'ad 28: (الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا) (وَتَطْمِئِنُّ قُلُوبُهُمْ بِذِكْرِ اللَّهِ أَلَا بِذِكْرِ اللَّهِ تَطْمِئِنُّ الْقُلُوبُ) (Those who believed (in the Oneness of Allâh - Islâmîc Monotheism), and whose hearts find rest

in the remembrance of Allâh, Verily, in the remembrance of Allâh do hearts find rest)

- He is As Salam in all of His attributes (في صفاته): when Allah ascends over The Throne, it's peace. When He descends to the lowest heaven, it's peace. The attributes of Allah from His Eyes, Hands, Shin, Pleasure, Laughing, Face – are all peace.
- He is As Salam in all of His actions (في أفعاله): all of His actions are peaceful. Even when a leaf falls it's all peace. We want peace because we need it, but Allah is peace Himself.
- Ibn Al Qayyim (may Allah have mercy on him) said all of the names and attributes of Allah are peace and this makes Him worthy of attachment.
 - His life is salam, there is no boundary to the life of Allah – you're not afraid that He'll leave, or nap, or sleep or die. And this gives you peace when you're worshipping someone who's alive, not someone who dies or sleeps.
 - His qayumiah (taking charge) is salam, Allah is taking charge all of your affairs and He will never get tired from it. You're not afraid that Allah will get tired, or retire, or get bored, or will change. Mothers can get tired from their children, they can't keep up all the time, but Allah will not get tired of us, He's taking care of us every single moment.
 - His knowledge is salam. No one needs to inform Allah or update Him or remind Him. He doesn't need any tools to preserve His knowledge. Our knowledge is not salam, we need to learn, we need books, we need paper/pen, calculator. You're not afraid that Allah will forget your deeds. Sometimes you do good to others and they forget what you've done. Or you give someone a gift and put your name on the card so they know it's you. But Allah knows what the creation is doing.

Introduction

- When you know Allah then you will believe in Him. What is the reason for people leaving the deen? Lack of faith and knowledge.
- When Allah puts you in a test it's different when you go to the test yourself. Allah knows you and He will give you a test suitable for your level, it will not break you. But imagine you're in grade 1 and you're choosing to go to the fitna, you're choosing to take a grade '12' test, for sure you'll fail, subhan Allah.
- Allah is unseen to us so it's important to believe in Him and not get deceived by the seen means. When you believe in Allah, then the means will look smaller in your eyes until you don't consider it. When you know about Allah then you can detect shirk. And shirk is not just about worshipping idols, but even seeing the means with power. Even foods are called 'super foods'; you believe that if you eat them then you'll have power, subhan Allah. But the one who knows Allah will even be able to pick up on these matters. May Allah protect us from shirk. Ameen.

What did Ibn Al Qayyim (may Allah have mercy on him) say about the name of Allah As Salam?

Allah's decrees are salam:

- Ibn Al Qayyim said all of Allah's decrees are salam from anything vain or jest. The creation of the heavens and the earth are not in vain, so what about us?
- When you know Allah As Salam, then you will see all of His actions as 'salam'. For example, you fall sick and are in the hospital, it doesn't look 'salam'. But it's salam because it's expiation of sins, people will visit the sick, your children will take care of you and that's being dutiful to parents, so there is salam. We have to look at the bigger picture.
- When Adam (عليه السلام) committed the sin by eating from the tree, it was salam because Allah inspired him with the dua'a for

repentance, and he repented and was elevated. So he became better than before, subhan Allah.

- Every name of Allah will bring you peace and Allah said I am to my slave as he thinks of Me. So if you think Allah is salam, then He will be salam to you. All of the actions of Allah are salam when you look at the bigger picture, even the creation of the Dajjal and Iblis because it shows the believer from the disbeliever.

Allah's will is salam (إرادته سلام):

- Is everything we want 'salam'? Sometimes we want something that will be a disaster for us.
- Allah wants the ease for us, not the hardship. Surah Al Baqarah 185: (يُرِيدُ اللَّهُ بِكُمْ الْيُسْرَ وَلَا يُرِيدُ بِكُمْ الْعُسْرَ) (Allâh intends for you ease, and He does not want to make things difficult for you). But we want to make things difficult for ourselves or on others, subhan Allah. Everything that Allah wants is salam because it's according to His wisdom so it's good for us. We want things just because it suits us. For example, you want your children to sleep at 7pm only because it suits you. But all that Allah wants is good and beneficial for you 100%.

Allah's speech is salam (كلماته سلام):

- Your kalam is salam when you are truly a Muslim, when you save the people from your tongue. When you greet people you say 'salam' and when you leave you say 'salam', so as if your words are between 'salam', subhan Allah. So what about kalam Allah? It is all salam and His speech will never finish.
- Sometimes we're waiting in line and we're talking to the person next to us for the sake of not having to feel the wait, so even our speech has some kind of benefit for us.

- Allah's speech is salam from lies or injustice. Sometimes we lie, or we are unjust to someone by accusing them or even over-praising him.

Allah's richness is salam (غناه سلام):

- Imagine when we spend, we need a wallet, if we run out we need to withdraw, or we need credit cards, and an account, and the more we have, then we want to invest. And then we want to buy a house, and then we need more people to maintain it. And this shows you the more you have the more you're in need.
- Allah's richness is salam from needing anything and nothing can deduct Allah's richness. No matter how much Allah gives us and all of the creation, it decreases nothing from His treasures. Allah doesn't need anything to guard His treasures or account it for Him.

Allah's kingship is salam (ملكه سلام):

- Imagine a king needs support, needs people etc to rule his kingdom. But Allah's doesn't need any support for His kingship.

Allah's forgiveness and pardoning is salam (مغفرته و عفوہ سلام):

- Imagine being at house and you have a problem with someone, it's hard to live like this, so you forgive or pardon them because you need it in order to feel at ease. Or the housekeeper does something wrong and you have a party tomorrow, so you forgive her because you don't want her to leave, you're in need of her. Or something happens between you and your husband and you forgive him out of financial need. We're not forgiving out of kindness but out of our needs, subhan Allah.
- When Allah's forgives us it's salam because He totally doesn't need us. When He overlooks our mistakes it's because He's salam.

Allah's punishment is salam (عذابه سلام):

- When we hear about the punishment of Allah in the Qur'an, we need to believe it's salam. For example, if your child breaks something, the way you punish him could be more than what he did, you can't be just in your punishment.
- When you reform a child, to hit is only mentioned when it comes to prayer, and even hitting has rules, you can't hit in the face or cause pain, it's only gentle, and not what people imagine when it comes to hitting. The hadith is when they reach the age of 10, and it can't be that you never trained them or taught them and then hit them, this is unjust.
- Or sometimes one child makes a mistake, and then you say all of the children will not go out. Or in school, if one person does something wrong, then there's no break for everyone. Also this is not being just.
- The punishment of Allah is salam from injustice, revenge or harshness. When we think of punishment, we think it has to be harsh. But there is no harshness to the punishment of Allah because they know Allah gave them so many chances and sent them guidance all the time, they will even praise Him when entering the hellfire, subhan Allah.

Allah's decree is salam from being unjust or random (قضاء و قدره سلام)

- Sometimes someone says something to us and we think why did they say this, but this is not our test. There is nothing random when something happens, nothing is by coincidence, and nothing is unfair. People might be unjust, but the decree of Allah is not unfair or unjust.
- Imagine how many decrees we're going through in a day, imagine how many chances we have to increase our faith, subhan Allah.

Allah's deen is salam (دينه سلام)

- The deen is made up of aqeedah and shariah, it consists of you need to believe and what you need to do. All the news that Allah tells us, we need to believe. There are no contradictions in anything that Allah tells us – it's correct and true.

Allah's giving is salam (عطائه سلام)

- All that Allah gives us is salam. When we give, it can be out of desire or because we are in need of the person so we give them to keep the relationship. When Allah gives us, it's not because He needs us or so that we do something for Him, istaghfar Allah.

Allah's withholding is salam (منعه سلام)

- When we withhold and not give, it can be out of stinginess, or we don't give others out of punishment, or someone stops us from giving. When Allah doesn't give us, it doesn't mean He's punishing us, or is being stingy or out of fear, istaghfar Allah.
- Nothing interferes with Allah's giving and withholding. His giving is pure generosity and His withholding is pure wisdom. All of this is a matter of faith.
- Anything you get is a favor from Allah and anything you don't get, even if it's a smile, then you need to remember that you're dealing with Allah. You don't look at the means and this is what elevates you.

Allah rising over the Throne and descending to the lowest heaven is salam

- When we sit on a chair, we need the chair, but the chair doesn't need us. So our sitting has needs.
- There is no one like Allah and when He rose over the Throne don't ever think that He needs the Throne or the carriers of the Throne. The Throne and the carriers of the Throne need Allah but Allah doesn't need them. The greatest creation is the Throne and Allah

doesn't need it, so what about us? We are so tiny, so of course Allah doesn't need us, but we need Him.

- Allah is salam from needing the Throne or its carriers. When Allah rose over the Throne, in no way is He surrounded or bounded, subhan Allah. This is something we can't imagine. Unlike when we sit on a chair then we are bounded. Similarly when Allah descends to the lowest heaven, nothing will be above Him, subhan Allah. Unlike when we go down to a lower floor, there is something above us. That's why there is nothing like Allah. This is our Rabb, this is (لا اله الا الله).

When Allah takes a wali it is salam

- When we take a friend/wali it's because we need support, but when Allah takes awliya it's not because He needs friends or support. Surah Al Baqarah 257: (اللَّهُ وَلِيُّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا) (Allâh is the Walî (Protector or Guardian) of those who believe). Allah doesn't need closeness from us. It is purely out of Allah's generosity to take us awliya. How can a Master take a slave? How can a Creator take the creation? Subhan Allah. It's truly a favor, He doesn't even need us as slave, but it's a favor for us. Truly His closeness is salam from needing or wanting anything.

Love and hate of Allah is salam

- When human beings love, it is out of desire and needs. We have a need to love and be loved. You feel good when you love someone and you feel good when someone loves you.
- When Allah loves us it's pure salam. He doesn't need us and it's salam from any desires.

Allah's names are salam

- Allah's names are salam, no one can change His names and no one can remove it and it's salam because it's connected to Him,

am able to do for him what he thinks I can do for him)) - Sahih al-Bukhari 750 Alhamdulillah we are living in salam and may Allah continue it and never deprive us. Ameen.

(2) Allah is As Salam and He loves peace, so you need to love peace

- Allah doesn't love war or afflictions because Allah is As Salam and He loves peace then it means I need to love peace, I need to spread the peace. There are people who love others to fight, they want to create problems, they want to see others miserable, istagfar Allah. Or sometimes you see the traffic slowing down and it's because people are staring at an accident and taking pictures, subhan Allah. No one likes their picture to be taken when in a bad condition and to be spread amongst others. May Allah preserve all. Ameen. In Islam, there is respect for the dead, they are to be buried as soon as possible, unlike being exposed for all to see, subhan Allah.
- Or to see pictures that are disturbing and can scare others and when this becomes widespread then it makes people 'feelingless' about it.
- Or sometimes a gathering is not considered 'interesting' if no one is talking about misery and problems. They're not happy if you say 'I'm fine, alhamdulillah', subhan Allah.
- We should love peace and not want to initiate problems with others. There are those who go and say 'so and so said this about you' and it will make the other person upset. And then they move on and do the same with others. Hadith: (قَالَ مَرَّ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - بِقَبْرَيْنِ جَدِيدَيْنِ فَقَالَ " إِنَّهُمَا لَيُعَذَّبَانِ وَمَا يُعَذَّبَانِ فِي كَبِيرٍ أَمَا أَحَدُهُمَا فَكَانَ لَا يَسْتَنْزَهُ مِنْ بَوْلِهِ وَأَمَا الْآخَرُ فَكَانَ يَمْشِي بِالنَّمِيمَةِ ") (It was narrated that Ibn 'Abbas said: "The Messenger of Allah passed by two new graves, and he said: 'They are being punished, but they are not being punished for anything major. One of them was heedless about preventing urine from getting on his clothes, and the other used to walk

about spreading malicious gossip."") – Sunan Ibn Majah Book 1, Hadith 374

- We should spread peace and especially between husband and wife. Don't irritate a wife to make her against her husband or vice versa by saying something bad against one of them. We need to be peace-makers not mischief makers.

(3) Make dua'a for peace

- Ask Allah to give you peace. In Surah Maryam 15: (وَسَلِّمْ عَلَيْهِ يَوْمَ وُلِدَ) (And Salâm (peace) be on him the day he was born, the day he dies, and the day he will be raised up to life (again)!)
 - From the ayah, we should ask Allah for peace especially at the time of death and time of resurrection. If this dua'a is given to the messengers, then it means we need it too. We have four stages of life:
 - Life in the womb
 - Life when coming out of the womb – to the world. For Maryam (عليه السلام), Eisa (عليه السلام) and Yahya (عليه السلام) they had peace at this time because for us the shaitan is waiting when we come out of the womb. The transit period is always critical. May Allah give us peace on earth and when we go to the other life. Ameen. We know we will all die, we are in a queue but we don't know where we stand in this queue, subhan Allah.
 - Transition from death to life of the souls/barzakh: this transit period is scary and this is when you die and go on to barzakh. Barzakh is the life of the souls, the body is dead but the soul is alive and it feels delight or pleasure, just as in dreams the soul goes to different places and feels pleasure or pain. May Allah give us peace at the time death. Ameen. Surah Fussilat 30: (إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ ثُمَّ اسْتَقَمُوا نَتَنَزَّلُ عَلَيْهِمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ أَلَّا تَخَافُوا)

(وَلَا تَحْزَنُوا وَابْشِرُوا بِالْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي كُنْتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ) (Verily, those who say: "Our Lord is Allâh (Alone)," and then they stand firm, on them the angels will descend (at the time of their death) (saying): "Fear not, nor grieve! But receive the glad tidings of Paradise which you have been promised!) If we pass this transit then everything will be better after that. So many angels will come down at that time and assure you to not be scared or sad, subhan Allah. Maybe the people around are scared and don't know how to assure you.

- Transit from the life of the souls (barzakh) to the resurrection: this transit from the souls to the resurrection is when your soul and body will be reunited again and we need salam at this time. May Allah give us salam when we're resurrected on the Day of Judgement.
- When we make dua'a for salam then Allah will give us salam in this life and salam until we reach paradise. We need to have hope from Allah to give us salam until we reach Dar As Salam.
- There is a dua'a for seeing the new moon, may Allah make us say these dua's: (عن طلحة بن عبيد الله رضي الله عنه أن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم كان إذا رأى) (الهلال قال: "اللهم أهله علينا بالأمن والإيمان والسلامة والإسلام، ربي وربك الله (Talhah bin Ubaidullah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: At the sight of the new moon (of the lunar month), the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) used to supplicate: "Allahumma ahillahu 'alaina bil-amni wal-iman, was-salamati wal-Islam, Rabbi wa Rabbuk-Allah, (O Allah, let this moon appear on us with security and Iman; with safety and Islam. (O moon!) Your Rubb and mine is Allah) – Riyadh As Saliheen, At Tirmidhi, Book 9, Hadith 1228
- You are asking Allah to start the month with security and faith and peace and Islam. As if we're asking for inner-security with faith and outer-security with Islam. So in order to be in peace you need to believe and be a Muslim.

- My Rabb and the Rabb of the moon is Allah.

(4) Spreading the salam

- You spread salam to all, you don't think if you know the person or not, if they're young or old. You just say salam.
- Hadith: إِنَّ السَّلَامَ اسْمٌ مِنْ أَسْمَاءِ اللَّهِ وَضَعَهُ اللَّهُ فِي الْأَرْضِ ، فَأَفْشُوهُ فِيكُمْ ، فَإِنَّ الرَّجُلَ إِذَا سَلَّمَ (فَإِنَّ الْقَوْمَ فَرَدُّوا عَلَيْهِ كَانَ لَهُ عَلَيْهِمْ فَضْلٌ دَرَجَةٍ ، لِأَنَّهُ ذَكَرَهُمْ ، فَإِنْ لَمْ يَرْتَوْا عَلَيْهِ رَدَّ عَلَيْهِ مِنْ هُوَ (خَيْرٌ مِنْهُمْ وَ أَطْيَبَ ('Abdullah said, "Peace is one of the Names of Allah which Allah has placed on the earth. Extend it among you. When a man greets people and they answer him, then he has a higher degree than them because he reminds them of peace. If no one answers him, he will be answered by one who is better and more excellent.") - Al-Adab Al-Mufrad 1039
 - Allah placed salam on earth that's why Islam is about peace, not wars. So our duty is to spread the salam. If someone says salam to others and they reply to him, then the one who initiated the salam will get more reward, why? Because he reminded others of the salam. Sometimes we're waiting for others to say salam to us or our children to say salam first or the maids to say salam first, but we want more reward. And when you're saying salam without seeing who it is then it teaches you humbleness. We want to be of the foremost, As Sabiqoon As Sabiqoon.
 - Suppose you say salam and they don't reply back to you, though to answer back is the right of the Muslim, what will happen? A better creation will reply back to you. Angels who are pure will reply back to you and they will be making dua'a for you because the salam is a This shows you that nothing goes to waste in Islam. Sometimes we say salam and people don't answer back so we get discouraged and stop saying salam, but you will never be a loser, so don't stop saying salam. Our homework is to spread the salam, say salam at home, to the children, to the spouse, be the first

one. If you want peace in your house, then spread the salam at your because you're making dua'a for peace.

(5) Spread salam

(5a) Spread salam and you will be saved

- Hadith: (عَنِ الْبَرَاءِ بْنِ عَازِبٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: أَفْشُوا السَّلَامَ تَسْلَمُوا) (Al-Bara' ibn 'Azib reported that the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said, "Extend the greeting and you will be safe.) - (الألباني: حسن) (المفرد 979، حكم: حسن (الألباني))
- If you believe in it, then you will be saved from harm. Someone might say, 'I say salam but I face harm', you need to believe in it.

(5b) Paradise when you are Muslim, and you love each other and spread the salam

- Hadith: (عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: وَالَّذِي نَفْسِي بِيَدِهِ، لَا تَدْخُلُوا الْجَنَّةَ حَتَّى تُسَلِّمُوا، وَلَا تُسَلِّمُوا حَتَّى تَحَابُّوا، وَأَفْشُوا السَّلَامَ تَحَابُّوا، وَإِيَّاكُمْ وَالْبُغْضَةَ، فَإِنَّهَا هِيَ الْحَالِقَةُ، لَا أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: تَحْلِقُ الشَّعْرَ، وَلَكِنْ تَحْلِقُ الدِّينَ) (Abu Hurayra that the Prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said, "By the One in whose hand my soul is, you will not enter the Garden until you submit. You will not submit until you love one another. Extend the greeting to one another and you will love one another. Beware of hatred, for it is the razor. I do not tell you that it shaves the hair, but it shaves away the deen.") - (حسن لغیره 260، حكم: حسن (الألباني))
- You need to love the Muslims and spread the salam. That's why you see when someone becoming Muslim then you are happy.
- You need to beware of hating each other. Why do Muslims hate Muslims? Because of duniya, subhan Allah. Don't think that loving a Muslims means you need to know them, give gifts, socialize, etc so that you love them. You just love a person because they're Muslim and you keep that love when you give salam.

- Don't make someone to hate others and this happens because of duniya. Someone says something about you, and you're upset, so you go and tell others what they did. This is creating enmity between others.
- The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said hatred is like a shaver. Imagine someone with long, beautiful hair and you bring a shaver and you shave it off. Imagine doing good deeds and because of your hatred it's shaved away off. At least it's not pulled out so there are roots and it can grow back, subhan Allah. In another hadith, hasad/envy eats away your good deeds like fire.
- The more you know about Allah, the more you see that even feelings of love and hate are for Him, not for your desires.
- You will protect your deen when you love each other, but to hate each other will take away from your deen, subhan Allah. Freedom is to free yourself from your desires. Don't be a slave to yourself.

(5c) Paradise when you believe, love and make salam

- Hadith: وعن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه قال: قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: "لا تدخلوا (الجنة حتى تؤمنوا ولا تؤمنوا حتى تحابوا أولا أدلكم على شيء إذا فعلتموه تحاببتم؟ أفشوا السلام بينكم" (Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "By Him in Whose Hand is my life! You will not enter Jannah until you believe, and you will not believe until you love one another. Shall I inform you of something which, if you do, you will love one another? Promote greetings amongst yourselves.") - ((رواه مسلم)) رياض الصالحين كتاب 6، حديث 848
- In the previous hadith it was about your Islam and here it is about your faith, and this shows that loving each other and salam affects both your Islam and faith.
- You will not have faith until you love each other. There are simple things we're not doing and it's making us miss out.

- Sometimes you're acquiring knowledge and you think why is my faith not increasing, why am I the same? Maybe you have enmity towards someone or jealousy towards someone, or you feel you're better than one person, subhan Allah. When you're jealous you hate, when you're proud you hate. There are those who are acquiring knowledge but they have arrogance so they will not learn. Arrogance and jealousy can especially happen between students of knowledge. Iblis was cast out because of arrogance and he didn't feel guilty about it. Unlike Adam (عليه السلام) was taken out of paradise, but felt guilt and repented.
- If you hate someone and you want to love them, does it mean you go and take them out and spend time with them? No. Say 'salam'. You need to believe this and Allah knows your heart if you're trying it or believing in it.
- What's the use of knowing everything in the deen but you hate others, subhan Allah. Don't make the deen a place for competition.

(5d) Spread the salam, feed others, pray at night, enter paradise in peace

- Hadith: وعن عبد الله بن سلام، رضي الله عنه ، أن النبي، صلى الله عليه وسلم، قال: "أيها الناس ('Abdullah bin Salam (May Allah be pleased with him) reported:
(أفشوا السلام، وأطعموا الطعام، وصلوا بالليل والناس نيام، تدخلوا الجنة بسلام")
(رواه الترمذي وقال: حديث حسن صحيح)). رياض الصالحين كتاب 9، - حديث 1166
- The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "O people, promote the greetings, feed (the poor and needy) and perform Salat when others are asleep so that you will enter Jannah safely."
- When you say 'salam' it completes your faith and Islam. It's normal to say 'salam' to someone you know, but you should say 'salam' to those you don't know as well. May Allah give us the taqwa when saying salam to others. Say 'salam' the same way to

all, sometimes we give so many salams to the ones we know, but are less enthusiastic with those we do not know. Imagine you kiss one of your children more than the rest, how will it make the children feel? Subhan Allah.

- The other act is when you feed others, whether you make food to feed others, or your family, or you give money to feed others.
- Notice for saying salam and feeding others it is ihsan to the people and it's done during the day. But at night, you pray while others are asleep, and that is for Allah. Notice Allah preceded the rights of the people before Himself, subhan Allah.
- If you committed a sin without repenting, maybe you'll be forgiven by Allah on the Day of Judgement, but the people will take their rights on the Day of Judgement, that's why it's important to not oppress others. No one will go to paradise until the rights of the people are given and taken, and this takes place in the Qantara.
- Imagine if you're saying salam and giving food then that's 'light upon light' / 'nooran 'ala noor'. To pray at night means after the 'isha prayer while people are sleeping, meaning they don't know you're praying.
- All of these acts are additional acts, but what is the result? You enter paradise, how? With salam. There are those who enter paradise without salam, they will face difficulties in the grave, while being accounted, purified in the hellfire, and then they enter paradise. There are those who enter paradise with salam, they will not fall in the hellfire while crossing the Sirat, and they will not be scratched. Even the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) is at the end of the Sirat saying, (اللهم سلّم) – O Allah have peace.
- If a person enters paradise with salam, then this person is living in salam in this life, subhan Allah. He is not facing calamities, he is

saved from any danger or harm. We all want to peacefully enter paradise. Ameen.

(5e) Spread salam and there is a barrier

- Hadith: ("إذا لقي أحدكم أخاه، فليسلم عليه، فإن) (Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "When one of you meets a brother (in Faith) he should greet him. Then if a tree or a wall or a stone intervenes between them and then he meets him again, he should greet him.") – Abu Dawud Book 6, Hadith 860
- Sometimes you say salam to someone, and then a barrier comes in between like a tree, stone, or wall, so you go back and say 'salam'. For example, you go to a room and then come back, you should say salam. Imagine if you are doing this in the house, no one would fight because all are saying 'salam', subhan Allah. And if you have a bad intention towards someone, it'll get suppressed because they just said 'salam' to you.

(5f) Best of the salam

- Hadith: (عَنْ عِمْرَانَ بْنِ حُصَيْنٍ، أَنَّ رَجُلًا، جَاءَ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فَقَالَ السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ .) قَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " عَشْرٌ " . ثُمَّ جَاءَ آخَرُ فَقَالَ السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ فَقَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " عِشْرُونَ " . ثُمَّ جَاءَ آخَرُ فَقَالَ السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ فَقَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " ثَلَاثُونَ " (Narrated 'Imran bin Husain: "A man came to the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and said: 'As-Salamu 'Alaykum (Peace be upon you).'" [He said:] "So the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: 'Ten.' Then another came and he said: 'As-Salamu 'Alaykum Wa Rahmatullah (Peace be upon you, and the mercy of Allah).' So the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: 'Twenty.' Then another came and said: 'As-Salamu 'Alaykum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuh (Peace be upon you, and the mercy

of Allah, and His Blessings).' So the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: 'Thirty.'" - Jami` at-Tirmidhi 2689

- When you say 'asslam alaykum' you get 10 hasanat, and you say 'asslam alaykum wa rahmat Allah' you get 20 hasanat, and 'asslam alaykum wa rahmat Allah wa baraktuh' you get 30 hasanat.
- This means you're asking peace upon the person, and Allah's mercy and blessings. And this is for you as well because it's a dua'a.

(6) Allah says salam to you

- Hadith: عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ أَبِي طَلْحَةَ عَنْ أَبِيهِ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ جَاءَ ذَاتَ يَوْمٍ (وَالْبُشْرَى فِي وَجْهِهِ فَقُلْنَا إِنَّا لَنَرَى الْبُشْرَى فِي وَجْهِكَ . فَقَالَ " إِنَّهُ أَتَانِي الْمَلَكُ فَقَالَ يَا مُحَمَّدُ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ يَقُولُ أَمَا يُرْضِيكَ أَنَّهُ لَا يُصَلِّي عَلَيْكَ أَحَدٌ إِلَّا صَلَّيْتُ عَلَيْهِ عَشْرًا وَلَا يُسَلِّمُ عَلَيْكَ أَحَدٌ إِلَّا سَلَّمْتُ عَلَيْهِ (عَشْرًا) " (It was narrated from Abdullah bin Abi Talha, from his father, that: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) came one day with a cheerful expression on his face, and we said: "We see you looking cheerful". He said: "The Angel came to me and said: 'O Muhammad, your Lord says: 'Will it not please you (to know) that no one will send salah upon you that I will send salah upon him tenfold, and no one will send salams upon you but I will send salams upon him tenfold?'") - Sunan an-Nasa'i 1283
- When you send salam and blessings to the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) then Allah will say salam to you.

Introduction

- Surah Ta Ha 14: (إِنِّي أَنَا اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنَا فَاعْبُدْنِي وَأَقِمِ الصَّلَاةَ لِذِكْرِي) ("Verily! I am Allâh! Lâ ilâha illa Ana (none has the right to be worshipped but I), so worship Me, and perform As-Salât (Iqâmat-as-Salât) for My Remembrance)

- No one deserves your attachment except Allah, and when you believe in it then you will give (العفو), you can give easily and take easily what others give you. And when you do this, then you'll be focused on your worship and prayers. The deen is connected, so whenever Allah guides you to start with knowledge, then that's the time best for you. Allah spoke so simply and with ease to His slave so what about us when speaking to others? Subhan Allah. We make our lives difficult and other people's lives difficult because we don't understand Who is Allah.
- We establish the prayer in order to remember Allah, that's why we need to learn about Him. How will I pray if I don't learn about Allah? Someone might say but our grandparents didn't have this type of knowledge, that's because our times are different, we have more fitnas now and we need knowledge for the protection.
- Surah Al An'am 122: (أَوْ مَن كَانَ مَيِّتًا فَأُحْيَيْنَاهُ وَجَعَلْنَا لَهُ نُورًا يَمْشِي بِهِ فِي النَّاسِ كَمَن فِي الظُّلُمَاتِ لَيْسَ بِخَارِجٍ مِّنْهَا كَذَلِكَ زُيِّنَ لِلْكَافِرِينَ مَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ) (Is he who was dead (without Faith by ignorance and disbelief) and We gave him life (by knowledge and Faith) and set for him a light (of Belief) whereby he can walk amongst men— like him who is in the darkness (of disbelief, polytheism and hypocrisy) from which he can never come out? Thus it is made fair-seeming to the disbelievers that which they used to do)
- What is the solution for someone with sadness and fear? Know Allah. Knowing Allah gives you light and the reality to see everything. And no matter how much we talk about Allah, we cannot reach His majesty and beauty. This should make us humble and longing to meet Allah. Truly we didn't worship Allah as He deserves to be worshipped (ما عبدناك حق عبادتك). May Allah make us see Him without any trials. Ameen.
- When you know Allah As Salam it gives you peace. Just knowing Allah makes you peaceful, it puts your heart in its place. Every

person wants peace, we need to feel peace and this happens when we submit to Allah. How can we live peacefully in this universe? With Islam. Hadith: (وعن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه قال: قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم : " لا تدخلوا الجنة حتى تؤمنوا ولا تؤمنوا حتى تحابوا أولا أدلكم على شيء إذا فعلتموه الله عليه وسلم : " لا تدخلوا الجنة حتى تؤمنوا ولا تؤمنوا حتى تحابوا أولا أدلكم على شيء إذا فعلتموه" (Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "By Him in Whose Hand is my life! You will not enter Jannah until you believe, and you will not believe until you love one another. Shall I inform you of something which, if you do, you will love one another? Promote greetings amongst yourselves.") - 848 حديث 6، رياض الصالحين كتاب 6، حديث 848 - ((رواه مسلم)). And you apply it in your life, don't wait for others to do it first.

- We need salam in our lives and salam in our graves and salam on the Day of Judgement. When you practice salam in your life, you will hear 'salam' on the Day of Judgement. We need to love each other, we need to spread the salam, we need to solve problems, not create them. When you are living salam, it will be salam upon salam, until you hear salam from Allah, subhan Allah. Salam from Allah is a reward itself.

Impacts of the name As Salam – this is the application

(6) Allah says salam to you

- When you send salam and blessings to the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) then Allah will send salam to you. WHEREVER YOU ARE, you can send salam to the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), it's not only when you go to Medina or in front of his grave. People think it's only there and that they gather salams from others and send it on their behalf. You don't need someone to send salam on your behalf. The intention to go to Medina is not to visit the grave of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), the intention to visit Medina is to pray in the masjid and in the rawdha. If you are there, you can

say salam to the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) but that is not the point for visiting Medina.

- Hadith: (عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ أَبِي طَلْحَةَ عَنْ أَبِيهِ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ جَاءَ ذَاتَ يَوْمٍ (وَالْبُشْرَى فِي وَجْهِهِ فَقُلْنَا إِنَّا لَنَرَى الْبُشْرَى فِي وَجْهِكَ . فَقَالَ " إِنَّهُ أَتَانِي الْمَلَكُ فَقَالَ يَا مُحَمَّدُ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ يَقُولُ أَمَا يُرْضِيكَ أَنَّهُ لَا يُصَلِّي عَلَيْكَ أَحَدٌ إِلَّا صَلَّيْتُ عَلَيْهِ عَشْرًا وَلَا يُسَلِّمُ عَلَيْكَ أَحَدٌ إِلَّا سَلَّمْتُ عَلَيْهِ (عَشْرًا) .) (It was narrated from Abdullah bin Abi Talha, from his father, that: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) came one day with a cheerful expression on his face, and we said: "We see you looking cheerful". He said: "The Angel came to me and said: 'O Muhammad, your Lord says: 'Will it not please you (to know) that no one will send salah upon you that I will send salah upon him tenfold, and no one will send salams upon you but I will send salams upon him tenfold?'") - Sunan an-Nasa'i 1283
- When you get good news it quickly shows on your face. So the Companions asked the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) why is he happy? He said an angel came to me and told me: Your Rabb says: 'Will it not please you (to know) that no one will send salah upon you that I will send salah upon him tenfold, and no one will send salams upon you but I will send salams upon him tenfold?'"
- We might think the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) would be happy for himself, but he's happy for us, subhan Allah. Though the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) didn't see all of us, he didn't see his ummah but he's happy for us.
- What does it mean to send salat upon Mohammed (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)? What does it means when you say (اللهم صلي على محمد) (O Allah praise Muhammad)? You're making a dua'a that Allah praises the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). What is the reward? Allah will make 'salat' upon you ten times, subhan Allah. You say salat upon the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) once and Allah will

make 'salat' upon you ten times. What does that mean? Allah will praise you, praise you, praise you, praise you, praise you, praise you, praise you, praise you, praise you, and praise you, subhan Allah.

- Imagine Allah praising you – the One Who's perfect is praising you. For example, when you do a project, do you want students to praise you or the teacher? The teacher. And to Allah is the best example, we want the praise from Allah, not from slaves like us. When Allah praises you then all will praise you, and when Allah praises you then it's a reward. May Allah praise us. Ameen.
- When people praise it's just words, but the praise of Allah is truth, so don't worry about the dispraise of the people. When Allah praises you, He really praises you, but when He brings you down then He really brings you down. We do takaluf because of people's praise and fear of their dispraise, and sometimes we don't even get their praise either. You might do your hair for your husband and still he doesn't notice it. But we get Allah's praise when we send 'salat' upon the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), and this is easy, there is no takaluf.
- When you say (السلام عليك أيها النبي) – **Peace upon you O Prophet**, what is the reward? Allah will send 'salam' upon you ten times, meaning He will give you salam. You will live in peace, subhan Allah. It might be very difficult to get 'salam' from the people, but to get 'salam' from Allah is very easy. How do you get it? Say salam to the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).
- The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) wants his ummah to have praise from Allah and salam from Him, and this is sufficient. We need to believe this. When I say (اللهم صلي على محمد) – I cannot hear Allah praising me because if I did, I'd die out of happiness. When I say (السلام عليك أيها النبي) – I cannot hear Allah saying salam to me, but I need to believe.

- Hadith: وعن علي رضي الله عنه قال: قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: " البخيل من ذكرت ("عنده، فلم يصل علي ('Ali (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "The miser is the one in whose presence I am mentioned but he does not supplicate for me.") – Riyadh As Saliheen, At Tirmidhi, Book 15, Hadith 1403
 - When the one hears the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) mentioned, he should send salat and salam upon him, and if not, then he's miserly. Even when writing, don't make abbreviations as (saws) or (pbuh) – don't be stingy. You are rewarded when you do it completely and it shows you are magnifying him.
- Hadith: عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " مَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ يُسَلِّمُ عَلَيَّ إِلَّا رَدَّ اللَّهُ) (Narrated AbuHurayrah: The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: If any one of you greets me, Allah returns my soul to me and I respond to the greeting.) - Sunan Abi Dawud 2041, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan
 - This is a matter of the unseen and we need to know this correctly otherwise it can cause deviation. The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) is dead, he cannot hear us or answer our dua's – this should be clear.
 - Anyone who sends salam upon the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) anywhere in the world, then Allah will bring back his soul for that time just to answer the salam **ONLY**. Some people take this hadith and misinterpret it and say he replies to our dua'a, and this is not correct.
- Hadith: عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " إِنَّ لِلَّهِ مَلَائِكَةً سَيَّاحِينَ فِي الْأَرْضِ) (It was narrated that Abdullah said: "The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: 'Allah has angels who travel around on Earth conveying to me the Salams of my Ummah.'" - Sunan an-Nasa'i 1282

- When you say salam upon the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), can he hear your salam? No. How will it reach him? There are angels roaming who take the salam and convey it to him and Allah will bring back his soul to reply to the salam – that's it. This is a merit which Allah gave to the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).
- At least in our prayer we are saying the tashahud, but we need to have the intention and remember the reward.

(7) Dua'a after the obligatory salat

- Hadith: (وعن ثوبان رضي الله عنه قال: كان رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: إذا انصرف من) "صلاته استغفر ثلاثا ، وقال : " اللهم أنت السلام ومنك السلام تباركت يا ذا الجلال والإكرام (Thauban (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: Whenever the Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) concluded his prayer, he would beg forgiveness from Allah thrice and then would recite: "Allahumma Antas- Salamu, wa minkas-salamu, tabarakta ya Dhal-Jalali wal-Ikram (O Allah, You are the Grantor of security, and security comes from You. You are Blessing, O You Who have majesty and nobility)!") – Riyadh As Saliheen, Muslim, Book 16, Hadith 1415
- This is immediately said after you say the tasleem at the end of the salat. We are seeking forgiveness because there are shortcomings in our prayer, and we are slaves, so no matter what we do, we can't give enough to Allah. Allah is As Salam and He is the Owner of Salam, and Exalted is He, He is the Owner of Majesty and Honor.
- After we pray, we should come out peaceful.

This is the last class though we can never say enough about the names of Allah. Truly we didn't worship You as You deserve to be worshipped. May Allah forgive us and may He grant us salam in this life and the next. Ameen.

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