



# ALLAH AL WITR (The Odd (One))

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لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ

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- The word witr means odd. Allah Al Witr is Only One.

## ALLAH AL WITR

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، رِوَايَةً قَالَ " لِلَّهِ تِسْعَةٌ وَتِسْعُونَ اسْمًا، مِائَةٌ إِلَّا وَاحِدًا، لَا يَحْفَظُهَا أَحَدٌ إِلَّا دَخَلَ الْجَنَّةَ، وَهُوَ وَتْرٌ يُحِبُّ الْوَتْرَ."

Narrated Abu Huraira: Allah has ninety-nine Names, i.e., one hundred minus one, and whoever believes in their meanings and acts accordingly, will enter Paradise; and Allah is witr (one) and loves 'the witr' (i.e., odd numbers).<sup>1</sup>

- One might wonder the wisdom behind the hadith to mention one hundred minus one,

<sup>1</sup> Sahih al-Bukhari 6410

instead of saying ninety-nine. This shows more that we do not add to the Names of Allah.

- Al Wahid means One but Al Witr means we cannot make a pair with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). The opposite of witr is pair.
- The beauty of Allah Al Witr is in His Oneness. He cannot be coupled with anyone or anything. This is what makes our hearts move and be directed to One.
- We get stuck when we have to go to more than one direction. We praise Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because He is just One. We love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) for His Oneness, in His Names and Attributes.
- No one can show or carry the greatness of these Names.

- We have so much love, magnification and greatness for this Oneness of Allah.
- We love His Oneness in His existence. He is not separated into parts. We love to connect to One. At the same time, we cannot survive if we are alone. We cannot be nurtured if we are stuck with our ego.
- Pairs can be in terms of complementing each other or being opposites - day and night, hot and cold. Or what complements, husband and wife, teacher and student. This is our completeness and not to single ourselves out.
- To feel like one does not fit in or feel odd is not a good feeling. We all need each other. We want to fight Shaithan to stop any separation.
- We never single ourselves out, or think we are better off if we are alone.

- Allah Al Witr loves what is odd. We have five prayers, seven times tawaf, the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) used to eat an odd number of dates.
- But for us to not be alone. We are not alone even in paradise. Even in the graves the good deeds will come in the form of a companion.
- We love the Oneness of Allah and at the same time do not love for ourselves to be alone.

MAY ALLAH COUPLE US WITH THE MOST BEAUTIFUL FEELINGS FOR HIM, HIS PROPHET (صلى الله عليه وسلم) AND FOR EACH OTHER. AMEEN.

## REFERENCES

1. تفسير الشيخ السعدي - TAFSEER SHEIKH AS SA'ADY

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