



RAMADAN WITH JOY



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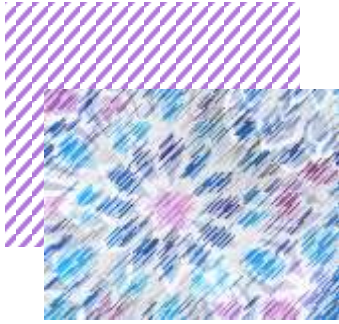
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IT ENDS WITH MUSK (ختامه مسك)



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CLASS # 1

INTRODUCTION

- Everyone wants to be happy; no one wants to be sad, depressed or in panic. We want to receive Ramadan with Joy. Waiting for Ramadan this year is different from waiting for Ramadan from other years.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) has been preparing us for Ramadan for more than a month; He has been purifying our heart. He created our heart for Him and we love Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), we love what He has commanded us and we love all the feelings we have for Him.

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF JOY?

(ما معنى الفرح؟)

- Joy is a delight which strikes the heart when we hear, see or feel something. Joy is a worship when it is for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

JOY IS AN INDICATOR OF MAGNIFYING ALLAH

(الفرح يدل على التعظيم)

- Our relationship with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is based on love and magnification. When we rejoice and feel happy for Ramadan, it shows we are magnifying Him. We will not feel happy for something if we do not give it value. Thus magnifying Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is an indicator of joy.

TYPES OF JOY MENTIONED IN THE QUR'AN (انواع)

(الفرح في القرآن)

- There are two types of joy mentioned in the Qur'an – dispraised and praised.

DISPRAISED JOY (الفرح المذموم)

- Qaroon was happy for himself and his achievements; he showed his wealth arrogantly.

SURAH AL QASAS 76

إِنَّ قَارُونَ كَانَ مِنْ قَوْمِ مُوسَىٰ فَبَغَىٰ عَلَيْهِمْ ۖ وَأَتَيْنَاهُ مِنَ الْكُنُوزِ مَا إِنَّ مَفَاتِحَهُ لَتَنُوءُ بِالْعُصْبَةِ أُولِي الْقُوَّةِ إِذْ قَالَ لَهُ قَوْمُهُ لَا تَفْرَحْ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ الْفَرِحِينَ

Verily, Qârûn (Korah) was of Mûsâ's (Moses) people, but he behaved arrogantly towards them. And We gave him of the treasures, that of which the keys would have been a burden to a body of strong men. Remember when his people said to him: "Do not exult (with riches, being ungrateful to Allâh). Verily Allâh likes not those who exult (with riches, being ungrateful to Allâh)

SURAH AL AN'AM 44

فَلَمَّا نَسُوا مَا ذُكِّرُوا بِهِ فَتَحْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ أَبْوَابَ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا فَرِحُوا بِمَا أُوتُوا أَخَذْنَاهُمْ بَغْتَةً فَإِذَا هُمْ مُبْلِسُونَ

So, when they forgot (the warning) with which they had been reminded, We opened for them the gates of every (pleasant) thing, until in the midst of their enjoyment in that which they were given, all of a sudden, We took

them (in punishment), and lo! They were plunged into destruction with deep regrets and sorrows.

- This is a group who forget Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) though they were constantly being reminded of Him. Since they constantly rejected and turned away from the reminders, the doors of the duniya opened for them as deception. Then they were seized in sudden punishment. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) protect us. Ameen.
- We do not rejoice for our achievement, but we rejoice for the unseen.

PRAISED JOY (الفرح المحمود)

SURAH YUNUS 57 TO 58

57.

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ قَدْ جَاءَكُمْ مَوْعِظَةٌ مِّن رَّبِّكُمْ وَشِفَاءٌ لِّمَا فِي الصُّدُورِ وَهُدًى وَرَحْمَةٌ لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ

O mankind! There has come to you a good advice from your Lord (i.e. the Qur'an, enjoining all that is good and forbidding all that is evil), and a healing for that (disease of ignorance, doubt, hypocrisy and differences) which is in your breasts, - a guidance and a mercy (explaining lawful and unlawful things) for the believers.

58.

قُلْ بِفَضْلِ اللَّهِ وَبِرَحْمَتِهِ فَبِذَلِكَ فَلْيَفْرَحُوا هُوَ خَيْرٌ مِّمَّا يَجْمَعُونَ

Say: "In the Bounty of Allah, and in His Mercy (i.e. Islam and the Qur'an); - therein let them rejoice." That is better than what (the wealth) they amass.

- We will rejoice and be happy for the Qur'an because that is better than what we gather or collect. Being happy for the akhira is better than when we are collecting wealth or any achievements in this life. People think they will be happy when they're rich, but happiness is when we are connected to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

RAMADAN IS THE MONTH OF JOY

(رمضان شهر الفرح)

- Ramadan is the month of joy and we should feel happy for it.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 183

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الصِّيَامُ كَمَا كُتِبَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ

O you who believe! Observing As-Saum (the fasting) is prescribed for you as it was prescribed for those before you, that you may become Al-Muttaqun (the pious)

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) commands the believers to fast so they may attain taqwa – to be cautious of their utterances and actions. When Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) makes fasting obligatory on us then we should be happy because surely He wants the best for us. If it was not made obligatory then no one would fast, subhan Allah.

CHANGES IN THE UNIVERSE FOR US

(تغيير في الكون لنا)

- We should be happy because Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) changes the entire universe for us from the moment Ramadan arrives, subhan Allah
- Now is a time to reflect and think that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) kept us preserved for a month so that our feelings will be for Him. This means then there will be great changes for us. We should always think good for Him because any change that happens in our life is for our own goodness.

CHANGES IN THE UNIVERSE WHEN RAMADAN ARRIVES

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " أَتَاكُمْ رَمَضَانُ شَهْرٌ مُبَارَكٌ فَرَضَ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ عَلَيْكُمْ صِيَامَهُ تُفْتَحُ فِيهِ أَبْوَابُ السَّمَاءِ وَتُغْلَقُ فِيهِ أَبْوَابُ الْجَحِيمِ وَتُغْلَقُ فِيهِ مَرَدَةُ الشَّيَاطِينِ لِلَّهِ فِيهِ لَيْلَةٌ خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ مَنْ حُرِمَ خَيْرَهَا فَقَدْ حُرِمَ

It was narrated that Abu Hurairah said: "The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: 'There has come to you Ramadan, a blessed month, which Allah, the Mighty and Sublime, has enjoined you to fast. In it the gates of heavens are opened and the gates of Hell are closed, and every devil is

chained up. In it Allah has a night which is better than a thousand months; whoever is deprived of its goodness is indeed deprived."¹

O SEEKER OF GOOD, COME FORWARD

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " إِذَا كَانَ أَوَّلُ لَيْلَةٍ مِنْ شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ صُفِّدَتِ الشَّيَاطِينُ وَمَرَدَةُ الْجِنِّ وَغُلِّقَتْ أَبْوَابُ النَّارِ فَلَمْ يُفْتَحْ مِنْهَا بَابٌ. وَفُتِّحَتْ أَبْوَابُ الْجَنَّةِ فَلَمْ يُغْلَقْ مِنْهَا بَابٌ وَيُنَادِي مُنَادٍ يَا بَاغِيَ الْخَيْرِ أَقْبِلْ وَيَا بَاغِيَ الشَّرِّ أَقْصِرْ وَلِلَّهِ عِتْقَاءُ مِنَ النَّارِ وَذَلِكَ كُلُّ لَيْلَةٍ "

Abu Hurairah narrated that the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said:

"On the first night of the month of Ramadan, the Shayatin are shackled, the jinns are restrained, the gates of the Fires are shut such that no gate among them would be opened. The gates of Paradise are opened such that no gate among them would be closed, and a caller calls: 'O seeker of the good; come near!' and 'O seeker of evil; stop! For there are those whom Allah frees from the Fire.' And that is every night."²

- Only a believer can feel the changes in the universe taking place when Ramadan arrives. All the doors of the heavens and paradise will open and the doors of the hellfire will be closed. The devils will be chained. Then a caller will call, "o seeker of good come forward and a seeker of evil abstain." We should not delay if we want to do good because

¹ Sunan An Nisa'i 2106

² Jami` at-Tirmidhi 682

everyone is invited. We should not think Ramadan is only for a few people.

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will free people from the hellfire every night. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) make us among them. Ameen.

RAMADAN IS THE MONTH OF THE QUR'AN (رمضان)

(شهر القرآن)

- The connection between the heavens and the earth is the Qur'an, and we should feel happy because Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will open more for us in Ramadan when we are with the Qur'an.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 185

شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ الَّذِي أُنزِلَ فِيهِ الْقُرْآنُ هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ وَبَيِّنَاتٍ مِّنَ الْهُدَىٰ وَالْفُرْقَانِ ۚ فَمَن شَهِدَ مِنْكُمُ الشَّهْرَ فَلْيَصُمْهُ ۗ وَمَن كَانَ مَرِيضًا أَوْ عَلَىٰ سَفَرٍ فَعِدَّةٌ مِّنْ أَيَّامٍ أُخَرَ ۗ يُرِيدُ اللَّهُ بِكُمُ الْيُسْرَ وَلَا يُرِيدُ بِكُمُ الْعُسْرَ وَلِتُكْمِلُوا الْعِدَّةَ وَلِتُكَبِّرُوا اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ مَا هَدَاكُم وَلَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ

The month of Ramadan in which was revealed the Qur'an, a guidance for mankind and clear proofs for the guidance and the criterion (between right and wrong). So whoever of you sights (the crescent on the first night of) the month (of Ramadan i.e. is present at his home), he must observe Saum (fasts) that month, and whoever is ill or on a journey, the same number [of days which one did not observe Saum (fasts) must be made up] from other days. Allah intends for you ease, and He does not want to make things difficult for you. (He wants that you) must complete the same

number (of days), and that you must magnify Allah [i.e. to say Takbir (Allahu Akbar; Allah is the Most Great)] for having guided you so that you may be grateful to Him.

- The Qu'ran was revealed from the Preserved Tablet to the lowest heaven in the month of Ramadan. During this month, it is best to read, listen, study, ponder and act on the Qur'an.
- The people of the Qur'an are the close people to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

BE HAPPY FOR THE MONTH OF REPENTANCE (افرح
(بشهر التوبة)

FORGIVENESS OF SINS IN RAMADAN FOR FASTING

وعن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم قال: من صام رمضان إيماناً واحتساباً،
غفر له ما تقدم من ذنبه

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Prophet (صلى
الله عليه وسلم) said, "He who observes fasting during the month of Ramadan
with Faith while seeking its reward from Allah, will have his past sins
forgiven."³

³ Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari and Muslim Book 9, Hadith 1219

- If we fast everyday with faith and hope for the reward from Allah (سبحانه) then He will forgive all of our sins. (وتعالى)

FORGIVENESS OF SINS IN RAMADAN FOR NIGHT PRAYER

عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه، أن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم قال: "من قام رمضان إيمانًا واحتسابًا غفر له ما تقدم من ذنبه"

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "He who observes optional prayer (Tarawih prayers) throughout Ramadan, out of sincerity of Faith and in the hope of earning reward will have his past sins pardoned."⁴

- If we pray taraweesh with faith and hope for the reward from Allah (سبحانه) then He will forgive all of our sins. (وتعالى)

⁴ Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari and Muslim Book 9, Hadith 1187

FORGIVENESS OF SINS ON THE NIGHT OF DECREE

وعن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه، عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم قال: "من قام ليلة القدر إيماناً واحتساباً غفر له ما تقدم من ذنبه". ((متفق عليه)).

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Prophet (صلى) said, "Whosoever performs Qiyam during Lailat-ul-Qadr (Night of Decree), with Faith and being hopeful of Allah's reward, will have his former sins forgiven."⁵

- If we establish the night prayer in the Night of Decree and hope for the reward from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then He will forgive all of our sins.

BE HAPPY FOR RAMADAN (أفرح بـرمضان)

RANK OF THE TRUTHFUL ONES AND MARTYRS

جاء رجل الى النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم، فقال: يا رسول الله أرأيت ان شهدت أن لا اله الا الله، و أنك رسول الله و صليت الصلوات الخمس و أدت الزكاة و صمت رمضان و قمته، فممن أنا؟ قال الرسول صلى الله عليه وسلم من الصديقين و الشهداء

⁵ Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari and Muslim Book 9, Hadith 1189

A man came to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and said: O Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) if I bear witness that there is no one worthy of worship but Allah, and that you are the Messenger of Allah, and I pray the five prayer, perform zakat, fast Ramadan and establish the night prayer, so of whom am I? The Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) of the truthful ones and martyrs.⁶

- If we bear witness to the two testimonies of faith, prayour five prayers, give zakat, fast Ramadan and establish the night prayers in that month then we will be among the ranks of the truthful ones and martyrs.

SUPPLICATION OF THE ONE FASTING IS NOT REJECTED

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " ثَلَاثَةٌ لَا تُرَدُّ دَعْوَتُهُمُ الصَّائِمُ حَتَّى يُفِطَرَ

Abu Hurairah narrated that the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said:

“There are three whose supplication is not rejected: The fasting person when he breaks his fast...⁷

- The supplication for the fasting person will be accepted. We should rejoice because our dua will be answered.

⁶ Sahih At Targheeb 1003, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

⁷ Jami` at-Tirmidhi 3598

BE HAPPY FOR THE INTERCESSION (أفرح بالشفاعة)

FASTING AND THE QUR'AN INTERCEDE

الصيام و القرآن يشفعان للعبد يوم القيامة يقول الصيام رب منعته الطعام و الشهوات بالنهار

فشفعني فيه و يقول القرآن منعته النوم بالليل فشفعني فيه قال فيشفعان

Fasting and the Qur'an intercede for the slave on the Day of Judgement, the fast will say, Rabb, I deprived him from food and temptations during the day, so allow me to intercede for him and the Qur'an will say I deprived him from sleeping during the night, so allow me to intercede for him, He says so they intercede.⁸

- Our fasting and the Qur'an will intercede for us on the Day of Judgement. Our fasting will say "I deprived him from food" and the Qur'an will say "I deprived him from sleeping during the night". Our good deeds will intercede for us and there is no greater opportunity than this.

⁸ Sahih At Targheeb 984, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan Sahih

BE HAPPY FOR THE REWARDS (أفرح بالأجور)

TWO JOYS FOR THE ONE FASTING

وعن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه، قال: قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: "قال الله عز وجل: كل عمل ابن آدم له إلا الصيام، فإنه لي وأنا أجزي به. للصائم فرحتان: فرحة عند فطره، وفرحة عند لقاء ربه. ولخلوف فيه أطيب عند الله من ریح المسك

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Allah the Exalted and Majestic said: 'Every act of the son of Adam is for him, except As-Siyam (the fasting) which is (exclusively) for Me, and I will reward him for it.' The fasting person has two joyous occasions, one at the time of breaking his fast, and the other at the time of meeting his Rabb. Surely, the breath of one observing Saum is better smelling to Allah than the fragrance of musk.⁹

- There are two joys for the fasting person: one at the time of breaking his fast and the other is meeting his Lord. We can see fasting is connected to rejoicing.

⁹ Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari and Muslim Book 9, Hadith 1215

MAY ALLAH MAKE US RECEIVE RAMADAN WITH JOY AND
MAKE US AMONG THOSE WHO ESTABLISH IT WITH FAITH AND
HOPING FOR THE REWARD. AMEEN.



بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم
لا حول ولا قوة إلا بالله

RAMADAN SPECIAL WELCOME RAMADAN WITH FAITH

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CLASS # 1

INTRODUCTION

- May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) make our entry and exit from Ramadan a truthful entry. We cannot worship Him without His help.
- We should not busy ourselves with worship that we forget Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

SURAH AL BAQARAH 186

وَإِذَا سَأَلَكَ عِبَادِي عَنِّي فَإِنِّي قَرِيبٌ ۖ أُجِيبُ دَعْوَةَ الدَّاعِ إِذَا دَعَانِ ۖ فَلْيَسْتَجِيبُوا لِي وَلْيُؤْمِنُوا بِي لَعَلَّهُمْ
يَرْشُدُونَ

And when My slaves ask you (O Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وسلم**) concerning Me, then (answer them), I am indeed near (to them by My Knowledge). I respond to the invocations of the supplicant when he calls on Me (without any mediator or intercessor). So let them obey Me and believe in Me, so that they may be led aright.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 177

لَيْسَ الْبِرَّ أَنْ تُوَلُّوا وُجُوهَكُمْ قِبَلَ الْمَشْرِقِ وَالْمَغْرِبِ وَلَكِنَّ الْبِرَّ مَنْ آمَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ وَالْمَلَائِكَةِ
وَالْكِتَابِ وَالنَّبِيِّينَ وَآتَى الْمَالَ عَلَى حُبِّهِ ذَوِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَالْيَتَامَىٰ وَالْمَسَاكِينَ وَابْنَ السَّبِيلِ وَالسَّائِلِينَ وَفِي
الرِّقَابِ وَأَقَامَ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَى الزَّكَاةَ وَالْمُوفُونَ بِعَهْدِهِمْ إِذَا عَاهَدُوا ۗ وَالصَّابِرِينَ فِي الْبَأْسَاءِ وَالضَّرَّاءِ
وَحِينَ الْبَأْسِ ۗ أُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ صَدَقُوا ۗ وَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْمُتَّقُونَ

It is not Al-Birr (piety, righteousness, and each and every act of obedience to Allah, etc.) that you turn your faces towards east and (or) west (in prayers); but Al-Birr is (the quality of) the one who believes in Allah, the Last Day, the Angels, the Book, the Prophets and gives his wealth, in spite of love for it, to the kinsfolk, to the orphans, and to Al-Masakin (the poor), and to the wayfarer, and to those who ask, and to set slaves free, performs As-Salat (Iqamat-as-Salat), and gives the Zakat, and who fulfil their covenant when they make it, and who are patient in extreme

poverty and ailment (disease) and at the time of fighting (during the battles). Such are the people of the truth and they are Al-Muttaqun (the pious)

- People should not focus that we cannot pray in a masjid, that we forget our feelings towards Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). Ramadan is not just rituals, but our heart needs to move before our tongue and limbs, and that is faith.
- Faith is our light and salvation because an atom of faith will save us from eternal hellfire. Faith is what gives value to our worship.

WELCOME RAMADAN WITH HAPPINESS

SURAH YUNUS 58

قُلْ بِفَضْلِ اللَّهِ وَبِرَحْمَتِهِ فَبِذَلِكَ فَلْيَفْرَحُوا هُوَ خَيْرٌ مِّمَّا يَجْمَعُونَ

Say: "In the Bounty of Allah, and in His Mercy (i.e. Islam and the Qur'an); - therein let them rejoice." That is better than what (the wealth) they amass.

- Our belief needs to be refreshed and renewed. Faith is to belief and feel the unseen.
- It is not about being happy for our fast, prayers, reading Qur'an or giving charity, but we should be happy Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) favored us to do these worships. We are not only body, but we are soul as well.
- Happiness for ourselves is different from happiness for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), and that is faith.

- We will be deceived with ourselves when we only look at our worships, but when we remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) favored us then we will be humbled.

WELCOME RAMADAN WITH TAWAKUL

SURAH AL FURQAN 58

وَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى الْحَيِّ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ وَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِهِ ۗ وَكَفَىٰ بِهِ بِذُنُوبِ عِبَادِهِ خَبِيرًا

And put your trust (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) in the Ever Living One Who dies not, and glorify His Praises, and Sufficient is He as the All-Knower of the sins of His slaves,

- When we believe in Allah's names, Lordship, divinity and actions then it will make us rely on Him.
- Tawwakul shows utmost faith. The muttwakileen trust Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and they do not trust themselves or their actions. They depend on Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to help them fast and pray, even if they know how to do it, but they go to Allah with the feeling "I do not know".
- They do not believe in the means, yet they still take the means. They take medication, they see a doctor, but they don't rely on it, they rely on Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

- They rely on Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to bring all goodness and to protect them from all evil and distractions. We want to fast with faith and pray with faith.
- The muttawakileen do not depend on their experience and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will show them a different and better Ramadan every time.
- Anyone who relies on Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then He will be sufficient for Him. The muttwakileen do not stop at any "traffic light" in this life and next. They are the truthful ones and sabiqoon, they enter paradise with no account or torment because of their true reliance on Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

CHANGES IN THE UNIVERSE

DEVILS ARE CHAINED, DOORS OF PARADISE ARE OPENED AND DOORS OF THE HELLFIRE ARE CLOSED

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " أَتَاكُمْ رَمَضَانُ شَهْرٌ مُبَارَكٌ فَرَضَ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ عَلَيْكُمْ صِيَامَهُ تُفْتَحُ فِيهِ أَبْوَابُ السَّمَاءِ وَتُغْلَقُ فِيهِ أَبْوَابُ الْجَحِيمِ وَتُغَلُّ فِيهِ مَرَدَّةُ الشَّيَاطِينِ لِلَّهِ فِيهِ لَيْلَةٌ خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ مَنْ حُرِمَ خَيْرَهَا فَقَدْ حُرِمَ

It was narrated that Abu Hurairah (may Allah be pleased with him) said: "The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: 'There has come to you Ramadan, a blessed month, which Allah, the Mighty and Sublime, has enjoined you to fast. In it the gates of heavens are opened and the gates of Hell are closed, and every devil is chained up. In it Allah has a night

which is better than a thousand months; whoever is deprived of its goodness is indeed deprived."¹⁰

- Even if the shayateen are chained, we do not want to depend on ourselves.
- Now is the time to rely on Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). Anyone who wants to change then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is changing the entire world so we may change, subhan Allah.

○ SEEKER OF GOOD, COME FORWARD

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " إِذَا كَانَ أَوَّلُ لَيْلَةٍ مِنْ شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ صُفِّدَتِ الشَّيَاطِينُ وَمَرَدَةُ الْجِنِّ وَغُلِّقَتْ أَبْوَابُ النَّارِ فَلَمْ يُفْتَحْ مِنْهَا بَابٌ. وَفُتِّحَتْ أَبْوَابُ الْجَنَّةِ فَلَمْ يُغْلَقْ مِنْهَا بَابٌ وَيُنَادِي مُنَادٍ يَا بَاغِيَ الْخَيْرِ أَقْبِلْ وَيَا بَاغِيَ الشَّرِّ أَقْصِرْ وَلِلَّهِ عِتْقَاءُ مِنَ النَّارِ وَذَلِكَ كُلُّ لَيْلَةٍ "

Abu Hurairah narrated that the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said:

"On the first night of the month of Ramadan, the Shayatin are shackled, the jinns are restrained, the gates of the Fires are shut such that no gate among them would be opened. The gates of Paradise are opened such that no gate among them would be closed, and a caller calls: 'O seeker of the good; come near!' and 'O seeker of evil; stop! For there are those whom Allah frees from the Fire.' And that is every night."¹¹

¹⁰ Sunan An Nisa'i 2106

¹¹ Jami` at-Tirmidhi 682

- We might not be able to hear the caller but we believe it. Anyone who wants to do good then come forward, and anyone who wants to do evil then let him stop.

MAY ALLAH MAKE OUR RAMADAN FILLED WITH FAITH,
ELEVATION AND NEARNESS TO ALLAH. AMEEN.



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ

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FASTING

SURAH AL BAQARAH 183

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الصِّيَامُ كَمَا كُتِبَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ

O you who believe! Observing As-Saum (the fasting) is prescribed for you as it was prescribed for those before you, that you may become Al-Muttaqun (the pious)

- The purpose of fasting is to attain taqwa. We are made up of body and soul. Our body is made of mud so we can easily be flexible to change, and with our flexibility and submission we can reach the highest level in paradise. But the one who does not change then this is because the heart is hardened.
- For a period of 11 months in a year, we are only taking care of our body from food and drink, but in the month of Ramadan we abstain from food and drink from fajr to the moment we hear the maghrib adhaan.
- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is showing us if we can abstain from what is halal such as food and drink, then surely we can hold ourselves from what is haram. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is teaching us that we have high resolution and determination, and that we can do our best.
- Imagine if there are two children, one that's loud and another that's quiet. The loud child is like our body which is always making noise, and the quiet child is like the soul.
- Our soul does not need food and drink, but it needs connection to its Lord. When the soul is good then the body will be good.
- In the month of Ramadan people are trying their best to be gentler and recite Qur'an, and the reason is because the soul is thirsty. Fasting nourishes our soul and brings the taqwa in us. It shows us we can do it, and we can stop from bad things. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) wants us to go to

paradise, He wants us to be reformed and He wants us to change for the better.

SURAH AAL IMRAN 102

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ

O you who believe! Fear Allah (by doing all that He has ordered and by abstaining from all that He has forbidden) as He should be feared. [Obey Him, be thankful to Him, and remember Him always], and die not except in a state of Islam [as Muslims (with complete submission to Allah)].

SURAH AL HUJURAT 13

إِنَّ أَكْرَمَكُمْ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ أَتْقَاكُمْ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلِيمٌ خَبِيرٌ

Verily, the most honourable of you with Allah is that (believer) who has At-Taqwa [i.e. he is one of the Muttaqun (the pious)]. Verily, Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware.

- The one who does not have taqwa does what he wants. People think if they do whatever they want then they will be happy, but such people are not happy. Taqwa is when we pause and are mindful; is this “pleasing to Allah or not?”.
- We should not think dieting is not like fasting. Dieting is to lose weight while fasting is with faith. It is to have taqwa, have our sins forgiven and enter paradise.

- The time of fasting begins from the start of the Fajr Adhaan until the moment of the Maghrib Adhaan. And throughout, we should control our tongue from lying, backbiting and talking disrespectfully.

MAY ALLAH MAKE US FAST WITH FAITH AND GRANT US
TAQWA. AMEEN.



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
لا حول ولا قوة إلا بالله

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PRAYER

- The meaning of prayer is connection and dua. We need to connect to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and the moment we say 'Allahu Akbar' to "Assalam alaykum wa rahmat Allah" is the prayer.

IMPORTANCE OF THE PRAYER (فضل الصلاة)

- It's the pillar after the testimony of faith; it's not permissible to leave the prayer, not even while sick or traveling. If the person cannot move, he can still pray with his eyes.
- The prayer was ordained when the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) went on the Isra' and Mi'raj. It was 50 prayers, but was reduced to 5 prayers a day, but we are rewarded for 50.
- The obligations are the most beloved to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

VOLUNTARY PRAYERS (النوافل)

INCREASE IN PRAYERS

سمعت رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم يقول: " عليك بكثرة السجود، فإنك لن تسجد لله سجدة

إلا رفعك الله بها درجة، وحط عنك بها خطيئة

Thauban (May Allah be pleased with him) said: I heard Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) saying, "Perform Salah more often. For every prostration that you perform before Allah will raise your position one degree and will remit one of your sins".¹²

¹² Riyadh As Saliheen, Muslim, Book 1, Hadith 107

- The voluntary prayers are a means to draw closer to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) after the obligations and they make up for shortages in the obligatory prayers.

TYPES OF VOLUNTARY PRAYERS

AR RAWTIB (الرواتب)

- These are voluntary prayers linked to the obligatory prayers. They are:
 1. Fajr: 2 units before Fajr prayer, it's a highly recommended sunnah (سنة مؤكدة).
 2. Dhuhr: 2x2 units before Dhuhr and 2 after
 3. 'Asr: none
 4. Maghrib: 2 units after
 5. 'Isha: 2 units after

- TOTAL OF 12 UNITS AND THE REWARD IS A HOUSE IN PARADISE

HOUSE IN PARADISE FOR PRAYING THE RAWATIB PRAYERS

عَنْ عَائِشَةَ، قَالَتْ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " مَنْ تَابَرَ عَلَى ثِنْتَيْ عَشْرَةَ رَكْعَةً مِنَ السُّنَّةِ بَنَى اللَّهُ لَهُ بَيْتًا فِي الْجَنَّةِ أَرْبَعِ رَكْعَاتٍ قَبْلَ الظُّهْرِ وَرَكْعَتَيْنِ بَعْدَهَا وَرَكْعَتَيْنِ بَعْدَ الْمَغْرِبِ وَرَكْعَتَيْنِ بَعْدَ الْعِشَاءِ وَرَكْعَتَيْنِ قَبْلَ الْفَجْرِ

Aishah (may Allah be pleased with her) narrated that Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: "Whoever is regular with twelve Rak'ah of Sunnah (prayer), Allah will build a house for him in Paradise: Four Rak'ah before Zuhr, two Rak'ah after it, two Rak'ah after Maghrib, two Rak'ah after Isha, and two Rak'ah before Fajr."¹³

DHUHA PRAYER (الضحى)

- This can be prayed after sunrise by 12 minutes until before dhuhr by 12 minutes. You can pray a minimum of 2 units until a total of 12 units. And this prayer is to give gratitude for all the joints in our body.

WITR PRAYER (الوتر)

- It is an odd numbered prayer. The best time to pray the witr is in the final third of the night, but if you cannot get up, then you can pray it before you sleep. It is a highly recommended sunnah (سنة مؤكدة).
- The minimum prayer is 1 unit, and then you can pray 3 units, 5 units, 7 units and so forth. A person cannot prayer 2 witr in a night.

AT TARAWEEH (التراويح)

¹³ Jami` at-Tirmidhi 414

- This is prayed in Ramadan and it's the same as qiyam al layl, but it is named 'taraweeh' in Ramadan. It is a highly recommended sunnah (سنة مؤكدة). The taraweeh can be prayed at home.

SINS FORGIVEN FOR PRAYING TARAWEEH IN RAMADAN

عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه، أن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم قال: "من قام رمضان إيماناً واحتساباً غفر له ما تقدم من ذنبه"

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "He who observes optional prayer (Tarawih prayers) throughout Ramadan, out of sincerity of Faith and in the hope of earning reward will have his past sins pardoned."¹⁴

¹⁴ Riyadh As Saliheen, Al- Bukhari and Muslim, Book 9, Hadith 1187

PRAYING TARAWEEH WITH THE IMAM AS IF PRAYING THE WHOLE NIGHT

"إِنَّهُ مَنْ قَامَ مَعَ الْإِمَامِ حَتَّى يَنْصَرِفَ كُتِبَ لَهُ قِيَامُ لَيْلَةٍ"

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: Indeed, whoever stands (praying) with the Imam until he finished, then it is recorded for him that he prayed the whole night.¹⁵

- For the one who prays with the imam (this can be your husband, son, etc) until he finishes, then it is as if you have prayed the whole night, subhan Allah. The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) would pray a total of 11 units at night. It's permissible to pray more.

AT TARAWEEH (التراويح)

- A person can pray two units after performing wudhu.

¹⁵ Jami` at-Tirmidhi 806

VOLUNTARY PRAYER AFTER WUDHU

أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ لِبِلَالٍ عِنْدَ صَلَاةِ الْفَجْرِ " يَا بِلَالُ حَدِّثْنِي بِأَجْبَى عَمَلٍ عَمِلْتَهُ فِي
الإِسْلَامِ، فَإِنِّي سَمِعْتُ دَفَّ نَعْلَيْكَ بَيْنَ يَدَيَّ فِي الْجَنَّةِ

At the time of the Fajr prayer the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) asked Bilal, "Tell me of the best deed you did after embracing Islam, for I heard your footsteps in front of me in Paradise." Bilal replied, "I did not do anything worth mentioning except that whenever I performed ablution during the day or night, I prayed after that ablution as much as was written for me."¹⁶

FEELINGS IN PRAYER – PRAYING WITH KHUSHU'

- The soul of the prayer is khushu' in the prayer. It is also important to understand what we say in the prayer.
- When we pray, it is a meeting between us and Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and He places His Face in front of ours, subhan Allah.
- Our intention should be for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and we do not say the intention out loud, but inside the heart.

¹⁶ Sahih al-Bukhari 1149

STANDING IN THE PRAYER

- First we need to perform wudhu or ghusl, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) loves those who purify themselves before going into their meeting with Him.
- We enter the meeting as soon as we say, 'Allahu Akbar' (الله أكبر) – this is called 'Takbeerat Al Ihram' (تكبيرة الإحرام). Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is greater than anything in our life. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is greater than our work, greater than our family, greater than our children, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is greater than anything great in our life. Anything great in our life will keep us occupied unless we have something greater, and there is nothing greater than Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

RECITING SURAH AL FATIHA

- In every unit of prayer Surah Al Fatiha is recited, if it is not recited then the prayer is not accepted.

SURAH AL FATIHA IS A DIALOGUE BETWEEN US AND ALLAH

فَإِنِّي سَمِعْتُ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ: قَالَ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ: قَسَمْتُ الصَّلَاةَ بَيْنِي وَبَيْنَ عَبْدِي، نِصْفَيْنِ، وَلِعَبْدِي مَا سَأَلَ، فَإِذَا قَالَ الْعَبْدُ: { الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ } قَالَ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ: حَمِدَنِي عَبْدِي، وَإِذَا قَالَ: { الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ } قَالَ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ: أَتَى عَلَيَّ عَبْدِي، وَإِذَا قَالَ: { مَالِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ } قَالَ اللَّهُ: مَجَّدَنِي عَبْدِي - وَقَالَ مَرَّةً: فَوَضَّ إِلَيَّ عَبْدِي، فَإِذَا قَالَ: { إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ } قَالَ: هَذَا بَيْنِي

وَيَبِينَ عَبْدِي وَلِعَبْدِي مَا سَأَلَ، فَإِذَا قَالَ: { اِهْدِنَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ صِرَاطَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ غَيْرِ الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا الضَّالِّينَ } قَالَ: هَذَا لِعَبْدِي وَلِعَبْدِي مَا سَأَلَ

For I have heard the Prophet (may the blessings and peace of Allah be up on him) say: Allah (mighty and sublime be He), had said: I have divided prayer between Myself and My servant into two halves, and My servant shall have what he has asked for. When the servant says: Al-hamdu lillahi rabbi l-alamin (3), Allah (mighty and sublime be He) says: My servant has praised Me. And when he says: Ar-rahmani r-rahim (4), Allah (mighty and sublime be He) says: My servant has extolled Me, and when he says: Maliki yawmi d-din (5), Allah says: My servant has glorified Me - and on one occasion He said: My servant has submitted to My power. And when he says: Iyyaka na budu wa iyyaka nasta in (6), He says: This is between Me and My servant, and My servant shall have what he has asked for. And when he says: Ihdina s-sirata l- mustaqim, siratal ladhina an amta alayhim ghayril-maghdubi alayhim wa la d-dallin (7), He says: This is for My servant, and My servant shall have what he has asked for.¹⁷

WHEN WE SAY:

1. Alhamdulillah Rabb Al 'Alameen (الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ): all praises are due to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because He's perfect. When you say,

¹⁷ Sahih Muslim 395

'alhamdulillah Rabb Al 'Alameen' then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) says 'My slave has praised Me'.

2. Ar Rahman Ar Raheem (الرَّحْمَنُ الرَّحِيمُ): Your mercy reaches everything, then Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) says 'My slave over-praised Me'.
3. Owner of the Day of Recompense (مَلِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ): I admit you're the Owner of everything and the Owner of the Day of Judgement. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will say, 'My slave has exalted Me'.
4. You alone we worship and You alone we seek help (إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ): I can't worship You without Your help. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) says, 'this is between me and My slave', as if it's a contract. We need to worship Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) but He's the One helping us. And Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) says, 'whatever My slave asks me then I will grant him'.

What is the dua'a?

5. Guide us to the Straight Path (أَهْدِنَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ): you don't know what you want, but Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is teaching us to say this and say it at least 17 times a day. I want to be guided to take the right decisions, I want to be guided to the best deeds, manners, knowledge, speech.
6. The path whom You have bestowed your favors upon (صِرَاطَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ): I want the path that You bestowed Your favors upon them, I want to be on the path of the messengers and the prophets because they're on the best way.

7. Not of those whom You are angry with or who have gone astray (غَيْرِ) (الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا الضَّالِّينَ): I don't want to be among those You're angry with and I don't want to be among those who are misled. People whom Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) are angry with are those with knowledge but no action and the ones misled are the ones with action but no knowledge. So the Straight Path is knowledge and action.
8. Ameen (آمين): may Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) respond to my dua'a. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) accept my invocation.

BOWING IN THE PRAYER

- Then we say 'Allahu Akbar' (الله أكبر) and bow. It is reminding us that Allah is greater.
- When we bow, our back is straight, and there we magnify Allah (سبحانه) (سبحانه وتعالى). We show more humility in the ruku'.
- We say (سبحان ربي العظيم) "Glory be to My Lord The Most Magnificent" three times – which means I'm magnifying Him because He's the Most Great. Everything from Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is great.

RISING FROM BOWING

- When we rise from bowing, we say (سمع الله لمن حمده) which means Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) responds to the one who praises Him.

- And then we say (ربنا ولك الحمد) – O Our Rabb all praises are due to You.

PROSTRATION IN THE PRAYER

- This is the most honorable position in the prayer and it is performed twice in each unit, unlike the other positions which are only once, subhan Allah.
- Sujood has so much value and the more sujood we do, the more Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) elevates us. We're putting the most honorable part of our body, our face, on the ground to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and He appreciates this so much. This shows complete submission.
- We're in the closest position to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) when we're in sujood.
- We will say (سبحان ربي الأعلى) 3 times – “Glory be to My Lord The Most High” - You are the Most High and I'm in my lowest position.

PRAY AS IF IT IS YOUR LAST

فَقَالَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ عَلَّمْنِي وَأَوْجِزْ. قَالَ " إِذَا قُمْتَ فِي صَلَاتِكَ فَصَلِّ صَلَاةَ مُوَدِّعٍ

It was narrated that Abu Ayyub said: “A man came to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and said: ‘O Messenger of Allah, teach me but make it

concise.' He said: 'When you stand to pray, pray like a man bidding farewell.'¹⁸

SITTING BETWEEN THE TWO PROSTRATIONS

- We say (رَبِّيْ أَغْفِرْ لِيْ رَبِّيْ أَغْفِرْ لِيْ) – “My Rabb forgive me, my Rabb forgive me”. This shows our humility when we are seating in this position.

TASHAHUD

- Before we finish the prayer, there is the first and final tashahud, which means testimony.

FIRST TASHAHUD

- (السُّبْحَانَ وَتَعَالَى): All greetings belong to Allah (سُبْحَانَ وَتَعَالَى).
- (وَالصَّلَاةُ): all the prayers and invocations belong to Allah (سُبْحَانَ وَتَعَالَى). All connections belong to Him.
- (وَالطَّيِّبَاتُ): all goodness belongs to Allah (سُبْحَانَ وَتَعَالَى).
- (السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ): may Allah (سُبْحَانَ وَتَعَالَى) grant mercy and blessings upon the Prophet (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) and he gets the blessings when he's followed.

¹⁸ Sunan Ibn Majah Book 37, Hadith 4310

- (السَّلَامُ عَلَيْنَا وَعَلَىٰ عِبَادِ اللَّهِ الصَّالِحِينَ): peace be upon us, all Muslim slaves and all righteous slaves, and this dua'a reaches everyone, subhan Allah.
- (أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ): I bear witness that no one has the right to be worshipped except Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and I bear witness that Mohammed is His slave and messenger.

FINAL TASHAHUD

- (اللهم صلِّ على محمد، وعلى آل محمد، كما صليت على آل إبراهيم،) (سبحانه) may Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) praise Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and the household of Mohammed (عليه السلام) just as You praised Ibrahim (عليه السلام) and the household of Ibrahim (عليه السلام). Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم) is our messenger and Ibrahim (عليه السلام) is the father of the prophets.
- (إنك حميد مجيد): You are the Most Praiseworthy and Most Majestic.
- (اللهم بارك على محمد وعلى آل محمد، كما باركت على آل إبراهيم) ○ Allah bless Mohammed (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and his household, just as you blessed Ibrahim (عليه السلام) and his household.
- (إنك حميد مجيد): You are the Most Praiseworthy and Most Majestic.

DUA'A BEFORE TASLEEM ONE CAN SAY:

- (اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ عَذَابِ الْقَبْرِ، وَمِنْ عَذَابِ النَّارِ، وَمِنْ فِتْنَةِ الْمَحْيَا وَالْمَمَاتِ، وَمِنْ فِتْنَةِ الْمَسِيحِ) (الدَّجَالِ):

○ Allah! I seek refuge with you from the punishment in the grave and

from the punishment in the Hell fire and from the afflictions of life and death, and the afflictions of Al-Masih Ad-Dajjal

TASLEEM

- We turn to the right and say (السلام عليكم ورحمة الله) peace be upon you and the mercy of Allah, and we turn to the left and say the same.
- We feel peace when we pray and we want to spread the peace.

رَبِّ اجْعَلْنِي مُقِيمَ الصَّلَاةِ وَمِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِي ۚ رَبَّنَا وَتَقَبَّلْ دُعَاءِ

"O MY LORD! MAKE ME ONE WHO PERFORMS AS-SALAT (IQAMAT-AS-SALAT), AND (ALSO) FROM MY OFFSPRING, OUR LORD! AND ACCEPT MY INVOCATION.



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

لا حول ولا قوة إلا بالله

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QUR'AN

- There is a connection between the month of Ramadan and the Qur'an because the Qur'an and all other divine books were revealed in the month of Ramadan. The Qur'an is a connection between the heavens and the earth.

ALL DIVINE BOOKS WERE REVEALED IN RAMADAN

أُنزِلَتْ صَحُفُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ أَوَّلَ لَيْلَةٍ مِنْ شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ ، وَأُنزِلَتِ التَّوْرَةُ لِسِتِّ مَضَتْ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ ، وَأُنزِلَ
 الْإِنْجِيلُ بِثَلَاثِ عَشْرَةَ مَضَتْ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ ، وَأُنزِلَ الزَّبُورُ لثَمَانِ عَشْرَةَ خَلَّتْ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ ، وَأُنزِلَ الْقُرْآنُ
 لِأَرْبَعٍ وَعِشْرِينَ خَلَّتْ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ

The scrolls of Ibrahim were sent down in the first night of the month of Ramadan, and the Tawrat was sent down on the sixth of Ramadan , the Gospel was sent down on the thirteenth of Ramadan, the Psalms were sent down on the eighteenth of Ramadan, and the Qur'an was sent down on the twenty-fourth of Ramadan.¹⁹

WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RAMADAN AND THE QUR'AN?

SURAH AL BAQARAH 185

شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ الَّذِي أُنزِلَ فِيهِ الْقُرْآنُ هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ وَبَيِّنَاتٍ مِّنَ الْهُدَى وَالْفُرْقَانِ ۚ فَمَنْ شَهِدَ مِنْكُمُ
 الشَّهْرَ فَلْيَصُمْهُ ۗ وَمَنْ كَانَ مَرِيضًا أَوْ عَلَى سَفَرٍ فَعِدَّةٌ مِّنْ أَيَّامٍ أُخَرَ ۗ يُرِيدُ اللَّهُ بِكُمُ الْيُسْرَ وَلَا يُرِيدُ بِكُمُ
 الْعُسْرَ وَلِتُكْمِلُوا الْعِدَّةَ وَلِتُكَبِّرُوا اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ مَا هَدَاكُمْ وَلَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ

¹⁹ Sahih Aj Jami'e 1497, Authenticated by Al Albani in Hasan

The month of Ramadan in which was revealed the Qur'an, a guidance for mankind and clear proofs for the guidance and the criterion (between right and wrong). So whoever of you sights (the crescent on the first night of) the month (of Ramadan i.e. is present at his home), he must observe Saum (fasts) that month, and whoever is ill or on a journey, the same number [of days which one did not observe Saum (fasts) must be made up] from other days. Allah intends for you ease, and He does not want to make things difficult for you. (He wants that you) must complete the same number (of days), and that you must magnify Allah [i.e. to say Takbir (Allahu Akbar; Allah is the Most Great] for having guided you so that you may be grateful to Him.

◦ The righteous used to put all studies on hold and focus on the Qur'an.

RAMADAN THE MONTH OF THE QUR'AN

FORGIVENESS OF SINS WHOEVER PRAYS TARAWEEH IN RAMADAN

عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه، أن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم قال: "من قام رمضان إيماناً واحتساباً غفر له ما تقدم له من ذنبه"

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "He who observes optional prayer (Tarawih

prayers) throughout Ramadan, out of sincerity of Faith and in the hope of earning reward will have his past sins pardoned."²⁰

JIBREEL WOULD REVISE THE QUR'AN WITH THE
PROPHET (PEACE AND BLESSINGS OF ALLAH BE UPON
HIM) AT NIGHT

وَكَانَ جِبْرِيلُ . عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ . يَلْقَاهُ فِي كُلِّ لَيْلَةٍ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ، فَيُدَارِسُهُ الْقُرْآنَ

Gabriel used to meet him every night during Ramadan to revise the Qur'an with him.²¹

SURAH AZ ZUMAR 23

اللَّهُ نَزَّلَ أَحْسَنَ الْحَدِيثِ كِتَابًا مُتَشَابِهًا مَثَابًا تَقَشَعُ مِنْهُ جُلُودُ الَّذِينَ يَخْشَوْنَ رَبَّهُمْ ثُمَّ تَلِينُ جُلُودُهُمْ
وَقُلُوبُهُمْ إِلَىٰ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ ۚ ذَٰلِكَ هُدَىٰ اللَّهِ يَهْدِي بِهِ مَن يَشَاءُ ۚ وَمَن يُضِلِلِ اللَّهُ فََمَا لَهُ مِنْ هَادٍ

Allah has sent down the Best Statement, a Book (this Qur'an), its parts resembling each other (in goodness and truth) (and) oft-repeated. The skins of those who fear their Lord shiver from it (when they recite it or hear it). Then their skin and their heart soften to the remembrance of Allah. That is the guidance of Allah. He Guides therewith whom He wills; and whomever Allah sends astray, for him there is no guide.

²⁰ Riyadh As Saliheen, Al- Bukhari and Muslim, Book 9, Hadith 1187

²¹ Sahih al-Bukhari 3554

- The Qur'an is the best of books and every ayah it contains is praiseworthy. The skin of those who fear their Lord shiver when it is recited. Then their skin and heart soften to remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- The Qur'an removes any type of worries, anxiety, stress or sadness.

SUPPLICATION FOR DISTRESS

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي عَبْدُكَ ابْنُ عَبْدِكَ ابْنُ أَمَتِكَ نَاصِيَتِي بِيَدِكَ ، مَا ضِرٌّ فِي حُكْمِكَ ، عَدْلٌ فِي قَضَائِكَ أَسْأَلُكَ بِكُلِّ
اسْمٍ هُوَ لَكَ سَمَّيْتَ بِهِ نَفْسَكَ أَوْ أَنْزَلْتَهُ فِي كِتَابِكَ ، أَوْ عَلَّمْتَهُ أَحَدًا مِنْ خَلْقِكَ أَوْ اسْتَأْثَرْتَ بِهِ فِي عِلْمِ
الْغَيْبِ عِنْدَكَ ، أَنْ تَجْعَلَ الْقُرْآنَ رَبِيعَ قَلْبِي ، وَنُورَ صَدْرِي ، وَجَلَاءَ حُزْنِي ، وَذَهَابَ هَمِّي

O Allah, I am Your slave, son of Your slave, son of Your female slave, my forelock is in Your hand (i.e. You have total mastery over me), Your command over me is forever executed and Your decree over me is just. I ask You by every name belonging to You which You named Yourself with, or revealed in Your Book, or You taught to any of Your creation, or You have preserved in the knowledge of the unseen with You, that You make the Qur'an the spring of my heart and the light of my bosom, and a departure for my sorrow and a release for my anxiety

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: whoever recites this then Allah will remove his worries and sadness and replace it with relief.²²

²² As Silsalah As Saheehah 199, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

- When the Qur'an is the spring of any heart then surely there is no sadness or worries. When we know our position that we are a slave, and we know our Lord with all His beautiful names and attributes then there is no sadness. Sometimes we do not feel any effect from the Qur'an and the reason is because we do not know we are a slave and we do not know Who is Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

THE COMPANIONS WITH THE QUR'AN

- The Companions would recite ten ayat, learn it and apply it and then move on.

SURAH AL BAQARAH 78

وَمِنْهُمْ أُمِّيُونَ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ الْكِتَابَ إِلَّا أَمَانِيٍّ وَإِنْ هُمْ إِلَّا يَظُنُّونَ

And there are among them unlettered people, who know not the Book, but they trust upon false desires and they but guess.

- There are some who only recite the Book but do not reflect or ponder upon it. This was not the way the Companions when dealing with the Qur'an. They would understand the ayat, reflect, apply them and move on.

WHAT IS NEEDED IN MY HEART TO MAKE ME BENEFIT FROM THE QUR'AN?

1. Relying on Allah (سبحانه وتعالى)
2. To believe the Qur'an are the Words of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and this will make us magnify it. Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is the Lord of all of mankind and the Great Throne and we are reciting His Words. We will not get bored with the Qur'an when we magnify it. It even affects our behavior. The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) was a walking Qur'an.
3. To believe the Qur'an guides to the best. It guides to the best belief, best creed, best deeds, and best manners.

SURAH AL ISRAA 9

إِنَّ هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ يَهْدِي لِلَّتِي هِيَ أَقْوَمُ وَيُبَشِّرُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ الَّذِينَ يَعْمَلُونَ الصَّالِحَاتِ أَنَّ لَهُمْ أَجْرًا كَبِيرًا

Verily, this Qur'an guides to that which is most just and right and gives glad tidings to the believers (in the Oneness of Allah and His Messenger, Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم), who work deeds of righteousness, that they shall have a great reward (Paradise).

4. To believe every ayah is relatable to us. We should not assume it is about past stories or people because the concepts and behaviors are still applicable now. We should not ascribe purity to ourselves and say "I am not a Firaoun". When we there are dispraised people then we seek refuge with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) from being like them. And if there are

praiseworthy people then we ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to be among them.

We should have the attitude of 'we listen and we obey' (سمعنا و أطعنا)

when there is the mention of commands and prohibitions. We should not say, "I won't do it".

5. Repetition: we are rewarded when reciting the Qur'an, but you want interaction with the Qur'an as well.
6. The end of the surah should not be our goal. If we're thinking "when will I finish" then we will not benefit. The Qur'an is not like other books, it depends on our heart.

SURAH SAAD 29

كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ إِلَيْكَ مُبَارَكٌ لِيَدَّبَّرُوا آيَاتِهِ وَلِيَتَذَكَّرَ أُولُو الْأَلْبَابِ

(This is) a Book (the Qur'an) which We have sent down to you, full of blessings, that they may ponder over its Verses, and that men of understanding may remember.

7. The more time we spend with the Qur'an, the more Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will bless our time, health, and wealth, subhan Allah. How do we attain the blessing of the Qur'an? With taddabur, pondering the ayat.

WHAT ARE THE OBSTACLES TO UNDERSTANDING THE QUR'AN?

1. Focusing on the tajweed or grammar rules. Do not get caught up with rules that a person cannot focus on taddabur.
2. Focusing on reciting like a certain reader. The moment we have feelings for the Qur'an, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will give us our own rhythm.
3. Persisting in sins: sins can affect our understanding especially the sins we know we're doing. Arrogance will prevent a person from understanding the Qur'an. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) forgive our sins. Ameen.
4. Heedlessness: to recite the Qur'an but think about something else. This will prevent us from understanding the Qur'an.

PRACTICAL ADVICE WHILE RECITING THE QUR'AN

1. Do not give the Qur'an only your spare time, but a specified time regardless of what happens.
2. Before reciting, perform wudhu, and if a sister is menstruating then she can recite from a device. Face the qibla, begin with seeking refuge with Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) from the shaitan. Feel the virtues of the Qur'an that Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will love you and the angels surround you and so forth.
3. Let your voice be moderate – not too loud that you'll be tired and disturb others, or too low that you'll get bored and sleepy. Do not be too fast or too slow when reciting.

4. When you know the value of the Qur'an and it's the Word of Allah (سبحانه و تعالی), then place it above others. Do not interrupt your recitation to talk to someone unless it is urgent.
5. When the righteous predecessors would recite the Qur'an, they would not stop until they would complete the entire surah. Or even when listening to the Qur'an in the car, at least switch it off when the ayah ends and not in the middle of it. This shows magnification of Allah's Words.
6. Move your tongue while reciting and recite with sound.
7. Avoid reciting the Qur'an and then checking the mobile at the same time. May Allah (سبحانه و تعالی) forgive us. Ameen
8. Interact with the Qur'an. When recite ayat about mercy, then ask Allah (سبحانه و تعالی) to grant you mercy. And if there are ayat about warning, then seek refuge with Allah (سبحانه و تعالی). If there is "subhan Allah" then one says "subhan Allah", if there is takbeer, then one says it.
9. There is double the reward for the one who struggles in reciting the Qur'an so do not despair.
10. End the recitation by completing the surah if possible. Do not think about quantity, but quality.
11. Repeat the ayah until it softens your heart.

MAY ALLAH MAKE THE QUR'AN THE SPRING OF OUR HEARTS.



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DHIKR (REMEMBRANCE)

- Faith is our connection to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and it is the foundation to have acceptable deeds. Without faith, our deeds cannot be accepted. May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) increase us in faith. Ameen.

DHIKR (REMEMBRANCE)

- The word “dhikr” (ذکر) means to remember and we humans forget. We need to remember the unseen, especially Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), His names, actions, rules and legislations.
- Why do we forget? Because we go into this life, seeing and hearing many things thus getting distracted from the unseen. For this reason we need to increase in remembrance of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) make us among those who remember Him day and night. Ameen.

VIRTUES OF DHIKR (فضائل الذكر)

- Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) appreciates it much when we remember Him because we cannot see Him, unlike remembering people whom we can see.

1. REMEMBER ALLAH, ALLAH WILL REMEMBER YOU

SURAH AL BAQARAH 152

فَاذْكُرُونِي أَذْكَرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لِي وَلَا تَكْفُرُونِ

Therefore remember Me (by praying, glorifying), I will remember you, and be grateful to Me (for My countless Favours on you) and never be ungrateful to Me.

2. IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO BE REMEMBERED BY ALLAH

- When we remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) by ourselves, then He remembers us in Himself and when we remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) amongst others, then He remembers us in His greater gathering, which means He will talk about us to the angels. He will praise and love us.
- It is important to keep our tongues moist with remembering Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). When we remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then this will lead to gratitude. And when we are grateful, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will increase us.

3. THE HEART FINDS REST

- When we remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) then it's a cure and solution for all our problems. The heart finds rest when we talk about Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) because our heart wants to talk about The Most High.

4. WE ARE ALIVE WHEN WE REMEMBER ALLAH

REMEMBERING ALLAH AND NOT REMEMBERING HIM IS
LIKE THE LIVING AND THE DEAD

وعن أبي موسى الأشعري رضي الله عنه عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم، قال: "مثل الذي يذكر ربه

والذي لا يذكره، مثل الحي والميت

Abu Musa Al-Ash'ari (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "The similitude of one who remembers his Rabb and one who does not remember Him, is like that of the living and the dead."²³

- The one who remembers Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is actually alive and the one who does not remember Him is actually dead, subhan Allah.

5. BEST OF DEEDS

REMEMBERING ALLAH IS THE BEST OF DEEDS

وعن أبي الدرداء، رضي الله عنه قال: قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: "ألا أنبئكم بخير أعمالكم، وأزكاها عند مليككم، وأرفعها في درجاتكم، وخير لكم من إنفاق الذهب والفضة قالوا: بلى، قال: "ذكر الله تعالى

Abud-Darda (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Shall I not inform you of the best of your actions which are the purest to your Rabb, which exalt you to the high ranks, which are more efficacious than spending gold and silver (in charity)" They said, "Certainly." He (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Remembrance of Allah the Exalted."²⁴

²³ Riyadh As Saliheen, Al Bukhari & Muslim, Book 16, Hadith 1434

²⁴ Riyadh As Saliheen, At Tirmidhi, Book 16, Hadith 1441

- Remembering Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) is the best of deeds because we can remember Him anytime. It is the purest and highest in ranks.

HOW SHOULD WE REMEMBER ALLAH?

1. REMEMBER ALLAH MUCH

SURAH AL AHZAB 41

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ ذِكْرًا كَثِيرًا

O you who believe! Remember Allah with much remembrance.

- We can easily get distracted in this life, for this reason we ask Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) to help us remember Him, be grateful to Him and worship Him in excellence.

2. REMEMBER HIM WITHIN YOU

SURAH AL 'ARAF 205

وَاذْكُرْ رَبَّكَ فِي نَفْسِكَ تَضَرُّعًا وَخِيفَةً وَدُونَ الْجَهْرِ مِنَ الْقَوْلِ بِالْغُدُوِّ وَالْآصَالِ وَلَا تَكُن مِّنَ الْغَافِلِينَ

And remember your Lord within yourself, humbly and with fear and without loudness in words in the mornings, and in the afternoons and be not of those who are neglectful.

- We should remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) within ourselves, humbling ourselves and with fear. We should not be loud and remember Him in the morning and afternoons. It is important to not be heedless because He is the One reforming us and bringing the best to us.

3. KEEP YOUR TONGUE MOIST WITH REMEMBERING ALLAH

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عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ بُسْرِ، رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَجُلًا، قَالَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ إِنَّ شَرَائِعَ الْإِسْلَامِ قَدْ كَثُرَتْ عَلَيَّ فَأَخْبِرْنِي بِشَيْءٍ أَتَشَبَّهُ بِهِ. قَالَ " لَا يَزَالُ لِسَانُكَ رَطْبًا مِنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ

Abdullah bin Busr (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that: A man said: "O Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم), indeed, the legislated acts of Islam have become too much for me, so inform me of a thing that I should stick to." He (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: "Let not your tongue cease to be moist with the remembrance of Allah."²⁵

- We should remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) at all times because there are no restrictions. Sometimes we get overwhelmed with rules and legislations, but we should hold on to remembering Him.

²⁵ Jami` at-Tirmidhi 3375

SUPPLICATION TO EXPIATE SINS AFTER A GATHERING

وعن أبي هريرة رضى الله عنه قال: قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم "من جلس في مجلس، فكثير فيه لغطه فقال قبل أن يقوم من مجلسه ذلك: سبحانك اللهم وبحمدك، أشهد أن لا إله إلا أنت، أستغفرك وأتوب إليك، إلا غفر له ما كان في مجلسه ذلك

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Whoever sits in a gathering and indulges in useless talk and before getting up supplicates: 'Subhanaka Allahumma wa bihamdika, ash-hadu an la ilaha illa Anta, astaghfiruka wa atubu ilaika (O Allah, You are free from every imperfection; praise be to You. I testify that there is no true god except You; I ask Your Pardon and turn to You in repentance),' he will be forgiven for (the sins he may have intentionally or unintentionally committed) in that assembly."²⁶

- this supplication expiates the sins that can take place in a gathering due to vain or useless talk.

²⁶ At Tirmidhi Book 5, Hadith 832

TYPES OF DHIKR (أنواع الذكر)

1. QUR'AN

- The Qu'ran is the highest ranking and best dhikr.

2. REMEMBER ALLAH IN ALL SITUATIONS

- We can remember Him in every situation we go through in life.

SURAH AL AHZAB 41

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ ذِكْرًا كَثِيرًا

O you who believe! Remember Allah with much remembrance.

3. TO SAY: SUBHAN ALLAH, ALHAMDULLIAH, LA ILAH ILA

ALLAH, ALLAHU AKBAR (سبحان الله، الحمد لله، لا اله الا الله، الله أكبر)

THESE ARE CALLED → (الباقيات الصالحات) – EVERLASTING

GOOD DEEDS

- Subhan Allah is to push away all negativity and imperfection from Allah.
- Alhamdulillah is to affirm all perfection to Allah.
- Allahu Akbar is to affirm all greatness to Allah.
- La ilah ila Allah is to affirm the Oneness of Allah. La ilah ila Allah is the heaviest statement on the Scale and the best statement of remembrance.

LA ILAH ILA ALLAH (لا اله الا الله) IS THE HEAVIEST ON THE SCALE

سَمِعْتُ عَبْدَ اللَّهِ بْنَ عَمْرٍو بْنِ الْعَاصِ، يَقُولُ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ " إِنَّ اللَّهَ سَيَخْلُصُ رَجُلًا مِنْ أُمَّتِي عَلَى رُءُوسِ الْخَلَائِقِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فَيُنْشَرُ عَلَيْهِ تِسْعَةٌ وَتِسْعِينَ سِجْلًا كُلُّ سِجِلٍّ مِثْلُ مَدِّ الْبَصْرِ ثُمَّ يَقُولُ أَتُنْكِرُ مِنْ هَذَا شَيْئًا أَظْلَمَكَ كَتَبْتِي الْحَافِظُونَ فَيَقُولُ لَا يَا رَبِّ . فَيَقُولُ أَفَلَاكَ عُذْرٌ فَيَقُولُ لَا يَا رَبِّ . فَيَقُولُ بَلَى إِنَّ لَكَ عِنْدَنَا حَسَنَةً فَإِنَّهُ لَا ظُلْمَ عَلَيْكَ الْيَوْمَ فَتَخْرُجُ بِطَاقَةٍ فِيهَا أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ فَيَقُولُ احْضُرْ وَزَنِّكَ فَيَقُولُ يَا رَبِّ مَا هَذِهِ الْبِطَاقَةُ مَعَ هَذِهِ السِّجَلَاتِ فَقَالَ إِنَّكَ لَا تُظْلَمُ . قَالَ فَتُوضَعُ السِّجَلَاتُ فِي كِفَّةٍ وَالْبِطَاقَةُ فِي كِفَّةٍ فَطَاشَتِ السِّجَلَاتُ وَثَقَلَتِ الْبِطَاقَةُ فَلَا يُثْقَلُ مَعَ اسْمِ اللَّهِ شَيْءٌ "

Narrated 'Abdullah bin 'Amr bin Al-'As: that the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: "Indeed Allah will distinguish a man from my Ummah before all of creation on the Day of Judgement. Ninety-nine scrolls will be laid out for him, each scroll is as far as the eye can see, then He will say: 'Do you deny any of this? Have those who recorded this wronged you?' He will say: 'No, O Lord!' He will say: Do you have an excuse?' He will say: 'No, O Lord!' So He will say: 'Rather you have a good deed with us, so you shall not be wronged today.'" Then He will bring out a card (Bitaqah); on it will be: "I testify to La Ilaha Illallah, and I testify that Muhammad is His servant and Messenger." He will say: 'Bring your scales.' He will say: 'O Lord! What good is this card next to these scrolls?' He will say: 'You shall not be wronged.' He said: 'The scrolls will be put on a pan (of the scale), and the

card on (the other) pan: the scrolls will be light, and the card will be heavy, nothing is heavier than the Name of Allah."²⁷

- The best remembrance is (لا اله الا الله), thus we should increase in saying it.

LA ILAH ILA ALLAH (لا اله الا الله) IS THE BEST
REMEMBRANCE

أفضل الذكر: لا إله إلا الله، وأفضل الدعاء: الحمد لله

The best remembrance is “la ilah ila Allah” (There is no one worthy of worship except Allah) and the best supplication is “alhamdulillah” (All praises are due to Allah).²⁸

4. REMEMBER (لا حول و لا قوة الا بالله) - THERE IS NO CHANGE
AND POWER EXCEPT WITH ALLAH

- This one of the treasures and doors of paradise. There is no change in our state and we have no power except with Allah. When we say this, Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will make things easy for us.

²⁷ Jami` at-Tirmidhi 2639

²⁸ Sahih Aj Jami'e 1104, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan

5. TO SAY 'ASTAGHFAR ALLAH' (أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ) "I SEEK ALLAH'S FORGIVENESS"

- This is an expiation for our sins, and when we seek forgiveness Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) will grant us provision and ease our affairs.

6. TO SAY 'SUBHAN ALLAH WA BIHAMDIHI' (سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ) – ALLAH IS FAR FROM IMPERFECTION AND ALL PRAISES ARE FOR HIM

- When we say it 100 times a day then it will be a means of expiation for our sins.

REMEMBRANCE TO EXPIATE SINS

أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " مَنْ قَالَ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ. فِي يَوْمٍ مِائَةَ مَرَّةٍ حُطَّتْ خَطَايَاهُ، وَإِنْ كَانَتْ مِثْلَ زَبَدِ الْبَحْرِ ".

Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, "Whoever says, 'Subhan Allah wa bihamdihi,' one hundred times a day, will be forgiven all his sins even if they were as much as the foam of the sea.²⁹

²⁹ Sahih al-Bukhari 6405

7. THE BEST DHIKR IS LA ILAH ILA ALLH (لا اله الا الله) – “THERE IS NO ONE WORTHY OF WORSHIP EXCEPT ALLAH”

- May Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) make our last words in this life (لا اله الا الله). Ameen. Whoever says this before he dies enters paradise.

8. TO SAY AFTER THE OBLIGATORY PRAYER (اللهم أعنا على ذكرك) (و شكرك و حسن عبادتك) “O ALLAH HELP US TO REMEMBER YOU, BE GRATEFUL TO YOU AND WORSHIP YOU IN EXCELLENCE”

REMEMBRANCE AFTER EVERY OBLIGATORY PRAYER

وعن معاذ رضي الله عنه، أن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم، أخذ بيده وقال: "يا معاذ، والله إني لأحبك، ثم أوصيك يا معاذ لا تدعن في دبر كل صلاة تقول: اللهم أعني على ذكرك وشكرك، وحسن عبادتك"

(Mu'adh (bin Jabal) (May Allah be pleased with him) reported:

Messenger of Allah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) held my hand and said, "O Mu'adh,

By Allah, I love you and advise you not to miss supplicating after every Salat (prayer) saying: 'Allahumma a'inni 'ala dhikrika wa shukrika, wa husni

'ibadatika,' (O Allah, help me remember You, expressing gratitude to You and worship You in the best manner)".³⁰

- These are the rights of taqwa which are to remember Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), be grateful to Him and worship Him in excellence.

MAY ALLAH MAKE US AMONG THOSE WHO REMEMBER HIM
MUCH. AMEEN

³⁰ Riyadh As Saliheen, Abu Dawud and An- Nasa'i , Book 1, Hadith 384



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
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EID PRAYER

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FIRST UNIT

1. Takbeerat Al Ihraam
2. Then six takbeerat
3. Surah Al Fatiha

4. Surah Al 'Ala (this was the Sunnah of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم))
5. Continue a unit as usual

SECOND UNIT

1. Takbeer when rising for the second unit
 2. Then five takbeerat
 3. Surah Al Fatiha
 4. Surah Al Ghashiya (this was the Sunnah of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم))
 5. Continue the second unit as usual
- If a person does not know the above surahs, then whatever is easy for the person.

EID SUNNAHS

- It is important to make this day distinct from other days, even if we are alone or limited. The intention is to be sincere for Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) and to remind the household as well of these sunnahs.

1. To say the Takbeerat

الله أكبر الله أكبر الله أكبر

لا إله إلا الله

الله أكبر الله أكبر الله أكبر

ولله الحمد

Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest

There is no one worthy of worship but Allah

Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest

And to Allah belongs all praise

2. Ghusl

3. Scent

4. Wear the best clothes

5. Eat dates before the Eid Prayer

MAY ALLAH ACCEPT ALL OUR WORSHIPS AND MAKE US
FROM THE GRATEFUL ONES. AMEEN.

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