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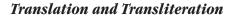
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### THIS KITĀB IS DEDICATED TO:

- My late parents Abdul Ghani and Fatima Mohamed.
- My late wife Rukeyah Mohamed.
- My children Ashraf, Nawal and Taariq,
- My daughter-in-law Shanaaz and
- All my grandchildren.

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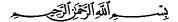
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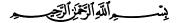
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### INTRODUCTION



In the Name of Allāh, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful. Peace and Blessings upon our beloved Prophet Muḥammad , his family and his Companions.

The Al-Wird al-Laṭ̄̄̄̄f – The Graceful and Benevolent Litany – which reflects on the many Attributes of Allāh, was compiled by Al-Imām Al-Quṭb Al-Ḥabīb 'Abdullāh ibn 'Alawī Al-Ḥaddād. It consists of invocatory sayings of the Prophet , holistically weaved into pertinent Qur'ānic Verses, and coupled with a number of inspirational lines provided by the author himself. This wird is called Al-Wird al-Laṭ̄̄̄f, because it is the "kinder and lighter" of the awrād, compared with Al-Wird al-Akbar, which is more intense.

A wird (pl. awrād) is any litany one chooses to recite for invocatory purposes, such as the Asmā al-Ḥusnā (the Ninety Nine Names of Allāh) for example.

The Al-Wird al-Latīf can be practised individually or in congregation, the latter being the preferred. It is recommended, that it be recited after the Fajr Prayer in the morning and after the Maghrib Prayer in the evening, but it can be recited at any time of the day. In the evening, the words in brackets should be read instead (refer to pgs. 30, 32, 46, 48, 50). The prime reason for the translation and transliteration of the Al-Wird al-Latīf, is to empower the reader, in order for him/her (the worshipper, the 'ābid) to understand, internalise and reflect on the passages in this litany, and to enable him/her to climb the various stations (maqām) in his/her journey to Allāh , the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful.

Through *Dhikrullāh*<sup>1</sup> (remembrance of Allāh), we can heal illnesses of the body and the heart (purification), and thus bring our system into balance (homeostasis). The resultant spiritual purification will propel our being to a higher level (station, *maqām*). This will enable us to receive the Divine Message that is reflected through our senses (tongue, eyes etc.), and through our personal conduct. The Prophet said in a Ḥadīth: "Allāh the Exalted and Transcendent stated: 'I am near to the thoughts of my bondsman<sup>2</sup> (servant) as he thinks about

Me. And if he remembers Me in his heart, I also Remember him in My Heart; and if he remembers Me in an assembly, I Remember him in a better Assembly; and if he draws near to Me by the span of a palm, I draw near to him by a cubit; and if he draws near to Me by a cubit<sup>3</sup>, I draw near to him by the space of two hands (outstretched hands); and if he walks towards Me, I will rush (run) towards him". (Bukhārī<sup>4</sup>, Muslim<sup>5</sup>,Tirmidhī<sup>6</sup> and Ibn Māja<sup>7</sup>).

For the Qur'ānic translations we opted for "The Holy Qur'ān" by Yusuf Ali, "The Noble Qur'ān" by Drs Muḥammad Al-Hilālī and Muḥsin Khan and "The Qur'ān" by Mawlana Wāḥiduddīn Khan. In order to make it easy for readers from any part of the world to read the transliteration of the Arabic, we have used, in the main, the *Encyclopedia of Islam* (New Edition) with minor adjustments. This translation has valuable end notes to explain the meanings of untranslatable Arabic words, Islamic concepts, Qur'ānic quotations and Ḥadīth.

We hope and pray that this translated and transliterated version of the *Al-Wird al-Laţīf* will be spiritually

enriching to the many wayfarers on their journey towards Allāh &.

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## THE BIOGRAPHY OF IMĀM 'ABDULLĀH 'ALAWĪ AL-HADDĀD

Imām 'Abdullāh al-Ḥaddād, the author of the well-known daily wird (or litany) Rātib al-Ḥaddād, is a member of a large family of saints, scholars and du'āt of the Bā 'Alawī family of Ḥaḍramawt. The roots of this family go back to Imām Aḥmad al-Muhājir a decendant of the Nabī through Imām 'Ali al-'Uraydi son of Imām Ja'far al-Ṣādiq. Imām Aḥmad is known as al-Muhājir because he fled (hijrah) the heavy political disturbances in Baghdad, where his father had moved earlier from Medina, and moved with his family to Yemen and eventually settled in Ḥaḍramawt. His qabr (grave) is still there built-up and frequented by the Bā 'Alawīs and others.

Books on *Taṣawwuf* and especially the works of Imām Ghazāli were studied, memorized, dissected, practiced and passed on from generation to generation. During the early part of the history of this family, they preferred anonymity. Their spiritual methods and insights were preserved like a closely guarded family secret. The value of this remarkable family-focussed spirituality came to the notice of the broader Ummah

much later. They made a particularly strong impression in Makkah and Medina from around the  $9^{th}-10^{th}$  centuries A.H. onwards when a number of the Bā 'Alawī Sayyids moved to the  $Hij\bar{a}s$  and settled there. The da'wa activities of this family is probably the primary reason for the spread of Islam in South East Asia. Traditional Islam was brought to Indonesia, the Phillipines, Malaysia, Brunei and a large part of Southern India in this way.

The great spiritual leader and organizer of the Bā 'Alawī tarīqah was Imām Muḥammad al-Faqīh al-Muqaddam Bā 'Alawī. He received the sūfī spiritual lineage that passes through Imām Ghazāli, from Abū Madyan during the 6<sup>th</sup> century A.H. the age of the emergence of the great turuq. The family also possesses lineages that go back to the Nabī \$\mathbb{B}\$ through the family.

Imām 'Abdullāh al-Ḥaddād was born on a Sunday night, during the month of Ṣafr, in the year 1043 A.H. His father was 'Alawī ibn Muḥammad ibn Aḥmad al-Ḥaddād, and his mother the very pious Salma bint 'Aydarūs ibn Aḥmad al-Ḥibshi. Both of them died in the year 1073 A.H.

The Imām contracted small-pox at the age of 3 and lost his eyesight. He grew up in Tarīm, one of the wellknown towns in Hadramawt, and it was here that he memorized the Qur'an. He displayed a very powerful spiritual tendency from a very early age. The Imām used to go into very deep spiritual states during the Hadrah. One childhood friend of his, Imām Ahmad 'Umr al-Hadawan said, that at times he could not come out of his state of bliss, unless they carried and placed him on top of the gabr of Imām Muhammad al-Faqīh al-Mugaddam. The Imām also won the favour of the spiritual masters of his time. Another friend of his, Imām Aḥmad Hāshim al-Ḥibshī said, they used to study together the works of Imām Ghazāli under the great Shaykh of the Bā 'Alawīs, Imām 'Umr 'Abdurraḥmān al-'Attās. During one session the Shaykh told him: "You and 'Abdullāh al-Ḥaddād are the same at the beginning, and you will part the same at the ending.

In his early life, the Imām traveled frequently. Whenever he heard of a saintly person, he would pay them a visit to receive their blessings and guidance. In this way, he built up a collection of *ijāzāt* and *khirqahs*, details of which can be seen in the great collections of the 'Alawī scholars.

The dominant figures in the spiritual life and development of the Imām, were Sayyid 'Umr al-'Aṭṭās and Sayyid Muḥammad ibn 'Alawī, the latter being the great Makkan scholar and spiritual guide. These, and other *shuyūkh*, thought highly of the Imām. Sayyid 'Umr al-'Aṭṭās, for example, said that no one equalled Imām al-Ḥaddād in their age. Sayyid Aḥmad ibn Nāṣir compared al-Ḥaddād to Bā Yazīd al-Bistami. The great scholar Sayyid Shaykhayn ibn Ḥusayn called Imām al-Haddād the "Ka'bah of hearts".

The Imām is known to have frequented the *qabr* of Nabī Hūd , may Allah's Peace and Blessings be upon him, which is located near Ḥaḍramawt. He advised people to recite the *mawlūd* at this holy shrine. He also regularly spent time at the *qabr* of al-Faqīh al-Muqaddam and Shaykh Abū Bakr Sālim al-'Aynati. The name of the last saint is quoted in one of the works of Tuan Yūsuf. In fact, Tuan Yūsuf ends one of his treatises with a piece of the poetry of Shaykh Abū Bakr Sālim. According to his students, the Imām used to do these visitations after 'Asr on both Fridays and Tuesdays.

Imām al-Ḥaddād performed his Ḥajj in the year 1079 A.H. He was 35 years old at the time, and stayed at the house of Sayyid Ḥusayn Bā Faḍl in Makkah. His landlord also thought highly of him. Sayyid Ḥusayn saw in him a combination of the traits of both Sayyid Muḥammad ibn 'Alawī and the great ṣūfī shaykh of Makkah Aḥmad al-Qushāshī.

Imām al-Ḥaddād was actively involved in teaching. Since the age of 27, he taught at the famous Musjid al-Hujayrah in Tarīm. At the same time, he conducted classes at his zāwiyah. A point to note here is, that the whole concept of a zāwiyah as an educational institution rather than fundamentally as a place of worship or musjid, is a typical 'Alawī phenomenon. They built zawāyā (pl. of zāwiyah) near or next to the musjid wherever they traveled or settled. His classes were well attended, and from those classes, emerged some of the greatest scholars in Ḥaḍrami history. The author of the world famous risālah al-jāmi'ah, Imām Aḥmad Zayn al-Ḥibshī for example, attended those classes for approximately 40 years.

In the year 1083 A.H., at the age of 39, Imām al-Haddād built his home near Tarīm. The house is in the centre of a complex, surrounded by a musjid (Musjid al-Fatḥ). This hallowed place soon became the spiritual and intellectual centre of Ḥaḍramawt. The list of scholars and ṣufiyyah, who attended or stayed at this place, is too long to mention. Huge charitable ḥafalāt (pl. of ḥaflah - gatherings) were held at this musjid, where both rich and poor were hosted. The Imām called this place Ḥāwī al-Khayrāt wa al-Nūr, which literally means "embracing goodness and light".

In the beginning Imām al-Ḥaddād stayed at al-Ḥāwī for short periods of time, sometimes for a year, whereafter he would return to the city. In the year 1099 A.H., at the age of 55, he moved to al-Ḥāwī permanently, where he had classes during the day, on Mondays and Thursdays. These were held inside or on the roof of the house. Other classes were held every night in the musjid.

The Imām passed away in the year 1132 A.H. at the age of 89. He fell sick on the 27<sup>th</sup> of Ramaḍān of that year, and remained sick until the 7<sup>th</sup> of Dhul Qa'dah. The *ghusl* was done by his son and successor, Sayyid Ḥasan al-Ḥaddād and the *janāzah* was led by his other son, Sayyid 'Alawī. The attendance at the *janāzah* was

so huge, that it was said, that the *mayyit* left the house after 'Asr, and was only laid to rest in the *qabr* after sunset.

Imām al-Ḥaddād left 10 children – 6 sons and 4 daughters. In addition to all this, the Imām left a considerable legacy of writings. The Imām's books, which are highly recommended, and where poetry takes pride of place, have benefitted generations of both students and scholars. One scholar said that most of the Imām's deepest insights are contained in his poetry. Interestingly, the descendants of a few local Imāms have copies of the famous commentary of Imām Aḥmad bin Sumayyit on the *Lāmiyyah* (called *Lāmiyyah* because each verse ends with the Arabic letter *lām*) of the Imām al-Ḥaddād. He also composed a series of *awrād* (or litanies) most of which are central to the daily practices of the Bā 'Alawiyyah and their students.

Imām 'Abdullāh al-Ḥaddād has written a number of very useful books. Here is a list of some of them:

- Al-Nasā'iḥ al-Dīniyyah Advice of the Dīn
- Al-Da'wah al-Tāmmah The Complete Message
- Risālah al-Mu'āwanah wa al-Mudhāharah wa al-Muwāzarah – Book of Assistance

- Kitāb al-Murīd Book of the Seeker or Spiritual Traveller
- Risālah al-Mudhākarah Book of Reminiscence
- Sabīl al-Iddikār wa al-I'tibār Lives of Man
- Tathbīt al-Fu'ād Strenghtening of the Heart

Some of these books have recently been translated of which the translations of Dr. Muṣṭafā al-Badawī, who we know personally, is recommended.

### **Shaykh Achmad Hendricks**

## ٱلْوِرْدُ اللَّطِيْفُ

﴿ قُلْ هُوَ اللهُ اَحَدُ ۞ اللهُ الصَّمَدُ ۞ لَمْ يَلِدُ لاَ وَلَمْ يُلِدُ لاَ وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوًا اَحَدُ ۞ ﴿ وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوا اَحَدُ ۞ ﴿ وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوا اَحَدُ ۞ ﴿ وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوا اَحَدُ ۞ ﴿ وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَلهُ اللهُ الل

بِسَــِ مِٱللَّهِ ٱلرَّحْمَرِ ٱلرَّحِي

﴿ قُلْ اَعُوْدُ بِرَبِّ الْفَلَقِ ﴿ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا خَلَقَ ۞ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا خَلَقَ ۞ وَمِنْ شَرِّ النَّفُلْتِ وَمِنْ شَرِّ خَاسِةٍ إِذَا حَسَدَ ۞ فِي الْعُقَدِ ۞ وَمِنْ شَرِّ حَاسِدٍ إِذَا حَسَدَ ۞ ﴿ رَثَلَاثًا ﴾ (ثَلَاثًا)

سُوْرَة الْإِخْلَاص (١١٢)، آيات ١-٤ سُوْرَة الْفَلَق (١١٣)، آيات ١-٥

## Bismillāhir raḥmānir rahīm

- 1 Qul huwal lāhu aḥad.
- 2 Allāhuş şamad.
- 3 Lam yalid wa lam yūlad.
- 4 Wa lam yakul lahū kufuwan aḥad. (thalāthan)

## Bismillāhir raḥmānir raḥīm

- 1 Qul a'ūdhu birabbil falaq.
- 2 Min sharri mā khalaq.
- 3 Wa min sharri ghāsiqin idhā waqab.
- 4 Wa min sharrin naffāthāti fil 'uqad.
- 5 Wa min sharri ḥāsidin idhā ḥasad. (thalāthan)

### In the Name of Allāh, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful.

- 1 Say: He is Allāh, the One and Only;
- 2 Allāh, the Eternal, Absolute;
- 3 He was not born, nor does He give birth;
- 4 And there is nothing like Him. (3 times)

### In the Name of Allāh, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful.

- 1 Say: I seek refuge with
  the Lord of the
  daybreak;
- 2 From the mischief of created things;
- 3 From the mischief of darkness as it becomes intense;
- 4 From the mischief of those who practise secret arts;
- 5 And from the mischief of the envious one as he practises envy. (3 times)

## بِنْ \_\_\_\_ ِٱللَّهِ ٱلرَّحْزِ ٱلرَّحِي

﴿قُلْ اَعُوْدُ بِرَبِّ النَّاسِ ۞ مَلِكِ النَّاسِ ۞ اللهِ النَّاسِ ۞ اللهِ النَّاسِ ۞ اللهِ النَّاسِ ۞ اللهِ عُ النَّاسِ ۞ مِنْ شَرِّ الْوَسْوَاسِ الْخَنَّاسِ ۞ مِنَ الْجِنَّةِ وَ يُوسُوسُ فِيْ صُدُوْرِ النَّاسِ ۞ مِنَ الْجِنَّةِ وَ النَّاسِ ۞ مِنَ الْجِنَّةِ وَ النَّاسِ ۞ مِنَ الْجِنَّةِ وَ النَّاسِ ۞ ﴿ ثَلَاثًا ﴾ النَّاسِ ۞ ﴿ (ثَلَاثًا )

﴿ رَبِّ اَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنْ هَمَاٰتِ الشَّلَطِيْنِ ۞ وَاَعُوْذُ بِكَ رَبِّ اَنْ يَّحْضُرُوْنَ ۞ ﴿ رَثَلَاثًا ﴾

سُوْرَة النَّاس (١١٤)، آيات ١-٦

سُوْرَة الْمُؤمِنُوْن (٢٣)، آيات ٩٨-٩٨

## Bismillāhir raḥmānir rahīm

- 1 Qul a'ūdhu birabbin nās.
- 2 Malikin nās.
- 3 Ilāhin nās.
- 4 Min sharril waswāsil khannās.
- 5 Alladhī yuwaswisu fī şudūrin nās.
- 6 Minal jinnati wannās. (thalāthan)

Rabbi aʿūdhu bika min hamazātish shayāṭīn. Wa aʿūdhu bika rabbi ayyaḥḍurūn. (thalāthan)

### In the Name of Allāh, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful.

- 1 Say: I seek refuge with the Lord and Cherisher of mankind;
- 2 The King (or Ruler) of mankind;
- 3 The God (or Judge) of mankind:
- 4 From the mischief of the whisperer (of evil), who withdraws:
- 5 (The whisperer) who whispers into the hearts of mankind;
- 6 From among jinn and men. 10 (3 times)

O my Lord! I seek refuge with You from the suggestions of the Evil Ones; And I seek refuge with You, O my Lord! In the event that they come near me.<sup>11</sup> (3 times) ﴿ اَفَحَسِبْتُمْ اَنَّمَا خَلَقْنَكُمْ عَبَثًا وَّانَّكُمْ اِلَيْنَا لَا تُرْجَعُوْنَ ﴿ فَهَا لَمَلِكُ الْحَقُ اللهُ الْمَلِكُ الْحَقُ اللهُ الْمَلِكُ الْحَقُ اللهُ اللهُ الْمَلِكُ الْحَقُ اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ وَمَنْ يَدْعُ مَعَ اللهِ اللهِ الْهَا الْحَرَ لا اللهِ اللهُ اللهِ ا

Afaḥasibtum annamā khalaqnākum 'abathaw wa annakum ilaynā lā turja'ūn. "Did you (really) imagine that We created you without any purpose, and that you would not be brought back to Us (for account)?"

Fata'ālallāhul malikul ḥaqqu lā ilāha illā huwa rabbul 'arshil karīm. Therefore, Exalted be Allāh, the True King; there is no god but He; the Lord of the Throne of Honour!

Wa may yad'u ma'allāhi ilāhan ākhara lā burhāna lahū bihī fa'innamā hisābuhū 'inda rabbihī innahū lā yufliḥul kāfirūn.

He who invokes another deity along with Allāh – a deity of whose divinity he has no proof – will be brought to account by his Lord. Verily, the unbelievers will not be successful.

Wa qurrab-bighfir warḥam wa anta khayrur rāhimīn. So say: "O my Lord! Forgive us and have Mercy on us; for You are the best of those Who show Mercy!" 12 ﴿ فَسُبْحُنَ اللهِ حِيْنَ تُمْسُوْنَ وَحِيْنَ تُصْبِحُوْنَ ۞ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ فِي السَّمُوٰتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَعَشِيًّا وَّحِيْنَ تُطْهِرُوْنَ ۞ يُخْرِجُ الْحَيَّ مِنَ الْمَيِّتِ وَيُخْرِجُ الْحَيَّ مِنَ الْمَيِّتِ وَيُخْرِجُ الْحَيِّ مِنَ الْمَيِّتِ وَيُخْرِجُ الْمَيِّتِ مِنَ الْمَيِّتِ وَيُخْرِجُ الْمَيِّتِ مِنَ الْحَيِّ وَيُحْيِ الْأَرْضَ بَعْدَ مَوْتِهَا الْمَيِّتَ مِنَ الْحَيِّ وَيُحْيِ الْأَرْضَ بَعْدَ مَوْتِهَا الْمَيِّتَ مِنَ الْحَيِّ وَيُحْيِ الْأَرْضَ بَعْدَ مَوْتِهَا الْمَيِّتِ وَكُذَلِكَ تُخْرَجُوْنَ ۞ ﴾

\* أَعُوْذُ بِاللهِ السَّمِيْعِ الْعَلِيْمِ مِنَ الْشَّيْطَانِ الْشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيْمِ. (ثَلَاثًا)

Fa subḥānallāhi ḥīna tumsūna wa ḥīna tuṣbiḥūn.

Wa lahul ḥamdu fissamāwāti wal ardi wa'ashiyyaw wa ḥīna tuzhirūn.

Yukhrijul ḥayya minal mayyiti wa yukhrijul mayyita minal ḥayyi wa yuḥyil arḍa ba'da mawtihā wa kadhālika tukhrajūn.

\* A'ūdhu billāhis samī'il 'alīmi minash shayṭānir rajīm. (thalāthan)

So glorify Allāh in the evening and in the morning.

And Praise be to Him in the Heavens and on earth; and glorify Him in the late afternoon and at midday.

It is He Who revives the living out of the lifeless, and cause the living to die. He gives life to the earth after its death; and you shall be raised to life (resurrected) in the same way!<sup>13</sup>

★ I seek refuge in Allāh, the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing, from the rejected shayṭān.<sup>14</sup>
(3 times)

﴿لَوْ اَنْزَلْنَا هٰذَا الْقُرْانَ عَلَى جَبَل لَّرَأَيْتَهُ خَاشِعًا مُّتَصَدِّعًا مِّنْ خَشْيَةِ اللهِ ۚ وَتِلْكَ الْأَمْثَالُ نَضْربُهَا لِلنَّاسِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَفَكَّرُوْنَ ۞ هُوَ اللَّهُ الَّذِيْ لَآ إِلَّهَ إِلَّا هُوَ ۚ عٰلِمُ الْغَيْبِ وَالشَّهَادَةِ ۚ هُوَ الرَّحْمٰنُ الرَّحِيْمُ ﴿ هُوَ اللَّهُ الَّذِيْ لَآ إِلٰهَ إِلَّا هُوَ ۚ الْمَلِكُ الْقُدُّوْسُ السَّلْمُ الْمُؤْمِنُ الْمُهَيْمِنُ الْعَزِيْزُ الْجَبَّارُ الْمُتَكَبِّرُ ۚ سُبْحٰنَ اللهِ عَمَّا يُشْرِكُوْنَ ۗ

Law anzalnā hādhal qurāna ʿalā jabalil lara aytahū khāshi ʿam mutaṣaddi ʿam min khashyatillāh, wa tilkal amthālu naḍribuhā linnāsi la ʿallāhum yatafakkarūn.

Huwallāhulladhī lā ilāha illā huwa ʿālimul ghaybi wash shahādati huwar rahmānur rahīm.

Huwallāhulladhī lā ilāha illā huwal malikul quddūsus salāmul mu'minul muhayminul 'azīzul jabbārul mutakabbir,

subḥānallāhi 'ammā yushrikūn. Had We sent down this Qur'ān on a mountain, you would have certainly seen it humbling itself and splitting asunder for its fear of Allāh. We relate these parables to men so that they may reflect.

He is Allāh; there is no god, but Him. The All-Knower of the Unseen and the seen. He is the Most Compassionate, Most Merciful.

He is Allāh; there is no god, but Him; the King, the Most Pure, the Source of Peace (Perfection), the Giver of Security, the Protector, the All-Mighty, the Compeller, the Supremely Great;

Glory be to Allāh. (High is He) above all that they associate as partners with Him.

هُوَ اللهُ الْخَالِقُ الْبَارِئُ الْمُصَوِّرُ لَهُ الْأَسْمَآءُ الْحُسْنَى لَهُ الْآسْمَآءُ الْحُسْنَى لَيْ السَّمُوٰتِ وَالْأَرْضِ عَلَمُ الْحَسْنَى لَيْ السَّمُوٰتِ وَالْأَرْضِ عَلَمُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيْزُ الْحَكِيْمُ ﴿

﴿ سَلَمٌ عَلَى نُوْحٍ فِى الْعُلَمِيْنَ ۞ إِنَّا كَذَٰلِكَ نَجْزِى الْمُحْسِنِيْنَ ۞ إِنَّهُ مِنْ عِبَادِنَا الْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ ۞ ﴾ الْمُحْسِنِيْنَ ۞ ﴾

أَعُوْدُ بِكَلِمَاتِ اللهِ التَّامَّاتِ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا حَلَقَ.
 (ثَلَاثًا)

سُوْرَة الْحَشْر (٥٩)، آيات ٢١-٢١

سُوْرَة الصَّافَّات (٣٧)، آيات ٧٩–٨١

Huwallāhul khāliqul bāri'ul musawwiru lahul asmā'ul ḥusnā, yusabbiḥu lahū mā fissamāwāti wal arḍi wa huwal 'azīzul ḥakīm.

He is Allāh, the Creator, the Maker, the Fashioner. To Him belongs the Most Beautiful Names. Everything in the Heavens and the earth glorify Him. And He is the All-Mighty, the All-Wise 15

Salāmun 'alā nūḥin fil 'ālamīn. "Peace and salutations to Noah among the nations (man, jinn and all that exist)!"

Innā kadhālika najzil muhsinīn. Verily, this is the way that We reward the righteous.

Innahū min 'ibādinal mu'minīn. For he was one of Our believing bondsmen. 16

A'ūdhu bikalimātil lāhit tāmmāti min sharri mā khalaq. (thalāthan) \* I seek refuge in the Perfect Words of Allāh from the evil that He created. 17 (3 times)

\* بِسْمِ اللهِ الَّذِيْ لَا يَضُرُّ مَعَ اسْمِهِ شَيْءٌ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا فِي السَّمَآءِ وَهُوَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ. (ثَلَاثًا)

\* اَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَصْبَحْتُ [أَمْسَيْتُ] مِنْكَ فِيْ نِعْمَةٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ وَسِتْرِ، فَأَتْمِمْ نِعْمَتَكَ عَلَيَّ وَ عَافِيَتَكَ وَسِتْرَكَ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ. (ثَلَاثًا) \* اَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَصْبَحْتُ [أَمْسَيْتُ] أَشْهدُكَ، وَأُشْهِدُ حَمْلَةَ عَرْشِكَ، وَمَلآئِكَتَكَ، وَجَمِيْعَ خَلْقِكَ؛ أَنَّكَ أَنْتَ اللَّهُ لَآ إِلَّهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ وَحْدَكَ لَا شَرِيْكَ لَكَ، وَأَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُكَ وَرَسُوْلُكَ.

(أُرْبَعًا)

- \* Bismillāhilladhī lā yaḍurru ma'asmihī shay'un fil'arḍi wa lā fissamā'i wa huwas samī'ul 'alīm. (thalāthan)
- \* Allāhumma innī aṣbaḥtu minka fī ni matin wa 'āfiyatin wa sitrin, fa'atmim ni mataka 'alayya wa 'āfiyataka wa sitraka fiddunyā wal'ākhirah. (thalāthan) (In the evenings, recite: amsaytu instead of aṣbaḥtu).
- \* Allāhumma innī aṣbaḥtu ush-hiduka wa ush-hidu ḥamalata 'arshika wa malā'ikataka wa jamī'a khalqika, annaka antallāhu lā ilāha illā anta waḥdaka lā sharīka laka, wa anna sayyidanā Muḥammadan 'abduka wa rasūluk. (arba'an)

- \* In the Name of Allāh, in Whose Name no harm can be done on earth or in Heaven. He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing. 18 (3 times)
- \* O Allāh! I find myself this morning with favours (bounties), good health and protection from You. So, O Allāh, complete Your favours, good health and Your protection for me in this world as well as in the Hereafter.<sup>19</sup> (3 times)
- \* O Allāh! This morning I take You, the carriers of Your Throne, Your Angels and all of creation as witnesses, that truly You are Allāh; there is no god, but You, You have no partners, and that truly, Muḥammad is Your bondsman and Messenger. 20 (4 times)

\* اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِيْنَ، حَمْدًا يُّوَافِيْ نِعَمَهُ وَيُكَافِئُ مَزِيْدَهُ. (ثَلَاثًا)

﴿ أَمَنْتُ بِاللهِ الْعَظِيْمِ، وَكَفَرْتُ بِالْجِبْتِ وَالطَّاغُوْتِ، وَاسْتَمْسَكْتُ بِالْعُرْوَةِ الْوُثْقَى، لَاانْفِصَامَ لَهَا وَاللهُ سَمِيْعٌ عَلِيْمٌ. (ثَلَاثًا)

\* رَضِیْتُ بِاللهِ رَبَّا، وَبِالْإِسْلَامِ دِیْنًا، وَبِمُحَمَّدٍ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَیْهِ وَالِهِ وَسَلَّمَ نَبِیًّا وَّرَسُوْلًا. (ثَلَاثًا)

﴿ حَسْبِيَ اللّٰهُ أَنَّ لَا اِللّٰهَ اِلَّا هُوَ طَعَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَهُوَ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيْمِ ( ﴿ اللّٰهِ عَالَى الْعَظِيْمِ ( ﴿ اللّٰهِ عَالَى الْعَظِيْمِ ( ﴿ اللّٰهِ عَالَى اللّٰهُ عَالَى الْعَظِيْمِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهِ اللهُ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهُ اللّٰمِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهُ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهِ اللّٰهُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمُ اللّٰمِنْ اللّٰمُ اللّٰ

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- \* Alḥamdulillāhi rabbil 'ālamīn, ḥamdan yuwāfī ni amahū wa yukāfi'u mazīdah. (thalāthan)
- \* Āmantu billāhil 'azīm, wa kafartu biljibti waṭṭāghūti, wastamsaktu bil'urwatil wuthqā, lanfiṣāma lahā wallāhu samī'un 'alīm. (thalāthan)
- \* Radītu billāhi rabban wa bil'islāmi dīnan, wa bi-Muḥammadin ṣallallāhu 'alayhi wa ālihi wasallama nabiyyan wa rasūlā. (thalāthan)

Ḥasbiyallāhu lā ilāha illā huwa 'alayhi tawakkaltu wa huwa rabbul 'arshil 'azīm. (sab'an)

- \* All Praise is only for Allāh, Lord of the Worlds; Praises that are equal to His Bounties and matches His added Grace and Bounties.<sup>21</sup> (3 times)
- \* I believe in Allāh, the Great; and I reject all idols and false gods; and I grasp solidly the most trustworthy handhold that never breaks. And Allāh is All-Hearing, All-Knowing.<sup>22</sup> (3 times)
- ★ I accept Allāh as my Lord, Islām as my religion, and Muḥammad, Peace and Blessings be upon him and his family, as a Prophet and Messenger.<sup>23</sup> (3 times)

Allāh is sufficient for me. There is no god, but He. In Him do I put my trust, and He is the Lord of the Mighty Throne!"<sup>24</sup> (7 times) \* اَللَّهُمَّ صلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَّالِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَسَلِّمْ. (عَشْرًا)

\* اَللّٰهُمَّ إِنِّيْ أَسْأَلُكَ مِنْ فُجَاءَةِ الْخَيْرِ، وَأَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنْ فُجَاءَةِ الْخَيْرِ،

\* اَللّٰهُمَّ أَنْتَ رَبِّيْ، لَآ إِلٰهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ خَلَقْتَنِيْ وَأَنَا عَبْدُكَ، وَأَنَا عَلَى عَهْدِكَ وَوَعْدِكَ مَا اسْتَطَعْتُ، أَبُوْءُ لَكَ بِنِعْمَتِكَ أَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا صَنَعْتُ، أَبُوْءُ لَكَ بِنِعْمَتِكَ عَلَيَّ، وَأَبُوْءُ لِذَنْبِيْ فَاغْفِرْ لِيْ فَإِنَّهُ لَآ يَغْفِرُ الذَّنُوْبَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ.

- \* Allāhumma şalli 'alā sayyidinā Muḥammadin wa ālihī wa şaḥbihī wa sallim. ('ashran)
- \* Allāhumma innī as'aluka min fujā'atil khayr, wa a'ūdhu bika min fujā'atish sharr.
- \* Allāhumma anta rabbi, lā ilāha illā anta khalaqtanī, wa ana 'abduka wa ana 'alā 'ahdika wa wa'dika mastata'tu, a'ūdhu bika min sharri mā ṣana'tu,

abū'ulaka bi ni'matika 'alayya wa abū'u bi dhanbī faghfirlī fa'innahū lā yaghfirudh dhunūba illā anta.

- \* O Allāh! Send Blessings upon our master Muḥammad, his family and Companions, and bestow Peace upon them.<sup>25</sup> (10 times)
- ★ O Allāh! I ask You of unexpected good fortune, and I seek refuge in You from unexpected illfortune.<sup>26</sup>
- \* O Allāh! You are my Lord. There is none worthy of worship besides You. You have created me, and I am Your servant, and I am true to my promise and commitment to You, to the best of my ability. I seek refuge in You from the evil of what I have committed.

I acknowledge Your favour upon me, and confess to my sins; forgive me, for none but You can forgive sins.<sup>27</sup>

\* اَللّٰهُمَّ أَنْتَ رَبِّيْ، لَآ إِلٰهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ، عَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَأَنْتَ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيْمِ.

\* مَا شَآءَ اللهُ كَانَ، وَمَا لَمْ يَشَأْ لَمْ يَكُنْ، وَلَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللهِ الْعَلِيِّ الْعَظِيْمِ.

\* أَعْلَمُ أَنَّ اللهَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيْرٌ، وَأَنَّ اللهَ قَدْ أَحَاطَ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عِلْماً.

﴿ اَللّٰهُمَّ إِنِّيْ أَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّ نَفْسِيْ، وَمِنْ شَرِّ نَفْسِيْ، وَمِنْ شَرِّ كَلِّ دَابَّةٍ، أَنْتَ آخِذُ م بِنَاصِيَتِهَا، إِنَّ رَبِّيْ عَلَى صِرَاطٍ مُّسْتَقِيْمٍ.

- \* Allāhumma anta rabbī lā ilāha illā anta 'alayka tawakkaltu wa anta rabbul 'arshil 'azīm.
- Mā shā'allāhu kāna, wa mā lam yasha' lam yakun, wa lā ḥawla wa lā quwwata illā billāhil 'aliyyil 'azīm.
- \* A'lamu annallāha 'alā kulli shay'in qadīr, wa annallāha qad aḥāṭa bi kulli shay'in 'ilmā.
- \* Allāhumma innī a'ūdhu bika min sharri nafsī, wa min sharri kulli dābbatin anta ākhidhum bināṣiyatihā, inna rabbī 'alā ṣirāṭim mustaqīm.

- \* O Allāh! You are my Lord, there is no god, but You. In You do I put my complete trust, and You are the Lord of the Mighty Throne.
- \* What Allāh Wills, happens; and what He does not Will, does not happen; and there is no Power nor Strength, save that of Allāh, the Most High, the Great.
- ★ Know that indeed, Allāh has Power over all things and that indeed, Allāh comprehends all things in His Knowledge.<sup>28</sup>
- \* O Allāh! I seek Your protection from the evil of my self, and from the evil of every moving creature which You have under Your control. Indeed, my Lord is on the straight path (in terms of Truth and Justice).<sup>29</sup>

\* يَاحَيُّ يَاقَيُّوْمُ، بِرَحْمَتِكَ أَسْتَغِيْثُ، وَمِنْ عَذَابِكَ أَسْتَغِيْثُ، وَمِنْ عَذَابِكَ أَسْتَجِيْرُ، أَصْلِحْ لِيْ شَأْنِيْ كُلَّهُ، وَلَا تَكِلْنِيْ إِلَى نَفْسِيْ وَلَا إِلَى أَحَدٍ مِنْ خَلْقِكَ طَرْفَةَ عَيْنٍ.

\* اَللّٰهُمَّ إِنِّيْ أَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْهَمِّ وَالْحَزَنِ، وَأَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْهَمِّ وَالْحَزَنِ، وَأَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْعُجْزِ وَالْكَسَلِ، وَأَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْجُبْنِ وَالْبُحْلِ، وَأَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنْ غَلَبَةِ الدَّيْنِ وَقَهْرِ الرِّجَالِ.

\* اَللّٰهُمَّ إِنِّيْ أَسْأَلُكَ الْعَافِيَةَ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ. \* Yā Ḥayyu Yā
Qayyūm, biraḥmatika
astaghīth, wa min
'adhābika astajīr, aṣliḥ lī
sha'nī kullahū, wa lā
takilnī ilā nafsī wa lā
ilā aḥadim min khalqika
ṭarfata 'ayn.

- \* Allāhumma innī a'ūdhu bika minal hammi wal ḥazan, wa a'ūdhu bika minal 'ajzi wal kasal, wa a'ūdhu bika minal jubni wal bukhl, wa a'ūdhu bika min ghalabatiddayn wa qahrir-rijāl.
- \* Allāhumma innī as'alukal 'āfiyata fiddunyā wal ākhirah.

- \* The Ever-Living, the Self-Subsisting (by Whom all subsist). I seek help through Your Mercy and protection from Your Punishment. Set right all my affairs, and do not leave me to myself or to anyone from Your creation, even for the blink of an eye.<sup>30</sup>
- \* Allāh! I seek refuge in You against anxiety and grief, and I seek refuge in You from weakness and laziness, and I seek refuge in You from cowardice and greed, and from unbearable debt and from the oppression of people.<sup>31</sup>
- \* Allāh! I beseech You to grant me safety in this world as well as in the Hereafter.

\* اَللّٰهُمَّ إِنِّيْ أَسْأَلُكَ الْعَفْوَ وَالْعَافِيَةَ وَالْمُعَافَاةَ اللَّهُمَّ اللهُعَافَاةَ اللَّائِمَةَ فِيْ دِيْنِيْ وَدُنْيَايَ وَأَهْلِيْ وَمَالِيْ.

\* اَللَّهُمَّ اسْتُرْ عَوْرَاتِيْ وَأَمِنْ رَوْعَاتِيْ.

\* اَللَّهُمَّ احْفَظْنِيْ مِنْ بَيْنِ يَدَيَّ وَمِنْ خَلْفِيْ، وَعَنْ يَمِيْنِ يَدَيَّ وَمِنْ خَلْفِيْ، وَأَعُوْذُ وَعَنْ يَمِيْنِيْ وَعِنْ شِمَالِيْ وَمِنْ فَوْقِيْ، وَأَعُوْذُ بِعَظَمَتِكَ أَنْ أُغْتَالَ مِنْ تَحْتِيْ.

\* اَللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ خَلَقْتَنِيْ وَأَنْتَ تَهْدِيْنِيْ، وَأَنْتَ تَهْدِيْنِيْ، وَأَنْتَ تُطْعِمُنِيْ وَأَنْتَ تُمِيْتُنِيْ وَأَنْتَ تُمِيْتُنِيْ وَأَنْتَ تُمِيْتُنِيْ وَأَنْتَ تُحْيِيْنِيْ، وَأَنْتَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيْرٌ.

- \* Allāhumma innī as'alukal 'afwa wal 'āfiyata wal mu'āfātad dā'imata fī dīnī wa dunyāya wa ahlī wa mālī.
- \* Allāhummastur 'awrātī wa āmin raw'ātī.
- \* Allāhummaḥfaẓnī min bayni yadayya wa min khalfī wa 'an yamīnī wa 'an shimālī wa min fawqī, wa a'ūdhu bi'aẓamatika an ughtāla min taḥtī.
- \* Allāhumma anta khalaqtanī wa anta tahdīnī, wa anta tuṭ'imunī, wa anta tasqīnī, wa anta tumītunī, wa anta tuhyīnī, wa anta 'alā kulli shay'in qadīr.

- \* O Allāh! I ask You safety, security and permanent protection in relation to my religion, worldly affairs, family and property.<sup>32</sup>
- ★ O Allāh! Conceal my faults and defects and lay to rest my fears.
- ★ O Allāh! Protect me from the front, the rear, the right, the left and from above; I seek refuge in Your Magnificence, in the event that I may suddenly be destroyed from beneath. 33
- \* O Allāh! You created me, and You guide me, and You provide me with food, and You provide me with drink; and You shall cause me to die, and You shall give me life (resurrect me); and You have Power over all things.<sup>34</sup>

\* أَصْبَحْنَا [أَمْسَيْنَا] عَلَى فِطْرَةِ الْإِسْلَامِ، وَعَلَى كِلْمَةِ الْإِسْلَامِ، وَعَلَى دِيْنِ نَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ عَلَى كَلِمَةِ الْإِخْلَاصِ، وَعَلَى دِيْنِ نَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَّى الله عَلَيْهِ وَالِهِ وَسَلَّمَ، وَعَلَى مِلَّةِ أَبِيْنَا فِسَلَّمَ، وَعَلَى مِلَّةِ أَبِيْنَا إِبْرَاهِيْمَ حَنِيْفًا مُسْلِمًا، وَمَا كَانَ مِنَ الْمُشْرِكِيْنَ.

\* اَللّٰهُمَّ بِكَ أَصْبَحْنَا وَبِكَ أَمْسَيْنَا، وَبِكَ نَحْيَا وَبِكَ نَحْيَا وَبِكَ نَحْيَا وَإِلَيْكَ نَتُوكَّلُ وَإِلَيْكَ النُّشُوْرُ [الْمَصِيْرُ].

\* أَصْبَحْنَا [أَمْسَيْنَا] وَأَصْبَحَ [وَأَمْسٰى] الْمُلْكُ لِلّٰهِ وَالْحَمْدُ لِللّٰهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِيْنَ.

- \* Aṣbaḥnā 'alā fiṭratil islām, wa 'alā kalimatil ikhlāṣ, wa 'alā dīni nabiyyinā Muḥammadin ṣallallāhu 'alayhi wa ālihi wa sallam, wa 'alā millati abīnā Ibrāhīma ḥanīfan musliman wa mā kāna minal mushrikīn. (In the evenings, recite: amsaynā instead of aṣbaḥnā).
- \* Allāhumma bika aṣbaḥnā wa bika amsaynā, wa bika naḥyā wa bika namūtu, wa 'alayka nata wakkalu wa ilaykan nushūr. (In the evenings, recite: wa ilaykal maṣīr, instead of wa ilaykan nushūr).
- \* Aşbaḥnā wa aşbaḥal mulku lillāhi wal ḥamdu lillāhi rabbil 'ālamīn. (In the evenings, recite: amsay nā wa amsal mulku, instead of aşbaḥnā wa aşbaḥal mulku).

- ★ We enter this morning with the natural purity of Islām, with the Words of Sincerity, with the religion of our Prophet Muḥammad (Blessings and Peace be upon him and his family) and in accordance with the faith of our father Ibrāhīm, who was by nature an upright Muslim; and he was not from the idolaters.<sup>35</sup>
- \* Allāh! We enter the day and the night through Your Power and Mercy. We live and die through You, and on You do we depend, and in Your Presence will we be resurrected.<sup>36</sup>
- \* We, and the entire Kingdom of Allāh have risen this morning, purely for the sake of Allāh; and all Praise be to Allāh, Lord of the Worlds.

\* اَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّيْ أَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرَ هٰذَا الْيَوْمِ [هٰذِهِ اللَّيْلَةِ] فَتْحَهُ [هَا] وَنَصْرَهُ [هَا] وَنُوْرَهُ [هَا] وَبَرَكَتَهُ [هَا] وَهُدَاهُ [هَا].

\* اَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّيْ أَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرَ هٰذَا الْيَوْمِ [هٰذِهِ اللَّيْلَةِ] وَخَيْرَ مَا قَبْلَهُ [هَا] اللَّيْلَةِ] وَخَيْرَ مَا قَبْلَهُ [هَا] وَخَيْرَ مَا قَبْلَهُ [هَا] وَخَيْرَ مَا بَعْدَهُ [هَا]. وَأَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّ هٰذَا الْيَوْمِ [هٰذِهِ الْلَيْلَةِ] وَشَرِّ مَا فِيْهِ [هَا] وَشَرِّ مَا لَيْوَمِ [هَا] وَشَرِّ مَا قَبْلَهُ [هَا] وَشَرِّ مَا قَبْلَهُ [هَا].

- \* Allāhumma innī as'aluka khayra hādhal yawm fatḥahū wa naṣrahū wa nūrahū wa barakatahū wa hudāh. (In the evenings, recite: hādhihil laylah fatḥahā wa naṣrahā wa nūrahā wa barakatahā wa hudāhā).
- \* O Allāh! I ask of You the best of this day, its (spiritual) openings, its help, its light, its blessings and its guidance.<sup>37</sup>

- \* Allāhumma innī as'aluka khayra hādhal yawm wa khayra mā fīhi wa khayra mā qablahū wa khayra mā ba'dahū,
- \* O Allāh! I ask of You the goodness of this day, the best of what is in it, and the best of what is before it; and the best of that which is after it;

wa a'ūdhu bika min sharri hādhal yawm wa sharri mā fīhi wa sharri mā qablahū wa sharri mā ba'dahū. (In the evenings recite: hādhihil laylah and fīhā, qablahā and ba'dahā). and I seek Your protection against the evil of this day, the evil that is in it, and the evil of that which is before it, and the evil of that which is after it. \* اَللّٰهُمَّ مَا أَصْبَحَ [أَمْسٰى] بِيْ مِنْ نِعْمَةٍ أَوْ بِأَحَدٍ مِّنْ خَلْقِكَ فَمِنْكَ وَحْدَكَ لَا شَرِيْكَ لَكَ فَلَكَ الْحَمْدُ وَلَكَ الشُّكْرُ عَلَى ذٰلِكَ.

\* سُبْحَانَ اللهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ عَدَدَ خَلْقِهِ وَرِضَى نَفْسِهِ وَزِنَةَ عَرْشِهِ وَمِدَادَ كَلِمَاتِهِ. (ثَلَاثًا)

﴿ سُبْحَانَ اللهِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ عَدَدَ خَلْقِهِ وَ رِضَى نَفْسِهِ وَزِنَةَ عَرْشِهِ وَمِدَادَ كَلِمَاتِهِ. (ثَلَاثًا)

- \* Allāhumma mā aşbaḥa bī min ni'matin aw bi'aḥadim min khalqika faminka waḥdaka lā sharīka laka falakal ḥamdu walakash-shukru 'alā dhālik. (In the evenings recite: amsā instead of aşbaḥa)
- \* Subḥānallāhi wa bi ḥamdihī 'adada khalqihī wa riḍā nafsihī wa zinata 'arshihī wa midāda kalimātihī. (thalāthan)

\* Subḥānallāhil 'azīm wa bi ḥamdihī 'adada khalqihī wa riḍā nafsihī wa zinata 'arshihī wa midāda kalimātihī. (thalāthan)

- \* Allāh! Whatever bounty has come my way, or the way of any of Your creation this morning, has indeed come from You. You have no partner, and to You belong all Praises and all Thanks.<sup>38</sup>
- \* Glory and Praise be to Allāh, equal to the number of His creation, to the degree that pleases Him, to the weight of His Throne, and the ink of the meaning of His Eternal Words. (3 times)
- \* Glory be to Allāh, and by Praising Him I Glorify Him. Glory be to Allāh the Almighty, equal to the number of His creation, the pleasure of Himself, the weight of His Throne, and the ink of the meaning of His Eternal Words. 40 (3 times)

\* سُبْحَانَ اللهِ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي السَّمَآءِ، سُبْحَانَ اللهِ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي الْأَرْضِ، سُبْحَانَ اللهِ عَدَدَ مَا بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ، سُبْحَانَ اللهِ عَدَدَ مَا بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ، سُبْحَانَ اللهِ عَدَدَ مَا هُوَ خَالِقٌ.

\* اَلْحَمْدُ لِلهِ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي السَّمَآءِ، اَلْحَمْدُ لِلهِ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي الْأَرْضِ، الْحَمْدُ لِلهِ عَدَدَ مَا بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ، الْأَرْضِ، اَلْحَمْدُ لِلهِ عَدَدَ مَا بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ، اَلْحَمْدُ لِلهِ عَدَدَ مَا هُوَ خَالِقٌ.

\* Subḥānallāhi 'adada mā khalaga fīssamā'i,

Subḥānallāhi 'adada mā khalaqa fīl'arḍi,

Subḥānallāhi 'adada mā bayna dhālik,

Subḥānallāhi 'adada mā huwa khāliq.

\* Alḥamdulillāhi 'adada mā khalaqa fīssamā'i,

Alḥamdulillāhi 'adada mā khalaqa fīl'arḍi,

Alḥamdu lillāhi 'adada mā bayna dhālik,

Alḥamdulillāhi 'adada mā huwa khāliq. \* Glory be to Allāh, equal to the number of His creation in the Heavens; Glory be to Allāh, equal to the number of His creation on earth; Glory be to Allāh, equal to the number of His creation between them; Glory be to Allāh, equal to the number of Him being the Creator.

\* All Praise be to Allāh, equal to the number of His creation in the Heavens; All Praise be to Allāh, equal to the number of His creation on earth; All Praise be to Allāh, equal to the number of His creation between them; All Praise be to Allāh, equal to the number of Him being the Creator.

\* لَآ إِلٰهَ إِلَّا اللهُ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي السَّمَآءِ، لَآ إِلٰهَ إِلَّا اللهُ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي الْأَرْضِ، لَآ إِلٰهَ إِلَّا اللهُ عَدَدَ مَا بَيْنَ ذٰلِكَ، لَآ إِلٰهَ إِلَّا اللهُ عَدَدَ مَا هُوَ خَالِقٌ.

\* اَللهُ أَكْبَرُ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي السَّمَآءِ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي الْأَرْضِ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ عَدَدَ مَا بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ عَدَدَ مَا بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ عَدَدَ مَا هُوَ خَالِقٌ.

★ Lā ilāha illallāhu 'adada mā khalaqa fīssamā'i,

Lā ilāha illallāhu 'adada mā khalaqa fil'arḍi,

Lā ilaha illallāhu 'adada mā bayna dhālik,

Lā ilāha illallāhu 'adada mā huwa khāliq.

\* Allāhu akbaru 'adada mā khalaqa fīssamā'i,

Allāhu akbaru 'adada mā khalaqa fil'arḍi,

Allāhu akbaru 'adada mā bayna dhālik,

Allāhu akbaru 'adada mā huwa khāliq. \* There is no god, but Allāh, equal to the number of His creation in the Heavens;

There is no god, but Allāh, equal to the number of His creation on earth;

There is no god, but Allāh, equal to the number of His creation between them; There is no god, but Allāh, equal to the number of Him being the Creator.

\* Allāh is the Greatest, equal to the number of His creation in the Heavens; Allāh is the Greatest, equal to the number of His creation on earth; Allāh is the Greatest, equal to the number of His creation between them; Allāh is the Greatest, equal to the number of Him being the Creator.

\* لَاحَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللهِ الْعَلِيِّ الْعَظِيْمِ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي السَّمَآءِ،

لَاحَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللهِ الْعَلِيِّ الْعَظِيْمِ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ فِي الْأَرْضِ،

لَاحَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللهِ الْعَلِيِّ الْعَظِيْمِ عَدَدَ الْعَظِيْمِ عَدَدَ مَا بَيْنَ ذُلِكَ،

لَاحَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللهِ الْعَلِيِّ الْعَظِيْمِ عَدَدَ مَا هُوَ خَالِقٌ.

\* Lā ḥawla walā quwwata illā billāhil 'aliyyil 'azīmi 'adada mā khalaqa fīssamā'i,

Lā ḥawla walā quwwata illā billāhil 'aliyyil 'azīmi 'adada mā khalaqa fil'arḍi,

Lā ḥawla walā quwwata illā billāhil 'aliyyil 'azīmi 'adada mā bayna dhālik,

Lā ḥawla walā quwwata illā billāhil 'aliyyil 'aẓīmi 'adada mā huwa khāliq. \* There is no Power nor
Strength except with
Allāh the Exalted, the
Mighty, equal to the
number of His creation
in the Heavens;
There is no Power nor
Strength except with
Allāh the Exalted, the
Mighty, equal to the
number of His creation
on earth;

There is no Power nor Strength except with Allāh the Exalted, the Mighty, equal to the number His creation between them (Heaven and earth);

There is no Power nor Strength except with Allāh the Exalted, the Mighty, equal to the number of Him being the Creator. \* لَآ إِلٰهَ إِلَّا اللهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيْكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْهُ عَلَى الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ يُحْيِيْ وَيُمِيْتُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيْرٌ، عَدَدَ كُلِّ ذَرَّةٍ أَلْفَ مَرَّةٍ. (ثَلَاثًا)

\* اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ مِفْتَاحِ بَابِ رَحْمَةِ اللهِ، عَدَدَ مَا فِيْ عِلْمِ اللهِ، صَلَاةً وَسَلَاماً دَائِمَیْنِ بِدَوَامِ مُلْكِ اللهِ، وَعَلَى الهِ وَصَحْبِهِ عَدَدَ كُلِّ ذَرَّةٍ أَلْفَ مَرَّةٍ. (ثَلَاثًا) \* Lā ilāha illallāhu waḥdahū lā sharīka lahū, lahul mulku wa lahul ḥamdu yuḥyī wa yumītu wa huwa 'alā kulli shay'in qadīr, 'adada kulli dharratin alfa marrah. (thalāthan)

\* Allāhumma şallī wa sallim 'alā sayyidinā Muḥammadin miftāḥi bābi raḥmatillāhi 'adada mā fī 'ilmillāhi, şalātan wa salāman dā'imayni bidawāmi mulkillāhī, wa 'alā ālihi wa ṣaḥbihī 'adada kulli dharratin alfa marrah. (thalāthan)

\* There is no god, but Allāh. He is One. He has no partner. His is the Kingdom, and His is the Praise. He gives life and death, and He has Power over all things; equal to the number of every atom a thousand times.

(3 times)

\* O Allāh! Send Peace and Salutations upon our master Muḥammad, the key to the Door of Your Mercy, equal to the number of Your Knowledge; an Everlasting Peace and Salutation in Your Everlasting Dominion, is showered upon his family and Companions; equal to the number of every atom a thousand times. (3 times)

Ḥabīb 'Umar ibn Sālim ibn Ḥafīth in his Khulāṣah, recommends that after the Wird al-Laṭīf or any Awrād, the supplicant should say:

\* أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الَّذِيْ لَا إِلٰهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الرَّحْمٰنُ الرَّحِيْ لَا إِلٰهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الرَّحْمٰنُ الرَّحِيْمُ الْرَّحِيْمُ الْدِيْ لَا يَمُوْتُ وَأَتُوْبُ إِلَيْهِ، رَبِّ اغْفِرْ لِيْ. (٢٧مَرَّةً)

\* أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ لِلْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ. (۲۷ مَرَّةً)

## Ḥabīb 'Umar ibn Sālim ibn Ḥafīth in his Khulāṣah, recommends that after the Wird al-Laṭīf or any Awrād, the supplicant should say:

- \* Astaghfirullāhalladhī lā ilāha illā huwar raḥmānur raḥīmul ḥayyul qayyumul ladhī lā yamūtu wa atūbu ilayhi, rabbighfirlī. (27 marratan)
- \* Astaghfirullāha lilmu'minīna wal mu'mināt. (27 marratan)

- \* I seek refuge in Allāh. There is no god but Him, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful; the Ever-Living, the Self-Subsisting; He Who never dies; I repent to Him.

  O Lord forgive me!

  (27 times)
- \* I ask Allāh to forgive all believing men and believing women.
  (27 times)

#### **ENDNOTES**

<sup>1</sup>Dhikrullāh (remembrance of Allāh); Dhikr: invocation; a generic term that includes categories such as awrād (sing. wird) and aḥzāb (sing. ḥizb) that are usually translated as litanies. A wird is a litany one chooses to recite for invocatory purposes, while a hizb has a more restricted meaning and application. In the context of Dhikr it refers to a litany that is designed for purposes of protection and safeguarding e.g. the Ḥizb Al-Baḥr (Litany of the Sea).

<sup>2</sup>**Bondsman**: slave (lit. and fig.); servant; servitude and obedience to Allāh.

<sup>3</sup>**Cubit**: an ancient measure of length, approximately equal to the length of a forearm.

<sup>4</sup>Imām Muḥammad ibn Ismā'īl ibn Ibrāhīm ibn Al-Mughīrah Al-Bukhārī (Abū 'Abdullāh) was born on the 13<sup>th</sup> of Shawwāl in the year 194 A.H/ 773 C.E, in Bukhāra, in the Province of Khurusān. The Imām died on the 1<sup>st</sup> of Shawwāl in the year 256 A.H/835 C.E, and was buried in Khurtank, a village near Samarkand. It is said, that before compiling his Ṣaḥīḥ, Imām Al-Bukhārī had a dream in which he saw the Prophet ♣. In the dream, Imām Al-Bukhārī was using a fan to drive away the flies from the Prophet ♣. The dream was interpreted

to mean that he would be driving away the falsehood that had been levelled against the Noble Prophet . Imām Al-Bukhārī said: "I compiled my book 'The Ṣaḥīḥ' over sixteen years, and extracted six hundred thousand (600,000) Ḥadīth, and made it evidence between myself and Allāh, the Most High". The Imām began collecting Ḥadīth at the tender age of ten.

<sup>5</sup>Muslim ibn al-Ḥajjāj, Abū al-Ḥusayn was born in the year 202 A.H/781 C.E and died in the year 261 A.H/840 C.E. A very famous compiler of Ḥadīth, whose collection is known as the Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim, which ranks among the six major collections.

<sup>6</sup>**Abū 'Īsā Muḥammad Al-Tirmidhī** was born in the year 209 A.H/788 C.E. and died in the year 279 A.H/858 C.E. Like Imām Al-Bukhārī, Imām Al-Tirmidhī was one of the six main compilers of the Ḥadīth. Although he was blind, Imām Al-Tirmidhī travelled extensively. He is said to have resided in the area of Balkh.

<sup>7</sup>**Ibn Mājah** was born in the year 209 A.H/788 C.E and died in the year 273 A.H/852 C.E. His full name was Abū 'Abdullāh Muḥammad ibn Yazīd al-Rabā'ī al-Qazwīni ibn Mājah. He was one of the six principal compilers of Islamic traditions in Sunnī Islām. He travelled widely in search of knowledge and the Ḥadīth. <sup>8</sup>*Sūrah al-Ikhlās* 

Abū Hurayrah relates that the Prophet said: "Sūrah al-Ikhlāş (Sūrah 112) equals one third of the Qur'ān." (Narrated by Muslim). According to al-Tabarānī, Abū Hurayrah narrates that the Prophet said: "Whosoever recites Sūrah al-Ikhlāş eleven times, it is as if he has read the Qur'ān four times; and he would be the best among the people of the earth, as long as he fears Allāh."

'Ā'isha anarrated that a companion, who led an expedition for the Prophet , would lead the prayer and end the Qur'ānic recitation with *Qul huwallāhu aḥad*. When they returned this was mentioned to the Prophet who said: "Ask him why he does so," which they did. He replied: "It is the attribute of *al-Raḥmān* (The All-Merciful) and I love to recite it." So the Prophet said: "Tell him that Allāh Loves him."

Anas a relates that a man said to the Envoy of Allāh: "I love *Sūrah al-Ikhlāṣ*." He told him: "Love of it will admit you to Paradise." (al-Tirmidhī)

### <sup>9/10</sup>Sūrah al-Falaq and Sūrah al-Nās (Al-Mu'awwadhatayn )

'Uqbah bin 'Āmir relates that once, when he and the Prophet were walking between Juḥayfa and al-Abwā, they were struck by a gust of wind and (were shrouded in) intense darkness. Thereupon the Prophet began

to recite *Qul a'ūdhu birabbil falaq* and *Qul a'ūdhu birabbin nās* (Sūrah 113 and 114 respectively). The Prophet then said: "O 'Uqbah seek protection from Allāh by them, for there is nothing comparable to them when seeking protection." (Narrated by Ibn Dāwūd)

The 'Allāmah Ibn Ḥajar said, in relation to this Ḥadīth, in his commentary on the *Mishkāt*: "There is nothing more effective in removing and protecting (oneself from) black magic, than reading these (*Sūrahs*) on a regular basis, especially after each prescribed prayer, as we have tried (this and found it to be so).

### 11 Rabbi a'ūdhu bika min hamazātish...

It is narrated in a Ḥadīth that the Prophet asked for protection against Satan and his followers (with the above formula). It is also the formula preferred by Imām al-Ḥaddād and is revealed in the Qur'ān in Sūrah al-Mu'munūn (Sūrah 23, verses 97-98). Imām al-Ghazālī included it among the invocations of wuḍū, and many 'Ulamā have taken it from him, and approved of it.

'Amr ibn Shubayb relates from his father, who in turn related it from his father that: "The Prophet taught us (the following) words to say when we awoke from our sleep with a startle: In the Name of Allāh, I seek refuge in the complete words of Allāh from His

anger, His punishment and from the evil among His creation; and my Lord, I seek refuge in You from the insinuations of devils and I seek refuge in You, my Lord, in their presence.

### <sup>12</sup>Afaḥasibtum annamā khalaqnākum...

Al-Baghawi narrated that Anas said: "Ali ibn Mas'ūd passed-by an afflicted man and he recited the verses Afaḥasibtum annamā khalaqnākum 'abathan... to the end of the Sūrah (Sūrah 23, verses 115-118) and the man was cured; so the Prophet said: "By the One in Whose Hand lies my soul, if a man with certainty was to read it on a mountain, it (the mountain) would perish."

Muḥammad bin Ibrāhīm narrated from his father, that the Prophet sent him on an expedition, and he ordered them to read the above verses in the evenings and mornings. He said they did so and they were protected and victorious.

<sup>13</sup>Fa subḥānallāhi ḥīna tumsūna wa ḥīna tuṣbiḥūn...
Abū Dāwūd narrated in his book of Sunan from Ibn
'Abbās ♣ that the Prophet ♣ said: "Whosoever recites in the morning, Fa subḥānallāhi ḥīna tumsūna wa ḥīna tuṣbiḥūn... until wa kadhālika tukhrajūn (Sūrah 30, verses 17-19), will obtain the reward he missed that day;

and whosoever recites it in the evening, will obtain the reward he missed that night.

### <sup>14</sup>A'ūdhu billāhis samī'il 'alīmi minash shayţānir rajīm.

Ma'qal bin Yasār anarrated that the Prophet said: "Whosoever recites A'ūdhu billāhis samī'il 'alīmi minash shayṭānir rajīm, three times and recites the last three verses of Sūrah al-Ḥashr (Sūrah 59, verses 22-24), Allāh will appoint seventy thousand angels who will pray for him until sundown, and if he dies that day, he will die a martyr; and whosoever recites these verses at sundown, he shall achieve the same.

## <sup>15</sup>Law anzalnā hādhal qurāna 'alā jabalil ...

There are two ideas associated in men's minds with a mountain: one is its height, and the other that it is rocky, stony and hard. Now comes the metaphor: the Revelation of God is so sublime that even the highest mountains humble themselves before it. The Revelation is so powerful and convincing that even the hard rock splits asunder under it. Will man then be so arrogant as to consider himself superior to it, or so hard-hearted as not to be affected by its powerful Message? The answer is "No" for unspoilt man; and "Yes" for man when degraded by sin to be the vilest of creatures.

### 16 Salāmun 'alā nūḥin fil 'ālamīn...

Ibn 'Asākir narrated that Abī Umāmah said that the Prophet said: "Whosoever recites in the evening, Salāmun 'alā nūḥin fil'ālamīn. Innā kadhālika najzil muḥsinīn. Innahū min 'ibādinal mu'minīn, no scorpion will sting him that night.

## <sup>17</sup>A ʿūdhu bikalimātillāhit tāmmāti min sharri mā khalaq...

In Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim it is narrated from Abū Hurayrah that the Prophet said: "Whosoever says at nightfall, A'ūdhu bikalimātillāhit tāmmāti min sharri mā khalaq, no harm shall affect him.

And in another Ḥadīth, a man came to the Prophet and said: "What an affliction I received from a scorpion last night!" The Prophet replied: "If you had said, when night fell, A 'ūdhu bikalimātillāhit tāmmāti min sharri mā khalaq, it would not have harmed you."

### <sup>18</sup>Bismillāhilladhī lā yaḍurru...

Al-Tirmidhī and Abū Dāwūd narrated that 'Uthmān ibn 'Affān said that the Prophet said: "Whosoever says: Bismillāhilladhī lā yaḍurru ma'asmihī shay'un fil arḍi wa lā fissamā'i wa huwas samī'ul 'alīm, three times, no harm shall come to them." And in another narration: "No sudden affliction will reach him."

### <sup>19</sup>Allāhumma innī aṣbaḥtu minka...

Ibn Assuni narrated that Ibn 'Abbās said that the Prophet said: "Whosoever says, Allāhumma innī aṣbaḥtu minka fī ni matin wa 'āfiyatin wa sitrin, fa'atmim ni mataka 'alayya wa 'āfiyataka wa sitraka fiddunyā wal'ākhirah, three times in the morning and evening, makes it incumbent upon Allāh to complete His provisions upon him.

## <sup>20</sup>Allāhumma innī aṣbaḥtu ush-hiduka...

Abū Dāwūd narrated that Anas bin Mālik said that the Prophet said: "When one says, Allāhumma innī aṣbaḥtu ush-hiduka wa ush-hidu ḥamalata 'arshika... (until the end of the du 'ā), Allāh will free a quarter of him from the fire, and if he recites it twice, Allāh will free half of him, and if he recites it three times, Allāh will free three quarters of him, and if he recites it four times, (Allāh will) free him from the fire."

## <sup>21</sup>Alḥamdulillāhi rabbil 'ālamīn, ḥamdan ...

Imām al-Nawawī narrates in his book, *Al-Adhkār*, in the chapter on 'Praise' (*Al-Hamd*), that Abī Naṣr al-Tammār, on the authority of Muḥammad ibn al-Naḍr , said: "Ādam said to Allāh: 'O Lord, you have occupied my time with hard work to earn a living, so teach me something that encompasses all praise and all glorification.' So Allāh revealed to him: O Ādam, say three times in the morning and evening, *Alḥamdulillāhi* 

rabbil 'ālamīn, ḥamdan yuwāfī ni 'amahū wa yukāfi'u mazīdah. This encompasses all Praise and Glorification."

 $^{22}ar{A}$ mantu billāhil 'azīm, wa kafartu biljibti ...

Al-Ḥāfiz al-Mundharī narrated in al-Targhīb wa al-Tarhīb from Makā'id al-Shayṭān of ibn Abī al-Dunyā that 'Urwah ibn Zubayr would seek protection by reading, three times in the morning and three times at night, Āmantu billāhil 'azīm, wa kafartu biljibti waṭṭāghūti, wastamsaktu bil'urwatil wuthqā, lanfiṣāma lahā wallāhu samī'un 'alīm.

<sup>23</sup>Raḍītu billāhi rabban wa bil'islāmi dīnā ...

Thawbān anarrates that the Prophet said: "Whosoever says, Raḍītu billāhi rabban wa bil'islāmi dīnā, wa biMuḥammadin ṣallallāhu 'alayhi wa ālihi wasallama nabiyyan wa rasūlā, Allāh will suffice him (is sufficient for him).

Al-Ḥabīb Aḥmad bin 'Alawī Jamal al-Layl said that one of the reasons for a good ending (ḥusnā al-khātimah) is diligency in his prayer.

Abū Dardā' 🖔 narrates that the Prophet 🏶 said:

"Whosoever says in the morning and evening, Hasbiyallāhu lā ilāha illā huwa 'alayhi tawakkaltu wa

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup>Ḥasbiyallāhu lā ilāha illā huwa ...

huwa rabbul 'arshil 'azīm, Allāh will suffice all his matters – (both) worldly and in the Hereafter.

# <sup>25</sup>Invoking blessings and prayers upon the **Prophet**

The Prophet said: "He who invokes blessings and prayers upon me in the morning and evening ten times, my intercession for him will be incumbent on me." He also said: "Whosoever invokes blessing and prayers upon me once, Allāh will bless him ten times."

The Ḥadīths on the merits of invoking blessings upon the Prophet are many, and many books have been written on this.

<sup>26</sup>Allāhumma innī as'aluka min fujā'atil khayr ...
Anas an narrates that the Prophet and used to recite, in the morning and evenings, Allāhumma innī as'aluka min fujā'atil khayr, wa a'ūdhu bika min fujā'atish sharr.

# <sup>27</sup>Sayyid al-Istighfār (the Master of Asking Forgiveness)

In the Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī, Shaddād ibn 'Aws narrates that the Prophet said: "The master of istighfār (asking forgiveness) is: Allāhumma anta rabbī lā ilāha illā anta... (until the end of the du'ā)" and then he said:

"Whosoever says it with certainty in the morning and dies on that day, will enter Paradise."

 $^{28/29}$ Allāhumma anta rabbī lā ilāha illā anta 'alayka ... Tāriq ibn Ḥabīb said: "A man came to Abī Dardā and said, 'O Abā Dardā your house is burning!' He replied: 'No, it is not. Allāh, the Almighty, would never allow that – based on the words I heard from the Envoy of Allāh . Whosoever says this (below) at daybreak, no affliction will befall him until night time, and whosoever says this (below) at the end of sunset, no affliction will befall him until the following morning; Allāhumma anta rabbī lā ilāha illā anta 'alayka tawakkaltu ... (until the end of the du'ā)." And in another narration: "Nothing that he dislikes will befall him, his family or his possessions, and I have said those words today and they are: Allāhumma anta rabbī lā ilāha illā anta 'alayka tawakkaltu ... (until the end of the  $du'\bar{a}$ ). Then Abū Dardā rose, headed towards his house, and everyone followed him. When they arrived at his house, they found that all the surrounding houses had burnt except his house.

30 Yā Ḥayyu Yā Qayyūm, biraḥmatika astaghīth ...

Anas ♠ narrates that when a matter worried the Prophet ♠, he would say: "Yā Ḥayyu Yā Qayyūm, biraḥmatika astaghīth, wa min 'adhābika astajīr, aṣliḥ lī sha'nī kullahū, wa lā takilnī ilā nafsī wa lā ilā aḥadim min khalqika ṭarfata 'ayn."

### <sup>31</sup>Allāhumma innī a'ūdhu bika minal hammi wal ḥazan ...

Abū Sa'īd al-Khuḍarī 🦓 narrates that the Envoy of Allāh and once entered the mosque, at a time not appointed for any prescribed prayer. There he saw sitting, a man from the Ansār, named Abū Umāmah. He said to him: "O Abā Umāmah, why do I see you sitting in the mosque at a time not for any prescribed prayer?" Abū Umāmah replied: "O Envoy of Allāh! I am overwhelmed by grief and debts." The Envoy of Allāh said: "Shall I teach you some words by which, if you recite them. Allah will remove your grief and discharge your debts?" He said: "Yes, O Envoy of Allāh." The Envoy of Allāh said: "Say, in the morning and evening: Allāhumma innī a'ūdhu bika minal hammi wal hazan, wa a'ūdhu bika minal 'ajzi wal kasal, wa a'ūdhu bika minal jubni wal bukhl, wa a'ūdhu bika min ghalabatiddayn wa qahrir-rijāl." He said: "I did what the Envoy of Allāh asked me to do, and Allāh removed my grief, and discharged my debts."

## <sup>32/33</sup>Allāhumma innī as'alukal 'āfiyata ...

Ibn 'Umar anarrates that the Prophet used to recite the following du'ā in the mornings and evenings: Allāhumma innī as'alukal 'āfīyata fīddunyā wal ākhirah. Allāhumma innī as'alukal 'afwa wal 'āfīyata wal mu'āfātad dā'imata fī dīnī wa dunyāya wa ahlī wa mālī.

### <sup>34</sup>Allāhumma anta khalaqtanī wa anta tahdīnī ...

Samrah bin Jundub anarrates that the Envoy of Allāh said: "Whosoever says in the morning and evening: Allāhumma anta khalaqtanī wa anta tahdīnī, wa anta tuṭ'imunī, wa anta tasqīnī, wa anta tuḥyīnī, wa anta 'alā kulli shay'in qadīr, seven times, there is nothing that he asks Allāh that He would not give."

In his *Wird al-Kabīr* Imām al-Ḥaddād mentions that this *du'ā* should be recited seven times.

## <sup>35</sup>Aşbaḥnā 'alā fiṭratil islām ...

'Abdurraḥmān ibn Abrī said that the Envoy of Allāh used to recite, when he rose in the morning: Aṣbaḥnā 'alā fiṭratil islām, wa 'alā kalimatil ikhlāṣ, wa 'alā dīni nabiyyinā Muḥammadin ṣallallāhu 'alayhi wa ālihi wa sallam, wa 'alā millati abīnā Ibrāhīma ḥanīfan musliman wa mā kāna minal mushrikīn.

### <sup>36</sup>Allāhumma bika aşbaḥnā ...

Abū Hurayrah anarrated that the Prophet used to say in the morning: "Allāhumma bika aṣbaḥnā wa bika amsaynā, wa bika naḥyā wa bika namūtu, wa 'alayka natawakkalu wa ilaykan nushūr."

### <sup>37</sup>Aşbaḥnā wa aşbaḥal mulku lillāhi ...

It was narrated by Abū Dāwūd ibn Mālik al-'Ash'arī that the Envoy of Allāh said: "When you rise in the morning, say: Aṣbaḥnā wa aṣbaḥal mulku lillāhi wal ḥamdu lillāhi rabbil 'ālamīn... wa sharri mā fīhi wa sharri mā qablahū wa sharri mā ba'dahū; and in the evening you should say the same."

## <sup>38</sup>Allāhumma mā aṣbaḥa bī min ni matin ...

'Abdullāh bin Ghannām anarrated that the Envoy of Allāh said: "He who says, Allāhumma mā aṣbaḥa bī min ni 'matin aw bi 'aḥadim min khalqika faminka waḥdaka lā sharīka laka falakal ḥamdu walakash-shukru 'alā dhālik, has fulfilled his thanks (towards Allāh) for that day; and he who says it in the evening, has fulfilled his thanks for that night.

## <sup>39/40</sup>Subḥānallāhi wa biḥamdihī 'adada khalqihī ...

It has been narrated by Juwayriyah Ummil Mu'minīnah that the Prophet left his home one morning after Fajr prayer while Juwayriyah was reciting the dhikr. After completing the duḥā prayer, the Prophet returned home and saw Juwayriyah was still reciting her dhikr. He then asked her: "Are you still reciting the dhikr since I left? He then said: "When I left you I recited four phrases three times. If you compare them with what you have been reciting since dawn, they are more befitting." He then recited the above phrases.

The following Suwar (pl. for  $S\bar{u}rah$ ) and  $\bar{A}y\bar{a}t$  (pl. for  $\bar{A}yah$ ) are found in the  $Wird\ al\text{-}Lat\bar{\imath}f$ :

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### FORMULAIC EXPRESSIONS



Mighty and Majestic is He



Exalted and Sublime is He



May Allāh's Blessings and Peace be upon him



May peace be upon him



May Allāh be pleased with him



May Allāh be pleased with them (2)



May Allāh be pleased with them (more than 2)

### NOTES ON TRANSLITERATION

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dh	ذ	1	J
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