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Foreword

Parents lovingly teach their children good manners and, how to speak. They coach their children to say simple words such as "mum", "dad", "water" and "milk". When the child learns to say these words and in his childlike manner utters them, the parents are filled with joy and readily fulfil his desires. At times their love for the child overwhelms their hearts so much that they are ready to sacrifice everything for it, even though the demands of these little one's do not amount to much, nor are the parents capable of granting everything. As compared to this, Our Lord Who loves His creation immensely, has taught us the manner of supplications and has told us to pray to Him and He would accept our prayers. He has taught us the loving and humble words of prayers. Does this not prove that He wants to cherish His servants? Surely these are the pretexts for bestowing favours. It is as if God's mercy is looking for openings to descend on mankind.

In the Qur'anic prayers, God has Himself bestowed upon us the standards of seeking this help. The magnitude of His Graciousness is unfathomable. This is why these prayers carry so much impact. The person who knew the secrets and effectiveness of these prayers was our master and patron, the Holy Prophet®. The beloved servant of God Almighty recited these revealed prayers for the first time and his prayers attained acceptance.

God taught prayers to Adam® and Yunus® which were accepted and became a means of their deliverance from affliction. It is impossible to think that the prayers taught to the Chief of the Prophets and the beloved of God should not carry impressive effectiveness. No other spiritual book has presented the prayers of all the prophets with such magnificence and in a complete and preserved form in the manner that the Holy Qur'an has. Another excellence is that the best examples of prayers for every need have been preserved in the Holy Qur'an.

In this book, these prayers have been presented with their related background information so that the supplicant is able to comprehend the full import of the prayer and his prayers never fall short of his objective. May Allah fulfil this purpose.

An attempt has been made to include those prayers or verses containing prayers which are not found in the common prayer books of prayers. In the earlier collections of prayers the existing Qur'anic arrangement was adhered to and parts of the prayers were given common titles. In this book a natural order has been followed and comparatively more meaningful titles have been given
to the prayers.
In every prayer the reference number includes the first verse beginning with “Bismillah” as number one. Verses are quoted by stating the chapter name, chapter number followed by the verse number. The translation of the Arabic text is idiomatic rather than literal. I pray that God Almighty accepts this righteous effort and grants acceptance to all our prayers, which He Himself has taught us for our various needs.

Wassalam

Hafiz Munirullah Ahmad

Translator's Note
Alhamdu Lillah my dream of translating Khazina-tud-Du'a has been fulfilled. I feel very humbled that God Almighty has given me this opportunity. The beauty and the impact of the words of the Holy Prophet® and the Promised Messiah® can never be fully captured in any translation; therefore, any corrections or suggestions for improvement from readers are welcome.

The English text of the Qur'anic verses is from Hadhrat Maulavi Sher Ali's translation of the Holy Qur'an. At places an attractive translation has been suggested by Hadhrat Khalifa tul Masih the Fourth®. I have modernised the language by substituting Thee with You etc.

I am indebted to my late father Chaudhry Zafar Ali who despite difficult circumstances provided the best available education to me. May Allah bless his soul.

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Kindly remember my son Mubasher and my husband in prayers for the support and encouragement they gave me.

In need of your prayers,

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1. A Perfect and Comprehensive Prayer
The Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ proclaimed surah Al-Fatiha as the foremost and the Best of the Holy Qur'an.

(Mustadrik Hakim)

It was revealed to the Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ that perfect prayers, not given to any earlier prophet, were surah Al-Fatiha and the last few verses of the surah Al-Baqarah. And whosoever prays with reference to these verses will be granted whatever he supplicates

(Sahih Muslim)

In a tradition revealed to the Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ Allah Almighty said

"I have divided Namaz between My servant and Myself. And My servant will certainly get whatsoever has been suppicated in this prayer."

(Sahih Muslim)

In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful. All praise belongs to Allah, Lord of all the worlds, Gracious, the Merciful, Master of the Day of Judgement. You alone do we worship and You alone do we implore for help. Guide us in the right path - the path of those on whom You have bestowed Your blessings, those who have not incurred displeasure, and those who have not gone astray. (Al-Fatiha, 1:1-7)

2. Prayer for Affirmation of Faith and Attainment of Piety
This prayer is attributed in the Holy Qur'an to that group of sincere and pious people especially from Christianity who recognised and accepted truth and prayed.
Our Lord, we believe, so write us down among those who bear witness. And why should we not believe in Allah and in the truth, which has come to us, while we earnestly wish that our Lord should include us among the righteous people?

3. Prayer for Affirmation of Faith and its Acceptance
When the apostles of Jesus Christ saw rejection from every quarter they raised this proclamation in his support, believed in him and prayed in these words:

Our Lord we believe in that which You have sent down and we follow this Messenger, so write us down among those who bear witness.

4. Hadhrat Abraham’s Prayer to Offer Everything to His Lord
The righteous people have been advised in the Holy Qur’an to follow the example of Hadhrat Abraham and offer this prayer

O Lord, in You do we put our trust, and to You do we turn repentant, and towards You is the final return.

5. Prayer for Attaining the Good in this World and Hereafter
Hadhrat Anas bin Ma’lik was asked to recite a prayer and he recited the following verses. When requested to add to the prayer, he replied that they did not need anything else as he had already supplicated for their welfare in this world and the world Hereafter.

Hadhrat Anas bin Ma’lik relates the Holy Prophet used to recite
this prayer with great frequency. *(Bukhari, Kilabul Tafseer)*

ٍرَبَّكُم مُّنْفَرِيَّةٍ فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةٌ وَ فِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةٌ ۛ وَ قَنَعْتُكَ عَذَابَ النَّارِ

*(Al- Baqarah 2: 202)*

Our Lord, grant us good in this world as well as good in the world to come and protect us from the torment of the Fire.

6. Prayer of Beneficence in this world and in the world Hereafter

Hadrat Moses** prayed for his people in these words:

وَاسْتِبْنَّ أَنْ تَحْسَبُونَ إِنَّ الْحَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا خَسَأَةً وَ فِي الْآخِرَةِ إِنَّهاَ خَسَأَةٌ مَّا كَانَ أَنَّلاَ إِلَّهَٰكَ

*(Al Araf 7: 157)*

And ordain for us good in this world as well as in the next; we have turned to You with repentance.

7. Prayer Against the Evil Insinuations of Satan

Amr bin Saeed** relates the Holy Prophet** taught his companions some prayers to recite when retiring for the night. This prayer is one of them.

*(Al Durrul- Munthoor ibn Sayuti vol. 5, page 14)*

ٍرَبِّ أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِن هَمَزَتِ السَّيِّطَانِ

وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ رَبِّ أَن يُصَرَّفَنَّ

*(Al Muminun 23: 98-99)*

My Lord, I seek refuge in You from the incitements of the satans, and I seek refuge in You, My Lord, lest they come near me.

8. Prayer for Being Steadfast in Guidance

Hadrat Umm-i-Salma** relates the Holy Prophet** used to often recite this prayer:

*O the One, Who can turn the hearts, make my heart steadfast in Your faith.*

She narrates that she asked the Holy Prophet**, whether hearts can change? He replied that the following Qur’anic prayer should be recited and said that as there was a possibility of stumbling so this
prayer should be recited frequently.

(Al Durrul Manthoor iis Sayuti vol 2 page 8)

Our Lord, let not our hearts become perverse after You have guided us; and bestow upon us mercy from Yourself, surely You alone are the Bestower.

9. Prayer for Steadfastness and Victory over the Disbelievers
From the Holy Qur'an we learn that when Hadhrat Talut\(\text{a}\) faced his enemy Jalut, he prayed thus, and God gave him victory and his enemy was roundly defeated.

(Al-Baqarah 2:251)

O our Lord, pour forth steadfastness upon us, and make our steps firm, and help us against the disbelieving people.

10. Prayers for Escaping Divine Chastisement, for His Forgiveness, Righteous End, Fulfilment of God's Promise and Escaping the Humiliation of the Day of Resurrection
Hadhrat Ayesha\(\text{r}\) relates when these verses were revealed the Holy Prophet\(\text{a}\) started namaz and he was crying. Hadhrat Bilal\(\text{r}\) asked him the reason for his weeping. He replied that these verses had been revealed to him and added that whosoever recites these verses and does not ponder over them was very unfortunate. The traditions also tell us that the Holy Prophet\(\text{a}\) used to recite these verses daily and at night time and told his followers that whosoever recites these verses of Al-Imran at night will have the reward equal to worshipping all the night.

(Tafseer Qurtabi, vol- 4, page 31)

Our Lord, You have not created this, in vain, no, Holy are You; save us, then, from the punishment of the Fire.
Our Lord, we have heard a Crier calling us unto faith, 'Believe you in your Lord', and we have believed. Our Lord, forgive us, therefore our sins and remove from us our evils, and in death join us with the righteous.

Our Lord, give us what You have promised us through Your Messengers and disgrace us not on the Day of Resurrection. Surely, You break not Your promise.

11. Comprehensive Prayer for Forgiveness of Sins, for Mercy and for Victory over the Enemy

This prayer comprises of the last two verses of surah Al-Baqarah. Hadhrat Abu Mas'ud\textsuperscript{a} relates that reciting these two verses before retiring at night is more than enough. Moreover they are from the treasure of Heavens which has not been given to any prophet before the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a}.

(Tafseer Tabari vol-3 page 434)

Regarding these two verses the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} emphasised that we must remember them and make our family remember them because these are based jointly on the Salat, Qur'an and supplication. (Only the supplication part of these verses is being printed here).

(Al Durrul-Manthoor lis Sayuti vol 1, page 378)

We hear and we obey. We implore Your forgiveness, O our Lord, and to You is the returning.

12. Next Verse
13. Prayer for Steadfastness and Good End

Our Lord, do not punish us, if we forget or fall into error; and our Lord, lay not on us a responsibility as You did lay upon those before us; Our Lord, burden us not with what we have not the strength to bear; and efface our sins, and grant us forgiveness and have mercy on us; You are our Master; so help us You against the disbelieving people.

14. Prayer for Forgiveness and for Escaping Wrath of God

This prayer is for seeking forgiveness from Allah. The Holy Prophet® said that when God intends to punish a people, He looks at the ones who offer Tahajjud prayers and ones who seek pardon from Him and because of them He postpones the punishment.

Our Lord, we do believe; forgive us, therefore, our sins and save us from the punishment of the Fire.

15. Prayer for Forgiveness of Sins and Transgressions and Prayer for Steadfastness

Allah praises those Godly people who believe in His prophets and joining the prophets do not hesitate in confronting the enemies. The
Holy Qur'an mentions their prayers as a result of which, God will grant them rewards in this world and in the Hereafter.

رَبَّنَا إِخْرَاجِنَّا دُنْيَا وَإِسْرَافُنَا فِي أَمْرِنَا وَكِتَابٍ أَفْدَامًا
وَأَنْصَرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَفارِينَ

(Al-Imran 3:148)

Our Lord, forgive us our errors and our excesses in our conduct, and make firm our steps and help us against the disbelieving people.

16. Prayer for Mercy and Forgiveness
When Adam as by mistake ate from the forbidden tree, God taught him some prayers and as a result turned to him with compassion.

(Al Durrul Manthoor lis Sayuti vol 3, page 75)

رَبَّنَا أَعْفَنَا أَنفُسَنَا وَأَنْتَ لَدِيِّ عِفْرَتٍ وَرَحْمَةٌ
نَكَتُونَا مِنَ الْخَسِيرِينَ

(Al Baqarah 2:38, Al A'raf 7:24)

Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves, and if You forgive us not and have not mercy on us, we shall surely be of the lost.

17. Prayer of Forgiveness in Asking Questions in Ignorance
When the son of Noah as was drowning in the Flood, Noah supplicated God for the safety of his son. God reprimanded him that as a result of his son's misdeeds, the son was not amongst his people. Then Noah as implored God with the following humble prayer and became the recipient of God's mercy and blessings.

رَبِّ إِنِّي آتُوَّدُ أَنْ أَتَعْلَمَ أَنَّكَ مَلاَئِكَةٌ لَّيْ بِهِ عَلَمُ
وَأَنْفُسُ وَأَنْتَ لَدِيِّ عِفْرَتٍ وَرَحْمَةٌ أَنْتَ مِنَ الْخَسِيرِينَ

(Hud 11:48)

'My Lord, I beg You to protect me from asking You that whereof I have no knowledge. And unless You forgive me and have mercy on me, I shall be among the losers'.

18. Prayer for Deliverance from Misfortune
Hadrat Sa'ad bin Abi Waqqas as relates that the Holy Prophet as said
that whosoever recites this prayer, which Jonah٢٥ offered in the belly of the whale, his prayer will be accepted. It is in the traditions that there is a promise of كِتَابُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ ٥٣٨ meaning "thus do We deliver those who believe". Whosoever confesses his transgression will have his prayers accepted.

(Tafseer Qurtabi vol. 11 page 334)

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنتَ سَبِيلُنَا إِلَيْكَ كُنْتُمْ مِنَ الظُّلُمَّاتِ

(Al-Anbiya 21:88)

There is no God but You, Holy are You. I have indeed been of the wrongdoers.

19. Prayer for Attaining Strength whilst Confronting Evil

When the wife of Aziz of Egypt conspired with her friends to incline Hadhrat Yusuf٢٥ towards evil he offered this humble prayer, acceptance of which is mentioned in the Holy Qur'an. God saved Hadhrat Yusuf٢٥ from the evil designs of the women.

ربّ السّجّينّ أَحْبَبِي إِلَّا أَنْ تَمَلِّكَ وَأَنْتَ الَّذِي آَتَيْتَني أَصِبَةً وَأَنْتَ مِنَ الْجِهَلَيْنِ

(Yusuf 12:34)

O My Lord, I would prefer prison to that which they invite me; and unless You turn away their guile from me I shall incline towards them and be of the ignorant.

20. Prayer for Recovery from Disease

Hadrat Job٢٥ prayed for recovery from his grave illness. With the following words he begged mercy from Allah. This prayer was accepted and he was miraculously cured.

آَيَّةَ مَسَّنِيِّ الدُّخُوْرَ وَآَنتَ أَرْحَمَ الرُّحمَيْنِ

(Al-Anbiya 21:84)

‘Affliction has touched me and You are the Most Merciful of all who show mercy’.


On receiving Divine sign Prophet Moses٢٥ went to Mount Toor with seventy followers. An earthquake occurred and Prophet Moses٢٥ thought that this was a punishment for his people for associating
partners with Allah. He prayed in these words:

آنت وليتنا فاغفرنا وأرحمنا وأنت خير الغفرين

(AL A'raf 7:156)

You are our Protector; forgive us then, and have mercy on us, for You are the Best of those who forgive.

22. Confessing Unintentional Transgression and Seeking Forgiveness

While trying to stop a fight a person was accidentally killed by Prophet Moses's blow. Prophet Moses prayed in the following words and God forgave him.

ربِ إنِّي طَلَمْتُ نَفْسِي فَاغْفِرْ لِي

(Al-Qasas 28:17)

Lord, I have indeed wronged my soul, therefore, forgive me.

23. Prayers for Forgiveness and Mercy

During the absence of Prophet Moses the Israelites took a calf as their god. When Prophet Moses returned he was very angry with his brother, his deputy and successor and reprimanded his people. His people prayed in repentance. This prayer can also be called "prayer of repentance by the followers of Moses"

لَيْتْ نَمْ يُرَحِّمْنَا رَبَّنَا وَيُغْفِرْنَا لِتَكُونَنَّ مِنَ الصَّحِيَّينَ

(AL-A'raf 7:150)

If our Lord does not have mercy on us, and forgive us, we shall surely be among the losers.

24. Prayer For Mercy

On the same occasion Prophet Moses prayed for forgiveness for his brother and himself.

ربِ اغفرلي ولاستَرِحَمَانِي رَحْمَتَكَ وَآْتِنَا رَحْمَ الرَّحِيمِينَ

(AL-A'raf 7:152)

My Lord, forgive me and my brother, and admit us to Your mercy, and You are the most Merciful of all those who show mercy.
25. Prayer for Seeking Forgiveness for People gone Astray

Hadrat Abu Dharr RA relates that the Holy Prophet SA stayed up all night reciting this prayer. I enquired, "O Messenger of Allah, You know the whole of the Holy Qur'an by heart, why did you keep repeating one verse?" He replied, 'I was praying for my followers.' I asked him about the reply he received from God. He said, ‘If I tell you of it, most people will forsake prayer.' This is the same prayer that Prophet Moses SA recited for his followers.

(Ad Durrul Manthoor lis Sayuti, vol. 3, page 75)

إِنْ تُعَذَّبُنَّهُمْ فَأَنْتَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ

فَإِنَّكَ أنتَ الْغَفُورُ الْبَرَّ الْعَزِيزُ

(Al-Maidah 5:119)

If You punish them, they are Your servants; and if You forgive them, You surely are the Mighty, the Wise.

26. Prayer for Safety from Divine Wrath

Enumerating the attributes of the servants of the Gracious Lord, Allah says that these servants are the ones who pass the hours of the night prostrating and standing before their Lord and seek safety from Divine wrath.

رَبَّنَا صَرِّفْ عَنَّا عَذَابَ جَهَنَّمَةَ إِنْ عَذَابُهَا كَانَ عَرَامًا

(Al-Furqan 25:66)

Our Lord, avert from us the punishment of Hell; for the punishment thereof is a lasting torment.

27. Prayer for Attaining Forgiveness and Removal of Rancour

A companion of the Holy Prophet SA offered prayers with him. The Holy Prophet SA said that this person is heaven-bound. Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar RA was curious about what deed on the part of that person had deserved God's Beneficence and so he went and stayed overnight with him and was shown great hospitality. Ibn Umar RA said, "I offered 'Tahajjud' prayers while this person slept. I observed an obligatory fast the next day while he did not. I questioned him about his actions which entitled him to be heaven-bound. He answered: 'As the Holy Prophet SA has told you about it you better enquire from him.' Ibn Umar RA went to the Holy Prophet SA and asked him. The Holy Prophet SA told him to go back and ask him about it with his permission.

This companion of the Holy Prophet SA said, "Firstly, I do not value
worldly things. If I get them it is fine and if I do not get them it does not matter to me. Secondly, I do not have jealousy or bear rancour against anyone." Hadhrat Ibn-e-Umar⁷⁷⁷ admitted that most surely God had given him superiority over others. This is a prayer Allah has taught to believers.

(Ad Durru'l Manthoor li's Sayuti, vol. 5, page 199)

رَبَّانَا غُفِّرْلِكَ وَإِخْوَانِكَ الَّذِينَ سَبَقُوكُمْ إِلَى إِيمَانِهِ وَلَا تَجْعَلْ

في قُلُوبِي عَلَىٰ لَدَيْكَ إِنْ تُؤْمَنُوا إِنَّكَ رَبُّ فَتَرَكْتَ رَحْمَتَكَ وَجَعَلْتُ

(Al Hashr 59:11)

Our Lord, forgive us and our brothers who preceded us in the faith, and leave not in our hearts any rancour against those who believe. Our Lord, You are indeed Compassionate, Merciful.

28. Prayer for Mercy and Forgiveness

Hadhrat Abu Bakr⁷⁷⁷ requested the Holy Prophet⁷⁷⁷ for a prayer to recite during namaz. The prayer which was taught to him contains special supplications for mercy and forgiveness.

(Ad Durru'l Manthoor li's Sayuti, vol. 5, page 18)

رَبِّ اغْفِرْ وَارْحَمْ وَأَنتَ خَيْرُ الْرَّحْمَةِ

(Al Morninun 23:119)

My Lord, forgive and have mercy, and You are the Best of those who show mercy.

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Mas'ud⁷⁷⁷ recited these prayers along with the previous three verses of the surah and blew on a patient. The patient got better. He said, "By God if these verses are recited with full conviction and faith, even over a mountain it will move from its place"(meaning that it is a very potent prayer).

29. Humble Prayers of Throne-Bearing Angels for the Believers

The companions of the Holy Prophet⁷⁷⁷ were gathered together and were talking about God's Greatness when the Holy Prophet⁷⁷⁷ came and said, "I also will tell you something about God's Greatness." Then he mentioned the throne-bearing angels of God who are His magnificent creation.

(Tafseer Ad Durru'l Manthoor li's Sayuti, vol. 5, page 347)

Yahya bin Ma'aad Raz⁷⁷⁷ used to say that if one heavenly angel prays for the forgiveness of the believers, there is hope for God's
pardon of sins, let alone the whole host of angels praying collectively.

رَبّنَا وَسَعَتَكَ سَيْرًا لِّرَحْمَةٍ وَعَلِمُ أَفَاغِرُ لِّلْدِينِ نَتَابِعُكَ وَأَتْبَعُوا
سَيِّئَاتُكَ وَقَيِّمُعَاذَابَ الْجَحِيمِ ۚ رَبّنَا وَأَذْكُرِهِمْ وَأَذْكُرْنَا عَنْهُمْ
الْيَتِيمَ وَعَدْدَهُمْ وَمَنْ صَلَحَ مِنْ آبَاهُمْ وَآبَاهِمْ وَذُرُّيَّتهِمْ
إِنَّكَ أَنتَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ ۖ وَقَيِّمُ السَّبِيلَ ۚ وَمَنْ تَقِي التَّسَبِّبَ
ۚ يَوْمَ يُقَدِّرُ رَجُلٌ ۗ ذَلِكَ مَا أَلَّهُ الْعَظِيمُ.

(Al-Mumin 40:8-10)

'Our Lord, You do comprehend all things in Your mercy and knowledge. So forgive those who repent and follow Your way; and protect them from the punishment of Hell. And make them, our Lord, enter the Gardens of Eternity which You have promised them, as well as such of their fathers and their wives and their children as are virtuous. Surely You are the Mighty, the Wise. And protect them from evils; and he whom You do protect from evils on that day-him has You surely shown mercy. And that indeed is the supreme triumph.

30. Prayer of a Patient Believing Wife for Deliverance from a Cruel Husband

Pharaoh used to treat his wife cruelly because she changed her religion. His wife prayed for escaping his bad treatment. It is related that her prayer was accepted and her heavenly abode was shown to her in this very world.

رَبّ بَيْنِي عَنْدَكَ بَيْنَاتُ إِفْيَجَةٍ فَنَجِّني مِنْ
فِرْعَوْنِ وَعَمَلِهِمْ وَنَجِّني مِنْ أَلْقَامَ الْقُلُوبِ أَلْبَّمَينِ

(Al Tahrin 66:12)

My Lord, build for me a house with You in the Garden; and deliver me from Pharaoh and his work, and deliver me from the wrongdoing people.
31. Prayer for Safety from Transgression on Seeing the End of the Transgressors

Having seen heaven, As'hab-e-Araf (Perfect Believers) will spontaneously start to recite this verse on seeing the people of Fire.

 ربَّنَا لَا تَجَعلْنَا مَعَ الْقَوْمِ الْظَّالِمِينَ

(Al Ara'af 7:48)

Our Lord, put us not with the unjust people.

32. Prayer for Safety from Tyrannical People

Hadhrat Mosesras advised a small company of believing young men from among his people.' You have believed in Allah, so put your trust in Him.' These young men prayed in response.

عَلَى اللَّهِ تُوكلْنَا وَلَا تَجَعَلْنَا فِئَتَةً لِّلْقَوْمِ الْظَّالِمِينَ

(Yunus 10: 86-87)

In Allah do we put our trust. Our Lord, make us not a trial for the wrongdoing people. And deliver us by Your mercy from the disbelieving people.

33. Prayer for Migration and Escaping Cruel People

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Abbasra (whose mother, Umme Fazal, believed in Islam in the early period) used to relate that, when the Holy Prophetras migrated from Makkah, his mother and he were amongst the weak women and children who were mentioned in the Holy Qur'an. that they used to pray for the success of the migration. (Bukhari: Kitab-ul-Tafseer). God delivered these oppressed people at the time of the conquest of Makkah.

رَبَّنَا أَخْرِجْنَا مِنْ هَذِهِ الْقَرْيَةِ الظَّالِمِينَ أَهْلَهَا وَاجْعَلْنَا

(Al Nisa 4:76)

Our Lord, take us out of this town, whose people are oppressors, and make for us some friend from Thyself and make for us from Yourself some helper.

34. Prayer for Safety from Being Unjust in Times of Strength

The Holy Prophetras instructed his followers to treat the vanquished
people with kindness.

(Al Muminun 23: 94-95)

'My Lord, if You will show me that with which they are threatened. My Lord, then place me not, with the wrongdoing people.'

35. Prayer for Increase of Knowledge

The Holy Prophetﷺ was taught the following prayer so that his decisions be Divinely guided.

(Al Ha 20:115)

O my Lord, increase me in knowledge.

36. Prayer for Open-Heartedness, Ease of Affairs and Effectiveness of Speech

When Hadhrat Mosesﷺ was instructed to deliver God's message to the Pharaoh's court, he prayed in these words. Hadhrat Asmaa bint Ameesﷺ relates "I heard the Holy Prophetﷺ offering this prayer at the foot of Mount Thabir. He was praying to his God and saying, "O my Lord, I pray to You in the same words as my brother Moses."

(Tafseer Ad Durrul Manthoor Isl Sayuti, vol. 4, page 295)

(Ta Ha 20:26-29)

My Lord, open up for me my heart. And ease for me my task. And untie the knot of my tongue, That they may understand my speech.

37. Prayer for Spiritual Progress and Forgiveness

God advises believers to repent sincerely. God will forgive their sins and place them in the heavens of His pleasure. There will be light in front of these believers and light behind them and they will pray.

(Al Tahnim 66:9)

Our Lord, perfect our light for us and forgive us: surely You have power over all things.
38. Prayer for the Righteous End and Death in the State of being a Muslim

When God granted Hadhrat Yusuf as sovereignty after the ordeal of imprisonment, his brothers came to his court and brought their father with them. Hadhrat Yusuf as thanked God and prayed.

ربِ قَدْ أَنْتَيْنِي مِنَ النَّاسِ وَعَلَيْنِي مِنْ تَأْوِيلِ الآخِيَاتِ ۚ
قَانِرَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ ۚ أَنتَ وُلِيُّ فِي الدَّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ
تَوْفِيقُ مُسْلِمًا وَآنَّىَنَّىٰ بِالْصِّلَاحِينِ

(Yusuf 12:102)

‘O my Lord, you have blessed me with a share of sovereignty and taught me the interpretation of things. O Maker of the heavens and the earth, You are my Protector in this world and the Hereafter. Let death come to me in a state of submission to Your will and join me to the righteous people.’

39. Humble Prayer for Receiving Goodness

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Abbas as relates that Hadhrat Moses as was so hungry, he became desperate even for a piece of a date. God not only provided food and shelter for him in a foreign land but also arranged a home and a wife for him.

ربِّ إِنِّي لَآمَنُتُ إِلَّا مِنْ خَيْرٍ فَقِيِّر

(Al Qasas 28:25)

O my Lord, a beggar I am of whatever good You bestow upon me.

40. Prayer for Sustenance and Peace

All the prayers that the Prophet Abraham as recited when he was building the Ka’ba were accepted. These prayers were for Makkah to be a peaceful town, its inhabitants to receive sustenance and his progeny to be saved from idolatry and associating partners with God.

رَبِّ اجْعَلْ هَذَا بَلَدِي أَمِنًا وَأَزْرَقْ أَهْلَهُ مِنَ السَّعْرَتِ
مِنْ أَنَّمَ ۖ مَنْ يُهْجُرُ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمَ الْآخِرِ

(Al Baqarah 2:127)
My Lord, make this a town of peace and provide with fruits such of its dwellers as believe in Allah and the Last Day.

41. Prayer for Spiritual and Worldly Advancement of Children
The prayer Hadhrat Abraham** offered for the spiritual and worldly advancement of his progeny was:

ربنا إني أسكنت من ذريتي يوازيه حذى رزق عينين بيتيك
المحرم ربي ليقيموا الضو لفاجعل أفيدهم من التنااس
فهو شؤونهم وأزرقهم من الثمرات لعلهم يشكرون

(Ibrahim 14:38)

‘Our Lord, I have settled some of my children in an uncultivable valley near Your Sacred House-our Lord-that they may observe Prayer. So make men’s hearts incline towards them and provide them with fruits, that they may be thankful.

42. Another Verse

ربنا اجعل هذه البلدة آمنة وأجنبيه وذنيك أن تعبد الأضياء

(Ibrahim 14:36)

‘My Lord, make this city, a city of peace, and keep me and my children away from worshipping idols.

43. Prayer of the Apostles of Jesus Christ**
Jesus** prayed on the insistence of his apostles for sustenance from Heaven. God replied, ‘Surely I will send it down to you, but whosoever of you disbelieves afterwards-I will surely punish them wherewith I will not punish any other of the peoples’.

الله哪 أنزِل علينا ماءً يضيء من السماء تكون لنا عينداً لولا ناس
وأجرنا وآية هيئة وارضنا وأنت خير الرحمنين

(Al Maidah 5:115)

O Allah, our Lord, send down to us a table from heaven spread with food that it may be to us a festival, to the first of us and to the last of us, and a Sign from You; and provide sustenance for us, for You are the
Best of sustainers.

44. Prayer for Strength, Superiority, Increase of Sustenance and Deliverance from Debt

The Holy Prophet™ advised Hadhrat Mu‘adh® to recite these two verses for deliverance from debt. He said that if a believer in distress recites these verses, God would rid him of the burden of debt and misery. Moqata® said that the Holy Prophet™ was taught this prayer for victory over Persia and Rome.

(Tafseer Qurtabi, vol. 4, page 54)

(Al-’Imran 3: 27-28)

O Allah, Lord of sovereignty, You give sovereignty to whomsoever You please; and You take away sovereignty from whomsoever You please. You exalt whomsoever You please and You abase whomsoever You please. In Your hand is all good. You surely have the power to do all things. You make the night pass into the day and You make the day pass into the night. And You bring forth the living from the dead and the dead from the living. And You give to whomsoever You please without measure.

45. Prayer for Just Decision and Victory

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abbas® relates that Hadrat Shuaib® despaired of his people’s non-belief. He prayed to God for arbitration. As a result of this prayer his people were completely destroyed by an earthquake.

(Tafseer Qurtabi, vol. 7, page 251)

(Al-A’raf 7:90)
Our Lord comprehends all things. In Allah have we put our trust. So, O Our Lord, decide You between us and between our people with truth, and You are the Best of those who decide.

46. Cry for Help on being Overwhelmed

When the denial of Noah’s people reached an extreme, they called him a liar and a madman. In vexation, Noah prayed to God.

آَلِيَ مَغِلُوبًا فَانْصِرُ ۛ

(Al-Qamar 54:11)

I am overcome, so come, You to my help.

47. Prayer for Arbitration

Hadrat Noah was distressed by his people. He prayed to God for a decisive sign. He prayed for his safety and the safety of his followers. God accepted his prayer and saved him and his followers in an Ark and destroyed the disbelievers.

رَبِّ إِنَّ قَوْمِيَ كُذِّبُونَ ۛ قَفِّ أَفْتَحْ بِيْنِيَ وَبِينَهُمْ قُتْحًا

وَقَنَّجْنِي وَمِنْ مَعَيْنِ مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

(Al-Shu’ara 26:118-119)

My Lord, my people have treated me as a liar. Therefore, judge You decisively between them and me and save me and the believers that are with me.

48. Prayer regarding Disbelievers and Atheists

Hadrat Qatadah relates that Hadrat Noah ultimately prayed against his people when God revealed to him, ‘None of your people will believe except those who have already believed’.

رَبِّ لا تَدْرِزْ عَلَى الأَرْضِ مِنَ الْكُفَّارِ دَيْنَارًا ۛ إِلَّا لَاتَّدْرِزُهُمْ

يَصِلُّوا عِبَادَتِكَ وَلَا يُلدُوَّ أَدْخُلُوا أَلَّا فَاجِرًا كَفَارًا

(Nuh 71:27-28)

My Lord, leave not in the land a single one of the disbelievers as dwellers therein. For, if You do leave them, they will only lead astray Your servants and will not give birth but to a sinner and a disbeliever.
49. Prayer for Forgiveness for Parents, Believers and for One’s Own Self

After praying for Divine decree against non-believers, Hadhrat Noah as prayed for the believers.

رزبِّ اغْفِرْ لَى وَلْدِكَ وَلَمْ تَلْعَبْ بِهِ فِي نَفْسِكَ وَلَمْ تَذَكَّرْ بِالْمُوْمِنِينَ
وَانْفِكَحِيَّتُهُمْ وَلَا تَزِدْ الظَّلمِينَ أَلَّا تَبَارَ

(Nuh 71:29)

My Lord, forgive me and my parents, and him who enters my house as a believer, and the believing men and the believing women; and increase You not the wrongdoers but in perdition.

50. Prayer for the Guidance of Mankind

At the time of building the Ka’ba, the House of God, Hadhrat Abraham as offered a grand prayer for the guidance of mankind. A prayer about which the Holy Prophet ﷺ said that he was the product of his father Abraham as 's prayer.

(جِنَّةٌ وَلَحْمٌ وَلَا تَجَلَّى وَلَا تَغَيَّرَ تَأْيِذُوهُمْ وَلَا تَعْلَمَهُمْ
الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَرَبِّ دِيَانَةَ آبَآيَةَ الْحَكِيمِ

(Al Baqarah 2:130)

And, our Lord, raise up among them a Messenger from among themselves, who may recite to them Your signs and teach them the Book and Wisdom and may purify them; surely, You are the Mighty, the Wise.

51. Prayer for Victory over Enemies

God says about this prayer of Hadhrat Moses as that he was informed of the acceptance of his supplication. He was advised to be steadfast and not follow the ignorant people.

(رَبَّنَا إِنَّكَ أُنْبِئتَ فِرْعَوْنَ وَمَلَأَهُ زِينَةَ وَأَمَالَهُ الْحَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا
رَبِّ أَنْتَ الْعَلِيمُ الْحَكِيمُ

(Yunus 10: 89)
Our Lord, you have bestowed upon Pharaoh and his chiefs ornaments and wealth in this life. Our Lord, it results only in their leading people astray from Your path. Our Lord, obliterate their riches and be severe on their hearts, because it seems they would not believe until they see a grievous punishment.

52. Prayer for Victory over Mischief Makers

Hadhurat Lot as advised his people to refrain from lewd actions. They replied that if he was a true prophet he should call down punishment on them. Hadhurat Lot as prayed in these words:

ربّ انصِرْني علی الّقُوم المُفسِّدِينَ

(Al-Ankabut 29:31)

Help me, my Lord, against the wicked people.

53. Prayer for Escaping the Evil Influences of Wicked People

in response to Hadhurat Lot as’s advice, his people threatened him with expulsion from the country. He prayed and God accepted his prayer. God saved Hadhurat Lot as and his family (except his wife) and his people were annihilated.

ربّ نَجِّني وأهْلِي ممَّا يَعْمَلُونَ

(Al-Shu’ara 26:170)

My Lord, save me and my family from what they do.

54. Requesting Divine Signs against Disobedient People

Hadhurat Moses as informed his followers of the victory over the Promised Land and asked them to enter it. They refused. On this, Moses as prayed and as a result the land was denied to the followers of Moses as for forty years.

ربّ إِنَّا لَا أَمْلِكُ الّكُلْماَ آنفِيًّا وَآخِي فَأَفْرِقْ بِسِيْئِيَ وَمِنْ الّقُومِ الْمُفْسِدِينَ

(Al-Maidah 5:26)

My Lord, I have power over none but myself and my brother; therefore, make You a distinction between us and the rebellious people.

55. Thanksgiving by Moses as and a Prayer for the Release from Cruel People

Hadhurat Moses as killed a person unintentionally. He prayed for forgiveness and God informed him of the acceptance of his prayer.
Hadhrat Moses\textsuperscript{sm} was grateful and offered this prayer in response.

\begin{itemize}
\item \textit{रब्‌ चिमा अभ्वम्‌ अल्लाह्‌ क्लनति अकोन त्‌ विषु श्रवणम्‌ मियम्‌} \textsuperscript{(Al-Qasas 28:18)}
\end{itemize}

\textit{My Lord, because You have bestowed favour upon me, I will never be a helper of the guilty.}

56. Prayer for Just Decisions

Hadhrat Qatadah\textsuperscript{ra} relates that whenever the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{saw} faced a battle, he offered in particular this prayer.

\begin{itemize}
\item \textit{रब्‌ अख्चेर वळ्‌ हेतु त्‌ रब्‌ बतली वेद्वसके अलाम स्‌ च्‌} \textsuperscript{(Al-Anbiya 21:113)}
\end{itemize}

\textit{My Lord, judge You with truth. Our Lord is the Gracious God, Whose help is to be sought against that which you assert.}

57. Prayer for God’s Mercy and Ease in Affairs

While mentioning As’hab-i-Kahf, God says that they were few young men who hid themselves in caves for safeguarding their belief in the unity of God. They prayed in these words:

\begin{itemize}
\item \textit{रब्‌ बतली मस्‌ रह्मान मस्‌ रह्मा ने अमरे ने च्‌} \textsuperscript{(Al-Kahf 18:11)}
\end{itemize}

\textit{Our Lord, bestow on us mercy from Yourself, and provide for us right guidance in our affair.}

58. Prayer for Virtuous Children

Hadhrat Abraham\textsuperscript{saw} prayed for virtuous children who could continue his mission. God gave him glad tidings of a forebearing son.

\begin{itemize}
\item \textit{रब्‌ पहली रहे वेद्वसके अलाम स्‌ च्‌} \textsuperscript{(Al-Saffat 37:101)}
\end{itemize}

\textit{My Lord, grant me a righteous son.}

59. Prayer for Obedient and Worshipping Children

Hadhrat Abraham\textsuperscript{saw} offered this prayer while re-building the Ka’ba with Hadhrat Ishmael\textsuperscript{saw}. 

\begin{itemize}
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\end{itemize}
Our Lord, make us submissive to You and make of our offspring a people submissive to You. And show us our ways of worship, and turn to us with mercy; for You are Oft-Returning with compassion and are Merciful.

60. Prayer for Steadfastness in Worship for Oneself, One's Children and Forgiveness for Parents and Believers

Hadrat Ibn Jareef RA used to say that the followers of Hadrat Abraham AS were always steadfast in worshipping God. Ullama Sha'bi RA said that the prayer which Hadrat Noah AS and Hadrat Abraham AS offered for the forgiveness of believing men and believing women, gave him so much pleasure that even the wealth of the whole world would not have been equal to it.

(Tafseer Ad Durrul Manthoor Lis Sayuti, vol. 4, page 46)
(Ibrahim 14:41-42)

My Lord, make me observe prayer and my children too. Our Lord, accept my prayer. Our Lord, grant forgiveness to me and to my parents and to the believers on the day when the reckoning will take place.

61. Prayer for the Ability to Decide, Virtue, One's Good Repute and for Paradise

The Holy Prophet SA said that if after performing ablution, a person offers this Abrahimi prayer in the name of Allah, God bestows heavenly food and drink on him. His illness becomes an atonement of his sins. His life is the life of an obedient one and his death is that of the martyr, even though his sins are as numerous as the foam of the seas. The ability to decide and piety are bestowed on him. His good name lives in the world.

(Tafseer Ad Durrul Manthoor Lis Sayuti, vol. 4, page 89)
My Lord, bestow wisdom on me and join me with the righteous; and give me a true reputation among posterity; and make me one of the inheritors of the Garden of Bliss.

62. Prayer for Extraordinary Strength and Sovereignty

Hadhrat Sulaiman⁴⁴’s prayer was accepted and big rebellious people became obedient to him. Hadhrat Saima bin Al Kawa⁴⁴ said that whenever the Holy Prophet⁴⁴ prayed, he mentioned God’s attribute ‘Wahab’. For example he would say, "Holy is my Lord the 'Bestower.'"

(Tafseer Ad Durrul Manthoor lis Sayuti, vol. 4 page 213)

ربِّ اغْفِرْ لِي وَهَبْ لِي مُلْكًا لا يُنْبِغُي لَأَحَدٍ مِّنْ بَعْدِيٍّ

إِلَّا أَنَّ الْوَهَابَ (Sad 38: 36)

O my Lord, grant me forgiveness and bestow on me a kingdom which none unworthy of it may possess after me. Surely, You are so Generous.

63. Prayer of Thanks for Righteous Actions and Pious Children

It is mentioned in the traditions that the first person to offer this prayer was Hadhrat Abu Bakr⁴⁴. His prayer was accepted and as a result his parents, brother and all his children accepted Islam.

(Al-Ahqaf 46:16)

وَأَنْ أَحْمَلَ صَالِحَةٌ تَرَضْيَةٌ وَأَصَلِّي لِيَ فِي ذُرِّيَّتِيَّ إِلَيْكَ

وَأَنِّي مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

My Lord, grant me power that I may be grateful for Your favour which You have bestowed upon me and upon my parents, and that I may do such good works as may please You. And make my seed righteous for me. I do turn to You; and truly, I am of those who
64. Prayer of Thanks and for Piety

When the army of Hadhrat Sulaiman\(^{as}\) passed by the valley of Namla, its inhabitants were afraid and hid themselves in their houses. On seeing this Hadhrat Sulaiman\(^{as}\) prayed spontaneously.

\[ \text{رب} \text{ أُوْزِنَّيْنِي أَنْ أَشْكُرُ نُعَمَّتَكَ} \text{ اللَّهُ أَنْ عَمَّسَ عَلَىٰ} \text{ وَعَلَىٰ وَالدِّيَ وَأَنَّ آخِمَ أُحَمِّلُ صَالِحَاً تَرْضُى} \text{ وَأَنَّ خَلَقَيْنِ يَرْحَمِيْكَ فيٌّ عِبَادَكَ الصَّلِيمِيْنِ} \]

(Al-Naml 27:20)

My Lord, enable me to be grateful for Your favour which You have bestowed upon me and upon my parents, and to do such good works as would please You, and admit me, by Your mercy, among Your righteous servants.

65. Prayer for Chaste Progeny

On seeing out of season fruits near Hadhrat Maryam\(^{as}\), Hadhrat Zacharia\(^{as}\) her guardian asked her where they had come from? She answered spontaneously, 'It is from Allah'. On hearing this Hadhrat Zacharia\(^{as}\) prayed fervently and the glad tidings of its acceptance were given to him while he was still praying. Hadhrat Yahya\(^{as}\) was granted to him.

\[ \text{ربِّ حَبِّي لِي فِي نَذَكَرُ ذِرَّيَةَ طَبِيَّةَ منْ أَنَا سَمِيعُ الدُّعَاءِ} \]

(Al-Imran 3:39)

My Lord, grant me from Yourself pure offspring; surely You are the Hearer of prayer.

66. Prayer for Children in Old Age

The beautiful style that Hadhrat Zacharia\(^{as}\) adopted for this prayer was bound to be accepted.

\[ \text{ربِّ إِلَيْنِ وَهُمُ الْعَظْمَيْنِ وَأَشْنَعُ الرَّأسُ سُبِّبَ وَأَلْهَ أَنَّكَ بِدَعَابِكَ} \text{ ربِّ تَنَبَّأْنِ وَأَنَّ يَفْتَحَ الْمَوَايِهَ مِنْ وَرَأَيْنِ وَسَكَانَتُ الْأَمْرَاتِ} \]
My Lord, the bones have indeed waxed feeble in me, and the head glistens with hoariness, but never, my Lord, have I been un blessed in my prayer to You. And I fear my relations after me, and my wife is barren. Grant me, therefore, a successor from Yourself, that he may be heir to me and to the House of Jacob. And make him, my Lord, well-pleasing to You.

67. Prayer for Riddance of Loneliness and for Children to be Good Heirs

God says that when Hadhrat Zacharia as prayed, We accepted his prayers. His wife recovered and Yahya was bestowed upon him.

ربِّ لَا تَذَرْنِي قَرْدًا وَأَنتَ خَيْرُ الْوَرَثَيْنِ

(Al-Anbiya 21: 90)

My Lord, leave me not childless, and You are the best of inheritors.

68. Prayer for a Righteous Wife, for Children and Setting a Good Example for them

Whilst mentioning the characteristics of the servants of God, the Holy Prophet as told us that they used to say the following prayers:

وَالْلَّهُ يُقَوِّلُونَ رَبِّنَا هَبْ لَنَا أَزْوَاجَنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتَنَا فَرَّةً أَعْطَيْنَى

واجعلنا لِذَّيَّقِينَ إِمَامًا

(Al-Furqan 25:75)

And those who say, 'Our Lord, grant us of our spouses and children the delight of our eyes and make each of us a leader of the righteous.'

69. Prayer for Remembering Parent's Kindness and a Prayer of Mercy for them

The Holy Prophet as was taught this prayer for his parents and the parents of his followers. Huzur used to say that the son could never
repay his parents' favours unless he frees his enslaved father.

(Tafseer Qurtabi, vol. 1, page 244)

رَبِّ ارْحَمْهُمَا كَمَا رَبَّيْنِي صَغُرَىً

(Bani Israel 17:25)

My Lord, have mercy on them even as they nourished me in my childhood.

70. Prayer on Boarding a Boat
At the time of the Flood, Hadhrat Noah as prayed according to God's instructions and his Ark anchored at Mount Judi. The Holy Prophet as used to say that this prayer would safeguard his followers' boat from sinking.

(Tafseer Qurtabi vol 9 page 37)

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الَّذِي نَعْمَاهَا وَمُرْسَهَا إِنَّ رَبِّي لَغُفْوُونَ رَحِيمُ

(Hud 11:42)

In the name of Allah be its course and its mooring. My Lord is assuredly Most Forgiving, Merciful.

71. Another Prayer on Boarding a Boat
God instructed Hadhrat Noah as to say الحمدم لله الذي نجمنا من القوم الصالحين first, meaning, 'all praise belongs to Allah, who saved us from the cruel people.' Then this prayer which Hadhrat Ali as used to say upon entering a mosque should be recited.

(Tafseer Qurtabi, vol. 12, page 120)

(Al-Mu'minun 23:30)

رَبِّ أَنزِلْ لَنَا مَرَّةً مِّبَارَكَةً وَأَنتَ عَزِيزُ الْمَعْلُوْمِ مِلِيمٌ

My Lord, cause me to land a blessed landing, for You are the Best of those who bring men to land.

72. Prayer of Riding a Mount
The Holy Prophet as used to offer this prayer on riding a mount:

(Musnad Abu Dawud Al T'iyasi)

سَبِيلْكَ الَّذَى سَخَّرْتُ لَهَا هَذَا وَمَا كُنْتَ لِهِ مَفْرِيقٗا

وَابْناَ إِلَى رَبِّي لَمْ تَقْطَعْنَ

(Al-Zukhruf 43:14-15)
Holy is He Who has subjected this to us, and we, by ourselves, were unable to harness it. And to our Lord surely shall we return.

73. Believing in God’s Absolute Power and Belief in His Promises

The Holy Prophet® is reported to have said that a lost or missing thing can be found by reciting these verses of the Holy Qur’an:

(Ad Durrul Manthoor Iis Sayuti, vol. 2, page 9)

ربّا إِنَّكَ جَامِعُ الْقُلُوبِ لَمَّا فَرَّتْ فِي بُكْرَةٍ
إنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُخْلِفُ الْعَيْبَاءَ

(AI ‘Imran 3:10)

Our Lord, You will certainly assemble mankind together on the Day about which there is no doubt; surely, Allah breaks not His promise.

74. Prayer for a Good Beginning and End and Special Victory

Hadhurat Abdullah bin Abbas® relates that these verses were revealed near the time of migration (Bukhari and Muslim). For a good beginning and end this prayer is tried and tested.

وَقَلْ رَبِّ أُذْهِبْنِي مَدْخِلًا صَدِيقًا وَأُخْرِجْنِي مُخْرَجًا صَدِيقًا
وَأَجْعَلْنِي مِنَ الْمُدْخَلِينَ سَلَطَةً أَصِيبَارًا

(Bani Isra’il 17:81)

O my Lord, make my entry a good entry and then make me come forth with a good forthcoming. And grant me from Yourself a helping power.

75. Prayer for Appreciation of Deeds

The Holy Prophet® said that whosoever will recite this prayer after salat or on leaving a meeting, God will weigh his actions with good measure and grant extra favours.

(Tafseer Ad Durrul Manthoor Iis Sayuti, vol. 4, page 295)

سِيَّئَنَّ رَبِّ مَا أَرْضَيْتُ عَلَيْهِمَا وَسَلَّمَ رَبِّ عَلَى الْمُرْسَلِينَ
وَعَلَى الْمُحَمَّدَ وَرَبِّ الْعَلَامَاتِ

(AI-Saffat 37:181-183)
Holy is your Lord, the Lord of Honour and Power, far above that which they assert. And peace be upon the Messengers. And all praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of the worlds.

76. Prayer of Peace for Godly People
The Holy Prophet⁴⁴ was taught this prayer of peace for the holy people:

الحمد لله و سلام على عبادك الذين أصطفى

(Al-Naml 27:60)

All praise belongs to Allah, and peace be upon those servants of His whom He has chosen.

77. Prayer of Inclination towards God and Declaration of Total Belief
When Hadhrat Moses⁴⁴ could not bear the manifestation of God he became unconscious. On recovering he offered this supplication.

سبحانك تنبت إليك و أنا أول المؤمنين

(Al-A'raf 7:144)

Holy are You, I turn towards You, and I am the first to believe.

78. Prayer for God's Protection
When Hadhrat Abraham⁴⁴ was thrown into the fire, he offered this prayer:

حسبنا الله و يسركم الوكيل

(Al-Imran 3:174)

Sufficient for us is Allah, and an excellent Guardian is He.

79. Prayer for God's Arbitration
Saeed bin Hasna⁴⁴ relates that he knew of a verse, which when recited, a supplicant would receive whatever he begged. The Holy Prophet⁴⁴ used to begin his Tahajjud with it and added words of, "Allah the Lord of Gabriel, Michael and Israfeel."

الله أكبر السموات والأرض علم الله فقير وطهارة

أنت تختصص بني عبادك في ما كانوا فيه يختلفون

(Al-Zulmar 39:47)
O Allah! Originator of the heavens and the earth; 
Knower of the unseen and the seen; You alone will 
judge between Your servants concerning that in which 
they differed.

80. On the Rejection by People, and a Prayer for Victory
God delivered Hadhrat Noah's Ark from the Flood.

رَبِّ ٱلصُّرۡطَ بِبُيُوتٍ كُنْتَ نَفۡعَٰلِ ۖ

(Al-Muminun 23: 27)

O my Lord, help me, for they have treated me as a liar.

81. Declaration of Belief in God's Promises 
upon Hearing His Verses
The learned believers prostrated themselves on hearing the 
revealed verses.

سَبِّحۡنَ رَبِّنَا اِنَّكَ وَعَدْ رَبِّنَا لَمْ تَفۡعَلۡنَ ۚ

(Bani-Isra'il 17:109)

Holy is our Lord. Surely, the promise of our Lord is 
bound to be fulfilled.

82. Prayer Recited at Dawn and Dusk 
for Recompense of Failings
Hadhrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates that the Holy Prophet said: 
"if a person recites these verses at dawn he would recompense 
his day's failings in advance and if he recites them at dusk, his sins 
during the night will be atoned".

قُبْحِي لِلِّهِ اِلَٰهَ ٰکَبِرَ ۖ تَمْسُوِّرُوا فَجِبَاحَ تُصْبِحُوا ۚ وَلۡهَا الْحَمۡدُ 

في السَّمُوتِ وَالَاَرْضِ وَعَشَى وَجِبَاحِ تُظَهَّرُونَ ۖ يَخۡرُجُ ۖ جَبَحٌ 

مِن الْأَمۡرِ وَيَخۡرُجُ ۖ جَبَحٌ ۖ مِّنَ النَّهَى وَيَخۡرُجُ ۖ جَبَحٌ ۖ مِّنَ الَّذِينَ بَدَأُوا مُؤَمِّنَ 

وَكَذَٰلِكَ تُخۡرِجُونَ

(Al-Rum 30:18-20)

So glorify Allah when you enter the evening and when 
you enter the morning- And to Him belongs all praise 
in the heavens and the earth - and glorify Him in the
afternoon and when you enter upon the time of the decline of the sun. He brings forth the living from the dead and He brings forth the dead from the living; and He gives life to the earth after its death. And in like manner shall you be brought forth.

83. Prayer at Times of Adversity

When the believers who are patient face a calamity or receive a shock they pray in the following manner. God bestows His blessings and mercy on them. These are the rightly guided people.

(Ibn Maja)

Hadrat Husain bin Ali RA relates that if a believer recites “Inna Lillahi” God grants him reward equal to his adversity.

Lost things are found by the blessings of this prayer.

إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَجِعُونَ

(Al-Baqarah 2:157)

Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return.

84. Prayer for Dedicating Children and Making Vows

Hadrat Maryam MA’s mother offered this prayer before giving birth to her child. This prayer was accepted and she was granted a daughter like Hadrat Maryam as.

رزِبَتْ إِنِّي لَمَثْلِي بِظَنَّى مَحْرُورًا فَتُمْبَلَ مَيْتٍ

إِنَّكَ أَنتَ النَّظَّيمُ العَلِيمُ

(Al ’Imran 3:36)

My Lord, I vowed to You what is in my womb to be dedicated to Your service. So do accept it of me, verily, You alone are All-Hearing, All-Knowing.

85. Prayer of God's Holy Servants in the Face of Ridicule by Non-believers

On the Day of Judgement, when the non-believers and those who reject God’s words will confess to their sins, God will tell them to go away and not talk to Him. ‘You are the ones who ridiculed my servants who prayed and I have rewarded them in ample measure’.

رَبُّنَا أَمَاتِيْنَا غِيْرَكُتَا وَأَرْحَمْنَا وَأَنَّى خَبَرَ الزَّكَّاتِ

(AI-Muminun 23:110)
Our Lord, we believe; forgive us therefore our sins, and have mercy on us; for You are the Best of those who show mercy.

86. Prayers for Deliverance from Grief and Sorrow
Hadhrat Abu Darda® relates that whosoever repeats this prayer seven times at dawn and dusk, God will deliver him from grief and sorrows of this world and the world hereafter.

حَسَبَتِ اللَّهُ ۚ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْقَهَّارُ
وَهَوْرَبَتِ الْمَرْجَعِ الْعَظِيمِ

(Al-Tauba 9:129)

Allah 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.

87. Prayers for Seeking Allah’s Shelter and Safety from every type of Evil
Hadhrat Abdullah® relates that the Holy Prophet® said, ‘Repeat the last three surahs of the Holy Qur’an. There is nothing like these for bestowal of refuge.’

(Nasal)

Hadhrat Ayesha® relates that whenever the Holy Prophet® fell ill, he would recite the last two surahs of the Holy Qur’an and blow on himself. When his last illness became severe, she recited these last three surahs, blew on my hands and rubbed on his body.

(Bukhari and Muslim)

88. Surah Ikhlas

بَنِعْنِا اللَّهُ الرَّحْمَنَ الرَّحِيْمَ
قُلْ هُوَ اللَّهُ أَحَدُ أَلْلَهُ عَلَى مَلَائِكَةِنَا وَمُلْكُنَا وَلَمْ نَوْلَدْنَ وَلَمْ نُهْيَنَّ إِلَّا أُمَلَّا أَحَدَّ

(Al-Ikhlas 1:1-5)

In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful. Say, ‘He is Allah, the One; Allah, the Independent and Besought of all. He begets not, nor is He begotten; and there is none like unto Him’. 
89. Surah Al-Falaq
*In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful. Say,*

\[\text{سُورَةُ الْفَلَاقَ} \]

\[
قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ الْقَدْسِ ۡ مِثْلِ الْقَدْسِ ۡ إِلَىِّ الْقَدْسِ
\]

\[
ۡمِن شَرِّ السَّيِّالِ ۢ إِلَّٰهِ الْقَدْسِ
\]

'I seek refuge in the Lord of cleaving, from the evil of that which He has created, and from the evil of the night when it overspreads, and from the evil of those who blow into knots to undo them, and from the evil of the envier when he envies'.

90. Surah Al-Nas
*In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful. Say,*

'I seek refuge in the Lord of mankind, the King of mankind, the God of mankind, from the evil of the sneaking whisperer, who whispers into the hearts of men, from among the Jinn and mankind.'

91. A Beautiful Prayer for Acceptance of Prayers
At the time of building the Ka’ba Hadhrat Abraham\(^\text{as}\) finished his prayers with this supplication.

*(Al-Baqarah 2:128)*

Our Lord, accept this from us; for You are All-Hearing, All-Knowing.
PART II

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Preface

There is a great need for a comprehensive and authentic collection of the Holy Prophet’s prayers. This collection of our Holy Prophet’s prayers includes both the background information as well as references to their authenticity. Insha Allah this collection will fulfil this need.

Every facet of the pure life of our Holy Prophet reflects variety and originality therefore he often offered several prayers for a single task or purpose. The object of this variety is to improve concentration and understanding so that the blind repetition of a few memorised prayers should not become a customary practice.

In this collection of two hundred prayers, the first part contains a range of traditional prayers and the second is a collection of prayers, which the Holy Prophet offered with utmost sincerity and the deepest feelings of his heart. The choice of words, depth of feelings and the immensity of meanings are a proof of the sublime status of this unlettered prophet. These supplications reveal his total humility, faith and complete trust in God. They also reflect the purity of his heart, which was full of love for his Master.

The additions that this great benefactor of Mankind made to the prayers of the earlier prophets, is such a great favour that our gratitude can only be expressed by saying Durud and calling blessings of Allah on him.

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ الْعَظِيمِ
اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَیْ مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

May Allah bestow upon us, with the help of these prayers, the true love of our Holy Prophet and reward us with the acceptance of these prayers. Ameen

I humbly request the prayers of my friends and respected people for this offering of a gift of collection of prayers.

Wassalam

Hazir Muzafer Ahmad
Second Edition

The gift of collection of prayers of the Holy Prophet™ is being presented to the readers at the beginning of the 21st century. This new edition includes forty additional prayers, in an improved format and with more detailed references.

This is my request to the reader, that while gaining spiritual delight from this collection please remember this humble one in your prayers.

"If this offer is accepted, it will be an honour for me"

Hafez Musaffar Ahmad

November 13th 2000
Prayer for Blessings in Intentions and Actions

Hadrat Abu-bakr Siddique relates that whenever the Holy Prophet\(^a\) intended to do something he used to pray:

\[
\text{اللهُمَّ اذْهِبُ وَحُبَّ.}
\]

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

O Allah, bestow means of goodness on me and choose better for me.

Prayer for Attaining Love of God

Abdullah bin Yazid-al-Ansari relates the Holy Prophet\(^a\) offered this prayer for attaining love of God along with his other prayers:

\[
\text{اللهُمَّ اذْهِبُ عَبْدَكَ وَحُبَّ.}
\]

(Tirmidhi Kitabud Da'awat)

O Allah, bestow upon me Your love and the love of the one whose love would benefit me. Oh Allah! grant me the things I love and make them a means of attaining Your favourite things. Help me to withdraw from the things that I am attached to and rather, guide me towards those things that You love.

Hadrat Dawud\(^a\)’s Prayer

Hadrat Abu Darda relates the Prophet Dawud\(^a\) worshipped God more than any one else. He used to recite this prayer for attaining the love of God:

\[
\text{اللهُمَّ اذْهِبُ عَبْدَكَ وَحُبَّ.}
\]

(Tirmidhi Kitabud Da'awat)

O Allah, I beg You for Your love and the love of one who loves You. I beg You for the ability to do such good actions, which make me achieve Your love. O
Allah pour such love into my heart, which is stronger than my love for myself, my wealth, my family and cold water.

Prayer for going to the Lavatory
Hadhrat Anas relates that when the Holy Prophet⁵⁰ used to go to the lavatory, he recited this prayer:

أَلْهَمْ إِنيَ أَعْوَذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْخَبَثِ وَالْخَبَابِبِ

(Bukhari Kitabud Da‘awat)

O Lord I seek refuge in You from all filthy things, lewd actions and discourses.

Prayer on coming out of the Lavatory
Hadhrat Ayesha relates the Holy Prophet⁵⁰ used to recite this prayer when coming out of the lavatory:

عُفْرَانَكِ

(Tirmidhi Kitabud Da‘awat)

I seek Your forgiveness.

Hadhrat Abu Dhar Ghafari relates that when the Holy Prophet⁵⁰ used to come out of the lavatory, he recited these words of prayer:

أَلْحَمَدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أُذَهِّبَ عَنِّي الَّذِي وَعَافَانِي

(Ibn Maja Kitabut Taharat)

All praise belongs to Allah, who delivered me from this burden and bestowed health upon me.

Prayer for Ablution
Hadhrat Umar Ibn Al-Khattab relates the Holy Prophet⁵⁰ used to recite these words after performing ablution. He said that the doors of the heaven are opened for one who recites these words:

أَشْهَدُ أنَّ لا إِلَهَ إِلَّا الَّهُ وَحَدَّهُ لا شَرِيكَ لِهِ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مَحْمُودَ اِعْبَدَهُ وَرَسُولُهُ أَلْهَمْ اِجْعَالُيِّي عِنْ النَّوْعَابِيِّ وَإِجْعَالُيِّي عِنْ النَّبِيِّيِّ مُتَطَفِّرِينِ

(Tirmidhi Kitabud Da‘awat)

I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is One and has no partners. And I bear witness that Muhammad⁵⁰ is His servant and His
messenger. Oh Allah! make me one of those who repent and keep themselves pure and clean.

Prayer at the Time of Adhan

Hadrat Abu Saeed Khudri relates the Holy Prophet\(^a\) said whenever one hears Adhan, he should repeat the words of the 'muazzin'. Hadrat Umar relates that whoever repeats the words of Adhan with sincerity of heart and at the words لا حوال ولا فو ألا بنً meaning: no one has the power or authority except Allah. Allah will bestow paradise upon him.

(Bukhari Kitabus Salat)

Prayer after Adhan

Hadrat Jaber bin Abdullah relates the Holy Prophet\(^a\) said that whoever listens to Adhan and prays in this way will deserve my intercession on the day of judgement.

(Bukhari Kitabul Adhan)

O Lord of this perfect prayer and salat, which is about to be observed, make Muhammad\(^a\) an intermediary. Grant him excellence and a lofty station. Establish him on "Maqm-e-Mahmood" (a praiseworthy status), which You have promised. You never break Your Promise

Prayer when Leaving the House for Namaz

Hadrat Abu Saeed Khudri relates I heard the Holy Prophet\(^a\) say if a person recites this prayer when leaving his house for namaz, God appoints seventy thousand angels to seek forgiveness for him and favours him with His special attention during namaz.

(Ibn Maja Kitabul Masajid)
Oh Allah! I beseech you with the rights of those who beg from You and with my right of leaving for namaz on foot. You know that pride, vanity, false pretence or desire for fame has not forced to me come out. Fleeing from my sins I have come running to You. I have come out to escape Your displeasure and for seeking Your pleasure. I beg You to save me from punishment of the Fire and forgive my sins.

Prayer for Going to the Mosque.
Hadrat Abdullah bin Amr bin A'as relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite this prayer on entering the mosque. The traditions describe that if this prayer is recited, Satan says, “this person is safe from me

أعوذُ بِاللهِ الْعَظِيمِ وَبِمَيْلِهِ الْكَرِيمِ وَسُلْطَانِهِ الْقَدِيمِ وَبِشَ يِتَّنِ الرَّجِيمِ

for today”:

(Abu Dawud Kitabus Salat)

I seek refuge in Allah, the Greatest, from the rejected Satan. I seek refuge in His Exalted Countenance and in His Eternal Sovereignty.

Prayer on Entering the Mosque
Fatima, daughter of the Holy Prophet ﷺ relates that he used to say

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ الصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ أَلْلَهُمَّ اغْفِرْلِي

ذَنُوبِي وَافْتَحْ لِي أَبْوَابَ رَحْمَتِكَ

this prayer on entering the mosque:

(Ibn Maja Kitabul Masajid, Tirmidhi Kitabus Salat)

I enter in the name of Allah. Peace and blessings be upon His messenger. O my Lord forgive my sins and open the doors of Mercy for me.

On leaving the mosque he used to say:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ الصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ أَلْلَهُمَّ اغْفِرْلِي

ذَنُوبِي وَافْتَحْ لِي أَبْوَابَ فَضْلِكَ
In the name of Allah. Peace and blessings of Allah be upon His messenger. O my Lord forgive my sins and open the doors of prosperity for me.

**Prayers for Starting Salat**

Hadhrat Ali relates when the Holy Prophet ﷺ started salat he used to say these words after Takbir.

وَجَهِّئَتْ وَجَهِّئي لِلَّذِي فَطَرْ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ حَيًَّا وَمَا آتَا مِنَ المُشْرِكِينَ ِإِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنَسْكِي وَمَحَيَاي۴۶
وَسَمَايْيَتِي لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَبِذَلِكَ أُبَرِّرُ ِوَأَنَا بِسِنَّةِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ عَلِيِّهِمْ أَنتَ ُالْمَلِكُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنتَ ُأَنتَ رَبِّي وَأَنَا عَبْدُكَ ُفَرَّمْتَ نَفْسِي وَعَفْرَتْ ِبِذَنْبِي فَاغْفِرْلِي ذُنُوبِي حَبِيبًا إِنَّهُ لَا يَغْفرُ الْذَّنُوبِ إِلَّا أَنتَ وَأَهْدِنِي لِأَحْسَنِ الاِخْلَاقِ لَا يَهْدِدُ إِلَّا أَحْسَبُهَا إِلَّا أَنتَ وَأَصْرِفْ عَنِ السِّيَّةِ إِلَّا يَضْرِفْ عَنِ السِّيَّةِ إِلَّا أَنتَ لِبُيُكَ وَسَعَدْيِكَ وَالْحَيِّيِّ كُلُّهُ فِي يَدِيْكَ وَالشَّرُّ لِيَسْنَ إِلَيْكَ أَنَا بِكَ وَإِلَيْكَ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَيْكَ ُأَسْتَغْفِرُكَ وَأَتُوبُ إِلَيْكَ

(Muslim Kitabus Salat)

Believing in one God, I have turned my attention towards the Being who has created the Heavens and the Earth. I am not one of those who associate partners with Him. Without doubt my salat, my worship, my life and my death are for Allah, the Lord of the Universe. He has no partner. I am instructed to do this and I am among the Muslims.

O Allah, You are the Sovereign. There is none worthy of worship except You. You are my Lord and I am Your servant. I have wronged my soul and I confess my sins. Pray forgive all my sins, as there is no one else who can forgive. O Allah, guide me to high morals.
There is none besides You who can lead me to good morals, and safeguard me from corrupt morals as there is no one who can safeguard me from bad morals except You.

I am here and it is my good fortune. All goodness is in Your control and evil cannot be attributed to You. I am with You and incline towards You. You are the Blessed and the Exalted One. I seek forgiveness from You and incline towards You.

Hadrat Abu Saeed Khudri relates the Holy Prophet™ used to recite this before surah Al-Fatiha:

سُبَحَّانَكَ اللَّهُمَّ وَبِحْمَدَكَ وَبِتَّبَارَكَ اسْمُكَ وَتَعَالَى جُدُدُكَ فَلَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ

(Tirmidhi, Kitab Salat)

Holy are You O Allah with Your attributes. Blessed is Your name. Exalted is Your Majesty. There is none worthy of worship except You.

Abu Hurairah asked the Holy Prophet™ "why you stay silent between Takbir and the recitation of surah Al-Fatiha. What do you recite in the middle"? In reply the Holy Prophet™ told him of this prayer:

آلَّهُمَّ بِآِذنِي بِبُنينَ خَطَائِيَّ كَمَا بَاعَذْتُ بِبُنينَ المُسَرِّقِ

وَالمُغَفِّرُ، آلَّهُمَّ قَتْنِي مَنِّ الْخَطَائِيَّ كَمَا يَقْتُقِي الْعُنْوُنَ الْأَنْبِيَّ

مِنَ الْذَّنْسِ آلَّهُمَّ اغْسِلْ خَطَائِيَّ بَيْنَ المَاءِ وَالْبُلُجَّ وَالْئَرْدُ

(Bukhari, Kitabus Salat)

O Allah! place the same distance between my sins and me as you have created between East and West. O Allah! purify me of my sins as a dirty cloth is washed of soil. O Allah! wash away my sins with water, snow and hail.

**Prayers of Ruku**

Hadrat Huzaifa relates the Holy Prophet™ used to say:

سُبَحَّانَ رَبِّي الْعَظِيمِ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabus Salat)
Holy is my Lord, the Most High.

Hadrat Ayesha relates the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} used to recite this in ruku and sajdah:

\begin{center}
\textit{سُبْحَانَكَ الْلَّهُمَّ رَبِّي وَبَارِكَ الْلَّهُمَّ الْهُمَّ اغْفِرْلِي}
\end{center}

\textit{(Muslim Kitabul Salat)}


Hadrat Ayesha relates the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} used to recite in ruku and sajdah:

\begin{center}
\textit{سُبْحَانَكَ الْلَّهُمَّ رَبِّي وَبَارِكَ الْلَّهُمَّ الْهُمَّ اغْفِرْلِي}
\end{center}

\textit{(Bukhari, Kitabul Salat)}

O Allah, our Lord, Holy are You with Your attributes. O Allah, forgive me.

Hadrat Auf bin Maalik heard the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} say this in ruku:

\begin{center}
\textit{سُبْحَانَ الْجَهَّالَ وَالْمُلْكَ وَالْكَرِيْبَ وَالْعَظْمَةَ}
\end{center}

\textit{(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Salat)}

Holy is the Being who is, All Powerful, The Sovereign, the Greatest and the Magnificent

Hadrat Ali and Jaber bin Abdullah relate the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} used to recite this prayer during ruku:

\begin{center}
\textit{اللَّهُمَّ لَكَ رَكَعُتْ وَلَكَ اسْمَتْ وَلَكَ أُسْلَمْتُ وَعَلَيْكَ نُوَّلُكَ أَنْتَ رَبِّي خَشَعُ سَمِعَ وَبِصُرَّي وَلَحْمِي وَدِمَي وَعَظِيمِي وَمُجْحِي وَعَصِيُّ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ}
\end{center}

\textit{(Nasai, Kitabul Iltifah)}

O Allah! I have bowed for Your sake and have believed in You. I am obedient to You and trust in You. You are my Sustainer. My ears, eyes, flesh, blood, bones, nerves and my mind are bowing in submission to the One who sustains all the Universe.
Prayers during Qiyam after Ruku

Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri narrates when the Holy Prophet** raised himself from ruku he used to say the following prayer:

آَلِلَّهُمَّ رَبّنَا لَكَ الْحَمْدُ وَبِلَاءُ الْسَّمَوَاتِ وَبِلَاءُ
الْأَرْضِ وَبِلَاءُ مَا سَمِّيَتْ بِنَّيْ شَيْءٍ بَعْدَاهُ عَالِمَ الْغَيْبَ وَالْمَجْهِدِ أَحْقَقَ مَا قَالَ الْعَبْدُ وَكُلُّ نَيْسَانٍ لَكَ عَبْدٌ آَلِلَّهُمَّ لَا
مَانِعٌ لَّمْ يَأْتِيَ وَلَا مَغْطُولٌ لَّمْ يَسْتَغْثَ وَلَا يَتَقَعُّ
ِذَلِكَ بِنَكَ الْجَدُّ

(Muslim, Kitab us Salat)

O Allah! our Sustainer, all praise belongs to You. Such praise that fills Heavens and Earth and fills everything else that is willed by You. O High and Praiseworthy! You are entitled to all the praise that Your servants can offer. We are all obedient to You. O Lord! Whatever You bestow there is none who can prevent it and whatever You withhold, there is no one who can bestow. In comparison to You, no great person’s greatness can benefit him at all.

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah relates when the Holy Prophet** used to stand up after ruku to say: سُبُحَ اللَّهِ لِنَبِيَّ يَسِيرًا meaning: Allah hears him who praises Him. Then he offered this prayer: آَلِلَّهُمَّ رَبّنَا لَكَ الْحَمْدُ (Bukhari, Kitab us Salat) meaning, our Lord all praise belongs to You.

Hadhrat Rufaah bin Rafay Zerqi relates one day we offered our salat with the Holy Prophet**. When he raised his head from ruku and said: سُبُحَ اللَّهِ لِنَبِيَّ يَسِيرًا meaning, Allah hears him who praises Him. One person said، رَبّنَا وَلَكَ الْحَمْدُ كَيْبِيْرًا طَيِّبِيْتُ كَأَنَّكَ فِي نَّفْسِكَ (Bukhari, Kitab us Salat) meaning, O Lord all kinds of praise is for You. Such immense praise which is pure and contains great blessings. After salat the Holy Prophet** said that he saw more than thirty angels rushing to record it first.

Prayers during Prostration

Hadhrat Huzaifa relates the Holy Prophet** used to say: ﷺ ﷺ ﷺ رَبِّي الْعَلَّامِ meaning, Holy is my Lord, Most High.

(Tirmidhi, Kitab us Salat)
Hadrat Ayesha relates that one night when it was her turn for the Holy Prophet's stay, she found him missing from the bed. She became worried and started to search for him in the dark. She found him in prostration reciting the following prayer:


al-lahu 'alii ma'asirat wamaa a'ulmat

(Nasai, Kitabul Ifitah)

O Allah! forgive all my sins, both the hidden and the manifest.

Hadrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet used to recite this prayer in his prostrations:

al-lahu 'alii ma'asirat dnis bi kullah, dina qalall, wawallah wawalh

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

O Allah! forgive all my sins, major and minor, earlier and later and hidden and manifest.

Hadrat Muhammad bin Mo'salma relates the Holy Prophet used to offer this prayer while prostrating in Salat-e-Tahajjud:

al-lahu laki sughd, wabk ana, walla alaslim al-luhum

(Anten ratbi, sughd wa jihmi lidhi fulq fuder woul alq

summa wa buser ta'arak allah ahsan alhalimun

(Muslim, Kitabus Salat ul Musaffirin)

O Allah! I prostrate for You. I have faith in You and submit to You. O my Lord! You are my Sustainer. My face is bowing before its Creator, who brought it into existence, gave it countenance and gave it eyes and ears. Beneficent is the Being who is the Best Creator.

Hadrat Ayesha relates one night I found the Holy Prophet missing and searching for him I went to the mosque. He was prostrate with his feet digging into the floor and he was praying:

al-lahu ebi aghud b'irzak ben s'htuk, w'm'fata'k ben

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O Allah, I seek refuge in Your pleasure from Your displeasure, I seek shelter in Your forgiveness from Your punishment. I supplicate for Your protection. I cannot enumerate Your attributes. You are exactly like how You have defined Yourself.

Prayer between Prostrations

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite this prayer between two prostrations:

اللَّهُمَّ اغفِرْ لِي وَارْحَمْنِي وَأْهَدِنِي وَغَفِّلْنِي وَاجْبِزْنِي
وَارْفَعْنِي وَارْفَعْنِي

(Ibn Majah, Aqamatus Salat, Mustadrik Hakim, Beirut, vol 1, page 262-271)

O Allah, forgive me, have mercy on me, guide me, keep me safe, reform me, give me sustenance and bestow dignity upon me.

Prayers after Tashahhud

Hadrat Abdullah bin Masood relates we used to offer salat with the Holy Prophet ﷺ and used to say, "Peace be upon Allah." Huzur ﷺ said, "God is Peace Himself, meaning that He is source of all peace. When in Qa'dah you should say this":

السَّلَّمُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ وَرَحْمَةُ اللهِ وَبَرَؤَاهُ اللهُ السَّلَّمُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلِىٰ عُبَيْدَ الله

السَّلَّمُ عَلَيْكَ أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لاَ إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللهُ وَأُسْهِدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

(Bukhari, Kitabus Salat)

All homage belongs to Allah, all worship and pure attributes are His alone. Peace be upon You O prophet of God and mercy of Allah and His blessings.
Peace be upon us and the pious servants of Allah. I bear witness that there is no god except Allah and I bear witness that Muhammad is His servant and His Messenger.

Durud Sharif

Hadhrat Abdur Rehman bin Abi Laila met Hadhrat Ka'ab bin Ujrah who said, "May I give you a gift?" In response to his request, he told him this tradition of the Holy Prophet ﷺ that we know the manner of offering peace upon the Prophet of God in the words: أَلْلَهُمَّ سَلَّمُ عَلَيْهِ الْبُيُوتِ وَرَحْمَةَ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكاتُهُ. Peace be on you O the messenger of God and God's Mercy and Blessings. What is the manner of offering Durud upon him according to the Quranic injunction of صَعَّانَةٍ وَسِعَانَةٌ نَسِيَّةٍ (Al Ahzab: 57). He instructed me to say Durud in these words

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَيْهِ ﻋَلَى مُحمَدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحمَدٍ كَمَا صَلَّيْتُ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَعَلَى آلِ إِبْرَاهِيمِ إِنَّكُ حَميْدٌ مَجِيدٌ، اللَّهُمَّ بَارَكْ عَلَيْهِ ﻋَلَى مُحمَدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحمَدٍ كَمَا بَارَكْتُ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَعَلَى آلِ إِبْرَاهِيمِ إِنَّكُ حَميْدٌ مَجِيدٌ

(Bukhari, Kitabul Anbiya)

Bless, O Allah, Muhammad and his people as You blessed Abraham and his people. You are indeed the Praiseworthy, the Exalted.

Prosper, O Allah, Muhammad and his people as You prospered Abraham and his people. You are indeed the Praiseworthy, the Exalted.

Prayer for the Best in this World and Hereafter

Hadhrat Anas, an attendant of the Holy Prophet ﷺ was asked about the most repeated prayer of his master. He narrated this prayer which is recited after Tashahhud.

اللَّهُمَّ اتَّنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةٌ وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةٌ، وَقَنَأَ

عُذَابَ النَّار

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da'awat)
O Allah, grant us the best of this world as well as the best of the life Hereafter and shield us from the torment of the Fire.

Prayer for Safety from Punishment of the Grave and other Trials

As per narration of Hadhrat Ayesha, during salat and Hadhrat Abu Hurairah, after Tashahhud, the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to say this prayer:

أسلوبهم إني أعوذ بك من عذاب القبر وأعوذ بك من فتنة
المسيح الدجال وأعوذ بك من فتنة الصحبة
والنواب، اللهم إني أعوذ بك من المأتم والمغنم

(Bukhari, Kitabul Isli’atha)

O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the punishment of the grave. I seek refuge in You from the mischief of the Anti-Christ. I seek refuge in You from the trials of life and death. I seek refuge in You from sins and burden of debt.

Another Comprehensive Prayer

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Masood relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ taught him this prayer for recitation after Tashahhud:

إله أنت السهيم على الحير قلوبنا، وأصلح ذات بيتنا وآهده
سبيل السلام، ونجينا من ظلمات إلى النور، وحبيبنا
الفواحش والفتن، ما ظهر بنها وما بطن، وبارك لنا في
أسمعنا وآصبارنا وقلوبنا وأزواجهن وزادياتنا، وترب عليينا
إنك أنت النور السحيم، وأجعلنا شاكرين لنعمتك
مثني فيها، واتمها عليك

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

Guide our hearts towards goodness O Allah, and establish reconciliation amongst us. Show us the path
to peace. Deliver us from darkness and guide us to the light. Save us from evil deeds and mischief whether these are manifest or hidden.

O Lord! bless our eyes, our ears and our hearts, bless our spouses and children and incline towards us with mercy. Surely You accept repentance and are oft-returning with Mercy. Make us thankful for Your blessings. Make us acknowledge and accept Your Beneficence and accomplish that bounty for us.

Prayers for Salat-e-Tahajjud

Hadrat Ayesha relates when the Holy Prophet\sa used to wake up during the night, he used to recite this prayer:

لا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنتَ سَبِيعُائِكَ أَلِيْهِمْ أَسْتَغْفِرُكَ لَدْنِي
وَأِسْأَلُكَ رَحْمَتَكَ أَلِيْهِمْ زَدَّنِي عَلَمًا وَلَاتُرَّغِبُ قُلْبِي بَعْدَ إِذِ ُهُدِيْتِي وَهُبْ لِي بِنْ لَدْنِكَ رَحْمَةَ إِنَّكَ أَنتَ الْوُلَّدَاب

(Abu Dawud Kitabul Adab)

There is none worthy of worship except You. Holy are You. O Allah, I seek Your forgiveness for my sins and beg for Your Mercy. O Allah, increase my knowledge and do not let my heart become perverse after You have guided it. You Yourself bestow Mercy upon me. Surely You are the Greatest Giver.

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abbas narrates that when the Holy Prophet\sa used to stand for Tahajjud prayer he used to say:

اللَّهُمَّ لُكَ الْحَمْدُ أَنتَ قَيْمُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمُنْ فَيَضِنَّ وَلِكَ الْحَمْدُ لُكَ مُلْكُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمُنْ فَيَضِنَّ وَلِكَ الْحَمْدُ أَنتَ نُورُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمُنْ فَيَضِنَّ وَلِكَ الْحَمْدُ أَنتَ مَلْكُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمُنْ فَيَضِنَّ وَلِكَ الْحَمْدُ أَنتَ الْحَقُّ وَوَعْدُ الْحَقِّ وَلَفَّائِكَ
O Allah, all praise belongs to You. You are the Sustainer of heaven and earth and whatever is in them. All praise belongs to You. Yours is the Sovereignty of heavens and earth and whatever is in them. All praise belongs to You. You are the light of heaven and earth and whatever is in them. All Praise belongs to You. You are the Sovereign of heavens and earth and whatever is in them. All praise belongs to You. You are the Truth, Your promise is true, returning to You is true and Your word is true. Heaven and Hell are true. All prophets are true and Muhammad™ is the rightly guided one and the day of Judgement is true.

O Allah, I have taken on Your obedience, believe in You, trust in You, and incline towards You. With Your help I pit myself against the enemy. I have come to You for judgement in my case, so forgive all my earlier and later sins, the secret and the obvious ones. You cause people to advance and also restrain them. There is none worthy of worship except You.

Hadrat Ayesha, while mentioning the prayers which the Holy Prophet™ used to say in the beginning of Tahajjud prayer, said: that he repeated Allaho Akbar, Alhamdo Lillah, Subhan Allah and La ilaha illalah' ten times and used to seek forgiveness from Allah ten times and used say some other prayers as well.

(Nasai, Kitab Qayyumul Lail)

Abdullah bin Umar relates once we were offering our salat with the Holy Prophet™ when another person arrived. Before starting his
salat he said these words: \(لاهجة أكبّرْ، كَبِيرَ مَعَكَ، كَبِيرَ مَعَكَ، وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا \\
\(لاهجة أكبّرْ، كَبِيرَ مَعَكَ، كَبِيرَ مَعَكَ، وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا وَلَنْ تَقْرَأُنَا \\
meaning, Allah is the Greatest, excessive praise belong to Him and Holy is He at dawn and dusk.

After the prayer the Holy Prophet™ said, "These citations were so much loved by God, that the doors of the heaven were opened for them."

Ibn Umar says "After that I always recite these words during salat"

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awal)

Hadhrat Ayesha relates that generally the Holy Prophet™ started his Tahajjudd prayer with the following words:

\[\text{الله عطاء رحب جهيل وميكال وإسرائل قاطر السموات}\\ \\
\text{والآدمنو عالم الغيب والشهادات، أنت تحكم بينعبة}\\ \\
\text{عبادك فيما كانوا فيه يختلقون، اهدئني لما أختل فيه}\\ \\
\text{بين الحقي بإذنك، انذك تهدي من نشاء إلى صرائط}\\ \\
\text{مسيقم}\\

(Muslim, Kitabus Salat)

O Allah! Lord of Gabriel, Michael, Israfeel and Creator of the Heavens and the Earth. You are the Knower of the hidden and the manifest. You are the final Arbitrator in the matters over which people differ. O Allah, with Your special decree, guide me towards the truth in the matters which have been disputed. You are the One, who guides whomsoever You will, towards the right path.

Hadhrat A'sim relates he asked Hadhrat Ayesha, how did the Holy Prophet™ begin his Tahajjudd prayer? In reply she said "You have asked a question, which nobody has asked me before". She said "When the Holy Prophet™ used to stand up for prayer, he would praise and glorify God and seek forgiveness ten times. He would then recite the following prayer":

\[\text{الله عطاء رحب جهيل وميكال وإسرائل قاطر السموات}\\ \\
\text{من ضيتي المقام يوم القيامة}\\

(Nasai, Kitab Quyyaul Lail)
O Lord! forgive me, guide me, give me sustenance and safeguard me. I seek refuge in You from the hardship and severity of retribution on the Day of Judgement.

Abu Saeed Khudri states when the Holy Prophet\(\text{sa}\) used to stand up for worship during the night, after praising and glorifying God, he used to say this prayer:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ الْبَصِيرٍ الْعَلِيمِ مِنِ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجيمِ، بِنَمَزِهِ وَنَفْجِهِ وَنَفْتَهِ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabus Salat)

I seek refuge in Allah, who is All Hearing and All Knowing, from the rejected Satan, from his insinuations, evil influences and wicked discourses.

On request from Hadhrat Abu Bakr the Holy Prophet\(\text{sa}\) taught him this prayer to recite during namaz:

أَلْهُمَّ إِنِّي ظَلَّمْتُ نَفْسِي ظَلَّلَهَا كَثِيرًا، وَلَا يَعْفَرُ الدُّنْوِ

إِلَّا أَنتَ ﻓَأَعْفَرْتُ مَغْفِرَةً ﻃَنَّ عَبْدِكَ وَأَرْحَمْنِي، ﺇِنَّكَ أَنتَ ﺍﻟْـعُفُورُ الرَّجِيمُ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Allah! I have wronged my soul excessively. There is none except You who forgives sins. I beg You for Your special forgiveness. Have mercy on me. No doubt You are the Most Forgiving and Oft-returning with mercy.

Hadhurat Shaddad bin 'Aus relates the Holy Prophet\(\text{sa}\) offered this prayer in nafal prayer:

أَلْهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ الْغَيْبَاتَ فِي الْآمِرِ، الْعِزْيْمَةَ عَلَى الرَّشَدِ، أَسْأَلُكَ شُكْرَ نَعْمَتَكَ، وَحُسْنَ عَبْدَتِكَ وَأَسْأَلُكَ قَلْبًا سَلِيمًا، وَلِسَانًا صَادِقًا، وَأَسْأَلُكَ ﻃَنَّ خَيْرٍ
O Lord! Grant me steadfastness in actions and firm resolve in following guidance and piety. I beg You to make me grateful to You and enable me to offer worship in the best manner. I request You to bestow upon me a gentle heart and a truthful tongue. I supplicate for every good that You know of and seek refuge in You from every evil which is in Your knowledge. I seek forgiveness for all my sins, which You know.

Hadhrat Ammar bin Yasir narrates the Holy Prophet ﷺ taught him to recite these prayers in salat:

أَلْلَهُمَّ بِعَلْمِكَ الْغَيْبِ وَقُرْنِيَّ لَيْلًا وَصُلْنِيَّ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ أَحَبَّيْنِي
سُعِّلْمَتَ الْحَيَاةَ خَيرًا لَيْلًا، وَتَفْقِهَنِي إِذَا عَلِمْتَ
الْمَوْفَقَةَ خَيرًا لَيْلًا أَلْلَهُمَّ وَأَسَّأَلُكَ خَشْيَتَكَ فِي الْغَيْبِ
وَالْشَّهْقَةَ وَأَسَّأَلُكَ كُلِّيَةَ الْحُكَّامِ فِي الْرَّضْوَٰنِ
وَالْغَيْبَةَ، وَأَسَّأَلُكَ القَضُّ دِينَ وَالْغَيْبِ وَأَسَّأَلُكَ
تَعَفِّمَ لَا يَنْفُدَ، وَأَسَّأَلُكَ قُرْنَةَ عَيْنٍ لَا تَنْقَطَعُ وَأَسَّأَلُكَ
بَعْدَ الْقَضَاءَ وَأَسَّأَلُكَ بُرْدَ العَيْشِ بُعْدَ الْمُوْتَ وَأَسَّأَلُكَ
لِمَّا السَّلَّمَ تَوَجَّهَ وَالْشَّوْقَ إِلَى لِقَايَكَ ٍ فِي غَيْبٍ
ضَرَّاءَ مُضَيّقَةً وَلَا فِتْنَةَ مُضَيّقَةُ أَلْلَهُمَّ زَيَّنَا بِرَزْيَةٍ
الإِيمَانِ وَأَجْعَلْنَا هَذَا دِينَنَا مُهْتَدِينِينَ َُ

(Nasai, Kitabus sahw)

O Allah, in the name of Your knowledge of the unseen
and by Your authority over all creation, I beg You to keep me alive as long life is better for me and cause me to die when You know death is better for me. O Lord, Grant me fear of You in every situation, seen or unseen. Grant me the ability to speak the truth in happiness and in adversity. Enable me to follow the middle path in poverty and affluence. I supplicate You for such blessings, which will never end, and such delight of the eyes, which will never terminate. I beg You to bestow contentment upon me over whatever fate holds for me and grant me tranquillity in the life hereafter.

I beseech You to show me Your countenance and grant me Your audience without undergoing trials that might overwhelm me.

O Allah, adorn us with the beauty of faith and make us rightly guided leaders.

**Du'a -e- Qunut**

Hadrat Hassan bin Ali relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ taught me this prayer to recite during Vitr:

اَلْلَّهُمَّ اهْدِنِي فِي مَنْ هَدَى تَوَلَّنِي فِي مَنْ تَوَلَّتْ وَبَارِك لَيِّ فِي مَا أَعْطَيْتُ وَقَنَيْنِ شَرُّ مَا قَضَيْتُ فَإِنَّكَ تَقَضِيْ وَلَا يَقْضِي عَلَيْكَ إِنَّهَا لَا يَذُلُّ مِنْ وَلَّيْتُ وَلَا يَبْعِرُ مِنْ عَادِيّتَ تَبَارَ كَتْ رَبِّنَا وَتَعَالَيْتَ صَلِّي اللَّهُ عَلَى النَّبِي

(Tirmidhi, Kitabul Vit, Ibn Maja, Kitabus Salat)

O Lord, guide me and make me one of those whom You guide. Grant me health and include me in those to whom You grant health. Make me Your friend and one of those whom You Yourself befriend. Put blessings in whatever You bestow. Safeguard me from the harmful effects of Your decree. Surely, You decree and there is never a decree against You. Whosoever befriends You, is never humiliated. Whosoever is Your enemy, is not respected. You are the Blessed One. O our Lord!
You are the Exalted One. Peace and blessings be upon the Holy Prophet

Khalid Bin Abi Umar relates the angel Gabriel taught the Holy Prophet this prayer:

آَللَّهُمَّ إِنَا نَسْتَعِينُكَ وَنَسْتَغْفِرُكَ وَنَوْمُ بِكَ وَنَتَوَكَّلُ عَلَيْكَ وَنَشْيِئُ عَلَيْكَ الْخَيْرَ وَنَشْكُرُكَ وَلَا تَكْفَرُكَ وَنَنْخَلْعُ وَنَتَرْكُ مِنْ يَفْجِرُكَ آَللَّهُمَّ يَاكُ نَعْبُدُ وَلَكَ نُصْلِيْ وَنَسْجُدُ وَالَّذِي نَسْعِي وَنَحْفِذُ وَنَتَرْجُو حَمَّامَكَ وَنَخَشَى عَذَابُكَ إِنَّ عَذَابَكَ بَالْكَفَارِ مُلْحِقٌ

(Tohfal- l-Ul- Fuqaha babus Salatul Vitr, published in Damascus)

O Allah, we beg You for help and seek Your forgiveness. We believe in You and trust in You. We offer best praise to You. We thank You and we are not ungrateful. We cast off and forsake the one who disobeys You. O Allah, we worship You and to You alone do we pray and make obeisance. To You we flee and present ourselves for service. We hope for Your mercy and we fear Your chastisement, for surely Your chastisement overtakes the disbelivers.

NOTE: This famous prayer is found in the following books without any change in the words.
(Murasheel Abu Daud, Baihaqi, Sh’rah al Sunnah Kitabul Vitr Sheikh Muhammad bin Nasr al-Maruzi)

Prayer after Salam in Salat

As per narration of Holy Prophet’s freed slave Hadhrat Soban, Holy Prophet would say Istighfar (seeking forgiveness from God) three times and then pray.

آَللَّهُمَّ أَنتَ السَّلاَمُ وَبَنَكَ السَّلاَمُ تَبَارَكْتُ يَا ذَالِجَلاَلٌ وَالآكَرَامٌ

(Muslim, Kitabul Masajid)
O Allah! you are the peace. Only You can bestow peace. O Lord of Honour and Glory, You are full of blessings.

Hadrat Mughira bin Sho’ba relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite these words three times after salam:

لا إِلَهَ إِلاّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلُكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ

وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

There is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is One and has no partner. His is the Sovereignty and all praise belongs to Him and He has authority over everything.

Then he used to offer this prayer:

أَلْدِيَاهُمْ لَا سَانِعٌ لِمَا أعَطْيْتُوَ لَا مُعْطِيٌّ لِمَا سَنَعْتُ وَلَا يَنْفُعُ ذَلِلَكَ جِدَّ بَسَكَ الْجَدُّ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da’awal)

O Allah! there is none who can hinder the bounties that You bestow. Whatever You withhold there is none who can give and when compared to You, no great person’s greatness is beneficial at all.

Praising and Glorifying God

Hadrat Abu Hurairah relates some poor migrants came to the Holy Prophet ﷺ and solicited him that the rich people surpass them because as well as their acts of worship they are able to spend in the way of Allah. Huzur ﺑﺴتأكد said, "Should I tell you something which would make you equal or even surpass those people who would come after you". They answered, "O Prophet of God, please do." He instructed them to repeat Subhan Allah, Alhamdu Lillah, and Allaho Akbar thirty-three times after salat. In an other narration, Allaho Akbar should be repeated thirty-four times.

(Muslim, Kitabus Salat)

Hadrat Javairiya, the wife of the Holy Prophet ﷺ was busy in the remembrance of Allah after the morning prayer. Huzur ﺑﺴتأكد passed from nearby and on his return the sun was quite high in the sky and Hadrat Javairiya was still engaged in remembrance of Allah. The
Holy Prophet ﷺ said, "Since I have passed by you I have recited four phrases three times each and these words carry higher reward than your citations." He told her these words:

سَبْحَانُ اللَّهِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ سَبْحَانُ اللَّهِ رَبّاً نَفْسِهِ سَبْحَانُ
اللَّهِ رَبُّ الْعَالَمِينَ سَبْحَانُ اللَّهِ بِكَلِمَتِهِ" 

(Muslim, Kitabudh Dhikr)

Holy is Allah, as much as His creations. Holy is Allah, to the extent that He likes for Himself. Holy is Allah, as much as the weight of His Throne (which is limitless). Holy is Allah, as much as the ink of His words.

Hadrat Abu Saeed Khudri and Hadrat Abu Hurairah relate the Holy Prophet ﷺ said, "God has chosen four words for Himself. The words are: Subhan Allah, Alhamdo Lillah, La Illaaha illallah and Allaho Akbar. Whosoever says Subhan Allah, twenty good deeds are recorded for him and his twenty sins are forgiven. Whosoever says Allaho Akbar and La Illaaha illallah, gets the same reward. If a person adds Rabbi A'lameen with Alhamdu Lillah he is rewarded with thirty good deeds and his thirty sins are forgiven."

(Musnad Ahmad bin Hunbal, vol. 2, page 35, published in Beirut)

Hadrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ said, "Two words are very light on the tongue but carry very high reward, the words are,"

سَبْحَانُ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ سَبْحَانُ اللَّهِ الْعَظِيمٍ

(Bukhari, Kitabut Tawheed)

Holy is Allah with His attributes. Holy is Allah, the Most High.

Hadrat Abu Musa al-Ash'ari relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ asked him that should he tell him of one of the treasures of heaven." On my reply in affirmative, he told me about this treasure of heaven:

لاَ حُوَّلَ وَلَا فَوْقَآئِلَ بِاللَّهِ الْعَلِيَّ الْعَظِيمٍ

(Muslim, Kitabudh Dhikr)

No one has the power or the authority except Allah,
Who is Most High, the Greatest.

Hadrat Mu'az bin Jabal relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ advised him to recite this prayer in every salat and as per another narration after every salat:

اللَّهُمَّ أَعْنِيَ عَلَى دُحُرِكَ وَشُكُرِكَ وَحُسْنِ عِبَادَتِكَ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

O Allah, help me in remembering You, being grateful to You and performing acts of exquisite worship.

Hadrat Muslim bin Harith Taimi relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ advised him to say this prayer seven times after the morning and the evening salats and he would be shielded from the Fire:

اللَّهُمَّ أَحْرِنِي بِنَبَارٍ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul A'dab)

O Allah, shield me from the Fire.

Prayer for Poignancy in Salat

Hadrat Abdullah relates from his father, Hadrat Umar bin Al-Khattab that the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite this prayer:

اللَّهُمَّ ارْزُقْنِي غَيْبَةٍ عَمَّا طَالَتْ، تَشْفِيَانِ القُلُوبَ بِذُرُوفٍ

الدَّمُوَعِ بِنَحْشِيَاتِكَ، قَبْلَ أَن تَكُونَ الدَّمُوَعُ دَمَا

والآجَرَاسُ حُمَرًا

(Kitabud Du'a, vol 3, page 480, from Tabarany, 360 Hijri, published in Beruit)

O Allah, grant me eyes which shed tears in fear of You and thus calm my heart, before the tears turn into blood and the stones become ambers (before the day of Judgement).

Prayers after Salat

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates one night I heard the Holy Prophet ﷺ offer this prayer after salat.

As per Bukhari, the part of this prayer that is underlined and refers
to "Noor" (light) is the section, which the Holy Prophet used to recite before the morning salat.

الله ﷺ إنني أسألك رحمةٍ بين عيناك نهدي بِها قلبِي
وتحمل بها أميري وتعلم بهَا شعشي وتردُ بهَا
عابدي وترفع بهَا شاهدي وترَكى بهَا عملي
وتحملني بهَا رشدي وترَدُ بهَا عفتي وتعصمي بهَا ين
كل سوء الله ﷺ أغفني إيمانًا وقيقًا ليس بعده كفر ورحمة أنال بهَا شرف كرامةك في الدنيا والآخرة الله ﷺ إنني أسألك الغفر في القضاء ونزل الشهداء وعيَّن السعادة والنصر على الأعداء الله ﷺ إنني أنزل بك حاجي وآن قُصراً رأي
وضعُف عملي وافتقرت إلى رحمةك فأسألك يا قاضي الأمور ويا شافي الصدى كما تجيزين البُحور أن تجيَّرني بين عذاب السعيِّر وبن دعوة العبور وبن فضته الفيّرو أللهم وسلام عناه رأيُ وآله تبلِّغه مساليي وأله تبلغه يتيّب بِن خير
وعذته أحداً بين خلقك أو خير أنت معطِيه أحدايِن عبادك فإني أرغب إليك فيما وآسالك برحمتك يا رب العالمين الله ﷺ يا ذاللحت الشديد واشن الرشيد أسألك الآمن يوم الوعيد والجنة يوم الخالد
O Allah! I seek Your mercy, which can guide my heart and accomplish my affairs. Bestow success upon my dis-organised affairs. Unite me with my separated loved one. Grant dignity to those who are with me.
Purify my actions. Inspire me with wisdom and guidance. Bestow upon me things that I love and save me from every evil. O Lord, grant me such faith and the certainty that prevents disbelief. And bestow upon me such mercy, which make me recipient of Your Generosity in this world and in the Hereafter. O Lord, make every decision of mine fruitful, grant me the company of the martyrs and the life of Your obedient servants and victory over my enemies.

O Lord, I have come to Your threshold with my needs. Although my thinking is faulty and my planning is weak, I still depend on Your mercy. So, O the Arbitrator of all affairs and Bestower of peace of mind, I beg you to save me from the punishment of the Fire, as You save people from the raging seas. Protect me from perdition and the trials of the grave.

O my Lord, Grant me those things which I have not even thought about. The matters which I have not even begged of You. The good things for which the intention has not yet arisen in my heart, but You have promised these blessings to any of Your servants or You are going to give these blessings to any of Your creation, I too have liking for them O Lord of the Universe, I beseech you in the name of Your mercy to grant me every such blessing.

O Allah, the Firm Friend and the Master of guidance and wisdom, I beg You to grant me peace on the day of Resurrection. In that eternal period I am desirous of attaining paradise in the company of Your pious people, who bow and prostrate before You, and who fulfill their covenants. Surely You are Gracious and loving. Without doubt You do what You will. O Allah, make us such guided leaders who do not go astray themselves and do not lead others astray. Make us harbingers of peace for Your loved ones and enemy for Your enemies.

I beg You in the name of Your love, to make us love everyone who loves You and make us, for Your sake, hostile to Your enemies.

O Lord, This is our humble supplication. Its acceptance depends on You. This prayer is all we have
laboured for. We now, put our complete trust in You.

O Lord, Enlighten my heart for me, light up my grave, put light in front of me and behind me, put light on my right and on my left, put light above me and beneath me, enlighten my sight and my hearing, brighten up my hair and skin, fill my flesh and blood with light, enlighten my mind, and make light penetrate into my bones. O Lord, increase light in my heart and bestow such light on me that it makes me an embodiment of light.

Holy is the One, Who presides over the universe with greatness. Holy is the Being, except Whom praising anyone else is not justified. Holy is the Bestower of blessings and favours. Holy is the Lord of Honour and Glory. His is the Majesty and Honour.

Supplication in Time of Need
Abdullah bin Abi Oufa relates the Holy Prophet™ advised us that whosoever is in need from either God Almighty or any person should do ablution, say two rakats of salat and after praise and glorification of God, and Durud, should say this prayer:

لا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ الَّذِي لا شَيْءَ وَقِيَّمَ الْكَرِيمِ الَّذِي أَسْتَحْبَرَ الْبُرَّ الْعَرْشِ
الْعَظِيمِ، أَلْحَمَّدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ، أَسْتَحْبَرَ مُؤْجِبات
رَحِمَتَكَ، وَعِزَائِمَ مُقَفْرَكَ وَالْغَفِيرَةَ مِن كُلِّ بَر
وَالْسَلَامَةَ مِن كُلِّ إِشْم، لَا تَتَّدَعُ لَيْيَ دَنْيَا إِلَّا غَفِيرَةٌ وَلَا
هَمَّةٌ إِلَّا فَرْجَتْهَا، وَلَا حَاجَةٌ هِيَ لِكَ رَضِيَ إِلَّا قَضِيَّتَهَا يَا
أَرْحَمَ الْرَّاهِمِينَ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabus Salat)

There is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is Most Honourable and Most Forbearing. Holy is He, the Lord of the Magnificent Throne. All praise belongs to Allah, who is the Lord of all the worlds. O Allah, I beseech You for the things, that attract Your mercy, and beg You for the firm means of attaining Your
forgiveness. Enable me to do good and consider it as my good fortune. I beg You to grant me the ability to refrain from sins. Forgive all my sins and leave not a single one unforgiven. Leave none of my sorrows, unremoved. Fulfill my needs, the ones that meet Your approval. O the Most Merciful, of all those who show mercy. (Have mercy)

Istikhara Prayer (Seeking Divine Blessings)
The Holy Prophet ﷺ instructed his companions to pray for blessings and success before starting any matter of faith or worldly affair. It is called Istikhara prayer. Two rakats of salat should be offered for Istikhara. In the first rakat, after reciting surah Al-Fatiha, recitation of surah Al-Kafirun and in the second rakat, surah Al-Ikhlas is traditional. In Q’ada (sitting down after sajdah), after tashahhud, Durud and traditional prayers, this prayer should be recited with humility:

أَلْلَهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْتَخْرِجُكَ بِعِلْمِكَ وَ أَسْتَقْدِرُكَ بِقُدْرَتِكَ وَ أَسْأَلُكَ مِنْ فَضْلِكَ العَظِيمِ فَأَنَّكَ تَقْدِرُ وَ لاَ أُقْدِرُ وَ تَعْلَمُ وَ لاَ أُعْلَمُ وَ أَنَّ عَلَمَ الْعَيْبَاتِ أَنتَ اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّ هَذَا الْإِسْمُ الْخَيْرَ لِيْ فِي دِينِي وَ مَعَاشِي وَ عَاقِبَةَ أَسْرِيْ فَأَقِدِرُهُ لِيْ وَ أَسْتَشْرِرُ لِيْ فِيْهُ بَارُكْ لِيْ فِيهِ وَ إِنَّكَ تَعْلَمُ أَنَّ هَذَا الْإِسْمُ الْخَيْرَ لِيْ فِي دِينِي وَ مَعَاشِي وَ عَاقِبَةَ أَسْرِيْ فَأَضْرَفْهُ عَيْنِي وَ أَصِدَفْهُ عَنْهُ وَ أَقِدِرُ لِيْ الْخَيْرَ حَيْثُ كَانَ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da’wat, Ibn Maja, Kitabul Aqamatus Salat)

O Allah, I seek the good which is in Your knowledge. I beseech good fortune which is in You control. I beg great blessings from You. For You are All-Powerful and I have no power. You are All-Knowing and I have no knowledge. Your knowledge encompasses the unseen. O Allah, if it be within Your knowledge that
this project is to my good, in the matters of my spiritual and worldly affairs and it results in good then ordain it for me, facilitate it for me and bless it for me. If it is within Your knowledge that this matter is detrimental for my faith, my worldly affairs and is eventually harmful, then remove it from me and cause me to move away from it. Enable me to attain good wherever it may be and then make me satisfied and at peace with it.

Salat-ul-Tasbeeh

As per a single and unauthenticated narration of Hadhrat Abu Raffay, the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{29} taught his uncle, Hadhrat Abbas, the manner in which this nafal prayer should be offered. He explained its blessings and said, "O uncle, shall I give you something, with which all your sins will be forgiven. All sins, former and the later, old and the new, sins of omission or the commission, trivial or large, hidden or manifest" On Hadhrat Abbas enquiring as to who has the capacity to offer this prayer daily? Huzur replied that this prayer can be offered according to one's capaility, daily, weekly, monthly, annually or once in a life time. The manner in which this four rakah salat is offered is as follows:

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\textit{سُبْحَانَ اللهِ وَالْحَمَدُ لَلَّهِ وَلَا إِلَيْهِ إِلَى اللهِ وَلَا نَشِئُ}
\end{center}

\textit{(Tirmidhi, Kitabus Salat)}

In each rakah after reciting surah Al-Fatiha and another surah the above should be repeated fifteen times. The above prayer should then be repeated ten times after praising and glorifying God in each ruku, Q'ada, sajdah, between the sajdahs and while sitting after the sajdah in each rakah. In this way in every rakah it is repeated seventy-five times, which equals to three hundred times in the four rakats.

Various Prayers for Everyday Life

For blessings every important task should be started with Bismillah ir Rehmanir Rahim. If Bismillah is forgotten at the beginning of a meal, بِسْمِ اللَّهِۛ ۚ أَلِیْهِ وَآَجُرُهُ in the name of Allah in the beginning and in the end, should be recited.

\textit{(Tirmidhi, Kitabul Al'ema)}

After partaking food should be recited as thanks to Allah.

While walking, going into a meeting or entering a house, Assalamo
Alaikum should be said. The one on foot should greet the one who is sitting. The one who is riding should greet the one who is one foot. The reward for the full greetings meaning, peace, mercy and Allah's blessings be upon you, is equal to thirty good deeds. The recipient should respond with, meaning peace be on you too.

In response to a favour, meaning, may Allah reward you, should be said.

(Tirmidhi, Kitabul Birr)

On hearing the cock crow, Allah's blessings should be sought. On hearing dog's barking or the donkey braying, I seek refuge in Allah, should be said.

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Adab)

On seeing an angry person, the Holy Prophet said, "I know the words which will subside his anger". meaning O Allah! I seek refuge in You from the accursed Satan.

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Adab)

On seeing a good dream should be said and there is no harm in relating it to others. On seeing a bad dream should be recited. The bad dream should not be told to anyone.

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Du'a)

On sneezing, all praise belongs to Allah should be said. The listener then should reply; Allah have mercy on you. The person sneezing should in return offer this prayer: may Allah guide you and make your affairs prosper.

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Adab)

**Prayers for Recitation of the Holy Qur'an**

Before the recitation of the Qur'an, meaning I seek refuge in Allah from the accursed Satan, should be said. should also be said as we say before starting every important work as it carries blessings.

Hadrat Auf bin Maalik Ashjay relates I was standing with the Holy Prophet for salat. He recited surah Al-Baqarah. On every verse referring to mercy, he would pause and seek Allah's mercy and on every verse referring to punishment, he would pause and seek protection from punishment.

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)
Hadhrat Huzaifa also mentions the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to say Subhan Allah wherever God’s glory was referred. 
(Muslim, Kitabus Salat)

Hadhrat Va’illi bin Hajr relates that he heard the Holy Prophet ﷺ recite surah Al-Fatiha and at the end he said Ameen in a prolonged manner. 
(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

Hadhrat Abu Maisarah relates the angel Gabriel advised the Holy Prophet ﷺ to say Ameen at the end of the verses containing prayers in surah Al-Baqarah. 
(Al Itqan Fi Ulumul Quran, vol. 1, page 107, by ‘Allama Soyouty)

Hadhrat Jaber bin Abdullah relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ recited surah Al-Rahman in front of his companions. They listened in silence. He said that even the jinns are better people than you. They say لا يُشْتَهِ قَبْضَتُكُمْ وَتَُكْتَبُ وَلَّكَ الحَمَدْ meaning, "O Lord, we do not deny any of Your favours, so all praise belongs to You," whenever they hear the words فَبِمَا أَنَّا أَنْزَلْنَا وَكَذَٰلِكَ نُكْتِشِبُ meaning, which favours of your Lord would you twain deny? 
(Al Durul Manthour Fi Tafseer ul Manthour ill Haythamy lis Soyouty, Tafseer Surah Al- Rahman)

Hadhrat Uqba bin A’mer relates when this verse of surah Al Waqiah سَمِّئْ نَاَسِمَةَ رَبِّكَ الْعَظِيمِ meaning, glorify the name of your Lord, the Great, was revealed, the Holy Prophet ﷺ said, "recite this in ruku. He advised that شَجَعَنَ رَبِّنَا الْعَظِيمُ meaning, Holy is my Lord, the Great. Saying of these words is also recorded when reciting this surah. In the same manner when this verse سَمِّئْ قَبْضَتُكُمْ الْعَظِيمُ was revealed, the Holy Prophet ﷺ advised that it should be recited in sajdah.

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates that when the Holy Prophet ﷺ recited this verse of surah Al’Ala سَمِّئْ قَبْضَتُكُمْ الْعَظِيمُ he would recite شَجَعَنَ رَبِّنَا الْعَظِيمُ meaning, Holy is my Lord, the Most High. 
(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ advised that whosoever reaches the last verse of surah Al-Tin ﺎَلْمِنْسَى اللَّهُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ أَقْوَى رَبِّكُمْ الْخَازِمِينَ meaning, is not God the Greatest Master of all masters? should recite نُفِىَ وَفَلَاعِدُ ذَٰلِكَ مِنَ النُّشَاهِدِ meaning, why not and I am one of the witnesses. 
(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

Hadhrat Musa bin Ayesha relates a person was offering salat on the roof of his house. When he recited the last verse of surah Al-
Qiyamah, he said “Subhāna ka” meaning, Holy are you, and cried. When asked about it he explained that he had heard the Holy Prophet say the same words.

Whosoever recites surah Al-Qiyamah and reaches the last verse should say, (يَا) (God is All-Powerful)

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

A person reciting surah Al-Mursalat and reaching the last verse should say meaning we believe in Allah.

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

Hadhrat Ayesha relates after the revelation of surah Al-Nasr, the Holy Prophet always recited this prayer of forgiveness according to the Qur’anic injunction. On reciting the verse meaning, praise and glorify your Lord, and seek His forgiveness, he recited the prayer meaning, Holy are You our Lord with Your attributes, O Lord forgive our sins.

(Bukhari, Kitabut Tafseer)

Reciting this prayer at the end of surah Al-Nasr is also recorded.

**Prayers of Sajdah-e-Tilawat**

Wherever sajdah occurs in the verses of the Holy Qur’an prostration should be done. Wudhu is not obligatory nor is facing the Ka’ba. In prostration besides the words of glorification of God, repetition of these prayers is recorded in the traditions.

سَجَدُ وَجَهِيَ لِلَّذِي خَلَقَ وَسَخَّرَ سَمَعَةً وَبَصَرَ بِحُوَّلِهِ وَقُوْتُهِ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabut Da’awat)

*My face is in prostration for the Being, Who created it and with His special Divine power and strength bestowed upon me the faculty of hearing and seeing.*

اللَّهُمَّ اکْسِبْ لِيْ بَهَا عَنْدَكَ أَجْرًا وَضَعْ عَنْيْ بَهَا وَرَزْرًا وَاجْعَلْهَا لِيْ عَنْدَكَ ذَخْرًا وَتَعْلِمَهَا بِمَا تَعْلِمُهَا مِنْ
O Lord, grant me (by virtue of this prostration) a reward, and make it the means of lessening my burden. Store it as a reward for me and accept this prostration from me as You accepted the prostration of Your servant David.

Prayer on Seeing the New Moon
Hadrat Talha bin Ubaidullah and Hadrat Qatadah relate that this was the Holy Prophet’s prayer on seeing the new moon

Our Lord, make this moon ascend on us while we are in the state of peace, safety, belief and submission. O moon, Your Lord and my Lord is Allah. May this moon bring goodness and prosperity. May this moon bring goodness, and prosperity. May this moon bring goodness and prosperity. I believe in the Lord, Who created you.

Prayers for Breaking Fast
Hadrat Mu’az bin Zuhrah relates the Holy Prophet used to recite this prayer at the time of breaking the fast:

O Allah, I fasted for You and break the fast with the food given by You.

Hadrat Amr-ibn-ul A’s relates he heard the Holy Prophet say that the time of breaking the fast, is the time of acceptance of supplications. He used to pray in these words:
O Allah, I beseech You in the name of Your all encompassing mercy to forgive my sins.

Prayer of Night of Destiny (Laila tul Qadr)

Hadrat Ayesha asked the Holy Prophet ﷺ as to which prayer she should recite if she finds Laila tul Qadr the Holy Prophet ﷺ said:

أَلْلَهُمَّ إِنَّكَ غَفُورٌ كَرِيمٌ تَجْبِعُ الْعُفُوَّةَ فَاغْفِعْ عَنِّيُّ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

O Lord, You are the Most Forgiving, the Noble. You like forgiveness, therefore forgive my sins.

Prayer Of Ahraam (Talbiyah)

Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar relates that I have seen the Holy Prophet ﷺ put on Ahraam (unstitched cloth worn during Ummra and Hajj) and recite this prayer:

لَبِّيَّكَ اِلْلَّهُمَّ لَبِّيَّكَ لَبِّيَّكَ لاَ شَرِيكُ لَكَ لَبِّيَّكَ إِنَّ الْحَمْدَ

وَالْبَعْماَةُ لَكَ وَالْمَلَكُ لَشَرِيكُ لَكَ

(Bukhari, Kitabul Libas)

I am present, O Allah, I am present. I am present, there is no partner for You. I am present. To You belong all the praise, favours and blessings. And all Sovereignty belongs to You. There is no partner for You.

Prayer on seeing the House of God

Hadrat Huzaifa bin Aseed relates whenever the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to see Ka'aba, he prayed in these words:

أَلْلَهُمَّ زُدْ بَيْتَكَ هَذَا تَشْرَيْفًا وَتَعْظِيمًا وَتَكْرِيمًا وَبِرًا وَ

مَحسَّبًا وَزُدْ مِنْ شَرَفَهُ وَعَظِيمَةٍ مِنْ حَجَةٍ وَاعْتِمَرَا
تعظیما و تشرینا و بِرا و مسابة

(Majma' Azawaid Haythamy, vol. 3, page 238, published in Beirut)

O Allah, increase Your house in honour, greatness, reverence and piety. Increase greatness, rank, dignity and piety of the people who honour it and respect the sanctity of this House.

Prayer while Circuiting Ka'aba

Hadrat Abdullah bin Sa'ib heard the Holy Prophet ﷺ reciting this prayer while circuiting Ka'aba.

رزِّمَا اَتِبَاعَ‌ فِي الْدُنْيَا حَسَنَةٍ وَ فِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةٌ وَ قِينَ

عَذَابُ النَّارِ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Manasik)

O Lord, grant us the best of this world as well as the best in the world to come and shield us from the torment of the Fire

Note: It is recorded that this prayer should also be repeated in Muzdalfah.

Prayers for Safa and Murwah

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abi Aufa relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to say Allaho Akbar twentyone times while running between Safa and Murwah.

(Musannaf ibn Abi Shaibah, vol. 10, page 367, published in Beirut)

Hadrat Jaber narrates when the Holy Prophet ﷺ climbed mount Safa during the Hajj and saw Ka'aba, he repeated these words three times:

لا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحِدَّ ثُلُثٍ لَّهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَلَهُ الْمَلَكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمَدُ وَ

همو على كُلِّ شَيْءٍ فَرَّاَبُ

(Muslim Kitabul Hajj)

There is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is One and has no partner. Sovereignty belongs to Him and all the praise. He has power over everything.
Other narrations also record that these three words were repeated in Arafat.

**Prayer on visiting Mount Safa**

While performing Hajj, Hadhrat Umar offered this prayer on mount Safa:

آللّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ قُلْتَ أَذْعَنِي أَسْتَجِبْ لَكُمْ وَإِنَّكَ لَا تُخْلِفُ الْمِيعَادَ وَإِنِّي أُسَالُكَ كَمَا هَدَّيْتَنِيِّ لإِلاسْلَامِ

أنّ لا تنزعه بنيّ حتّى تتوفّانِي وَأَنَا مُسْلِمٌ

(Muatta, Kilabull Hajj)

O Lord, You Yourself have promised, supplicate and I will listen to your prayers. You are never in default of Your promises. I pray to You in the name of this promise. You have guided me to Islam, do not withdraw this blessing from me. Do not cause me to die except in the state of being a Muslim.

**An Anguished and Poignant Prayer in Arafat**

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates on the occasion of Hajja-tul-Wida (the last pilgrimage) the Holy Prophet⁴⁰ offered this prayer in the evening of Arafat.
O Allah, You listen to my supplications and You know my condition. You are well aware of my hidden thoughts and visible actions. None of my affairs is at all hidden from You. I am a destitute beggar and a needy person seeking Your shelter. I am shaking and trembling and confess my sins at Your door. I beg You like a helpless person. I supplicate like an abject sinner. I pray to You like a blind beggar terrified of stumbling, whose neck is bowing in obedience and tears are flowing in Your court. My body is prostrating in abject humility and my honour is sullied.

O Allah! do not render me an unfortunate one by rejecting my prayers. Be Kind and Merciful to me. O the One! who is the Best Listener and the Greatest Giver.

Prayer of Yaum-un-Nahr (Day of Sacrifice)

Hadhrat Jaber bin Abdullah saw the Holy Prophet ﷺ standing at 'Qarn ul Sa'ailib and praying in these words:

Ya haqeeq yaqumi maa illaa anta berrhamink astaghfirust
Faqifin shaini kullah wla taklkhini ila nafsiki tarwa egun

O the Living and Self Sustaining One, there is none worthy of worship except You. With Your Mercy I seek Your help. Become sufficient for all my needs and do not entrust me to my evil self even for a moment.

Prayer for Rummi Jimaar (Stoning the Satan at Hajj)

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Umar said Allaho Akbar and recited this prayer while throwing pebbles at Satan.

Allahumma ajuleh hajjaa sayyura wadinnaba mugfora

O Allah! make this Hajj an accepted one and forgive
the sins.

Takbirat-e-Eidayn

Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ advised them to repeat Allaho Akbar, Alhamdu Lillah and La illaaha illallaho a great deal in the Ayyamul Asher (first ten days of Zil Hajjah)

(Musnad Ahmad bin Hunble, vol. 2, page 75, published in Beirut)

Hadrat Abdullah bin Masood used to say traditional takbirat in this manner:

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

وَلَهُ الحُمُدُ

(Musannaf Ibn Abi Shaiba, Kitabus Salat)

Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest. There is none worthy of worship except Allah. Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest and all praise belongs to Allah.

Hadrat Umar, Hadrat Ali and Hadrat Ibn Abbas used to recite these Takbirats from the morning of 9th Zil Hajjah to the Asr time of Ayyamul-Tashriq (the 13th day of Zil Hajjah).

(Mustadrik Hakim, vol. 1, page 299, published in Beirut)

Hadrat ibn Umar relates that the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite these takbirats on Eidul Fitr while going from his house to the place of Eid prayer:

(Mustadrik Hakim, vol. 1, page 298, published in Beirut)

Traditional Friday and Eid Sermons

Hadrat Jaber bin Sumrah relates on Eid or Friday the Holy Prophet ﷺ delivered two sermons. He used to sit quietly in between the two. In the sermons he used to recite the Holy Qur'an and give advice to people.

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

Hadrat Jaber bin Abdullah relates that during the Friday sermon the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to glorify and praise Allah first and then in a loud voice he used to deliver the rest of the sermon.
(Muslim, Kitabul Jumma)

(Eid sermon used to follow the same pattern).

Hadhurat Abdullah bin Masood and Abdullah bin Abbas narrate the words of the sermon:

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَحْمَتُهُ وَنَعْفَأْتُهُ وَنَسْتَغْفِرْهُ وَنَصْلِبُ جَانِبَهُ مِنْ شَرْرُ أَنفُسِنَا وَأَنفُسَ أَعْمَالِنَا مِنْ يَهْدِي اللَّهُ فَلَا مُضْلِلُ لَهُ وَقَدْ يُضِلَّ فَلَا هَادِئٌ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ لَهُ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدًا وَرَسُولًا

(Muslim Kitabul Jumma, Abu Dawud Kitabus Salat, Tirmidhi and Ibn Maja Kitabun Nikah)

All praise belongs to Allah. We glorify Him. We seek His help and His forgiveness. We beseech His shelter from the evils of ourselves and from our bad deeds. Whomsoever Allah guides, no one can lead him astray and whomsoever He causes to go astray, no one can guide him.

I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is One and has no partner. I bear witness that Muhammad is His servant and His messenger.

The sermon is before the Friday prayer and after the Eid prayer.

(Muslim Kitabul Eidayn)

In traditions the recitation of these words is also recorded.

إِنَّ أَصَدَقَ النُّجُومِ كِتَابُ اللَّهِ وَأَفْضَلُ الْهَدَى هَذِهِ مُحْمَّدٌ وَبَشَّرُ الْأُمُورِ مُخْتَلِفَانِهَا وَكُلٌ مُّخْتَلِفَ بَدْغَا وَكُلُّ ضَلاَلٌ فِي النَّارِ

(Nasai, Kitabul Salatul Eidayn, Ahmad bin Hunbai Musnad Jaber bin Abdullah)

Indeed the best truth is the book of God and the best tradition is the conduct of the Holy Prophet®. The
worst thing is to start something new. Every new thing is an innovation and every innovation leads to the Fire.

Nikah Sermon

A sermon is not essential for Nikah as the Holy Prophet™ solemnised the Nikah of his aunt Umma-ma bint Abdul Muttalib with a person from Bani Suleem without a sermon.

(Abu Dawud, Kitabun Nikah)

In the traditions there is no mention of any special sermon. There is a reference to a sermon which can be delivered whenever there is a need. It is called Khutbatul Hajja meaning a sermon for any occasion. This sermon is recited at the time of nikah.

Abdullah bin Masood relates that the Holy Prophet™ has given us Jawame-ul-khair meaning comprehensive and eloquent words containing blessings. He taught us this sermon for any need and this traditional sermon consists of glorifying praising God, tashahhud and reciting some verses. Sufyan Thauri has mentioned these verses:

يَا يِهَا الَّذِينَ آَسَوْا الْقُوَّاَةَ اللَّهُ حَقّ تَقَايَتِهِ

(Al-Imram 3:103)

O ye who believe! fear Allah, as He should be feared.

وَاتْقُوا اللَّهَ الَّذِي تَسَاءَ لَوْنَ بِهِ وَالآرَاحَمَ

(Al-Nisa 4:2)

Fear Him particularly respecting ties of relationship

الْقُوَّاَةَ الَّذِيْنَ قُوَّلَواً قَوْلاً سَديدًا

(Al-Ahzab 33:71-72)

Fear Allah, and say the right word

(Tirmidhi and Ibn Maja, Kitabun Nikah)

As per a narration in the authentic Muslim at an important occasion, the Holy Prophet™ recited these verses: verse two of Surah Al-Nisa and Al-Hashr verse nineteen.

(Muslim, Kitabul Zakah Babul Hathul Assadaqah)

Giving preference to this second authentic narration of Sahih Muslim and narrations of Tirmidhi and Ibn Majah read together, after the traditional sermon "Alhamdolillahai nahmadohoo", these verses are to be recited after Ta’awuz (refuge in Allah) and Tasmiah
(in the name of Allah).

يَا أَيُّهَا السَّابِقُ اسْتُواْتَقَواُ اللَّهُ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ مِنْ نَفْسٍ وَاحِدَةٍ
وَخَلَقَ بَنَاتَكُمْ مِنْ حَمْمٍ رَجُلَاءَ كَيْبَاءُ وَنِسَاءَ
وَاتَقُواُ اللَّهَ الَّذِي تَسَاءَلَ لَوْنَ بَيْنَكُمْ وَالْارْضَاحَ إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ
عَلَيْكُمْ رَقِيَّاً

(Al- Nisa'4:2)

O ye people! fear your Lord, who created you from a single soul and created therefrom its mate, and from the two spread many men and women: and fear Allah, in Whose name you appeal to one another, fear Him particularly respecting ties of relationship. Verily, Allah watches over you.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آَسَمُوْتُكُمُ اللَّهُ وَقَوْلُواُ قُوَّةَ سَلَيْمَانَ
يُضَحِّيُّ لَكُمْ أَعْمَالَكُمْ وَيَغْفِرُ لَكُمْ ذُنُوبَكُمْ وَمَنْ يَطِعْ اللَّهَ
وَرَسُولَهُ فَقَدْ فَازَ فَوْزًا عَظِيمًا

(Al-Ahzab 33:71-72)

O ye who believe! fear Allah, and say the right word. He will bless your works for you and forgive your sins. And whosoever obeys Allah and His Messenger shall surely attain a mighty success.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آَسَمُوْتُكُمُ اللَّهُ وَلْتَنْظُرُنَّ نُفْسَاً مَا قَدَّمْتُ
لِغَدٍّ أَتَقُواُ اللَّهُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ خَبِيرٌ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ

(Al-Hashr 59:19)

O ye who believe! fear Allah; and let every soul look to what it sends forth for the morrow. And fear Allah; verily Allah is well aware of what you do.

Prayer for Pilgrims of Ka'aba

Abu Hurairah has told us this prayer of the Holy Prophet ﷺ for the pilgrims.
O Allah, forgive the pilgrims and also forgive the ones for whom pilgrims seek forgiveness.

**Prayer at Returning from Ka'aba**

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates the Holy Prophet\(^\text{a}\) used to offer this prayer (for contentment and increase in sustenance). Hadrat Saeed bin Jubair relates that reciting this prayer is preferable on leaving the Ka'aba:

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 Allaah ummaanaa faaneeniwa maa raqatni warakli fihii waakhulf umali
 kullu ganaami laa biyhi
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O Allah, bestow contentment upon me for things You have granted and bless them for me. And grant me a good alternative of what I do not possess.

**Prayers at Meal Time**

Abu Saeed Khudri informs us whenever the Holy Prophet\(^\text{a}\) ate or drank he used to say these words:

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Allahu akbar bihi al-dhi at'umna wa saqaana wa jawaala Muslimin
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(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

All praise belongs to Allah, who fed us, gave us water to drink and made us from among the Muslims.

Hadrat Abu Ayyub Ansari relates the Holy Prophet\(^\text{a}\) used to say this prayer whenever he ate or drank something:

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Allahu akbar bihi al-dhi at'umna wa saqaana wa jawaala wa muhajjaa
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(Abu Daud, Kitaabul Al'emah)

All praise belongs to the Allah, who gave us food to eat and water to drink. He made it pass down the throat and created means of its discharge.
Hadrat Abu Umama Bahli relates when the cloth on which food was served was folded up after the meal, the Holy Prophet™ said to say this prayer.

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي كَبِيرُ اطْبَاقُهُ لاَ بِعْلِهِمْ، الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي كَفَا أُوْلَاَ، لَكَ الْحَمْدُ رَبّنَا غَيْرَ مُكْفَفِي وَلَا مُوْدُعٌ وَلَا مُكْفَفُ وَلَا مُسْتَغْنِي بَيْنَ رَبّنَا

(This prayer is combination of traditions from Bukhari and Tirmidhi, Kitabul At’emah)

All praise belongs to Allah, pure and blessed praise. Allah is worthy of all praise. He is sufficient for us, Who gave us refuge. O Lord, all praise belongs to You, Who feeds us and is sufficient for us. Niether You require no feeding and begging and soliciting from You is never abandoned. Ungratefulness for the food You provide never happens. O Lord, we can never be independent of You.

Hadrat Mu’az bin Anas relates the Holy Prophet™ said that God forgives the sins of whosoever recites this prayer after the meal.

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَطْعَمَنِي هَذَا الطَّعَامَ وَرَزَقَنِي بِنِعْرِي

حَوْلِي سَيْنِي وَلَا قَوْرَةٍ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Libas)

All praise belongs to Allah, Who gave me this meal and bestowed this sustenance upon me without any effort and hard work on my part.

On being Invited for Dinner

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates the Holy Prophet™ took Khalid bin Waleed and me to his house, he gave us milk to drink and instructed us to recite this prayer on receiving food from God:

اْللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ لَنَا فَيْهِ وَأَطْعُمْنَا خَيْرًا بَيْنَهُ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Allah, bless this food for us and grant us even better food.
Prayer after Drinking Milk

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ gave us milk to drink and advised us that whosoever is given milk to drink by God should pray in these words:

全能的主 赐我們飲用 給我們黃金

(O Tirmidhi, Kitabul D’awat)

O Allah, Bless this food and increase it for us.

Prayer on Wearing New Clothes

Hadrat Abu Saeed Khudri relates whenever the Holy Prophet ﷺ wore new clothes, he mentioned it by name for example a shirt, shawl or headgear, and recited this prayer:

全能的主 您的稱頌 您的讚美是無窮無盡的 我們祈求 求您保佑 我們的靈魂 基於這個 神聖的衣裳

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Libas)

O Lord, all praise belongs to You. You gave me these clothes to wear. I seek Your blessings in this dress and blessings for the purpose for which it was made. I seek refuge in You from the evils of this dress and evils, which can emanate from it.

Hadrat Umar used to recite a prayer on wearing a new dress and narrated a tradition of the Holy Prophet ﷺ that whosoever gets new clothes and gives his old clothes in charity and recites this prayer, attains God’s protection and guardianship both in life and death. He is sheltered by God’s connivance of sins and his sins are forgiven.

الحمد لله الذي كسواني مأواري به غورتي واجمل
به في حياتي ورزقني به غدير حول يبني ولا قوة

(Tirmidhi, Kitabul D’awat, and Abu Dawud Kitabul Libas)

All praise belongs to Allah, who clothed me with such a dress which conceals my nakedness and I attain adornment and beauty in my life. God has granted this dress to me without any effort or labour on my part.
Prayer for Looking in the Mirror

Hadrat Ayesha relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet:

اللَّهُمَّ كَمَا أَحْسَنَتْ خَلْقِي فَأَحْسَنْ خُلْقِي

(Musnad Ahmad, vol. 6, page 150, published in Beirut)

O Allah, as You have bestowed good looks upon me, now You Yourself make my actions beautiful and appealing.

Prayer on Leaving the House

Hadrat Anas bin Maalik relates that whosoever recites this prayer on leaving the house:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ تَوَلَّكُمْ عَلَى الْهَيْبَةِ لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قَوْمَةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ

With the name of Allah, I put my trust in Him. There is no power or authority except Allah.

Satan leaves him alone. He is told that this prayer is sufficient for him and he has been guided and saved.

There are some additional words in Hadrat Umme Salma’s narration. Both these narrations have been combined in this prayer:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ تَوَلَّكُمْ عَلَى الْهَيْبَةِ لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قَوْمَةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ

إِنَّا نَعْمَودُ بِسْنَةَ أَنْ نُنَزِّلَ أَوْ نُنْصَلُ، أَوْ نُظْلِمَ أَوْ نَظْلِمُ، أَوْ

نَجْهَلَ أَوْ يُجْهَلُ عَلَيْنَا

(Tirmidhi and Abu Dawud, Kitabul Adab)

I leave home in the name of Allah. I have put my trust in Him. O Lord, I seek Your shelter from stumbling or going astray. Save us from being unjust to anyone or becoming a victim of injustice. Save us from ignorance and disobedience or being at the receiving end of it through someone’s stupidity.

Prayer on Entering the House

Hadrat Abu Maalik Ash’ari relates on entering the house this prayer should be recited and then greetings offered to the inmates:
O Lord, I seek Your blessings and mercy on entering and leaving the house. We entered the house in Allah's name and leave it in Allah's name. We put our trust in Allah, Who is our Lord.

Prayer on Entering the Market Place

Hadhrat Buraidah relates the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} used to recite this prayer on entering the market place:

\begin{align*}
\text{اللهُمَّ إنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرَ المَوْلَىٰ وَخَيْرَ الْمُخْرِجِ بِسْمِ اللهِ}
\text{وَلَجْنًا وَبِسْمِ اللهِ حَرْجُنا وَعَلَى اللهِ رَبّي نَوْكَلْنَا}
\end{align*}

(Tirmidhi and Abu Dawud, Kitabul Libas)

O Allah, I seek Your blessings of this market and whatever is in it. I seek refuge in You from the evil of this market and whatever evil is hidden in it. I seek Your protection from taking a false oath or suffering loss in a transaction in the market.

Prayers for Travel

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Umar relates whenever the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} returned from a battle, Ummra or Hajj, he used to say Allaho Akbar three times when ascending an elevated area and recited this prayer on descending:

\begin{align*}
\text{لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللهُ وَحدهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لِهُ وَلَهُ الْمُلُكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ}
\text{وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَئٍّ قَدِيرُ}
\end{align*}

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da'awat)

There is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is One and has no partner. His is the kingdom. All praise
belongs to Allah and He has authority over everything. We are returning in repentance, obedience and are glorifying God.

Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar relates the Holy Prophet™ used to recite this prayer at the start of the journey:

(This is a combined narration of Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar and Hadrat Abu Hurairah)
(Tirmidi, Kitabud Da’awat and Abu Daud, Kitabul Jihad)

أَلْلَهُمَّ إِنَا نَسَأْلُكَ فِي سَفَرِنَا هَذَا الْبُرَّةَ والْقَوْيَ، وَبِعْمَ الْعَمَلِ مَا تَرْضَى، أَلْلَهُمَّ اصْحَبْنَا بِنُصْحَكَ، وَأَقْبِلْنَا بِذَمَّهَا،
أَلْلَهُمَّ أُوْلِيَءْنَا الْأَرْضَ، أَلْلَهُمَّ هُوَ الْوَلِيُّ عَلَيْنَا فِي سَفَرِنَا هَذَا،
وَأَطْوَعْنَا بَعْدَ الْأَرْضَ، أَلْلَهُمَّ أُنَّتَ السَّاحِبُ فِي السَّفَرِ
وَالْخَلِيفَةُ فِي الْأَهْلِ، أَلْلَهُمَّ إِنْ أُعْدُدُكَ بِسِنَ وَعْيَ يَرْسَلُ
وَالْفَالِقَ، وَكَبْيَةَ الْمُنزِلِ وَسُوءَ الْمُقَلِّبِ فِي الْأَهْلِ
وَالْمَالِ

O Lord, we seek piety and righteousness during this journey. We seek Your help in doing the deeds that please You. O Allah, in Your kindness be our travelling companion and bring us back according to Your promise.

O Allah, shorten the distance of the earth and make the journey easier for us. O Allah! You alone are our Companion during this travel and our Guardian in our homes. O Lord, I seek recourse in You from the hardship of the journey and from confronting some terrible scene. I seek Your shelter from undesirable return to my home.

Prayer on Riding

Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar relates when the Holy Prophet™ used to ride his camel he repeated Subhan Allah, Alhamdu lillah and Allaho Akbar three times and then recited this prayer:
Holy is He, Who has subjected this to us, while we had not the strength to subdue it by ourselves. To our Lord surely shall we return.

Prayer for Safety from Evil during a Journey

As per narration of Hadrat Khuala bint Hakim, the Holy Prophet⁴⁷⁴ said that this prayer should be repeated whilst camping during a journey:

أَعُوذُ بِكُلِمَاتِ اللَّهِ الْتَامَّاتِ بِنِشْرِ مَا خَلِقَ

(Muslim, Kitabudh Dhikr)

I seek the protection of Allah's perfect and comprehensive words against the evil in the things which He has created.

Prayer on Confronting a Terrifying Night during a Journey

Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar relates when night fell during a journey the Holy Prophet⁴⁷⁴ would say:

فَيّاكَ وَشَرِّ مَا خَلِقْتُ وَشَرِّ مَا أَعُوذُ بِاِنْسَيِّتَ وَأَسْوَدَ وَأَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ بِنِشْرِ الْحَيَاةِ وَالْعُقْرَبِ وَبِوَََّلَدِ الْبَلَدِ وَبِوَالِدِ وَمَالِدَ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Jihad)

O earth, Allah is my Lord, and Your Lord. I seek Allah's protection from your evil and the evil of that which is in you and the evil of which He created in you. The evil of the living things which crawl on you. I seek Your protection from lion, terrifying dragon, and every type of snake and scorpion, dwellers of this town and the breeder and the born.
Prayer on Ascending a High Place
Hadhrat Anas bin Maalik has told us to recite this prayer on ascending to a high place:

أَلْهُمُّ لَكَ الشَّرُوفُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَرِّكٍ وَلَكَ الحَمَدُ عَلَى كُلِّ حَالٍ

(Musnad Ahmad, vol. 3, page 239, Published in Beirut)

O Lord, all honour belongs to You, on every high place and all praise belongs to You in every situation.

Prayer on Going for Jihad
Hadhrat Anas bin Maalik relates the Holy Prophet™ used to recite this when leaving for Jihad:

أَلْهُمُّ أَنْتَ عَضْدِي وَنَصِيرُي بَيْكَ أَحُولُ وَبَيْكَ أَصْوَلُ وَبَيْكَ أَفْتَلُ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat and Musnad bin Hunbal)

O Allah, You are my support and my helper. With Your help I plan and with Your support I attack and in Your name I fight.

Prayer on Bidding Farewell

The Holy Prophet™ said this prayer on bidding farewell to Abdullah bin Umar:

أَسْتُوَذُعُ اللَّهُ دِينَكَ وَأَمَانَتَكَ وَخَوْافَيْكَ عَمْلِكَ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Jihad)

I commit thee, your faith, the things given to you in trust, and the result of your actions, to Allah.

Hadhrat Anas relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet™ at the time of farewell:

زُوُدَّكَ اللَّهُ التَّقُوَى وَعَفْرَ اللَّهِ ذَنَبُكَ وَيَسْرَكَ الْخَيْرَ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)
May Allah bestow righteousness upon you as provisions for the journey, forgive your sins and provide goodness for you wherever you happen to be.

Prayer on Entering a Township
Hadrat Suhaib relates whenever the Holy Prophet™ entered a town, he always recited this prayer:

أَلْلٰهُمَّ رَبَّ السَّمَوَاتِ السَّبْعِ وَمَا أَطْلَلَنَّ وَرَبَّ الْأَرْضِينَ وَمَا أَقْلَلْنَ وَرَبَّ السَّيَاطِيسِ وَمَا أَضْلَلْنَ وَرَبَّ الْرُّيَاحِ وَسَادِرِينَ فَإِنَّا نَسَأَلُكَ خَيْرَ هَذِهِ الْفَرَايِ وَخَيْرَ أَهْلِهَا وَخَيْرَ مِنْهَا وَنَعْوَدُ بِهِ بِشَرٍّ وَبِشَرِ اَهْلِهِ اَهْلِهِ وَشَرِ اَهْلِهِ وَشَرٍّ

(Mustadrik Hakim, Kitabul Manasik Mu’jamul Awasat Tabarany)

O Allah! the Lord of the seven heavens and everything that is beneath them, O Lord of the seven earths and whatever is on them, O Lord of Satans and the ones whom they have led astray, O Lord of winds and whatever they spread, we seek Your blessings from this town, from its inhabitants and everything which is in it. We seek Your shelter from the evil of this town, its inhabitants and whatever is in it.

O Lord! put blessings in this town for us. Bless us in this town and bless this town for us. Provide us with means to attain these blessings. O Allah! grant us sustenance from the fruits of this town. Infuse our love in the hearts of its inhabitants and inculcate love for its pious people in our hearts.

Prayers for Recitation at Dawn and Dusk
Hadrat Abdullah bin Masood relates the Holy Prophet™ used to
We entered into dawn and the whole country entered into it for the sake of God. All praise belongs to God. There is none worthy of worship except Him. He is One and has no partner. To Him belongs sovereignty and all praise befits Him. He is mighty over everything. O my Lord, I beseech You to grant me goodness of this day and also blessings afterwards. I seek refuge in You from the mischief of this day and evil afterwards. O my Lord, I seek shelter from the evils of lethargy and arrogance. O my Sustainer, I seek refuge in You from the punishment of the Fire and the torment of the grave.

The Holy Prophetus used to say the same prayer at dusk by changing the word "dawn" to the word "dusk:"

We entered into dusk and the whole country entered into it for the sake of God. All praise belongs to God. There is none worthy of worship except Him. He is One and has no partner. To Him belongs sovereignty and all praise befits Him. He is mighty over everything. O my Lord, I beseech You to grant me goodness of this day and also blessings afterwards. I seek refuge in You from the mischief of this day and evil afterwards. O my Lord, I seek shelter from the evils of lethargy and arrogance. O my Sustainer, I seek refuge in You from the punishment of the Fire and the torment of the grave.

(Muslim, Kitabudh Dhikr)
We entered into dusk and the whole country entered into it for the sake of Allah. All praise belongs to Allah. There is none worthy of worship except Him. He is One and has no partner. To Him belongs the sovereignty and all praise befits Him. He is Mighty over everything. O my Lord, I beseech You to grant me goodness of this night and also blessings afterwards. I seek refuge in You from the mischief of this night and evil afterwards. O my Lord, I seek shelter from the evils of lethargy and arrogance. O my Sustainer, I seek refuge in You from the punishment of the Fire and the torment of the grave.

Hadhurat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet'sa taught his companions this prayer to recite at dawn:

اللَّهُمَّ بَلَكَ أُصَبِّحْنَا وَبَلَكَ نَمَوتُ وَبَلَكَ نَحْيَا وَبَلَكَ نُمُوتُ وَإِلَيْكَ الْمُصِيرُ

(Ibn Maja, Kitaabul Adab)

O Lord, for Your sake we entered into dawn. We live for Your sake and we will die for Your sake and we will ultimately return to You.

An attendant of the Holy Prophet'sa Hadhrat Anas bin Maalik narrates the Holy Prophet'sa said that whosoever recites this prayer everyday, God forgives his sins of that day and if this prayer is recited at night, God forgives the sins of that night and frees him from the torment of the Fire.

اللَّهُمَّ أُصَبِّحْنَا نُشْهَدُكَ وَنُشْهَدُ حَمَالَةً عَرْشِكَ
O Allah! we entered dawn. We call upon You, call upon the bearers of Your Throne, call angels and call Your creation as witness that You are the Lord except whom there is none worthy of worship. You are One, without any partner and Muhammad is Your servant and Your Messenger.

Note: The words for the evening prayer are the same; only in the first sentence instead of أَنْتَ اللَّهَ الَّذِي أَنْتَ اللَّهُ إِلَّا أَنتَ أَحَدُكَ لَّكَ وَأَنْتُ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُكَ وَرَسُولُكَ, the words أَنْتُ اللَّهَ الَّذِي أَنْتَ اللَّهُ إِلَّا أَنتَ أَحَدُكَ لَّكَ should be recited.

Hadrat Abban relates this prayer, which he heard from his father Hadrat Usman Ghani. The Holy Prophet ﷺ advised that if a person recites this prayer three times daily at dawn and dusk, God safeguards him from sudden calamity on that day or on that night. Hadrat Abban suffered a stroke and afterwards when he related this tradition The listener was surprised in view of Hadrat Abban's illness. He replied, "By God! in relating this tradition I have neither lied against my father, Hadrat Usman, nor has my father lied against the Holy Prophet ﷺ. One day I was angry and forgot to say this prayer. By chance I suffered this stroke on that day and thus God fulfilled this decree as a result of my not offering this prayer."

(ábú Dáwwud, Klábul 'Ádáb)

In the name of Allah, with His name nothing in the heavens and earth can be harmful. He is All-Hearing and All-Knowing.

Hadrat Abu Hurairah and Abu Raashidul Herrani narrate that Hadrat Abu Bakr Siddique requested the Holy Prophet ﷺ to teach him a prayer which he could recite morning and evening. The Holy Prophet ﷺ taught him this prayer and advised him to repeat it morning and evening and when retiring to bed:
O Lord, Creator of the heavens and the earth, Knower of the seen and the unseen, Lord and Master of everything, I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except You. I seek refuge in You from the mischief of my own self, the evil of Satan and from his associating partners with You. I seek shelter in You from doing any evil deed which can harm me or harm a fellow Muslim.

Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ always recited some prayers at dawn and dusk. One of the prayers is as follows:

O Allah, I seek well-being and safety in this world and in the world Hereafter. O Lord, I seek Your forgiveness and protection in faith, in worldly life, in my home and in my wealth. O Allah, cover up my weaknesses and grant me peace from my fears. O Allah, You Yourself
protect me from front and behind, from left and right and from above and below. I seek shelter in Your Greatness lest any hidden hardship touches me from below.

Hadhrat Abu Salaam Habish relates, he asked Hadhrat Anas, an attendant of the Holy Prophet⁵⁸ to narrate a tradition, which he himself had heard from Huzur⁵⁸. Anas replied that he had heard the Holy Prophet⁵⁸ say that whosoever recites this prayer at dawn and dusk, God takes upon Himself the responsibility make him happy on the Day of Judgement.

روضِينَا بِاللهِ رَبَّنَا وَبِالإِسْلاَمِ دِينًا وَبِمُحَمَّدٍ رَسُولُ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul A'dab)

We are happy and content to believe in Allah as our Creator and Islam our faith and Muhammad⁵⁸ as our Prophet.

Hadhrat Abudallh bin Ghunnam narrates, the Holy Prophet⁵⁸ said whosoever recites these words at dawn and dusk has offered his gratitude for the day or the night.

اللَّهُمَّ مَا أَصَبَّ بِي مِنْ يَعْمَةِ فَيْنِكَ وَحَدَّكَ لَا شَرَىْكَ

لَكَ وَلَكَ الحَمْدُ وَلَكَ الشَّكْرُ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul A'dab)

O Allah, every blessing and good thing that I have, is solely and purely from You. You have no partner. You are entitled to all praise and gratefulness.

Hadhrat Abu Ay'yash relates the Holy Prophet⁵⁸ said that whosoever recites these prayers at dawn and dusk receives a reward equal to freeing a slave, who in status is equal to Hadhrat Ishmael⁵⁸’s progeny. Ten good deeds are credited to him and his ten sins are forgiven. His status is raised ten levels and he is safe from the Satan. One of the narrators of this tradition, Hadhrat Hamaad says that a person saw the Holy Prophet⁵⁸ in a dream and asked him that Abu Ay'yash told him this; the Holy Prophet⁵⁸ replied that he had told the truth. These are the words of the prayer:
لا إله إلا الله وحده لا شريك له لله الحمد و هو على كل شيء قدير

(Abu Dawud, Kilab ul A'dab)

There is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is One and has no partner. His is the Sovereignty and all praise belongs to Him. He has power over everything.

Ummul Momineen Hadhrat Salma relates the Holy Prophet

اللهمَّ جَعَلْيَكَ و حضورَ صلواتِكَ أساَلكَ أن تغفري

(Tirmidhi, kitabud Da’awat)

O Allah, I supplicate You at the arrival of Your night, return of the day, at the times of the voices of the callers to You and during the timings of salat, to forgive my sins.

Hadrat Abu Bakr used to recite these prayers three times every morning and evening and said that he heard the Holy Prophet

O Lord, protect my body and my hearing. My Benefactor safeguard my eyes. There is none worthy of worship except You.

(Abu Dawud, Kilabul A'dab)

O Allah, I take You as shelter from disbelief and poverty. I seek refuge in You from the torment of the
grace. There is none worthy of worship except You.

**Sayyad-ul-Istighfar**

**(Best Prayer for Seeking Forgiveness)**

Hadrat Buraidah relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ said that whosoever recites this prayer morning or evening and dies on that day or that night he will enter heaven.

أَلَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ رَبِّي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنتَ خَلْقُي وَأَنَا عَبْدُكَ وَأُنْفَكَ عَلَيْكَ وَاً نَّفْعَكَ بِنَسْرِكَ يَسْتَعْطِعُ وَهُدِيَّكَ وَأَنَا عَبْدُكَ وَأُنْفَكَ عَلَيْكَ وَأَنَا عَبْدُكَ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da’wat)

O Allah, You are my Lord, there is none worthy of worship except You. You created me and I am Your servant. And I am steadfast in Your covenant and Your promise to the best of my capability. I seek refuge in You from the evil effects of my deeds. I acknowledge Your blessings and favours. I confess my sins, so You forgive me, as there is none except You who forgives sins.

**Prayer for Safety from Evil Moment and Evil Neighbour**

Hadrat Uqbah bin A’mer relates this tradition for safety from the evils of the day and the night and a bad neighbour:

أَلَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أُعْوَدُ بِكَ مِنْ يَوْمِ السُّوءِ وَمِنْ لَيْلاَتِ السُّوءِ وَمَنْ صَاحِبِ السُّوءِ وَمَنْ جَارِ السُّوءِ فِي دَارِ الْمُقَانَةِ

(Tabarany, vol. 17, page 294, published in Beirut)

O Lord, I seek refuge in You from the evils of a bad day, bad night and a bad moment. I seek shelter from bad companions and living with bad neighbours.
**Prayers for Rain**

The Holy Prophet\(^{\text{a}}\) offered this prayer when a request for prayer was made to him during time of famine. It did start to rain heavily and immediately. It continued to rain till the next Friday when he prayed for a break in the rain.

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\text{الله\\u00a0عَسِيَّناَ، اللَّه\\u00a0عَسِيَّناَ، اللَّه\\u00a0عَسِيَّناَ}
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_O Allah, saturate us, O Allah, saturate us, O Allah, saturate us._

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\text{الله\\u00a0عَسِيَّناَ، اللَّه\\u00a0عَسِيَّناَ، اللَّه\\u00a0عَسِيَّناَ}
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_O Allah, shower Divine Mercy of rain upon us._

(Bukhari, Kitabul Istisqaa)

**Another Prayer for Rain**

Hadrat A'bad bin Tamim relates from his uncle that during famine the Holy Prophet\(^{\text{a}}\) went to an open place to offer prayer for rain. He led two rakats of salat in which he recited surah Al-Fatiha and some verses of the Holy Quran in a loud voice and prayed for rain. After the salat he turned over his sheet and facing Ka'aba raised his hands and prayed in these words:

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\text{الله\\u00a0عَسِيَّناَ، عَسِيَّناَ، عَسِيَّناَ، عَسِيَّناَ}
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_O Lord, grant us rainwater which removes our anxieties, is beneficial, free from harm and which comes early rather than late. O Lord, provide water for Your people and animals. Extend Your mercy and quicken this dead township with life. O Lord, give us water to drink. O Lord, give us water to drink._

**Prayer on Hearing the Thunder and for Safety from Wrath of God**

Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar relates whenever the Holy Prophet\(^{\text{a}}\)
heard the thunder or lightning, he used to recite this prayer:

اللَّهُمَّ لَا تَقْتُلْنَا بِعَضُّ بَكَّ وَلَا تَهْيِكْنَا بِعَذَّابٍ بَكَّ وَعَافِنَا قَبْلَ ذَاهِلِكَ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Lord, do not cause us to die in Your wrath. Do not annihilate us with Your punishment and save us before it happens.

Prayer for Safety from the Harm of Dust-storms

Hadrarat Ayesha relates whenever a storm would blow the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} used to recite this prayer:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّى أَسَالُكَ حَيِّرَتَهَا وَخَيْرَتَهَا فِي هَذِهِ وَخَيْرَتَهَا أُرْسِلْتُ بِهِ وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّهَا وَشَرْرِهَا وَشَرَّهَا أُرْسِلْتُ بِهِ

(Muslim, Kitabus Salat-e-Istisqaa)

O Lord, I seek Your blessing in whatever goodness is hidden or manifest in this storm and seek Your beneficence with which it has been sent. I seek refuge in You from its hidden or manifest harm and the evil with which it has been sent.

Prayer for Safety in a Downpour

Hadrarat Anas bin Maalik relates that it rained for one whole week. On Friday, on request from a petitioner, the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} prayed in these words and the rain stopped immediately:

اللَّهُمَّ حَمِلْنَا وَلَا غَلِيْنَا اللَّهُمَّ عَلَى الْأَكَامِ وَالْمَطْرَبِ وَالْأُوْدَيْنَ وَمُنَابِيْتِ الْشَّجْرِ

(Bukhari, Kitabul Istisqaa)

O Lord, make it rain around us but not on us. O Allah, make it rain on the hills, rocks, valleys and the trees of the forests.
Prayers of Bedtime

Hadrat Huzaifa bin-ul-Yamaan relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to say this prayer on retiring to bed:

اللهُمَّ باِشْمَكَ أَمُوتُ وَ أَحْيَانٌ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Lord, I die in Your name and I come to life in Your name.

Hadrat Braa bin Aazib relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ taught someone this bedtime prayer and said that if he dies during the night, his death will be as a guided one, and if he wakes up in the morning, his life will prosper with the blessings of this prayer.

اللهُمَّ أَسْلَمْتُ نَفْسِي إِلَيْكَ وَ جَهَّزْتُ وَ جَهَّزْتُ إِلَيْكَ وَ فَوْضَتُ أَمْرِي إِلَيْكَ وَ أَجَآتُ ظُهْرِي إِلَيْكَ وَ رَغْبَةُ وَ رَهْبَةُ إِلَيْكَ لَا مَلَحَجَا وَ لَا مَنْسِحاً بَلْ إِلَيْكَ أَمْنَتُ بِكتَابُكَ الَّذِي أَنْزَلْتَ وَ بِبَيْتِكَ الَّذِي أَرْسَلْتَ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Lord, I have entrusted my life to You, and I am inclined towards You. I have submitted all my affairs to You. With great love for You and with Your fear in my heart, I have taken You as my support. There is no refuge or salvation except in You. I believe in Your revealed book and in the Messenger ordained by You.

Hadrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ instructed him that when retiring to bed at night, he should dust the bed and recite this prayer.

بِسْمِكَ رَبِّي وَ ضَعْتُ جَنَبِي وَ بَكَ أَرْقَعْهُ إِنَّ أَمْسِكَتْ نَفْسِي فَأَحْظِمُهَا وَ إِنَّ أَرْسَلْتَهَا فَأَحْفَظُهَا بَما تَحْفَظُ بِهِ عِبَادُكَ الصَّالِحُينَ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da’awat)
O Lord, in Your name, I lie in bed and in Your name I will raise my body from it. If You decide to take possession of my soul, bestow mercy upon it and if You decide to return it, protect it, as You protect Your pious servants.

Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar told someone to say this prayer at bedtime and said that he learnt it from the Holy Prophet ﷺ:

اللَّهُمَّ أَنتَ خَلَقْتُ تَفْقِيِّي، وَأَنتَ تَوَافَّهُ، لَكَ سَتَانُهَا
وَخَيْبَاهَا، إِنَّ أَحِيَّتِهَا فَاحْفَظْهَا، وَإِنَّ أَسْتَهَا فَاغْفِرْهَا
اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ الْعَافِيَةَ

(Muslim, Kitabudh Dzikir)

O Lord, You have created my being and You will cause it to die. It’s life and death are in your control. My Master, if You give me life, protect it and if You cause me to die, bestow forgiveness upon it. O Allah, I beg welfare from You.

Hadrat Abdullah bin Umar relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite this on retiring to bed:

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي كَفَانَى وَأَوَانِي وَأُطْعِمْتُ وَسَقَانِي
وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي مِنْ عَلَى فَافْضَلْ، وَالَّذِي أُطْعَانِي
فَأَجْزَلَ، الْحَمْدُ لَلَّهِ عَلَى كُلِّ حَالٍ، الْلَّهُمَّ رَبَّ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ
وَمَلِيْكَةٌ وَإِلَهٌ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ، أُعْوَذُ بَيْكَ مِنِ الْنَّارِ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul A'dab)

All praise belongs to the Allah, Who is sufficient for me, protects me, feeds me and provides drink for me.
All praise belongs to Allah, Who bestowed grace and vast beneficence upon me, Who endowed me immensely. His is the praise at all times. O Allah, Who is the Creator and the Master of everything. O the Object of Worship of all things. I seek refuge in You
from the torment of the Fire.

Ummul Momineen Hadhrat Hafsah relates at night the Holy Prophet™ used to put his right hand under his cheek and repeat this prayer three times:

اللَّهُمَّ قَنِّي عَذَابَكِ يَوْمَ تَبْعُثُ عِبَادَكَ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul A’dab)

O Lord, save me from punishment of the day when You resurrect mankind.

Hadhrat Ali relates the Holy Prophet™ used to recite this at bedtime:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعْوذُ بِوَجْهِكَ الْكَرِيمِ وَ كُلَّ مَا تَأْتِيَ الْحَيَاةُ الْآخِرَةُ

(سَيْرِيَّ) أَنْتُ أَحْدَثُ بِنَاسِيِّنِي، اللَّهُمَّ أَنْتُ تَكْثِبُ الْمَغْرُومَ وَ الْمَأْمَّامَ اللَّهُمَّ لَا يَهْرُمُ جَنَّتَكَ، وَلَا يَخْلُفَ وَعْدَكَ، وَلَا تَنْفَعْ ذَالِلَّجِدَيْ بَنْكَ الْجَدُّ سُجَّانَكَ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul A’dab)

O Lord, I seek shelter in Your Exalted Countenance. I seek shelter with Your perfect and comprehensive words from every evil that is in Your control. O Allah You alone remove the burdens of trials and sins. O Allah! Your forces are never defeated and Your promise is not apposed. No great person’s greatness can benefit in apposition to You. O Allah, Holy are You with Your praise.

Hadhrat Abu-al-Azhar relates the Holy Prophet™ used to say this prayer while retiring at night:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ رَحْمَةً عَلَيْهِ، اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِي ذَنْبِي، وَ اخْصِصْ

شَيْطَانِي، وَ فُكْ رَهْانِي، وَ اجْعَلْنِي فِي النَّدِيِّ الْأَعْلَى

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul A’dab)
In the name of Allah. I lie down in bed. O Lord, forgive my sins and frustrate the Satan in me. Enable me to fulfill my obligations and covenants and accommodate me in the company of Your angels.

Prayers on Waking up from Sleep

Hadhrat Huzaifa narrates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to say this prayer on waking up:

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَحْيَانَا بَعْدَ مَا أَمَاتَنَا وَإِلَيْهِ النُّشْرُ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da'awat)

All praise belongs to Allah, who granted us life after death and to Him is the return.

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ told us to recite this prayer on waking up:

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي غَفَانِي فِي جَسَدِي وَرَزَّدَ عَلَى رُؤْجِي وَأَذِنَ لِي بِذِكْرِهِ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

All praise belongs to Allah, who bestowed health and safety upon my body, returned my soul and enabled me to remember Him.

Hadhrat Ubada bin Al-Saamit relates if a person startles in his sleep and wakes up. If he recites these words and supplicates for a need, God accepts that prayer. If he performs ablution and stands up for salat, God grants his prayer special acceptance.

لا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لِهِ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَ لَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَ هوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ. والْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ، سُبْحَانَ الَّهِ وَ لَنِّلَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَ الْلَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، وَ لَا حَوْلَ وَ لَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ، اِلْلَّهُمَّ أَغْفِرْ لِي

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da'awat)

There is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is One and has no partner. To Him belongs all the
sovereignty and praise. He has authority over everything. All praise belongs to Him. Holy is He. There is none worthy of worship except Him. He is the Greatest. All power and might belongs to Him. O Allah, forgive me.

**Prayers for Cure of Sleeplessness**

Hadhrat Buraidah relates Hadhrat Khalid bin Waleed complained of sleeplessness and the Holy Prophetinnamon taught him this prayer to recite at night:

أَلْهُمُّ رَبُّ السَّمَوَاتِ السَّبْعِ وَمَا أَطْلَبْتُ، وَرَبُّ

الإِرْضَائِينَ وَمَا أَطْلَبْتُ، وَرَبُّ الشَّيَاطِينِ وَمَا أَطْلَبْتُ، كُنْ

لَيْنِي جَارًا بِنَسْرِ خَلْقِكَ كِلِّهِمْ جَمِيعًا أَنْ يُفرَطَ عَلَيْ

أَحَدٍ، أَوْ أَنْ يُبْغَيْ عَلَيْهِ عَرْجَ جَارِكَ وَجَلْ ثَنَاؤُكَ، وَلَا إِلَهَ

عَزِيرُكَ، لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنتَ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Allah! Lord of the seven heavens and everything that is below them, Creator of seven earths and everything that is flourishing on them. Lord of the Satans and of the beings misguided by them, You be my shield against the evil in every creature, lest it harms me and transgresses against me. Your shelter is most dignified and Your praise is high. There is none worthy of worship except You and I affirm that there is none worthy of worship except You.

**Prayer on Seeing a Nightmare**

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Amr relates, the Holy Prophetinnamon said that if someone is scared in sleep and offers this prayer, nothing will harm him. Hadhrat Abdullah made his children memorise this prayer.

Hadhrat Maalik bin Anas narrates Khalid bin Waleed used to have nightmares and the Holy Prophetinnamon taught him this prayer:

أَعُوذُ بِكَلِمَاتِ الْلَّهِ الْحَمَدَةَ بِنَغِضْبِي وَشَرِعْتِ عِبَادَهَا، وَبِنَ

عِمَّرَاتِ الشَّيَاطِينِ وَأَنْ يُحْضَرُونَ

(Mutta Imam Maalik, Kitabul Jamae)
I seek refuge in God's complete and perfect words, from His wrath, His chastisement, the evil which is in His mankind, Satanic insinuations and that I might confront those things.

Prayer for the Newly Weds
Amr bin Shuaib relates the Holy Prophet™ instructed us that when you marry or employ a slave, recite this prayer.

أَلْحَمَّمُ إِنِّي أَسَالُكَ حَيْثُ هَا وَخُبُرَ مَا حَتَّلَتْهَا عَلَيْهِ وَأَعْوَدُ بِكَ بِسُبْحَانَهُ وَشَرِّ مَا حَتَّلَتْهَا عَلَيْهِ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Nikah)

Note: if women recite this, the personal pronoun should be changed from "Ha" to "Ho" which denotes the masculine gender.

O Allah! I seek its goodness and gain and goodness which You have endowed in his/her nature. I seek refuge in You from its evil and every evil which is hidden in his/her nature.

Prayer at the time of Copulation
Hadrat Abdullah bin 'Abbas relates the Holy Prophet™ instructed us that whosoever recites this prayer at the time of copulating with his wife God grants him progeny which is safe from the mischief of Satan.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ أَلْحَمَّمُ جَبَّيْنَا الشَّيْطَانَ وَجَبَّيْنَا الشَّيْطَانَ مَا رَزَقْتَا

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da'awan)

In the name of Allah, O Allah, save us from Satan and save the progeny that You grant us, from the evil of Satan.

Prayer for Help during the Swoon of Death
Hadrat Ayesha has related this prayer of the Holy Prophet™:

أَلْحَمَّمُ أَعَزَّيْنَى عَلَى عَمَّارَةِ الْمَوْتِ وَسَكَرَاتِ الْمَوْتِ

(Tirnildhi, Kitabud Da'awan)
O Allah, help me when I swoon and become unconscious at the time of death.

Prayer at Time of Death

Hadhrat Umme Salma relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ came at the time of Abu Salma's death, he closed his eyes which were open until then and advised the wailing people that this was the time of prayer for blessings as the angels are saying 'Ameen' in response to the prayer. He then prayed in these words:

"اللَّهُمَّ افْغِرِئِي لَابِيِ سَلِمَةَ وَأُرِفُ درّجَتَهُ فِي الْمُهَدِّيْينَ وَاحْلُفْهُ فِي غَيْبِهِ فِي الْغَابِرِيْنَ وَافْغِرُ لَهُ وَلَهُ يَا رَبُّ الْعَالَمِيْنَ وَافْسَحُ لَهُ فِي قُبُورِهِ وَنُورُ لَهُ فِيهِ -

(Sahih Muslim, Kitabul Jna'iz)

O Lord, forgive Abu Salma, exalt his rank among the guided ones. And make the people who are left behind good heirs. O Lord of the worlds, forgive him and us. Make his grave spacious and illumine it for him.

Note: Name Abu Salma should be replaced by the dying person's name.

Prayer for Recompense for Affliction

Hadhrat Umme Salma relates at the death of Abu Salma, the Holy Prophet ﷺ said, that one should recite "إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّى إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ" and supplicate in these words:

"اللَّهُمَّ أُجُرِّنِي فِي مُصِيبَتِي وَأَحْلِفُ لِيَ خَيرًا بِنَعُونَ -

(Muslim, Kitabul Jna'iz)

O Allah, grant me recompense for this affliction and give me a good reward for it.

Funeral Prayer

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite this prayer at funerals:

"اللَّهُمَّ افْغِرِئِي حَيَّنَا وَمُتِبِنَا وَشَاهِدَنَا وَغَابِيْنَا وَصَعْبِرَا وَكِبَرِنَا وَذَكَرِنَا وَأَتِنَا اللَّهُمَّ مِن أَحِيْيَتِهِ سِنَنَا فَاحِمِهِ"
O God, forgive our living ones and our deceased ones, and those of us who are present and our absent ones, our young ones, and our old ones, and our males and our females.
O God, to whomsoever from amongst us You grant life, keep him alive in the state of submission and whomsoever You cause to die, cause him to die in faith. O Allah! deprive us not of the benefits relating to the deceased and subject us not to any ordeal after him.

Note: If the funeral prayer is for a woman then the personal pronoun "la ha" instead of "La hu" should be said to denote the feminine gender.

**Funeral Prayer for a Minor**
Hadhrat Imam Hasan bin Ali narrates for a child this funeral prayer should be recited after Surah Al-Fatiha.

O Allah, make this child, who has departed early, our forerunner and make him a source of reward. Make him our pleader and accept his pleading for us.

**Prayer on Placing the Dead Body in the Grave**
Hadhrat Abdullah bin Umar relates that the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite this prayer on placing the body in the grave:

In the name of Allah, with His support and as the follower of Allah's Messenger, Muhammad ﷺ
In the name of Allah, with His support and in the tradition of His messenger.

Prayer on Visiting Graves

Hadrat Ayesha relates when the Holy Prophet ﷺ visited Jannat-ul-Baa’qi he recited these words:

أَسْلَامٌ عَلَيْكُمْ أُهْلُ الْدِّيْرَاءِ بِنَالِ المُؤْمِنِينَ وَالمُسْلِمِينَ
وَإِنَا إِنْشَاءَ اللَّهِ بِكُمْ لَأَجْعَلَنَّكُمْ نَاسِيَةً عَلَىٰ فَرّيْرَتِكَ وَنَحْنُ لَكُمْ تَابِعُونَ
أَسْلَمُ اللَّهُ الْعَافِيَةَ لَنَا وَلَكُمْ

(Muslim, Kitabul Janaiz)

O the inhabitants of the other world, from among the believers and the Muslims, peace be upon you. Surely we are going to join you. We beseech Allah, to bestow safety upon you and us.
PART II

B: VARIOUS COMPREHENSIVE PRAYERS OF THE HOLY PROPHET SA
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أَلِهِمَّ اهْدِنِي وَسَدِّنِي

(Muslim, Kitabudh Dhikr)

O Allah, guide me and make me stand firm on "Rahe Sa'deed."

Prayer for a Resolute Heart
Hadhrat Shahr bin Hau'shub asked Hadhrat Umme Salma to tell him the most often repeated prayer of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. She told him this prayer. Hadhrat Umme Salma had enquired from the Holy Prophet ﷺ why did he repeat this prayer so often. He replied, "God is in total control of a person's heart, as if the heart is held between His two fingers and He can turn it whenever He wants.

يَا مُقِيلِبُ الْقَلَوبِ تَبْتَ قُلْبيَّ عَلَى دِينِكَ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

O the Rotator of Hearts, make my heart steadfast on the Faith.

Prayer for Complete Trust in God
Hadhrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ routinely recited this prayer.

أَلِهِمَّ ْلَكَ أَسْلَمْتُ، وَبِكَ أُمْتَسْتُ، وَعَلَيْكَ تَوْكَلْتُ، وَإِلَيْكَ أَنْبَتْتُ، وَبِكَ خَاصِمْتُ، أَلِهِمَّ أَعُوذُ بِعَزِيكَ، إِلَيْهِ إِلَّا أَنْتُ، أَنْ تُضَلِّئِي، أَنْ تَأْخِذِي الْجَنِّ الَّذِي لَا يُمْؤُونُ، وَالجِنَّ وَالْأَنْسُ يُمْؤُونُ

(Muslim, kitabudh Dhikr)

O Allah, I have entrusted everything unto You, believe in You, trust in You and am inclined towards You. With your name I fight the enemy. Oh Allah, I seek refuge in Your Honour. There is none worthy of worship except You. You do not lead me astray. You are the Ever
Living Being who is Immortal, while human beings and jinns will be ultimately destroyed.

Prayer for the Improvement of Faith and the World
Hadhrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite this prayer along with his other prayers:

َاللهُمَّ أصلِحِ لَيْ دِينِيَ الَّذِي هُوَ عَصْمَةُ أَمْرِيَ وَأصلِحْ لِيْ دِينِيَ الَّذِي فِيهَا مَعَاشِيَ ؛ وَأصلِحْ لِيْ أَخْرِيَ الَّذِيْ فِيهَا سَعَادَتِيْ ؛ وَاجْعِلْ الْحَيَاةَ زِيَادَةً لَيْ فِيْ كَلِّ خَيرٍ ؛ وَاجْعِلْ الْمَوْتَ رَاهِقَةً لَيْ بِنْ كَلِّ شَرٍّ

(Muslim, Kitabud Dhikr)

O Allah, Improve this faith of mine which is a means of strength and steadfastness in my affairs. Reform my worldly affairs of earning a living. Make my life to which I have to return after death, better. Make my life prosper in all good aspects and save my death from every evil and make it a source of peace.

Prayer for Attaining Good and for Protection in this World and Hereafter
Hadhrat Anas bin Maalik requested the Holy Prophet ﷺ for an exceptional prayer. In response the Holy Prophet ﷺ taught him the same prayer for three days. Huzur ﷺ said, "If someone attains goodness of this world as well as in the next, it would be a great success". The Holy Prophet ﷺ taught this prayer to Hadhrat Abbas and Hadhrat Ali and said that after accepting the truth there is nothing greater than God’s protection.

َاللهُمَّ إِنِّي أسْمَأْلُكَ الْعَفْوَ وَالْعَافِيَةَ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالآخِرَةُ

(Ibn Maja, Kitabud Du'a)

O Allah, I beg Your forgiveness and protection in this world and in the world Hereafter.

Prayer for Divine Safety
Abdul Hamid, a freed slave of Banu Hashim relates from his mother, who was a maid in the house of the Holy Prophet ﷺ’s daughter, that the Holy Prophet ﷺ taught his daughter this prayer to
recite at dawn and dusk for safety:

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحْمَمِهِ لَا قَوْةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ مَائِشَاءِ اللَّهِ كَانَ وَسَلَّمَتْ يَسِيرَتُمُ الْيَتَّمَارُانِ يَكُنُّونَ أَعْلَمُ أَنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدْرٌ وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ فَقُدْ أَخَذَكُلَّ شَيْءٍ عِلَمَهُ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul A'dab)

Holy is Allah with His attributes. No one attains any capability except by Allah's Grace. Whatever happens, happens with His will and whatever He does not will never happens. I know Allah is All-powerful and as regards knowledge, He comprehends everything.

Prayer for Attaining Fear of God and Purification of Self

Hadrath Zaid bin Arqam relates one of the prayers of the Holy Prophet

اللَّهُمَّ آتِ عَفُوَانَى نَفْسًا وَأَنثَى أَنتَ خَيرُ الصُّنُعِّينَ

زَكَاهَا أَنتَ وَلِيُّهَا وَمُقَدِّمَهَا

(Nasai, Kitabul Isli'adha)

O Allah, instil Your fear in my soul, purify it as You are the best of those who purify. You are it's Master and Guardian.

Prayer for contentment and Fear of God

Hadrath Abdullah relates the Holy Prophet generally used to recite this prayer:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِي أَسْأَلُكَ الْهَدَايَةَ وَالْبَقِيَّةَ وَالْعَفَافَ وَالْغَنِّي

(Muslim, Kitabudh Dhikr)

O Allah, I beg You to grant me guidance and Your fear. I beg you for chastity and contentment.

Prayer for becoming a God-Fearing Person

Hadrath Ayesha relates the Holy Prophet used to recite this supplication:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَجْعَلْنِي بِنَذِرٍ مِّنَ الَّذِينَ أَوْحَى إِلَيْهِمْ وَإِذَا أَحْسَسُوا إِسْتَبْصَرُوا وَإِذَا

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O Allah, make me one of those who do good and attain pleasure from it and one of those, who when they do wrong seek Your forgiveness.

Prayer for Attaining Righteousness

The Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW) saw God in a most beautiful manifestation. He said his Lord has instructed to him to recite this prayer.

أَسْأَلَكَ إِنْيَ إِسْلَامًا وَبِكَ أَعْلَمُ وَبِكَ أَحْسَنُ وَبِكَ أَطْلَبُ فَعَلْتُكَ وَأَذَّنَتْ فِي ذَمَّةٍ وَأَزْوَجْتُكَ بِالنَّاسِ وَأَنْفُسِهِنَّ وَأَجْعَلاً مَّلِيَّةً

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

O Allah, I beg You to grant me the ability to do good and refrain from evil deeds. Confer the love of the poor on me. When You intend to put people in trials, take control of my soul without putting it in trial.

Prayer for Health and Safety

Hadrat Ayesha relates the Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW) generally recited this prayer:

أَلْهُمَّ عَفَانِيَ فِي جَسَدِي وَعَفَانِيَ فِي سَمَعِي وَبَصَرِي وَأَجْعَلْنِي أَلْهَمَّ الدُّوَارَتَ بِنَائِي لَإِنَّ اللَّهَ أَحْلَمَ اللَّهُ الْكَرِيمُ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَرْشِ العَظِيمِ وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِيَّ

(Tirmidhi, kitabud Da'awat)

O Allah, grant health to my body, protect my hearing and my sight and make these two my inheritors. There is none worthy of worship except Allah, Who is Honourable and Forebearing. Holy is the Lord of the Magnificent Throne. All praise belongs to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds.
Prayer for Safety from the Effects of Bad Omens

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Umar relates the Holy Prophet\(\text{pbuh}\) told us that if someone’s affairs are hindered by bad omens, he too has associated partners with Allah. The companions asked for the remedy. He advised them to say this prayer:

\[
\text{اللهُمَّ لَا طَيِّرَ إِلاَّ طَيِّرَكُنَّ وَلَا خَيْرَ إِلاَّ خَيْرَكُنَّ وَلَا إِلَهَ إِلاَّ عَرَكُنَّ}
\]

(Musnad Ahmad, published in Beirut, vol 2 page 220)

O Allah, no bad omen is consequential except by Your decree regarding evil and there is no bounty except Your beneficence. There is none worthy of worship except You.

Prayer for Beneficence of God

Hadhrat Umar relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet\(\text{pbuh}\).

\[
\text{اللهُمَّ زَدْنَا مَثَلَهُ وَلَا تنَقُّضْنَا وَأَكْرَمْنَا وَلَا تَعَذَّبْنَا وَأَعْطَنَا وَلَا}
\]

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\text{تَحْزَنَا وَأَطْرُفَ عَلَيْنَا وَأَرْضَنَا وَأَرْضَ عَنَا}
\]

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Allah, increase us and do not decrease us. Bestow dignity upon us and save us from humiliation. Bestow favours upon us and do not deprive us. Be partial to us believers and do not give anybody preference over us. Make us happy and may You be pleased with us.

Prayer for Fear of God and for Perfect Faith

Hadhrat Abdullah bin Umar relates whenever the Holy Prophet\(\text{pbuh}\) rose from a gathering, he used to pray for himself and his companions in these words:

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\text{اللهُمَّ أَقْبَسِنَّ لَنَا بِنَحْشُيْنَا وَبَنَينَ}
\]

\[
\text{مَعَاشِيْنَا وَبِنَ طَاعُيْنَا مَنْ تَبَغَّيْنَا بِجَنُّيْنَا وَبِنَ أَلْقَيْنَا}
\]

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\text{مَنْ يُهْوَيْنَ عَلَيْنَا مُصْبِبَتُ الْذَّلِيْدِيْنَا وَمَعَيْنَا بِاسْمَاعِنَا وَ}
\]

\[
\text{أنْصَرَانَا وَقُوْيَنَا مَا أَحْيَيْنَا وََاجْعَلْهُ الْوَارِثَ بَيْنَنَا وََاجْعَلْ}
\]

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\text{ثَارِنَا عَلَى سَنَةِ ظَلَمَانَا وَانْصَرَنا عَلَى سَنَةِ غَادِرَانَا وَلَا}
\]

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O Allah, instil in our hearts, a fear which becomes a barrier between us and disobedience towards You. Grant us such capacity of submission which enable us to enter Heaven. Bestow upon us such certainty of belief which eases the afflictions of this world. Enable us to benefit from our eyes, ears and other faculties. As long as You keep us alive, grant us heirs from these faculties. Wreak vengeance on the person who transgresses against us. Help us against the enemies and do not put us to the test in our belief. Do not make the material world our sole concern. Do not make pride in knowledge our weakness. O God, do not impose such people upon us who are not merciful to us.

Prayer for Prosperity
Hadhrat Abu Hurairah relates that a person came to the Holy Prophet^3 and said, "O Messenger of God, I heard your prayer last night and these are the words I was able to hear." The Holy Prophet^3 said, "Look carefully, do you see anything missing in these words." The prayer is as follows:

اللهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِيّ ذَنَبِيّ وَوَسْعُ لِيّ فِيّ دَارِيّ وَ بَارِكْ لَيّ فِيّ مَا رَزَقْتَنِي

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

O Allah, forgive my sins and enlarge my house for me. Bless every sustenance that You bestow upon me.

Prayer for Abundance of Sustenance in Old Age
Hadhrat Ayesha relates the Holy Prophet^3 used to recite this prayer:

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ أوَسْعَ رَزْقِكَ عَلَىّ عِنْدَكَ كِبْرِ سِبْنِيّ وَ انتِجَاطِ عُمُرِيّ

(Mustardik Hakim, Kitabud Du'a, vol. 1, page 542 Beirut)
O Allah, grant me abundant sustenance in my old age and last days of my life.

Prayer for Blessings in Fruits and Grain
Hadrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet⁸⁹ used to offer this prayer on seeing a new fruit:

لِلَّهِمَّ بَارِكْ لَنَا فِي ثَمَرَةٍ وَبَارِكْ لَنَا فِي مَدِينَتِنَا وَبَارِكْ لَنَا فِي صَاعِدٍ وَمَدِينَةٍ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'wat)

O Allah, bless our fruits, bless our city for us and bestow blessings on the bowls with which we measure our grain.

Prayer for being Grateful and doing Good Deeds
Hadrat Abu Hurairah relates that he learnt this prayer from the Holy Prophet⁸⁹ and never forgets to repeat it.

لِلَّهِمَّ اجْعَلْنِي أَعْظَمَمُ شَكْرٍ وَأَكْثَرُ ذُكْرَكَ وَأَتْبُعُ نُصْحَكَ وَأَحْفَظَ وَصْيَتِكَ

(Musnad Ahmad published in Beirut, vol. 2, page 311)

O Allah, make me such a person who thanks You immensely, remembers You a great deal and follows the path of Your pleasure. Enable me to safeguard Your important injunctions (with my actions).

A Comprehensive Prayer
Hadrat 'Abdullah bin 'Abbas relates one of the Holy Prophet⁸⁹'s often repeated prayer:

رَبِّ أَعْبَسِيَ وَلَا تَعْمِنَ عَلَىَّ وَانْصُرْنِيَّ وَلَا تَنْتَصِرُ عَلَىَّ وَامْكُرْ عَلَىَّ وَلَا تَمْكُرْ عَلَىَّ وَاتَّهَمْنِيَّ وَتَبَيَّنْ الْبَدَائِيَّةَ نَسْخَ عَلَيْيَ وَانْصُرْ عَلَيْيَ لَكَ اجْعَلْنِي لَكَ شَاَكِرٌ وَلَكَ ذَاكْرِا لَكَ رَاضِبًا لَكَ بَطْوَاعًا لَكَ مُحْبَبًا إِلَيْكَ
O my Lord, help me and do not help anyone against me. Bestow victory upon me and do not allow victory to my enemies over me. Plan and contrive for me and not against me. Make me steadfast upon guidance and make it easier for me to follow the right path. Come to my help if anyone transgresses against me. O my Lord, make me a grateful one, one who remembers You, fears You, is totally submitted to You, is a humble one in Your court and is inclined towards You. O my Lord, accept my repentance and cleanse me of my sins and accept my prayer. Establish my understanding firmly, make my tongue steadfast upon truth and the right path. Guide my heart and cleanse my bosom of rancour.

Prayer for Beneficial Knowledge

Hadrat Abu Hurairah informs us of this prayer of the Holy Prophetﷺ:

أَلْهَمْ أَنْفَعَى بِمَا عَلَمْتُي وَعَلَمُي مَا نَفَعَى وَرَذَى
عَلِيمًا أَلْحَمَّدُ لَهُ عَلَى كُلِّ حَالٍ وَأَعْوُدُ بِاللَّهِ بِنَحَالٍ
أَهْلِ النَّارِ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabul Da'awat)

O Allah, make the knowledge that You have taught me beneficial for me. Teach me such knowledge which brings gain. Increase my knowledge. All praise belongs to Allah in every situation. I seek refuge in Allah from the condition of the people of the Fire.

Prayer and Method for Memorising Qur'an

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates once in the company of Holy Prophetﷺ Hadhrat Ali complained about the difficulty of memorising
the Holy Qur'an. The Holy Prophet ﷺ said, "O Abu Al-Hasan, shall I tell you some useful words which would enable you to remember Qur'an better?" Then he advised him of the manner in which it should be memorised. He instructed him to offer two rakats of nafal (voluntary salat) during the later part of Friday night (this is a special time of acceptance of prayer). Hadhrat Jacob ﷺ also mentioned this hour of Friday night by saying:

soon i will seek forgiveness from my lord.

(Yusuf 12:99)

If this is not possible, offer four rakats in the first part or the middle part of the night. Recite surah Al-Fatiha and surah Yasin in the first rakat. In the second rakat recite surah Al-Fatiha and surah Al-Dukhan. In the third rakat recite surah Al-Fatiha and surah Ha Meem Sajdah and in the fourth rakat recite surah Al-Mulk after surah Al-Fatiha. In the last rakat after tashahhud, glorification of God, Durud on me and other prophets of Allah and seeking Allah's forgiveness for the believers, recite this prayer. Perform this salat for a minimum of three or a maximum of five or seven Fridays consecutively. Your prayer will be accepted. I take oath in the name of Allah, who has ordained me, a firm believer's prayer is never rejected.

Hadrat Ibn Abbas relates that Hadrat Ali came to the Holy Prophet ﷺ after performing the salat as he was advised for five or seven times. He attended a gathering in which Huzur ﷺ was present and said, "My condition was such that I tried to memorise four verses of the Qur'an and used to forget them. Now I can memorise forty verses in a day and when I revise them it seems that the Qur'an is open in front of me. It was the same with memorising the traditions. After hearing them I used to forget them. Now I hear a tradition once and am able to repeat it exactly."

Huzur ﷺ said, by the Lord of Ka'ba, Abu Al-Hasan, Ali is a true believer. The prayer is as follows.

اللَّهُمَّ اَرْحَمْنِي بِتَرَكِ الْمَعَاصِي أَبْدًا مَا أَتْقَيْنِي،
وَارْحَمْنِي، أَنَّ أَتْكَلَّفَ مَالًا يَعْقِبْنِي، وَارْزُقْنِي حَسْنَ
الْمَلَأِ فِي مَا يُرِضْيُكَ عَنْيّ، اللَّهُمَّ تَبَيَّنَ السَّمَوَاتَ
O Allah, as long as you keep me alive, enable me with Your special mercy to refrain from sins. Have mercy on me and save me from vain and unintentional talk. Grant me such insight with which You will be pleased with me.

O Allah, You are the One Who created the heaven and earth beautifully for the first time. O Lord of Honour and Glory, Lord of such high Honour which is difficult to comprehend.

O Allah, O the Gracious God, I supplicate you in the name of Your glory and the light of Your countenance, that You make the memorisation of Your book deeply engraved in my heart, in the same manner as you have taught it to me. Enable me to recite it in the way that pleases You.

O Allah, Lord of Honour and Glory, Creator of Heavens and Earth (without any existing example), Lord of such Honour, which is beyond comprehension. O Allah, O Gracious God! I beg you in the name of Your Majesty...
and the light of Your countenance, enlighten my eyes with the light of Your book and make it fluent upon my tongue. Ameen.

Open up my heart with it and cleanse my body with this holy revelation. Who else is there who can help me with the truth? No one else has the power to bestow this ability upon me except You. No one else has power or the strength except Allah. No one has the authority except Allah, the Magnificent and the Great.

Prayer for Every Good and Safety from Every Evil

Hadrat Abu Amamah Bahlil relates once they asked the Holy Prophet ﷺ that he had offered numerous prayers which they did not remember by heart. He said that "I will teach you a comprehensive prayer and you should memorise it."

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسَأَلُكَ بِنَيْنَ خَيْرٍ مَا سَأَلْكَ بِنَيْنَ

ْمُحَمَّدَ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ ، وَنَعْوَدُكَ بِنَيْنَ

ْشُرَىٰ مُسْتَعَادٍ بِنَيْنَ مُحَمَّدَ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ

ْوَأَنتَ الْمُسْتَقَابُ ، وَعَلَيْكَ الْبَلَاغُ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

O Allah, we seek every good thing from You which Your Messenger Muhammad ﷺ sought from you. We seek refuge from every evil from which Your Prophet Muhammad ﷺ sought refuge. You are the One whose assistance is solicited. So it is essential to pray to You.

Prayer for attaining Higher Spiritual Status

Ummul Momineen Hadrat Umme Salma has told us a comprehensive prayer of the Holy Prophet ﷺ:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرًا الْمُسَأَلَةَ وَخَيْرًا الْدُّعَاةَ

ْوَخَيْرًا النَّجَاحِ وَخَيْرًا الْعَمَلِ وَخَيْرًا النَّوْاَبِ وَخَيْرًا الْحَيْوَةِ

ْوَخَيْرًا المَمَاتَةِ وَنَبْتَنِي وَتَقْلِي مَا وَارْتَفَعَ وَحَقَّ إِيمَانِي وَأَرْفَعَ
O Allah, I beg you for the ability to offer the best prayers. I pray to You for the best success, the best actions, the best reward, the best life and best death. Make me steadfast and increase the count of my good deeds. Purify my faith, raise my rank, accept my salat and forgive me my sins. I beg You to bestow upon me a high rank in heaven. Ameen.

O Allah, I beseech You for a good beginning and end of every blessing, the start and finish and hidden and manifest aspects of the words of blessings and a high status in paradise. Ameen.

O Allah, I pray to you to bestow upon me a good name, lighten my burden, put my affair in order, purify my heart, protect my private parts, infuse light into my heart and forgive my sins. I pray for a high status in heaven. Ameen.

O Allah, I beg You to bless my hearing and my sight, my soul and my body and my morals. Shower
blessings on my family and children, my life and death and my actions. Accept my good deeds. I beg You to bestow a high rank upon me in Heaven. Ameen.

Prayer for a Pious Outer and Inner Self

Hadrat Umar relates the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} taught me this prayer.

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اللهُمَّ اجعلُ سِيرَتْيَ خِيرًا بَينَ عَلَانيَتِي، وَاجْعَلُ عَلَانيَتِي صالحةً، اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ بِنَصِيرٍ صَالِحٍ مَّا تُؤْتِي النَّاسَ بِالْأَهْلِ وَالْمَلَائِكَةَ وَالْوَلَدَ غَيْرِ الْصَّالِحِينَ وَالمُضِلِّينَ
\end{quote}

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da‘awat)

O Allah, make my inner self better than my outer self and make my outer self good and pious. I supplicate You for a pious family, pure wealth and pious children from among the jounties that You grant. Such family members who are neither susceptible to go astray, nor lead others astray.

Prayers for Removal of Debt and Other Weaknesses

Hadrat Ali relates the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} taught me this prayer for removal of debt:

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اللهُمَّ اكَفِنَا بِحَلَالَكَ عَنْ حَرَابِكَ وَأَغْنِنَا بِفَضْلِكَ عَمَّنْ سَوَاتِكَ
\end{quote}

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da‘awat)

O Allah, instead of unlawful wealth, make the lawfully earned wealth sufficient for us. With Your blessings make us independent of every one except Yourself.

The Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} saw Abu Amama in a worried state in the mosque during the time of salat and enquired as to the cause. Abu Amama mentioned the burden of debt and other worries. The Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} said, "Shall I teach you a prayer with which you can get rid of your debt and worries". Then he advised him to repeat this prayer at dawn and dusk. Abu Amama says that he has tested this prayer and God relieved his anxieties regarding debt and all other worries.
O Allah, I seek Your shelter from grief and sorrow. I seek refuge in You from helplessness and lethargy. I take Your shelter against cowardice and stinginess. Protect me from oppressive debt and and from being overwhelmed by people.

Another Prayer for Burden of Debt

Hadrat Ayesha relates Hadrat Abu Bakr came and asked her if she knew the prayer taught to him by the Holy Prophet®. Hadrat Ayesha enquired about the prayer. He said that Jesus Christ® taught this prayer to his companions. It is such a prayer that if one owes a mountain of gold to someone, Allah will remove the debt with the blessings of this prayer.

O Allah, the Remover of difficulties and sorrows, Listener to the supplications of the destitute, Bestower of bounties of this world and the world Hereafter and Giver of reward for hard work. You alone can bestow mercy upon me. Give me a share in such special mercy which will make me independent from every kind of benevolence except Your's.

Prayer for Contentment and Removal of Burden of Debt

On request from Hadrat Ayesha an attendant of the Holy Prophet® taught her this prayer:
O Allah, the Lord of seven heavens and the Lord of the exalted Throne. O our Lord! and Lord of everything. Revealer of the Torah, the Bible and the Qur'an. O the One who cleaves the seed and the kernel, I take Your shelter from the evil of every thing as You alone prevail over it. You are the First and there was nothing before You. You are the Last and there will be nothing after You. You are manifest and there is nothing beyond You. You are hidden as well and there is nothing unknown to You. You relieve me of the burden of debt and free me from poverty.

Prayer on Visiting a Patient

Hadrat Ayesha relates whenever someone from the family of the Holy Prophetsa was not well, he would recite this prayer:

O Lord of mankind, remove this illness. Restore health as You are the Healer. There is no one else who can cure. Grant such perfect health which leaves not a single ailment behind.
Invocation for Health in Illness
Hadhrat Abu Saeed Khudri relates the angel Gabriel asc came to the Holy Prophet saw and enquired if he was not feeling well. On his reply in the affirmative, Gabriel asc said these words and blew upon him:

بَسْمَ اللَّهِ أَرْقِيْكَ وَاللَّهُ يَشْفِيكَ بَنِي كَلِّ شَيْءٍ يُؤْذِيكَ
وَيُسْنِ شَرَّ كُلٍّ نَفْسٍ وَغَيْنِ حَاسِدٍ أَلْلَهُ يَشْفِيكَ بَنِي
اللَّهَ أَرْقِيْكَ
(Muslim, Kitabus Salam)

In the name of Allah, I blow on you. Allah will heal you from every harmful illness and save you from the mischief of every person and evil of every envious eye. Allah will heal you. In the name of Allah I blow on you.

Prayer of Recovery from Fever
Hadhrat Ibn Abbas relates the Holy Prophet saw taught him this prayer for fever and various aches and pains:

بَسْمَ اللَّهِ الْكَبِيرِ نَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ الْعَظِيمِ مِنْ شَرِّ كُلِّ عَرَقٍ
نَعاَرٍ وَبِنْ شَرِّ حَرِّ النَّارِ
(Ibn Maja, Kitabut Tib)

In the name of Allah, the Most High. We seek refuge in Him, the Greatest, from the evil of every over-active blood vessel. We seek His shelter from the the affliction of the heat of the fire.

Prayer for Deliverance from Pain
Hadhrat Uthman bin Abi al-Aas complained about his bodily pains to the Holy Prophet saw. He taught him these words and advised him to repeat "Bismillah" three times and the repeat this prayer seven times:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ بِعَرَّتِهِ وَقُدُرِّهِ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا أَجَدُ وَأُحَادُرُ
(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da’awat)

I seek refuge in Allah, in His Honour and His Power from the evil which I am suffering and the one, of which I am afraid of.
Prayer for Recovery from Retention of Urine

Hadrat Abu Darda relates a person came to the Holy Prophet™ and told him that his father was suffering from retention of urine because of a stone in his bladder. The Holy Prophet™ told him to recite this prayer and blow on him.

*(Rahman Allah al-dini fi al-sammal taddas amruk fi al-sammal wa al-arsh kama rahmatuk fi al-sammal faajulg rahmatuk fi al-arsh wa aghfira lahu hawabi wa khateyanu ant labb al-tibinein faansul shafa’at bi shafi’ak wa rahmatu bi rahmatuk ila haajaja igu)

(Abu Dawud, Kitabut Tib)

*Our Lord is Allah! Who is in the Heavens. Immensely Holy is Your name. Your decree governs the Heaven and the Earth, as Your mercy in the Heavens. So bestow mercy upon earth as well. Forgive our sins and mistakes. You are the Lord of the pious people. Grant health with Your special healing power. With Your special kindness show mercy in this illness and suffering.*

Prayer for Recovery of Sight

Hadrat Uthman bin Hunif relates a blind person came to the Holy Prophet™ and requested him to pray for recovery of his sight. He replied, "If you wish me to pray, I will pray, but if you wish you can bear it patiently and this in my view is better for you." The blind person insisted on prayer. The Holy Prophet™ advised the blind person to perform ablution properly and pray in these words:

*(Al-lahi emi asalak wa atwa’jha eliik bissiik muhammad nibi ruhumah emi tawajhust bik eli ri bihajbi hidd bi’tqaddi lii Al-lahi emi fasifiga fi)

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da’awai)

*O Allah, I beg You and I turn to You making Your Holy*
Prophet as an intercessor. And O Muhammad ﷺ I beg my Lord through your mediation, to fulfill my need. O Allah! accept this mediation and intercession of Your beloved.

Prayer for Safety from Hidden and Manifest Ailments
Hadrat Anas bin Maalik relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to offer this prayer:

أَلْهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعْوَدُكَ بِنَبْلَةِ وَالْعَجْرَةِ، وَالْكُسَّالِ، وَالْجُنُونِ، وَالْبُخُلِّ، وَالْهَرْمِ، وَالْقَسْمَةِ، وَالْعُفْلَةِ، وَالْعَيْلَةِ، وَالْيِلَةِ، وَالْمُسَكَّكَةِ، وَأَعْوَدُكَ بِنَفْقِ، وَالْكُفُّرِ، وَالْفُسُوقِ، وَالْبِسْقَانِ، وَالْبِسْقَانِ، وَالْبِسْبَعَةِ، وَالْرَّيْبَاءِ، وَأَعْوَدُكَ بِنَصْمِ وَالْبُكْرِ، وَالْجُنُونِ وَالْجُدُمَ، وَالْبَرْصِ، وَسَيِّءِ الْإِسْقَامِ

(Mustadrik Hakim, vol.1, page 531, published in Beirut)

O Allah, I seek Your shelter from helplessness and lethargy, cowardice, miseliness, old age, hard-heartedness, carelessness, poverty, humiliation and abasement. I beseech Your protection from destitution, disbelief, disobedience, enmity, infidelity, infamy and deceit. I seek refuge in You from deafness, dumbness, insanity, leprosy and all other painful diseases.

Prayer for Safety from Evil Eye
Hadrat Ibn Abbas relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to pray and blow on Hadrat Hassan and Hussain in these words. He said that Hadrat Abraham ﷺ used to pray for Allah’s shelter in this manner for his sons, Hadrat Ishmael ﷺ and Isac ﷺ:

أَعْوَدُ بِكَمَلِمَاتِ اللَّهِ النَّاَمِئَةِ، بِنَمَيْنِ شَيْطَانٍ وَهُمَا وَبَيْنِ كُلِّي عَيْنِنِ لَامَةٍ

(Bukhari, Kitabul Anbiya)
I seek refuge in Allah’s perfect and comprehensive words from the harmful Satan, animals and every evil eye.

Hadhrat A’mer bin Rabia relates that one of his friends was under the influence of the evil eye. He recovered with the blessings of this prayer of the Holy Prophet™:

أَلْهُمَّ أَذْهِبْ حَرَّهَا وَرَذَّهَا وَوَصُبْهَا

(Musnad Ahmad, vol. 3, page 447, published in Beirut)

O Allah! remove every type of bad effect from him whether it be hot or cold and rid him of this affliction.

Prayer of the Destitute

Hadhrat Abdur Rehman bin Abi Bakr tells us the Holy Prophet™ advised the destitute to recite this prayer:

أَلْهُمَّ رَحْمَتَكَ أَرْجُو، فَلا تَكُلْنِي إِلَى نَفْسِي طِرْقَةَ عَينٍ،

وَأَصِلِحُ لِيْ شَايْتِي كُلَّهْ، إِلاَّ إِلَهِ إِلاَّ أَنْتَ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul A’dab)

O Allah, I am hopeful of Your Mercy, so do not hand me over to my evil self even for a moment. Facilitate my affairs. There is none worthy of worship except You.

Prayer on Seeing a Destitute Person

Hadhrat Umar and Hadhrat Abu Hurairah relate whosoever sees a destitute person and recites this prayer, will be saved from that affliction.

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي عَفَاظَنِي مَمَّا أَتَبَلَّكَ بِهِ، وَفَضْلَتِي عَلَى

كَيْبِيرِ سَمَّيْنَ خَلَقَ تَفْصِيلًا

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da’awat)

All praise belongs to the Allah who saved me from this calamity in which He made you suffer. He granted me superiority over many of His creatures.
Prayer at Time of Trial

Hadrat Abu Hurairah relates whenever the Holy Prophet\(^{sa}\) faced some difficulty he used to pray in these words:

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آللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعْوذُ بِكَ بِنَجْهَادِ الْبَلَاءِ وَذَرَكِ الشَّقَاَءِ

وُسْعَهُ الْقَضَاءِ وَشَمَأَتَهُ الْعَذَاءِ
\]

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da‘wat)

_O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the hardship of the trial, being in the grip of misfortune, evil destiny and ridicule of my enemies._

Prayers in Time of Misery, Adversity and Agony

Hadrat Abdullah bin Abbas relates the Holy Prophet\(^{sa}\) used to recite these words in time of affliction:

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لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ الْعَظِيمُ الْخَلِيْلُ وَ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ

الْعَظِيمُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ رَبُّ السَّمَوَاتِ وَ رَبُّ الْأَرْضِ وَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ الْكَرِيمِ
\]

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da‘wat)

_There is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is Most High and Forbearing. There is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is the Lord of the Magnificent Throne. There is none worthy of worship except Allah, the Lord of the Heavens and the Earth. There is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is the Lord of the Benevolent Throne._

Hadrat Anas bin Maalik relates whenever the Holy Prophet\(^{sa}\) suffered anguish or anxiety, he recited this supplication:

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يَا حَيُّ يَا قَيِّمُ بِرَحْمَتِكَ أَسْتَغْفِيْتُ
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(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da‘wat)

_O the Living and Self Sustaining Lord, In the name of Your mercy I seek Your help._

Hadrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet\(^{sa}\) said, that whenever he faced a difficult time, angel Gabriel came and made him say this prayer:
I put my trust in the Being, Who is Ever-Living and Immortal. All praise belongs to the Being, who has not taken a son and no one shares His Sovereignty. No one befriends Him considering Him to be helpless. So praise Him in the best possible manner.

Prayer in Times of Anguish and for Love of Qur'an

Hadrat Abdullah bin Masood relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ said that if a person is overwhelmed by grief and sorrow, he should offer this prayer. God will remove his grief and bestow prosperity upon him. He also advised that whosoever hears this prayer should memorise it.

اَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي عَبْدُكَ، أَبْنُ عَبْدٍكَ، أَبْنُ أَبْتِكَ، نَاصِبَيْنِ بِقِلَبِكَ، مَانِعُ فِي حُكْمُكَ، عَذُرَ فِي قَضَآءِكَ لَ أَسْأَلُكَ بِكُلِّ اسْمِ هُوَ لَكَ، سَّمِيتَ بِنفْسِكَ، أو عَلَمَةَ أَحَدَا بِمِنْ خَلِقَكَ أُوْلَىَتِهِ فِي كِتَابِكَ، أُوْيَسَتَهُ بِهِ فِي عَلِيمِ الْغَيْبِ عَسْنِيَ أَنْ تَجْعَلِ النُّجُرَآ أَنْ زَيْعُ قَلْبِيَّ وَنُورُ صَدْرِيَ، وَحَلَاءَ حُزْنِيَّ وَذَهَابٌ هُمْيَيْنِ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabul Jihad)

O Allah, I am Your servant, progency of Your slave and Your maid servant. My forehead is in Your hands. Your decree prevails in me. Your decision in my case will be final. I beseech You in the name of every one of Your name, Your name which You Yourself have chosen for Yourself, or taught it to any of Your creations. The attributes which You have revealed in Your Holy book or the ones which in Your knowledge of the unseen
You prefer for Yourself. I beg You to make the Qur'an
delight of my heart and light of my bosom. Make it a
means of elimination of my grief and sorrow.

**Prayer in Difficult Times**

Hadhurat Rafayah Zerqi relates when the army of the non-believers
turned back at the battle of Uhud the Holy Prophet ﷺ said,
"Organise your rank and file and praise my Lord." The companions
straightened their rows, he then prayed in these words:

اللهُمَّ لَكَ الحَمْدُ كَلِهَ اللَّهُمَّ لا قَابِضٌ لِمَا بَسَطْتُ وَلا
بَاسِطٌ لِمَا قَبَضَتْ وَلا شَايَّةٌ لِمَا أَضَلَّتْ وَلا مُضِلٌّ
لِمَن هَدِيتْ وَلَا مُغْطِئٌ لِمَا سَأَبَعَتْ وَلَا مَانِعٌ لِمَا أُغْطِيتْ
وَلَا مُقَرَّبٌ لِمَا نَأَبَعَتْ وَلَا مَمَأَدَعٌ لِمَا قُوِيتْ اللَّهُمَّ بَسَطُ
عَلَيْنَا بِرَكَانِكَ وَرَحمَتِكَ وَفَضْلِكَ وَرَزْقِكَ اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّ
أَسْأَلُكَ النَّعِيمَ الْمُقِيمِ الْأَدِيدِ لَيْ يَخَوَّلْ وَلَا يَرْجَوُ اللَّهُمَّ
إِنَّا أَسْأَلُكَ النَّعِيمَ تَوُىّمَ الْعَلِيَّةِ وَالَا مِنْ يُؤُؤُ العَوْفِ
اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا عَائِدُونَ بَيْنَ شَرِّ مَا أُعْطِيتْنَا وَشَرِّ مَا سَأَبَعَتْ
اللَّهُمَّ حَبِّبْ إِلَىٰ أَبِنَا الإِيَمَانَ وَزَيْنَّهُ فِي قُلُوبِنَا وَكُرِّ إِلَيْنَا الْكُفَّرَةَ وَالْفُسْوُقَ وَالْعُسْبَانَ وَاخْتُلُّفُانَ الرَّأْشِدِينَ
اللَّهُمَّ تُؤْفِنَا مُسْلِمِينَ وَأَخْيَانَا مُسْلِمَاتِنَّ وَالْجَنَّا
بَالْصِّلَاحِينَ غَيْرِ خُسْرَاء أَوْلَا مُفْتَوَرِينَ اللَّهُمَّ قَاتِلِ
الْكُفَّرَةَ الْأَلْدِينَ يَكُونُنَّ رَسُلَكَ وَيَصْدُونَ عَنْ سَيِّئِكَ
وَأَجْعَلُ عَلَيْهِمْ رَحْرَكَ وَعَدَّاً بِلِلَّهُمَّ قَاتِلِ الْكُفَّرَةِ
الْأَلْدِينَ أُوْحِيَالْكِتَابَ إِنَّهُ الْحَقَّ

(Musnad Ahmad, vol. 3, page 424, published in Beirut)

O Allah, all praise and tributes belong to You. When
You bestow prosperity on someone no one can make him poor and whomsoever You make poor, no one can grant him prosperity. Whom You have adjudged astray, there is no one who can guide him and whomsoever You guide, no one can lead him astray. No one can give to a person, whom You have deprived and on whomsoever You bestow, no one can stop it. No one can bring closer what You have put asunder and no one can put asunder what You have put together. O Allah! open the doors of Your blessings, mercy, bounties and sustenance for us. O Allah I seek such permanent blessings from You which will never terminate or come to an end. O Allah I seek Your favours in the time of poverty and adversity. I seek peace in the time of anxiety.

O Allah, I seek Your protection from the evil of the things that You have granted us and also the evil of the things that You have withheld. O Allah, make faith dearer to our hearts and make our hearts attractive. Instill abhorrence for disbelief, disobedience and wicked deeds in our hearts. Make us from among the rightly guided ones.

O Allah, keep us alive as Muslims and cause us to die in the state of being Muslims. Include us in righteous people. Do not humiliate us or put us to trial. O Allah! You Yourself destroy the disbelievers, who reject Your messengers and stop us from following Your path. Be hard on them and punish them. O Allah, destroy those disbelievers who were given the book and guidance testifying that this Messenger is true."

Prayer for Protection of Islam and Seeking Goodness

Hadrat Abdullah bin Masood relates the Holy Prophet٠ used to offer this prayer:

اللَّهُمَّ احفظنِي بالإسلامِ قائِمًا، واحفظنِي بالإسلامِ قاعدًا، واحفظنِي بالإسلامِ راكِدًا، ولا تُشْمِثَ بي عدُواً حاسِدًا، اللَّهُمَّ إني أسألكُ بِنِعْمَتِكُم كُلِّ شُرِّ حَزَائِبِكُم يَتِيدٌ، واَعْوذُ بِكِ بِنِعْمَتِكُم كُلِّ شُرِّ حَزَائِبِكُم يَتِيدٌ

(Mustadrık Hakim, vol. 1, page 525, published in Beirut)
O Allah, protect me with Islam in every situation, standing, seated and lying down. Do not permit a jealous enemy to gloat on me. O Allah, I beg you for every good which is in your treasure-house. I seek Your shelter from every evil which is in Your control.

Prayer for Faith, Health and Good Manners

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ said to Hadhrat Salman Farsi, "I want to teach you such a prayer that you can offer with great affection and sincerity to the Gracious God, every morning and evening." This is the prayer:

آللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسَلَيْكَ صَحِبَةً فِي إِيمَانِ، وَإِيَمَانًا فِي حُسْنٍ حُلْقِي وَنَجَاحًا يَنْبِعُ فِيهَا فَلَاحٍ، وَرَحْمَةً مِنْكَ وَغَفَائِيَةً، وَمُغَفِّرَةً بِنْيَكَ وَرَضْوَانًا

(Mustadrik Hakim, vol. 1, page 523, published in Beirut)

O Allah, I beg you to bestow health upon me while being in a state of belief. Along with faith grant me good manners. I beg for success after success. I am also desirous of attaining Your pleasure and Your forgiveness.

Prayer for Forgiveness and Pardon

Hadhrat Abu Musa-al-Ashari tells us of this prayer of the Holy Prophet ﷺ:

رَبَّ اغْفِرْلِي خطِيْتِي وَجَهْلِي وَأَسْرَافِي فِي أَمْرِي كُلِّهِ، وَمَا أَنْتُ أَعْلَمُ بِهِ بِنَبِيٍّ، أَللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْلِي خطَّاطِيَاتِي وَعَمْدِي وَجَهْلِي وَأَسْرَافِي وَكُلُّ ذَالِكَ عَنْدِي، أَللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْلِي مَا قَدْمَتْ وَمَا أَخْرَتْ، وَمَا أَسْرَتْ وَمَا أَعْلَنَتْ، وَمَا اذْهَبْتْ، وَمَا أَمْرَتْ وَمَا أَذَاعَتْ، وَمَا تَحْمَلَتْ، أَنْتَ المُقَدُّمُ، وَأَنْتَ الْمُؤْجِرُ، وَأَنْتَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءِ قَدِيرٍ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da’awat)
O Allah, forgive my mistakes, my lack of knowledge, my transgressions in my affairs and all my affairs about which know more than I do. Forgive my sins, my intentional or unintentional mistakes and my frivolous jokes. All these are my failings. O Allah, forgive my earlier or later sins. Forgive my hidden and manifest sins. You cause things to advance and cause them to retard. You have authority over everything.

**An Effective Prayer for Forgiveness**

Hadrat Halil bin Ya'sar relates from his grandfather, whomsoever recites this prayer for penitence, God forgives his sins even though they may be innumerable.

أَسْتَغْفَرُوا لِلَّهِ الَّذِى لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيْمُ وَأَنْتَ أَعْلَى الْعَهْدِ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus salat)

I seek forgiveness from Him, except Whom there is none worthy of worship. He is Living and Self-Subsisting. He brings others to life and sustains them. I incline towards Him and repent.

**A Beautiful Prayer for Forgiveness**

Hadrat Jaber relates that a person came to the Holy Prophet\(^a\) and said, "My sins are countless." The Holy Prophet\(^a\) made him repeat this prayer three times and said, "Go now, God has forgiven all your sins."

اللَّهُمَّ اِغْفِرْلِي وَارْحَمْمِى وَأَنْحَقِّسُ إِلَيْكَ أَرْحَى بِنَّيَارِكَ إِلَى الْعَلَى

Mustadrik Hakim, vol. 1, page 728, published in Beirut)

O Allah, Your forgiveness is vastly extensive than my sins. I trust in Your mercy more than in my actions.

**Prayer for Mercy and Forgiveness**

Hadrat Ayesha relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet\(^a\):

اللَّهُمَّ اِغْفِرْلِي وَارْحَمْمِى وَأَنْحَقِّسُ بِالرَّفِيقِ الْأَعْلَى

(Bukhari, Kitabul Maghezi)

O Allah, forgive me, have mercy on me and unite me
with my Lofty Friend (God Himself).

Note: As per some traditions, the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} repeated the last part of this prayer إلى النبي الإلهي meaning that I go to my Lofty Friend, the Highest, during the last moments of his life.

**Prayer for Forgiveness**

Hadhurat 'Amr bin Shuaib relates the angel Gabriel descended with this prayer and he was very happy. He said, "O Muhammad\textsuperscript{a} God has sent me with a gift for you." He meant the treasures of Heaven incorporated in this prayer which were given to the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a}.

(\textit{Mustadrik Hakim, Kitabud Du'a, vol. 1, page 545, published in Beirut})

**O the Being!** who reveals beauty and conceals ugliness. **O the Holy Being, who does not take us to task for our sins and does not expose our weaknesses. O Beautiful Forgiver, O Lord of profound forgiveness, O the Possessor of vast Mercy, O the Companion of every secret meeting and whisper. O the One! Who is the final recourse of the plaintiff, O the Gracious Forgiver, O the Great Benefactor, O the Provider of favours before their need arises. O our Lord, our Master, our Protector, the ultimate of our desires. O Allah I beg you not to burn my body in the Fire.

**Prayer for Safety from Evil**

Hadhurat Imran bin Hasseen relates the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{a} promised my father (who was a polytheist) that if he accepted Islam, he would
teach him two beneficial prayers. When my father became a Muslim he reminded Huzur as of his promise. The Holy Prophet sa taught him this prayer:

أَلْلَهُمَّ آْلِهِمْيَ رُشدِي ٌ، وَآَلِهِمْيَ بِنْ شَرِّ نَفْسِي

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Allah, pour forth piety and guidance in my heart and save me from the evil of myself.

Hadrat Shakel bin Hamid requested the Holy Prophet sa to teach him a prayer, which would stop him from doing bad deeds. Huzur as held his hand and advised him to recite this prayer:

أَلْلَهُمَّ إِنيِ أَغْوَدُ ٍبِكَ بِنْ شَرِّ سَمِيعِي، وَبِنْ شَرِّ ٍبَصَرِيٍّ،
وَبِنْ شَرِّ لَسَانِي، وَبِنْ شَرِّ قُلُوبِي، وَبِنْ شَرِّ هَنَى

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the evil of my hearing, sight, tongue, heart and private parts.

Prayer for Deliverance from Satanic Influences

Hadrat Abu Hurairah while relating the event of Isra said, that a terrifying Satan was following the Holy Prophet sa and had a flame of fire. Angel Gabriel taught Huzur as a prayer and said that it would extinguish this flame and the Satan would be defeated. This is the prayer:

أَغْوَدُ بِوَجْهِ اللَّهِ الْكَرِيمِ، وَبِكِلَمَاتِ اللهِ التَّامَاتِ الْحَيِّةِ
يُجاَوِرُهُنَّ بَرَّوْلاً فَاجِرًا، بِنْ شَرِّ مَا يَنْزَلُ بِنْ السَّمَاءِ، وَ
شَرِّ مَا يُخَطُّ قُبْلَهَا، وَشَرِّ مَا ذَرَا فِي الْأَرْضِ، وَشَرِّ مَا
يُخْرِجُ بَيْنَهَا، وَبِنْ فَتْنِ اللَّهِيْنِ والْنَّهَارِ، وَبِنْ طَوْارِقِ
الْلَّهِ، أَلَا تَأْرِقُ يُطْرُقُ بِحُيْرَيْا رَحْمَنُ

(Mautta Imam Maalik, Kitabul Jami’)

I seek refuge in God’s Honourable Countenance. And
I seek refuge in God’s perfect and comprehensive
words, which neither the pious nor the wicked can transgress. I seek my Lord's shelter from the evil which descends from above and also the evil which rises skywards. The evil which is in the earth and which emanates from it.

O Gracious God, I seek Your shelter from the trials of night and day, and the mishaps of night except that nightly occurance which brings blessings.

Prayer for Deliverance from Evil of the Enemy

Hadhurat Abu Hurairah relates when the Holy Prophet ﷺ faced fear or danger from a nation, he prayed in these words:

اللُّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعْفُدُ أَيْكَ بِنَفْسِي وَعَظْمِنَّ أَيْكَ مَنْ سَمَّرَهُمْ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

O Allah, we take You as a shield against whatever is in their (enemy's) heart. We seek shelter against every evil of their's and its dangerous effects.

Prayer for Protection from Bad Conduct

Hadhurat Ziad bin 'Alaqa relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ's prayer:

اللُّهُمَّ إِنِّي آمِنُ أَعْفُدُ أَيْكَ بِنَفْسِي وَعَظْمِنَّ أَيْكَ مَنْ سَمَّرَهُمْ

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

O Allah, I seek Your protection from undesirable manners, evil deeds and desires.

Hadhurat Abu Hurairah relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet ﷺ:

اللُّهُمَّ إِنِّي آمِنُ أَعْفُدُ أَيْكَ بِنَفْسِي وَعَظْمِنَّ أَيْكَ مَنْ سَمَّرَهُمْ

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)

O Allah, I seek Your protection from dissention, hypocrisy and bad qualities.

Prayer for Attaining Good and Deliverance from Evil

Hadhurat Anas bin Maalik relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet ﷺ:

اللُّهُمَّ إِنِّي آمِنُ أَعْفُدُ أَيْكَ بِنَفْسِي وَعَظْمِنَّ أَيْكَ مَنْ سَمَّرَهُمْ.

(Abu Dawud, Kitabus Salat)
أَعْلَمُ وَأُعْفُوُ بِنَ السَّرِّ كَلِهِ مَعَلَمْتُ بِهِ وَمَا لَمْ أُعْلَمُ

(Muslim, Kitabudh Dhikr and Kitabud Du'a Lil Tabarany, vol. 3, page 1468, published in Beirut)

O Allah, I beseech You for every good thing, whether it is known to me or not. I seek refuge from every evil, whether I know it or not.

Prayer for Protection against Associating Partners with Allah

Hadhrat Abu Musa 'Ashari relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ advised us to refrain from associating partners with Allah, which is difficult to detect, as it is flimsier than the footprint of an ant. The companions asked the prophet how they could they avoid this sin. The Holy Prophet ﷺ taught them this prayer:

أَلَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعْفُوُ بِنَ السَّرِّ كَلِهِ مَعَلَمْتُ بِهِ وَمَا لَمْ أُعْلَمُ
وَنَسْتَغْفِرْكَ لِمَا لَمْ أُعْلَمُ

(Musnad Ahmad, vol. 4, page 403, published in Beirut)

O Allah, we seek Your shelter from associating partners with You knowingly. We also seek Your forgiveness in case we commit this sin unknowingly.

Prayer for Deliverance from Wrath Of God

Hadhrat Abdullah bin 'Amr relates that the Holy Prophet ﷺ used to recite this prayer:

أَلَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعْفُوُ بِنَ السَّرِّ كَلِهِ مَعَلَمْتُ وَتَحُولَ عَافِيَتِكَ
وَفَجَأَةَ نِعَمُّتُكَ وَحُمُيمَ سُحْطِكَ

(Muslim, Kitabudh Dhikr)

O Allah, I seek Your shelter from the termination of Your bounties, withdrawal of Your protection, Your sudden chastisement and everything that incurs Your wrath.

Prayer for Protection of God

Hadhrat ka'b ul Ahbar relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet ﷺ.
I seek shelter in the Exalted Lord from Whom there is nothing greater. I seek shelter in His perfect and comprehensive words which neither the pious nor the wicked can transgress. I seek refuge in His holy attributes whether they are known to me or not. I seek His shelter from the evil of the creatures He has created, carved and spread throughout the earth.

Prayer for Deliverance from a Disagreeable Disposition

Hadrat Abdullah bin Amr relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet**

O Allah, I seek Your deliverance from a heart which is devoid of fear, a prayer which is not accepted, a self which knows no contentment, and the knowledge which is not beneficial. My Guardian, I seek shelter from these four things.

Prayer for Protection from Bad Habits

Hadrat Umme Ma'bad relates she heard the Holy Prophet** recite this prayer:

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(Mua'ala Imam Maalik, Kitabul Jami')

(Tirmidhi, Kitabud Da'awat)

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O Allah, purify my heart from malice, actions from vanity, tongue from lies, and eyes from deceit. You alone are aware of the deceitful eyes and the secrets of the hearts.

Prayer of Protection from Accidental Death
Hadhurat Abu Al-Yusuf relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet⁴⁷:

O Allah, I seek refuge in You from being buried under a wall. I seek Your refuge from dying by falling from a great height, drowning, being burnt or dying of old age. I seek Your shelter from being under the control of the Satan at the time of the death, from dying in a state of turning away from a fight in Your name and from being stung by a harmful creature.

Prayer for Deliverance from Starvation and Deceit
Hadhurat Abu Hurairah relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet⁴⁷:

O Allah, I seek refuge in You from hunger, which is a very bad companion. I seek refuge in You from breach of trust, as it is not possible to have an enemy worse than this, closer to man.
Prayer for Morning Journeys
Hadhrat Sakhar-ul-Ghamadi has told us this prayer of the Holy Prophet.

اللَّهُمَّ بَارِك لِأَسَمَى فِي بَكْوُرِهَا

(Abu Dawud, kitabul Jihad)

O Allah, bless the morning journeys of my people.

Prayer for Forgiveness of Ansar and the Migrants
Hadhrat Anas bin Maalik has related this prayer of the Holy Prophet.

اللَّهُمَّ لَا عَيْشَ إِلَّا عَيْشٍ الْآخِرَةِ فَعَفَّفْي فِي الْآنْتَصَّارِ
وَالْهَيْجَرَةِ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Allah, the real life is the life Hereafter, so forgive the Ansar (local people of Medina) and the Migrants.

Prayer for Enemies’ Defeat at the Battle of Ahzab
Hadhrat Abdullah bin Abi Aufa has related the prayer which the Holy Prophet recited at the battle of Ahzab.

اللَّهُمَّ مُنْزِل الْكِتَابِ، سُرِيعُ الْحِسَابِ إِهْزَمِ الْاِحْزَابِ
اللَّهُمَّ اهْرُمْهُمْ وَزُلْزَلْهُمْ

(Bukhari, Kitabud Da’awat)

O Allah, Reveal of the Holy Book (Qur’an), and the Quick Reckoner, defeat the armies of this enemy. O Allah! make them withdraw and unsettles them.

Prayer for Prosperity for Family and Followers
Hadhrat Abu Hurairah has related this prayer of the Holy Prophet.

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلِ رَزْقَ آل مُحْمَدٍ فِي الدُّنْيَا قُوتًا

(Muslim, Kitabudh Zakat)

O Allah, do not deprive the progeny of Muhammad of “quwatay la yamoot” meaning that much sustenance
which would keep them alive.

Prayer for the Caliphs and Rulers of Muslims

Hadrat Ali relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{sa} for the caliphs who were to succeed him.

اللهُمَّ ارْحَمُ خَلَفَائِي الَّذِينَ يَأْتُونَ بِبَعْدِ الْذِينَ يُؤُودُونَ أُهُدَائِي وَسَنَتِي وَيَعْلَمُونَهَا النَّاسَ

(Jami' al Sahir by Allama Suyuti, vol. 1, page 60, published in Beirut)

O Allah have Mercy on the caliphs who would succeed me. They would narrate my traditions and 'sunna' and instruct people in these matters.

Hadrat Ayesha relates this prayer of the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{sa}.

اللهُمَّ مِنْ وَلِيِّي مَنْ أَنْسَتُهُ شَيّأً فَشُقِّ عَلَيْهِمْ فَافْتَقَعَ

(Muslim, Kitabul Ama'rah)

O Allah, be harsh with the ruler who governs the affairs of my followers harshly and be kind to the ruler who treats my people kindly.

Heartfelt Supplication at the Journey to Ta'if

Hadrat Abdullah bin Jaffer relates after the death of Hadrat Abu Talib, the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{sa} went to Ta'if with the message of Islam. People of Ta'if did not accept this message. The Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{sa} offered two rakats of salat under the shade of a tree and and with deep anguish in his heart he supplicated his Master in these words:

اللَّهُمَّ إِلَيْكَ أَشْكُو ضَعْفُ قُوَّتِي وَقَلْبَةَ جِلَالِي وَهُوَانِي

عَلَى النَّاسِ نَبِيَّ أَرْحَمَ الْرَّاجِمِينَ إِلَيْ مَنْ تَكَلُّنَّ نِعْمَةً إِلَيْهِ

عَزُوًّا يَتَجَهَّمُونِي أَمَّ إِلَيْ قَرِيبٍ مُّلِكَةٍ أَمِيرٍ إِنْ لَمْ تَكُن

سَاحِطًا عَلَيْ فَلا أَبَانِي غَيْرَانُ عَافِيَتِكَ أُوْسِعُ لِي أَعْوَدُ
O Allah, to You alone I tell the story of my weakness, lack of planning and also of being humiliated among the people. O the most Merciful of all who show mercy, to whom would You give control over me? Would You hand me over to my enemy who would destroy me? Or would You entrust me to someone close to me? Whom would You give control over my affairs? If You are not angry with me then I do not care for anyone else. But I am still in need of Your all-encompassing protection. I seek refuge in Your Bright countenance which lights up the Heavens and Earth, dispels all darkness and which puts all the affairs of this life and the life hereafter, in order. I seek Your shelter from Your wrath and incurring Your displeasure. O Master You do what You will and all the power and authority belongs to You.

Prayer for Achieving a Humble Self

Hadhurat Abu Hurairah has related this prayer of the Holy Prophet ﷺ.

O Allah, make me live as a humble person, cause me to die as a humble person and resurrect me from amongst the poor people. Surely he is the most unfortunate on whom the poverty of this world and the punishment of the life Hereafter are combined.
Prayer for becoming Special Servants of God

Members of Abdul Qais delegation (which came from Yemen to visit the Holy Prophet® in Medina) relate they heard the Holy Prophet® say this prayer.

آللّهُمَّ اجعلِنا من عبّادك المُنتَخِبين الغرر المُحِلِّين
الوفد المُتقُبلين

(Musnad Ahmad, vol. 3, page 431, published in Beirut)

O Allah, include us in Your chosen servants, whose foreheads are bright and shining. Make us a part of the group which is accepted.

They asked "O Messenger of Allah, what is meant by the chosen servants?" He replied, "God's pious and righteous servants, and by عُرَاء المُتَخَلِّصين means those people whose limbs would be bright from doing ablution. By وُلُّد النَّشِقِئين means those followers who would enter heaven in the company of their prophets.

Supplications with Allah's Holy Names

Hadrat Ayesha relates she heard the Holy Prophet® offering this prayer.

اللّهُمَّ ابِنِ اسمُك الطَّاهر الطَّيِّب المُبارِك الاَحْبَاب إلّيَك
الذِّي إِذَا دُعِيت بِه أَجْبَت وَإِذَا سُهِلت بِه أُعْطِيت وَإِذَا
اكْتُرَجَت بِهُ رَجَعَت وَإِذَا أَسْطَرَجَت بِه فِرَجَت

(Ibn Maja, Kitabud Du'a)

O Allah, I beg in the name of Your Holy, Pure, Blessed and most Lovable name. You accept prayers when they are offered in this name. When the request is made in this name You grant it. When Your mercy is sought with this name You bestow mercy. In times of trial when supplicated with this name You remove the affliction.

A Comprehensive prayer

Hadrat Abu Amama relates that the Holy Prophet® came to our meeting, we stood up as a mark of respect and made a request for prayers. He prayed for us. We then requested for more prayers. He
replied that all the prayers for you are included in these words. The words are:

َلَهُمْ اَغْفِرْنَا وَارْحَمْنَا وَارْضُعَ عَنَّا وَتَقْبَلْ بِنَا وَأَدْخِلْنَا
الْجَنَّةَ وَتَبْحَرُنَا بِالْبَارِ وَأَصْلِحْ لَنَا شَانَاكَلْهَا
(Ibn Maja, kilabud Du'a)

O Allah, forgive us, have mercy on us, be pleased with us, accept our prayers and our worship, grant us entry into Paradise, save us from the Fire and bestow success upon all our affairs.

Prayer on Acceptance of Supplications

Hadhrat Ayesha relates the Holy Prophet ﷺ said, "When you know that your prayers have been accepted, what stops you from offering this prayer? For example health after illness or successful return from travels. You should offer this prayer:

َلَهُمْ أَحْسَنَ عَاقِبَتَا فِي الاَطْوَرِ كَلِيَا وَأَحِزَّنَا بِنِخْزِي
الْدُّنِيَا وَعَذَابَ الآَخِرَةِ
(Mustadrik Hakim, vol.1, page 730, published in Beirut)

All praise belongs to the Allah. With whose Honour and Glory every good deed is accomplished.

Prayer for Righteous End

Hadhrat Buser bin Artah relates he heard the Holy Prophet ﷺ recite this prayer.

َلَهُمْ اَحْسَنَ عَاقِبَتَا فِي الاَطْوَرِ كَلِيَا وَأَحِزَّنَا بِنِخْزِي
الْدُّنِيَا وَعَذَابَ الآَخِرَةِ
(Mustadrik Hakim, vol. 3, page 592, published in Beirut)

O Allah, conclude all our affairs in the best manner. Save us from the humiliation of this world and punishment of life after death.

Allah’s Beautiful Names and the Acceptance of Prayer.

Once the Holy Prophet ﷺ told Hadhrat Ayesha, "I know one such attribute of Allah, that if we pray by saying this attribute, our prayers
are accepted." Hadhrat Ayesha eagerly asked him to tell her this attribute of God. Huzur said," in my view it is not proper to tell it to anyone." So he refused. Hadhrat Ayesha became cross and sat on one side hoping that the Holy Prophet would inform her of this attribute of God. When Huzur did not tell her for some time, in expectation she came and stood by him, kissed his forehead and pleaded with him to tell her this attribute of God. Huzur said, "Ayesha the real reason for not telling is that it is not proper to ask for worldly things with this attribute of God."

Hadrat Ayesha was upset; she performed ablution and spread the prayer mat. She started to pray loudly, so that the Holy Prophet could hear it. She prayed, "O Lord, I beseech You with Your holy names and magnificent attributes, the ones that I know and also the others that I do not know. Forgive the sins of Your humble servant."

The Holy Prophet was sitting nearby and was smiling. He said," O Ayesha, surely that attribute of God is included in the names which you have enumerated."

(Ibn Maja, Kitabud Du'a)

The acceptance of prayers have a special link with Divine attributes. God Almighty has said, (Al-A'raf: 181)

"Allah has pure names and beautiful attributes. Memorise them and when remembering Allah, make your supplications with His names."

Hadrat Abu Hurairah relates the Holy Prophet said that God has ninety nine names. A person who memorises them and keeps them in his mind, is heaven bound.

(Tirmidhi, and Ibn Maja, Kitabud Du'a)

الله
The Sovereign

أَلْلَهُ
The Merciful

أَلْلَهُ
The Gracious

إِلَّا
The Lord

أَلْلَهُ
Allah

اِلْحَمْدُ
The Mighty

اِلْحَمْدُ
The Protector

الْحَمْدُ
The Bestower

الْحَمْدُ
The Source

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The Opener

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The Most Supreme

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(Ehya-e- Ulumul Din Lil Ghazali, vol. 1, page 278, published in Beirut)

\textit{O Allah, have Mercy on me with the medium and basis of the Qur'an. Make the Qur'an a leader, a light, guidance and mercy for me. O Allah, whatever I forget make me remember it and whatever I am unable to understand, make me comprehend it. Enable me to recite it during the day and the night. O Lord of the Universe, make Qur'an an authentic guidance for me.}
PART III

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Foreword

Our master the Holy Prophet ﷺ declared the Promised Messiah ﷺ as the saviour of the troubled times and said, "No one will have the power to confront the materialistic forces of those times. Then God will reveal to the Promised Messiah to lead His servants to the safe haven of mount Toor".

(Muslim, Kitab ul Filn)

As Moses has prayed for his people at the base of mount Toor, today with the blessings of the prayers of Hadhrat Messiah Ma'udd ﷺ, his party will succeed.

Hadrat Masih Ma'uud ﷺ has said, "It is written about the Promised Messiah that the non believers will perish with his prayers, meaning that he will destroy everything with his supplications. God has endowed prayer with great powers. He has revealed to me again and again that whatever will happen would be accomplished through the prayers alone."

(Maloozat vol. 5 page 36)

The saints of previous ages have written about the meanings of the name Imam Mahdi. He will be guided to a great secret. This great secret is prayer, which will be taught to him in this materialistic age, when the world would deny miracles and extraordinary signs. It was revealed to him, جزاء القدوم which encouraged him to pray, and God promised that his prayers would be accepted. So he boldly proclaimed to the world,

"I have been given the sign of the acceptance of prayers. I challenge anyone to come for a contest."

In this manner he rendered the deniers of the prayer speechless. He instilled a rock solid belief in his followers and infused a zeal for prayer in them which encouraged them to pray at all times.

In fact he learnt the model and the manner of praying from his master, the Holy Prophet ﷺ and instilled in his Jamaat, the true spirit of prayers. He changed the traditional verbal prayers in such a manner that the accepted prayers brought about astonishing results. God granted his jamaat a safe haven, at every critical juncture in the same way as He did to the followers of Moses ﷺ. This can be judged from the words of Hadhrat Amman Jan at the demise
of Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd\textsuperscript{as}, "My children, on seeing the house empty do not think that your father has not left anything for you. He has left a great treasure of prayers for you in heavens."

In fact this treasure was not only for his family, it was an inheritance of all the pious people within his spiritual house.

Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd\textsuperscript{as} not only prayed for his jamaat, day and night. In accordance with the prophecies of the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{sa} he left a treasure house of prayers for the needs of this period of time. This huge treasure, which is recorded in his writings, Malfoozat, and letters is for our benefit. We must make use of this wealth. This was my purpose in compiling this book.

Readers of my book of Qur'anic prayers and the prayers of the Holy Prophet\textsuperscript{sa} encouraged me to compile a book of prayers of Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd\textsuperscript{as}. By the Grace of Allah, I was able to prepare this book, including the context of the prayers.

The beginning of the book describes the subjects of the importance, blessings, etiquettes and the prayer routine of the Promised Messiah\textsuperscript{as}. This is followed by a section of Urdu prayers. The second section is of Arabic prayers. Lastly some of the Promised Messiah's instructions regarding the Qur'anic prayers have also been included. The Qur'anic prayers, which were revealed to him in exactly the same words as they are in the Holy Qur'an and some others with slight change of words are listed separately. Huzur's revealed prayers and also the prayers for which the absolute confirmation of being revealed prayers is not found, are in a separate list. In the same way the revealed prayers regarding his person and his status are in a separate group.

In the end are the Urdu and Persian poetic prayers. Reference for each prayer has also been given. For this purpose the fourth publication of Tadhkirah and references from the most recent edition of Malfoozat have been used. Other references in this chapter have been taken from the books of Promised Messiah\textsuperscript{as}, journals and the book, Seerat Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd\textsuperscript{as} by Sheikh Yakoob Ali Irfani. Other Journals published by the Jamaat have also been used for this purpose.
I humbly thank God Almighty that he enabled me to present this gift of prayer to my friends. I request prayers for my elder son Hafiz Mazhar Ahmad Tayyab, who has dedicated his life to Ahmadiyyat. He is a student in Jamia. After finishing his Matriculation examination, in his free time he helped me with the manuscript of this book and also in searching for the prayers. May Allah reward him abundantly.

May Allah, make this book a source of knowledge and wisdom. May it impart spirituality, blessings and mercy. May Allah, make it a source of prayers, mercy and blessings for this humble servant.

Wassalam

Hafiz Muzaffer Ahmad
Reality, Importance and Blessings of Prayer

Hadrat Masih Ma'uud\textsuperscript{as} explaining the essence of prayer writes:

"The essence of prayer is that there exists a power of integration between a pious servant and his Lord. This means that, firstly, God's graciousness attracts man to itself, and secondly the magnetism of man's truth draws him close to God. And in the state of prayer this link reaches a stage where it manifests unique characteristics. So when a person in times of severe trials, inclines to God Almighty with complete trust, high hope, total devotion, perfect faithfulness and great courage, he becomes fully aware and breaks down the barriers of stupor (negligence). He marches forward in the sphere of annihilation of the self. He then attains God's audience. God, Who has no partner. His soul then prostrates on His threshold. With this inbuilt magnetic power, he attracts the blessings of God. Then the Lord of Honour and Glory facilitates his affairs. His prayers influence the visible means which in turn create the circumstances which are necessary to achieve his purpose.

(Roohani Khazain, vol. 6, page 9-10)

"Reality of some types of miracles is in fact the acceptance of prayers. Thousands of miracles shown by the prophets and remarkable occurrences shown by the pious people of the past had their roots and sources in the prayers. Most of them displayed the extraordinary power of God with their prayers. The unique incident that occurred in the wilderness of Arabia, that hundreds of thousands of dead became alive in a few days. The people morally impaired for ages acquired Divine characteristics. The blind started to see. The dumb began to expound Divine knowledge. It created such a revolution in the world, which no eye had ever seen and no ear had heard before. Do you know what was this phenomenon? These were the nightly prayers of one, who had lost himself in God, which created such tumult in the world. It manifested remarkable events, which were beyond the capacity of this unlettered and helpless prophet."

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِيمُ وَبَارَكُ عَلَيْهِ وَالَّهُ بِعَدَدِ هِمَهِ وَغَمِيَّهُ وَحُزْنِهِ لِهذَهِ الأَمَّةَ وَأَنْبِلَ عَلَيْهِ أَمْوَارَ رَحْمَتِكَ إِلَى الأَبَدَ

(Barkatul-Du'a, page 16, Roohani Khazain, vol. 6, page 9-11)

Relating his own experiences of acceptance of prayer, Hadrat Masih Ma'uud\textsuperscript{as} says:
"I see from my own experiences, the effect of prayers is greater than the effects of water or fire. In reality there is nothing more potent in the natural phenomenon."

(Barkatud-Dua’ page 16, Roohani Khazain, vol. 2, page 11)

And he added:

"In trials, prayers manifest singularly astonishing characteristics and the truth is that our God is recognised by the prayers alone."

(Mafoozat, vol. 2, page 147)

He tells us of the power and strength he personally experienced and presented it as the essence of his life.

A prayer, which is the result of the knowledge and blessings of God has a totally unique colour and aspect. It is something which annihilates the self. It is a fire, which dissolves and a magnetic power which pulls God's mercy towards itself. It is a death, which ultimately gives life. It is a fierce flood, which becomes an ark. It puts right all the ruined affairs. Every poison turns into an antidote. Blessed are the prisoners who do not tire of praying, as they will be freed one day. Blessed are the blind, who are not indolent in praying, they will see one day. Blessed are the dead of the graves, who seek God's help, they will one day be rescued from the graves. Blessed are you, who never tire of praying, your soul melts in prayer, your eyes shed tears and the spiritual fervour burns like fire in your chests. It makes you relish the loneliness of the darkened cells and the desolate jungles. It renders you restless, frenzied and unaware of yourself. Ultimately You will receive blessings of your Lord. The Lord, to Whom I call you, is extremely Merciful, Kind, Bashful, True, Faithful and Gracious towards the destitute. So you be faithful unto Him. Pray to Him with sincerity and faithfulness, He will show mercy to you."


"It is worth remembering there are two types of acceptance of prayers. One as a trial and the second a special result of the accepted prayers which God Himself selects for us. As a trial sometimes the prayers of the sinners, dis-obedient-ones and non-believers are accepted. But such acceptance is not true in the real sense of the word.

The signs of prayers which God selects and accepts are as follows:
1. The supplicant is a righteous, straightforward and a perfect person.

2. The confirmation of acceptance of the prayer is granted through the word of God.

3. The tasks accomplished by these prayers are of high value and usually very complicated. The acceptance in these matters proves that it is not within the human power or plan, but is a special gift from God Himself which He bestows upon His special servants.

4. Prayers for basic needs are accepted rarely but for those selected by God are granted quite often.

5. The person offering prayers, according to God's pleasure becomes a recipient of God's blessings and God Himself takes care of all his affairs. His face lights up with the love of God and radiance of accepted prayers, spiritual delight and contentment.

These are the five main qualities, which are evident in the prayers of Hadhrat Masih Ma'Uud as which were accepted in a grand manner.

Emphasising the importance and blessings of prayers, he writes:

"Some people are ignorant of the essence of the prayer and are unaware of its effects. When their false hopes are frustrated, they turn away, saying that the prayer is nothing."

(Mafoozat, vol. 2, page 150)

"There is poison in humans as there is poison in the snake. Its antidote is prayer and as a result, a fountain starts to flow from the heaven. A person indolent in prayer perishes. If a person's day or night is empty of prayer, he becomes nearer to the Satan. Everyday a reckoning should be made whether our obligation of prayers has been fulfilled or not."

(Mafoozat, vol. 3, page 591)

"If you want to live safely and desire peace in your homes, you should pray a great deal. Fill your homes with prayers. A home in which prayers are offered regularly is never destroyed by God."

(Mafoozat, vol. 3, page 232)
"I have pondered about the fact as to what is the mother or root of the bounties of God. God has revealed to me that the mother is أَمْرِكِ (Al Mumin 40:61). No one can escape wickedness except with God's help."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 333)

"Prayer is the foundation of the heavenly signs. This is 'Isme Azam' (Greatest Name). And it can turn the world upside down. Prayer is a believer's weapon. It is of utmost importance that a state of anxiety and deep emotion is present."

(Malfoozat, vol.3, page 202)

"The great benefit for the people joining this Jamaat is that I pray for them. Prayer has the power of turning a dry twig green again. It can cause the dead to become alive, it has great power."

(Malfoozat, vol.3, page 100)

Prayer is a great thing. It can become a means of achieving forgiveness and with it God gradually inclines with mercy. The heart of a person, negligent of prayers becomes rusty, then it becomes hard and this leads to alienation from God and enmity with God. The result is the destruction of faith."

(Malfoozat, vol.3, page 628)

"People are unaware of this blessing that charity, prayers and giving alms cast off a calamity. If this was not true, humans would experience spiritual death in life."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 201)

A destiny which not fixed, can be changed with prayer and giving charity. God changes this destiny with His mercy."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 24)

"The door which the Lord of Honour and Glory has opened for the welfare of His creation is only one, that is prayer. When a person enters this door with anguish and sorrow in his heart, The Merciful God covers him with the mantle of purity and piety."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 315)

The best means of attaining bounties of God is prayer. A prayer, which is full of humility, anxiety and the feelings of destitution, draws the blessings of God. A prayer is needed for achieving the ability to offer sincere and true prayer."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 397)
Etiquettes of Prayer

From the Instructions of Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd

Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd said:

"Prayer is a wonderful thing. Alas, neither the people requesting prayers are familiar with the etiquettes of prayer, nor the people who pray are acquainted with the manner which makes the prayer acceptable. In fact there is total unawareness of the very essence of the prayer. There are some who reject the prayer altogether and there are others who do not reject prayer but are in such a state that their prayers are not accepted for lack of the knowledge of the etiquettes of praying. Their prayer is not a prayer in the true sense of the word and these people are even worse than those who reject prayer."

(Mafoozat, vol. 2, page 693)

"People who were not steadfast and constant and did not conform to the etiquettes of praying, when they did not achieve their wishes, they rejected prayer and its effects. They gradually lost faith in God. They say that if God did exist, why didn't He listen to our supplications. These fools do not realise that God does exist but their prayers are not real prayers in the true sense."

(Mafoozat, vol. 3, page 617)

"Firstly; it is important to have faith in the Being, to whom we are praying. Believe that He exists and is All-Hearing, All-Seeing, All-Knowing and All-Powerful. And have firm faith that He listens and accepts prayers."

(Mafoozat, vol. 3, page 522)

"The root cause of prayer being rejected is that the person praying causes rejection, as he is of feeble faith."

(Mafoozat, vol. 2, page 702)

"There are four conditions for the acceptance of prayers:"

1. Righteousness
2. Anguish of the heart
3. Availability of a pure moment
4. Pray for a long enough period

(Mafoozat, vol. 1, page 536)

"Some people are not familiar with the etiquettes of requesting the prayer. As long as the person requesting prayer does not have the quality of obedience in him, the prayer is not accepted."
"Prayers are accepted when a person shakes off negligence for God. The nearer he is to God, the greater the fruits of the prayer he will receive."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 39)

"Certain abominations delay and cause rejection of the prayers, these should be avoided."

(Malfoozat, vol. 1, page 436)

"As long as the heart is not pure, prayers are not accepted. If there is rancour in the heart for a single person due to worldly matters, your prayers will not be accepted"

(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 170)

"Remember whosoever usurps the rights of others, his prayers are not accepted as he is a transgressor."

(Malfoozat, vol. 2, page 195)

"The prayers of the transgressor and wrongdoer are not accepted."

(Malfoozat, vol. 2, page 682)

"Remember, your prayers will not be accepted unless you become God fearing."

(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 130)

"Some people tire of praying. I consider them eunuchs. I say that even if thirty or forty years pass, one should not tire and refrain from praying. God never destroys the people who pray."

(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 106)

"Hadrat Jacobas prayed for forty years. After forty years his prayers united him with Joseph as."

(Malfoozat, vol. 2, page 152)

"Prayers should not only be offered by mere word of mouth. The real prayer is a death."

"Whosoever begs incurs death upon himself. If you can attain this state, then go begging."

(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 107)

"If the prayer is devoid of real anxiety and sincere agitation, the prayer is in vain, ineffective and a useless task"

(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 455)

"Remember, prayer is a sort of death. The same restlessness and
agitation, which is present at the time of death, is necessary for praying. So you should get up in the night and with humility, anguish and pain, present your hardships to God. If you raise your prayers to this level that a kind of death occurs, this is the time of acceptance of prayers."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 616)

"In fact a prayer achieves acceptance if it reaches the level of extreme anguish. First the preparations are made in the heavens and then it manifests itself in the earth. This is not a trivial matter, it is a magnificent reality. The truth is that anyone who wants to see manifestation of God, should pray."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 616)

"When a prayer nears acceptance, God infuses passion and anguish in the heart for it. Quite often God teaches the prayer Himself. God reveals the acceptable prayers to His righteous people"

(Malfoozat, vol. 2, page 164)

"Prayer is such a thing that it eases every hardship. People are unaware of the value of prayer. They loose heart readily. Prayer needs steadfastness and continuity. Sincerity and constant endeavour are the conditions of acceptance, and these in turn can be achieved by the prayer."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 615)

"Whosoever gets up in the night, however absent minded and impatient he may be, if he prays even in this state and supplicates, 'O Allah, my heart is in Your possession and control, You purify it.' The constricted heart will open up."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 398)

"When heart is full of pain it breaks down all barriers, at that time it should be understood that the prayer has been accepted. This is "Ism-e-'Azam", the greatest name. There is nothing beyond its power. When a wicked man attains these means of prayer then surely he becomes righteous."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 100)

"Incline to prayer after giving care and consideration to the external means."

(Malfoozat, vol. 1, page 89)

"The more there is anguish and restlessness of the heart, the more the soul will soften. This is one of the means of acceptance of
prayer."  
(Malfoozat, vol. 2, page 707)

"If a prayer is not accepted, another means to achieve your goal is to request a pious person for prayer and you yourself pray for the acceptance of that pious person’s prayers."
(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 182)

"The words of the Qur’anic prayers should not be changed. While the personal singular tense of the prayers of the Holy Prophet™ can be changed to the plural tense"
(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 194)

"Words of pathos should be used while praying. It is not advisable to stick to the traditional prayers and repeat them parrot fashion without knowing their meanings. To follow the tradition is a must, but searching for the words of pathos is also the tradition. Pray in your own language, which you understand fully, so your emotions are involved. The traditional prayers should also be offered for blessings. Any one who understands and is acquainted with Arabic should pray in Arabic."
(Malfoozat, vol. 1, page 538)

"In salat supplicate in your mother tongue. The emotions that the mother tongue carries are not expressed in a foreign language."
(Malfoozat, vol. 4, page 29)

"Pray a great deal. Salat is the key to solving problems. Besides the traditional prayers and words, supplicate in your mother tongue as it carries heartfelt emotions. As long as the deep emotions are not there, keep praying. This purifies the self and attains everything."
(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 589)

"Continue to pray at all times. In salat, during ruku and prostration, wherever you have a chance offer prayers. Abandon the half-hearted salat. The formal salat does not carry multiple rewards."
(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 176)

"One should reckon one’s faults and pray to God. God alone can save him. God has declared that you pray and I will accept."
(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 573)

"Whichever sin is difficult to get rid off should be targeted in the prayer. He will gain strength by the Grace of God."
(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 622)

"It is not in one’s power to offer a prayer which absorbs God’s
blessings. It is not in one’s control to attain all the requisites and conditions for example concentration, trust, anguish of the heart and deep emotions for the prayer. When such capability is attained by someone, by absorbing God’s Grace it achieves all these means and conditions which are the essence of the righteous deeds."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 389)

Hadrat Masih Ma’uud’s Prayer Routines

The Promised Messiah says:

1  "God has given me as much enthusiasm for the prayer as there is turbulence in the sea."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 127)

2  "I pray so much that I feel faint and sometimes I come near unconsciousness and death."

(Malfoozat, vol. 1, page 200)

3  Hadrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib relates Hadrat Masih Ma’uud used to recite Surah Al-Fatiha and then offer other prayers.

4  Huzur says: "We pray that God protects this Jamaat and it becomes clear to the world that the Holy Prophet is a true prophet and people start to believe in the existence of God."

(Malfoozat, vol. 4, page 261)

5  The first and foremost prayer is for the purification from the sins. The key and an essential part of the praying is this supplication. Because when this prayer is accepted and the person is purified from all impurities, he becomes attractive to God. Then he does not even need to supplicate for other needs these are bestowed upon him automatically. The most rigorous and laborious prayer is to be purified of sins and be accepted as a pious and God fearing person in the estimation of God."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 617)

6  It has been revealed to me again and again that every prayer which in itself is beneficial and useful will be accepted. When in the beginning it this was revealed, I became very happy that God would surely accept my prayers for myself or for my friends. So I adopted this principle that whether my friends remind me or not, or present their great hardships, I will keep on praying for their spiritual as well as worldly welfare."
7 If a person wishes that we love him and our humble and impassioned prayers offered to God, reach Heavens, he should assure us that he has the capacity to serve the faith."

(Malfoozat, vol. 1, page 311)

8 The condition which attracts me and motivates me to pray is only one, that I know that this person is serving the faith. And that his existence is useful to God, His prophet, His book and His people. If such a person is in grief or pain, in reality it is my pain.

(Malfoozat, vol. 1, page 215)

9 I believe that even enemies should not be excluded from the prayer. The more extensive the prayer is, the more beneficial for the supplicant. The greater the stinginess in prayer, the farther a person drifts from the proximity of God.

(Malfoozat, vol. 1, page 353)

10 Our Jamaat should offer heartfelt prayers during the night. The general public thinks that a prayer is only for worldly matters. They are the worms of this world and cannot get away from it. The real prayer is prayer for the faith.

('Al Badr')

11 Real prayer is for the faith and the true faith is in prayers.

(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 132)

12 Copious prayers should be offered for the faith and the world.

(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 273)

13 Besides the prayer for a pious change in one's self, one should pray for his children and wife, as most of the trials humans face come from children.

(Malfoozat, vol. 5, page 455)

14 If one wishes for children, one should have the intention that they become propagators of Islam. If this pure intention is present, God is Potent to bestow progeny similar to Zakariaas's."

(Malfoozat, vol. 3, page 579)

15 The best prayer is for attaining God's pleasure and deliverance from sin. As the sins harden the heart and humans become like worms of the world. Our prayer should be that God removes the heart hardening sins from us and guides us to His pleasure."
16 True prayers should aim at attaining God's pleasure. The other prayers are accepted readily as remission of sins brings blessings. A prayer purely for worldly matters is not accepted."

(Malfoozat, vol.3, page 28)

17 A prayer full of pathos and emotions should be offered to God Almighty that He enables us to taste the sweetness of salat and worship, in the same way He has given us such capacity to enjoy the fruits and other good things.

(Malfoozat, vol.3, page 28)

18 On seeing the Rabi ul Awwal moon, Huzur said:
"Every month has blessings and evil, hence we should pray."

(Malfoozat, vol.3, page 323)

19 Pray, that whatever is best in God's knowledge, be granted. A prayer should be comprehensive.

(Malfoozat vol.5 page 188)

20 Salat is prayer, so pray during the salat that He saves you from the trials of this world and the punishment of the next and the end should be as a righteous one.

(Malfoozat, vol.3, page 435)

21 Huzur said, that he offers these prayers daily:

First, I pray for myself that God enables me to perform deeds, which manifest His Honour and Glory and grant me the full capacity to seek his pleasure."

Second, I pray for my family that God makes them the delight of my eyes and enables them to follow His path.

Third, I pray for my children, that Allah makes them servants of the faith.

Fourth, then I pray for my friends, remembering each one by his name.

Fifth, I pray for all the people in this Jamaat, whether I know them or not"

(Al-Hakam, vol.4, page 2-11, dated 17th January, 1900,
letter no.4, Maulana Abdul Karim)

22 I am always praying and on top of my list is the prayer that God protects my friends from sorrows and grief because it is their worries that grieve me. Then this prayer is offered in a collective
form that if anyone is suffering from grief and sorrow may Allah remove it. All my endeavours are directed towards praying to God Almighty.

(Malfoozat, vol.1, page 66)

**Promised Messiah’s Revelations regarding Acceptance of Prayers**

قُلْ مَا يُعَبِّدُكُمْ رَبُّكُمْ لَوْ لَا دُعَاءٌ لَّكُمْ

(Tiryaq-ul-Qulub, page 60)

"Say to them, what does my God care? If your prayers are not offered."

أَفَمَن يُجِيبُ الْمُضْطَرِّ أَنفَسَهُ دُعَاءُ

(Tadhir, revelation of 1907)

"Or, who answers the distressed person when he calls upon Him."

إِنَّهُ سُمِيعُ الدُّعَاءِ

(Tadhir, revelation of 1883)

"Surely, God listens to the prayers."

آذَعَوْنِي أَسْتَجِبْ لَكُمْ

(Aene Kamalat-e-Islam, page 604 Roohani khazain, vol.5)

"Pray and I will accept"

أَجِيبُ دُعَوَّةَ الدَّاعِ إِذَا دُعَانَ

(Tadhir, revelation of 1883)

"I listen to the prayers of the supplicator when he prays"

دُعَاءُ لَكَ مُسْتَجِبٌ

(Tadhir, revelation of 1903)

"Your prayer has been accepted."

أَجِيبُتُ دُعَوَّتَكَ

(Tadhir, revelation of 1907)

"Your prayer is accepted"
Inspiring Incidents of Promised Messiah’s
Acceptance of Prayers

Promised Messiah sa says:

"Acceptance of prayers is a great sign for recognising the chosen servants of God. In fact there is no other sign like the sign of accepted prayers. This proves that a person is honourable and esteemed in God's estimation. Although it is not essential that the prayers should be accepted every time, sometime the Lord of Honour and Glory does what He wills, but this is one of the signs of the chosen people of the God of Honour that their prayers are accepted more frequently and no one can compete with them in this respect. I take an oath in God's name, that thousands of my prayers have been accepted. If I compile them, it will become a massive book"

(Haqiqat-ul Wahi. page 321, Roohani Khazain, vol. 22. page 334)

Hadrat Massih Ma'udd sa has written in detail about the acceptance of prayer in his books, Nuzulal-Massih, Tiryaq-ul-Qulab and Haqiqat-ul Wahi. Here some of these incidents are quoted in Huzur's own words:

1  "Once I was badly in need of money. Arya Lala Sharmpet and Malawa Mul, who live locally knew about this need. They knew full well that there was no apparent means of acquiring this money. Spontaneously I had this zeal for prayer, so that my need would be fulfilled and also it would become a sign for these two people. I prayed to God to tell me when financial help would arrive. A revelation was sent, " I will manifest myself after ten days" 

"When will you go to Amritsar?" This meant that money would come after ten days and God's help is near. As the she camel lifts her tail when the birth of its baby is near, so is the help from God near. After ten days when you will receive money, then you will go to Amritsar. Exactly according to the prophecy, the money arrived in the presence of the above mentioned Aryas. For ten days no money came. On the eleventh day, Muhammad Afzal Khan Sahib sent one hundred and ten Rupees from Rawalpindi and twenty Rupees arrived from somewhere else. Afterwards, money we had not hoped for, continued to come"

(Tiryaq-ul- Qulub, Roohani Khazain, vol.15. page 257-258)
2  "Khalifa Syed Muhammad Hassan, Prime minister of Patyala was facing worry and grief due to some trials. He was constantly requesting me to pray for him. By chance one day a revelation came: "The cool breeze of mercy is blowing, any prayer offered today will be accepted"

At that time I thought that prayer should be offered for him. After a short time he was free of the trial and informed me of it by letter."

(Nuzul Masih, page 225, Roohani khazain, vol.18, page 603)

3  "Once, late Nawab Ali Muhammad Khan Sahib, chief of Ludhiana wrote and informed me that some of the means of his livelihood have ended and requested prayers for their restoration. When I prayed it was revealed to me that this would happen. I informed him of this in a letter. Only after a few days the means of his livelihood were restored and he became a staunch believer in prayer.

Once again he wrote me a letter about some confidential matters. The moment he posted the letter, God revealed that a letter containing this subject matter is going to arrive. I wrote to him without delay, that you are sending me a letter regarding these matters. Next day his letter arrived. When he received my letter he was amazed that I knew these secret matters beforehand, as he had not told anyone about them. His credence increased to such an extent that he lost himself in love and devotion."

(Haqq-e-ul Wahi, page 246, Roohani Khazain, vol. 22, page 257-258)

4  "A friend in great distress requested prayers in writing for one of his relatives who faced a serious legal trial and there was no hope of his release. The same night a pure moment became available and I informed an Arya of the sign of acceptance of the prayer. After a few days news was received that the person who had filed this case died suddenly and the accused was released. Allah be praised for this."


5  "Once, on praying for my sincere friend Abdur Rehman Sahib, a businessman in Madras, this was revealed:

'All-Potent is the Master, He puts right the ruined matters, He can demolish established affairs. No one knows His secrets.' This was a glad tiding for his deliverance from grief. So God Almighty delivered him of his calamity."
6 "In common with the people of limited resources but trusting natures, I badly needed fifty rupees. At this time of need I did not possess any means of getting this amount. When I went for a walk in the morning the worry about this need made me emotionally inclined to pray in the jungle. So I went to a hidden corner on the banks of the canal, which is at a distance of three miles from Qadian on the Batala side. As soon as I finished the prayer I received a revelation, meaning, "See how readily I accept your prayers". I became happy and I returned to Qadian from the jungle. I went straight to the bazaar, in order to enquire from the sub-postmaster, if any money had arrived for me. I was informed in a letter that someone had sent fifty rupees from Ludhiana. Most probably I received the money on the same day or the next."

(Tiryaq-ul-Qulub, Roohani Khazain, vol.15, page 294-295)

7 "Abdur Rahim Khan, son of Sardar Nawab Muhammad Ali Khan Sahib, chief of Malir Kotla suffered from burning fever. There was no hope of his survival it was as if the orders for his death had been issued. I prayed for him and it was revealed to me that this is an inevitable destiny. Then I supplicated to God Almighty for intercession on his behalf. God replied, meaning, who dares to intercede without My permission. I became silent. Immediately a revelation came meaning, you are permitted to intercede. I started to pray with anguish and pain in my heart. God accepted my prayers. It was as if the boy came out of the grave and started to recover. He had become so weak that the recovery took a long time. He became well and is alive now."


8 "My sincere friend, Maulvi Nurudin Sahib's only son died. Some foolish enemies exhibited joy on the fact that Maulvi Sahib had no sons. I prayed a great deal for him and received this information, that with your prayer a son will be bestowed upon him and he would be a sign that he is the result of prayer. It was also revealed that he would suffer from boils on his body. This son was born and was named Abdul Hayee. His body was covered with unusual sores and the scars are still present on his body. This sign of a boy suffering from boils was published before the birth of the boy in a leaflet."


9 "Once, my younger son Mubarak Ahmad fell ill. He was having fits of unconsciousness. I was busy praying in the adjacent
house. Some women were present near him and at one time one of them said, "Stop now, the child is dead." Then I came near him, put my hand on his body and inclined to God. After two or three minutes, the boy started to breathe and the pulse could be felt. The boy became alive. At that time I realised that the miracle of Jesus Christ of bringing the dead to life, was similar to this and foolish people had exaggerated it."


10 "The fifth sign of acceptance of prayers occurred recently. In fact this is equal to the dead coming to life. The details of this incident are as follows:

Abdul Karim, son of Abdur Rehman resident of Hyderabad Dekhan, is a student in our school. Unfortunately a rabid dog bit him. We sent him to Kasauli for treatment. After a few days of treatment he came back to Qadian. Some days later the signs of rabies appeared. He became afraid of water and his condition became terrible. I was deeply moved by the plight of this foreigner in this land. Everyone thought that this poor boy would die within a few hours. As a last resort with great care he was moved from his boarding house to a separate house. A telegram was sent to the English doctors for instruction for treatment. They telegraphed back that there is no cure now.

I was deeply perturbed by the condition of this poor and lonely boy. My friends also insisted on prayers. This boy, in a foreign land was in a pitiable condition. I was also concerned that if he dies, his death will incite the enemies to ridicule his death in a degrading manner. My heart was in anguish and with deep pain; an extraordinary inclination towards prayer came over me. This is not something in one's control and is bestowed only with God's mercy. If such a state develops, it shows signs that with God's permission the dead can come to life.

At that time with God's Grace such an auspicious moment became available. When my concentration reached its highest level and my anguish completely controlled my heart, at that time the effects of this prayer started to show results and this nearly dead person started to show signs of life. At one point he was afraid of water and light, now he started showing signs of recovery. He said that he was not afraid of water anymore. He was given water, which he drank without fear. He also performed ablution with water and offered salat and slept throughout the night. All signs of madness disappeared and in few days he recovered fully. My heart was
inspired to think that his madness was not meant to kill him but was a manifestation of a sign from God. The experienced people say that they have never heard, that a person bitten by the rabid dog and showing signs of madness, has ever survived. The real proof is the testimony of the doctors who were the experts in this field and were appointed by the government. They had responded to our telegram saying that no treatment for rabies is possible.

I have forgotten to mention that when the prayers were offered for this boy, God revealed that a particular medicine should be given to him. This medicine was administered a few times. The patient recovered or it can be said that a dead person has become alive again. Here is the English text of the telegram sent to us from Kasauli:

"Sorry, nothing can be done for Abdul Karim"


Hadrat Mash Ma'udd says:

"This is totally true that most of the prayers of God's chosen people are accepted. In fact the greatest miracle is the acceptance of prayers. When their hearts are greatly distressed in the time of trial and they incline to God in this state of anguish, God listens to them. At this time their hand is in fact God's hand. God is like a hidden treasure. He shows His countenance through His chosen ones. God's signs appear when His selected ones are harassed and tormented greatly. At this time know that the sign of God is near, in fact it is at the door. Because these are the people, devoted to God with their heart and soul, whom God loves more than anyone could love his dear son. He shows wonderful signs for them and shows such power as if a sleeping lion wakes. God is hidden and these are the people who reveal His existence. These are the people who show His countenance which is hidden behind thousands of veils."

Prayers of the Promised Messiah\textsuperscript{35}

An Humble Prayer for Forgiveness

In August 1885 the Promised Messiah\textsuperscript{36} wrote in a letter of condolence to Hadhrat Maulvi Nuruddin on the death of his only son. The Promised Messiah\textsuperscript{36} humbly drew his attention to this prayer. He wrote, this prayer is among my routinely offered prayers and is in fact analogous to this humble one." He added that it is advisable that when offering this prayer, one should confess one's sins with the deepest emotions of the heart and acknowledge God's blessing. Mere recitation by the tongue means nothing. The heart should be in it and prayer should be offered with tears and anguish in the heart. Huzur explained the manner of offering this prayer. One should get up in the latter part of the night, do ablution and offer two rakats with sincerity and offer this prayer with emotions and humility.

"O my Benefactor! O my God! , I am Your worthless, sinful and totally unmindful servant. You saw me doing injustice after injustice, but still rewarded me again and again. You saw me committing sin after sin, but still bestowed favour upon favour on me. You have always covered up my sins and granted me countless blessings. So even now have mercy on this sinful and worthless servant, forgive my impudence and ingratitude, deliver me from this sin, as there is no succour except in You."

\textit{(Maktoobat-e-Ahmadiyya, vol. 5, page 2:3)}

Other Prayers for Deliverence from Sin

"O my Divine master! I am Your sinful servant and in a state of distress. Guide me."

\textit{(Malfoozat, vol.7, page 226, old edition)}

"We are Your sinful servants and our evil self has overwhelmed us. Forgive us and protect us from the trials of the life hereafter."

\textit{(Al Badr, vol. 2, page 30)}

"I am sinful and weak. There is no redress except with Your help and mercy. Have mercy on me and purify me as there is nothing except Your mercy and kindness which can cleanse me of my sins."

\textit{(Al Badr, vol.3, page 41)}

Prayer of Repentance at the Initiation Ceremony into Ahmadiyyat

Mir Shaffi Ahmad, researcher from Delhi narrates that whenever the Promised Messiah\textsuperscript{36} repeated these words during the initiation
ceremony, people would start to shed tears and cry, as there was so much pathos in Huzur's voice that it certainly made people cry with emotions.

(Searat-ul Mahdi, narration no.747)

It is a fact that this prayer of the Holy Prophet \( 	ext{sa} \) which Hadhrat Masih Ma'\uud \( \text{as} \) incorporated in his initiation ceremony has so much effect that in spite of being repeated again and again, this emotional state is seen quite often.

The words of the prayer are:

"O my Lord! I have wronged my soul and I confess my sins. You forgive my sins, as there is no one else who can forgive."

This narration is further confirmed by these words of the Promised Messiah \( \text{as} \):

"Repentance at the time of initiation carries blessings."

(Malfuzat, vol. 4, page 174)

**Prayer for Attaining the Pleasure of God**

Hadhrat Masih Mo'\ud \( \text{as} \) emphasising the importance of prayer in a letter to Hadhrat Nawab Muhammad Ali Khan Sahib wrote:

Pray a great deal and ingrain humility in your nature. The prayers uttered as a habit or custom by the tongue only do not mean anything. When you pray, beside the obligatory salat, make it a habit to seek loneliness and offer humble prayers like the lowest of the low. Pray to God Almighty:

"O Lord of the universe! I cannot justifiably thank You for the limitless bounties you have showered on me. You are exceedingly Gracious and Merciful. You have granted me countless favours. Forgive my sins so that I am not annihilated. Infuse my heart with Your Love, so that I attain life. Conceal my sins and enable me to do such that draw forth Your pleasure. I seek refuge in Your Gracious Countenance from Your wrath. Have mercy on me and protect me from the evils of this world and the world hereafter. As every blessing and favour is in Your hand."  "Ameen Thumma Ameen"

(Maktoobat-e-Ahmadiyya, vol.5, page 4-5)

**Prayer for Companionship of God in Loneliness**

"O my God! Listen to my cry of help. I am alone. O my Refuge! O my Shield! O my Beloved! Do not abandon me. I am with You and
my soul is prostrating on Your threshold."
(Seerat Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd by Hadhrat Sheikh Yacoob Ali Irfani, vol.5, page 573)

Prayer for Concentration in Salat
On May 16, 1902 the Promised Messiah\textsuperscript{as} in a letter to Maulivi Nazir Hussain Sakha Dehlavi, wrote about the manner of achieving concentration during Salat:
"In salat, pray for yourself. Do not be content with superficial and inattentive salat. As far as possible strive for concentration. If this is not present, recite this prayer in all the five daily salats, when standing after every 'rakat':
"O God Almighty, O the Lord of Power and Glory, I am a sinner. The poison of sins has penetrated to such an extent in my heart, flesh and blood that I am devoid of emotions and concentration in salat. In Your mercy and Graciousness, forgive my sins and make my heart tender. Ingrain Your greatness, Fear of You and love for You upon my heart, so that my hard-heartedness softens and I achieve concentration in my prayers."
(Fatawa Masih Ma'udd, page 37, edited by Fakharudin Multani in 1935)

Prayer against Deprivation from the Blessings of Ramadan
For attaining the capability of fasting, Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd\textsuperscript{as} wrote:
"Everything should be sought from God. God is All Potent and He can bestow the capability of fasting to a consumptive (a person suffering from tuberculosis). I think this is how one should pray":
"O my Divine Master, this is Your blessed month and I am being deprived of its blessings. I do not know if I would be alive next year or not, or be able to fast for these missed days of fasting. One should pray to God for this capability. I am sure that God would bestow strength to such a heart."
(Mafoozat, vol.2, page 563)

Prayer on Going to Ka'aba
Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd\textsuperscript{as} gave a letter containing this prayer to his sincere friend, Hadhrat Sufi Munshi Ahmad Jan Sahib, who was going on the pilgrimage.
"Kindly remember the humble request of this low and worthless one, that when by the Grace of Allah, You see the House of God, in that blessed and praiseworthy place offer this prayer of a lowly
servant of God, with utmost humility. Raise your hands in prayer with meekness and total devotion, and supplicate:

"O the Most Merciful of all who show mercy, Your meek, worthless, and full of faults humble servant, Ghulam Ahmad, who is in the part of world called India supplicates to You, O the Lord of Mercy! Be pleased with me; forgive my sins and transgressions, for You are the Most Forgiving and Merciful. Enable me to do deeds that please You greatly. Put as much distance between me and my evil self as there is between the East and the West. Let my life, my death and every faculty that I possess, be for Your sake. Keep me alive in Your love, cause me to die in Your love and raise me among those who love and obey You the most.

O the Most Merciful of all who show mercy! accomplish my mission of propagation that You have entrusted me. Ensure the service for which You have put zeal in my heart is completed. Cause the truth of Islam to become apparent through this humble one, to all the enemies of Islam. Show the beauty of Islam to those who are yet unaware of the beauties of this faith. Keep this humble one, my friends and my companions, protected by Your forgiveness and mercy. Be with them and Be sufficient for them in the worldly and the spiritual matters. Enable them to achieve Your pleasure. Shower Your blessings and Durud on Your Messenger, his companions and his followers. Ameen O Lord of the Universe."

This is the prayer and it is your responsibility to offer this prayer in the Ka'aba, on behalf of this humble one, without any change of words.

Wassalam
The humble one
Ghulam Ahmad
1303 Hijra
(Maktoobat-e-Ahmadiyya, vol.5, page 17-18)

Prayer for those Buried in Bahishti Maqbara

Hadhurat Masih Ma'udz Writes:

"I pray to God to bless it and make it Bahishti Maqbara, a resting place for those pious people who have truly given preference to their faith over the world. They forsook the love of the world for the love of God. They transformed themselves with the pious change. They showed the same faithfulness and sincerity as the companions of the Holy Prophet.

Ameen, O Lord of the Universe."

(Risala Al-Wasiyyat, page 15, Roohani Khazain, vol.20, page 316)
"I pray again, that O my Potent God! make this place the burial place of those pious hearts from my Jamaat, who are truly lost in You and there is no impurity of the worldly motives in their hearts. Ameen, O Lord of the Universe."

"I pray the third time, O my All-powerful, Gracious, Forgiving and Merciful God, only permit those people to be buried in this land, who truly believe in me, Your Messenger. They do not entertain any hypocrisy, selfish motives or mistrust in their hearts. They fulfil the covenant of faith and obedience. They have devoted their body and soul for Your sake and for Your pleasure. Those with whom You are pleased and know that they are totally lost in Your love. And with sincerity, obedience and firm faith they have relationship of love and total devotion with Your Messenger. Ameen, O Lord of the Universe."

(Al Wassiyat, Page 16-17)

Prayer for Jamaat

In his book Kashti-e-Nuh after explaining "Our Teachings", Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd as concludes with this prayer:

"Now I pray this guidance is beneficial to you and it brings about such a change in your inner selves, that you become stars of the world. This world lights up with your light, which you receive from your Lord."

(Kashti-e-Nuh, page 76, Roohani Khazain, vol. 19, page 85)

Prayer for the Advancement of the Jamaat

"O God! Bestow progress upon my Jamaat. Let Your support and victory from You accompany it."

(Seerat Masih Ma'udd by Sheikh Yacob Aii Ifani, vol.5, page 628)

"I pray a great deal, that people of my Jamaat should be counted among those who fear God, establish salat, rise up during the night for prostrations and supplicate with anguish in their hearts, are not heedless of their obligations to God, are not miserly, unmindful and the worms of this world.

I do hope that God would accept my prayers and show me that I have left such people behind, not the ones whose eyes commit fornication, whose hearts are worse than the excrement, and who are not mindful of death. My God and I are disgusted with those people. It will make me happy if such people break the ties of relationship. As God wants to make this a Jamaat of exemplary people who manifest Godly attributes in themselves. Who establish themselves on the highest level of piety and righteousness. Who
have preferred faith to the world, in the true sense of the word. But these mischievous people who put their hand under my hand and proclaim that they have put their faith first. When they go back to their homes, they engage in such mischief that only the desires of this world rule their hearts. Neither are their eyes chaste nor their hearts pure. Their hands do not do any good and their feet do not move towards any virtuous action. They are like a rat that grows up in the darkness and continue to live in it and dies in it. They have been cut asunder from this establishment in the eyes of God. In vain they say that they are from this Jamaat as they are not included in it in the Heavens."

*(Tabligh-e-Resalat, vol.10, page 41-42)*

**Prayers for the Opponents**

"O Opponents, may God have mercy upon you and open your eyes.


"Like the one who looks after a sick relative and grieves for him, I am in deep distress for this ignorant nation and pray, O Almighty and the Lord of Glory, Our Teacher and our Guide, open the eyes of these people. Grant them insight and with Your mercy and inspire their hearts with truth and honesty."

*(Maktoobat-e-Ahmadiyya, vol.6, part one, page 98)*

"O Almighty and Supreme God, although it is Your habit and tradition since the earliest times, that You grant guidance to children and unlettered people and cover up the eyes and the hearts of thinkers and philosophers with the veils of darkness. I beseech You humbly and with pain in my heart that draw forth a group from these people into our Jamaat as You have already pulled some of them. Bestow eyes, ears and hearts upon them, so that they can see, hear and understand. They realise the value of this blessing which You have bestowed in this age and try to attain it., If You will, You can make it happen as there is nothing impossible for You."


In Haqiqa-tul Wahi, after explaining the proofs of his truth, Hadhrat Masih Ma'uuud* prayed in these words:

"God may create numerous such souls, who will benefit from these signs and adhere to truth. They will forsake discord and rancour. O my Almighty God! Listen to my humble prayers and open up the ears and the hearts of these people. Show us the time when the
worship of the false gods will vanish from this earth and worship for You is offered sincerely. The world becomes full of Your righteous and unitarian servants as the seas are full of water. The truth and the greatness of Your messenger becomes ingrained upon the hearts. Ameen.

O my Almighty God! Show me this transformation in the world. Accept my prayers as You have all power and strength. O my Almighty God! do as I supplicate. Ameen Thumma Ameen."

(Haqiqat-ul Wahi, page 164, Roohani Khazain, vol. 22, page 603)

Prayer for the Establishment of Unity of God

"O Mighty God! O the Guide of the people! as You have made modern times the age of technological inventions. In the same way manifest the truth and wisdom of the Holy Qur'an to the ignorant people. Draw this age to Yourself, Your book and to the unity of Your existence. Disbelief and associating partners with You have increased and Islam is in decline. O my Gracious One! cause the breeze of belief in Your unity to blow in the East and the West. Show a sign from heaven, which will attract people to You. O Merciful, we are desperate for Your mercy. O the Guide! we are in acute need of Your guidance. Blessed is the day when Your light manifests. Blessed is the moment, when the bugle proclaims your victory. نُؤُوْكَحَانَا عَلَيْكَ وَلَوْ نُؤُوْكَحَانَا أَنْتَ أَكْبَرْ وَأَنْتَ أَعْلَمُ ًالْعِلْمَ meaning: We trust in You. No one has the power or the strength except You and You are Most High and the Greatest."

(Aena Kamalat-e-Islam, page 213-214, margin within margin Roohani Khazain, vol.5)

Prayer for the Guidance of Mankind

"O Gracious God, bestow guidance on the capable hearts of all nations, so that they believe in Your chosen and Great Prophet, Muhammad™ and in Your perfect and holy revelation, the Qur'an and follow its guidance. So they become the recipient of all the blessings, good fortunes and real prosperity, which is given to the true Muslims in both the worlds. They share the eternal deliverance and the life, which is not only available in the life after death, but is given to the righteous ones in this very world. I pray especially for the English people, who are not yet aware of the light of this sun of truth. We are indebted to this civilized, cultured and kind government for the friendship and favours it has shown to us. This gratitude gives rise to heart felt desire for their welfare and prosperity in faith as well as in worldly affairs. So that their white faces, which look pretty in this world, light up in the world hereafter.
We beseech Allah, to bestow upon them goodness and prosperity of this life and in the life to come. O Allah, guide them and support them with Your special Grace. Grant them ample share in Your faith. Draw them with Your power and strength to Yourself, so they believe in Your book and Your Messenger and join Allah’s faith wave after wave. Ameen

**Hadhurat Masih Ma’udd's Sayings regarding some Qur’anic Prayers**

"There was not a single person was with me, God taught me this prayer:

रब्। ला तदृदनि फ़्रा दा वा अंद खैर अवार दिन

(Al Anbiya 21:90)

*Leave me not alone, Lord, You are the best of inheritors*


Our Jamaat should recite this verse frequently in the last ‘rakat’ after ruku

(Al Fatoowat. vol.1, page 6)

रब्। आई ना फ़्री दा दिन। वैं दी अंदर दीद सा दीद दिन। उद दिन।

(Al Baqarah 2:202)
O Lord, Grant us good in this world as well as good in the world to come, and protect us from the torment of the Fire

Huzur said: "These days Adam’s prayer should be recited. This prayer has already been accepted."

(Al Araf 7:24)

O Lord, we have wronged ourselves; and if You forgive us not and have not mercy on us, we shall surely be of the lost

Hadhrat Massih Ma’uud advised Hadhrat Syedda Nawab Mubarak Begum Sahiba, in a vision to tell his Jamaat to recite this prayer very frequently.

(Al Imran 3:9)

O Lord, let not our hearts become perverse after You have guided us; and bestowed upon us Your mercy. Surely You alone are the Bestower."

Qur’anic Prayers Revealed to the Promised Messiah

Allah is the Best Protector. And He is the Most Merciful of those who show mercy.

(Omer 12: 65)

O Lord, make my entry a good entry

(Al Fatiha 1:7)
O Lord, show me how You give life to the dead.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1882)

رزب زدّني علّمًا
(Ta Ha 20:115)

O Lord, increase me in knowledge.

Note: This prayer was revealed at the time of writing the magnificent book Tohfa Golariah

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1900)

رزب السّجَن أَحَبْ إِلَيْي بِمَا يَذْهَبُونَ إِلَيْهِ
(Yousaf 12:34)

O my Lord, I would prefer prison to that which it invites me.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1863)

رزب لا تدُرَّغ عَلَى الْأَرْض مِن الْكَافِرِينَ دِيَارًا
(Nuh 71:27)

Lord, leave not in the world a single one of the disbelievers as dwellers therein.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1906)

رزبنا اسْتَفْتَحْ بِيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَ قَوْمَنَا بِالْحَقِّ وَأَنتَ خَيْرُ الْفَاتِحِينَ
(Al Maidah 5:84)

O Lord, we believe, so write us down among those who bear witness.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1893)

رزبنا افْتَحْ بَيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَ قَوْمِنَا بِالْحَقِّ وَأَنتَ خَيْرُ الْفَاتِحِينَ
(Al Araf 7:90)

O our Lord, You decide between us and between our people with truth and You are the best of those who decide.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1882)
قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ الْفَلَقِ بِنَبِيِّ شَرِّمَا خَلَقَ وَبِنَبِيِّ شَرِّ غَاتِيْقِ إِذَا
وَقَبَبَ

(Al Falaq 113:2-4)

Say, I seek refuge in the Lord of the dawn, from the evil of that which He has created, and from the evil of the night when it overspreads.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1883)

Revealed Prayers

These are the prayers revealed to the Promised Messiah\(^5\) with slight change in the Qur'anic text:

In 1893 this prayer was revealed:

رب ابني معَلَوْب فَأَنتَصِرَ

O my Lord, I am overcome, You take my revenge from the enemy.

(Tadhkirah, Tohfa Baghdad, page 17-25)

On 26th of April 1903 it was revealed again in these words:

رب ابني معَلَوْب فَأَنتَصِرَ فَسَجَّهُمُ تَسْجِيقَا

O my Lord, I am overcome, so avenge on my behalf and grind them thoroughly.

(Haqqatul Wahi, page 104, Roohani Khazain, vol. 22, page 107)

In an other narration the word "wronged" was revealed instead of the word "overcome".

رب اغْفِرْ وَارْحَمْ بَيْنِ السَّمَاءَ

O my Lord, forgive me and grant mercy from Heaven.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1882)

ربِ تَوْفِيقِي مُسْلِمًا وَالْجَانِيَ بِالصَّالِحِينَ

O my Lord, cause me to die in the state of being a Muslim and include me amongst the righteous.

O my Lord, deliver me from grief

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1883)

O my Lord, grant me pious progeny.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1907)

O our Lord, we have believed, so write us down among those who bear witness.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1899, Tariqa-ul Qulub, page 59, margin)

O our Lord, We have come to You as oppressed ones, therefore put distance and make distinction between us and those who do wrong.

(Zamima Haqiqat-ul Wahl, Roohani Khazain, vol.22, page 621)

O our Lord, forgive our sins, surely we are at fault.

(Haqiqat-ul Wahl, page 100, Roohani Khazain, vol. 22, page 104)

In 1907 this prayer was revealed:

O our Lord, do not make us a morsel for the unjust people.

(Tadhkirah: 805)

Incline a large number of hearts towards me. (Huzur said that this is a glad tiding of the progress of the Jamaat.)
Prayer for Forgiveness and a Righteous End

In a letter to Mir Abbas Ali Sahib Ludhanavi, Hadhrat Masih Ma’uud sa wrote this prayer:

ربنا اغفر لنا وارحمنا والدین سبقونا بالإيمان
وصل على نبیك وحبيبك محمد صلى الله وسلم وتوفرنا في
أمي واتبعنا فيها أمه وأبننا ماوعدت لامه ربنا إننا أنت
فأ كنت في عبادك الموميين

O Lord, forgive us and our brothers in faith who were stronger believers than us. Shower Your blessings on Your Messenger and beloved Muhammad sa and his progeny. Cause us to die as his followers and include us in his people. Grant us all that You promised for his disciples. Our Lord, we have believed, so write us down among the righteous servants.

Prayer for Piety and Purity

Hadhurat Masih Ma’uud sa wrote approximately in 1878:

About twenty five years ago when I was at Gurdaspur I saw a dream in which I was sitting on a bedstead and on my left the Late Maulvi Abdullah Sahib Ghaznavi was sitting. It passed through my mind that I should push Maulvi Sahib off the bed. I began to move towards him till he got off the bed and sat down on the ground. At that time three angels appeared from heaven. One of them bore the name of Khairati. They also sat down on the ground as Maulvi Abdullah was sitting and I continued to sit on the bed. Then I said to all of them: I will now pray and you say Amen to my prayer. I then supplicated رَبَّ أَهْلَبْ غَنَيْيَ الرَّضُوسِ وطَهِيرَينَ تَطَهَّرْيَا 'Lord remove all uncleanliness from me and purify me completely'. On this the three angels and Maulvi Sahib said Ameen and flew up to the sky and I woke up. As soon as I woke up I felt sure that Maulvi Sahib would soon die and that a special bounty had been decreed for me in heaven. Thereafter I felt all the time that a heavenly power was working inside me till I began to receive Divine revelation in continuous succession. In that one night, God, the Exalted, perfected a change in me of the kind which cannot be brought
about by the hand of man or by man's volition.

**Emphasis on Reciting Durud Sharif and Istighfar**

Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd advised, Late Choudhry Muhammad Bukhsh in a letter: "After evening and night prayer, repeat 'Durud Sharif' as much as possible. Repeat it with sincerity and love. It is better if you can fix the number of this repetition eleven hundred times or seven hundred times daily."

"Recite this Durud. One can see the Holy Prophet in a dream if recitation is persevered with hearty enthusiasm and love. It is a great means for the illumination of the inner self and steadfastness in the faith. After morning prayer 'Istighfar' should be repeated three hundred times with great humility."

(Maktoobat-e-Ahmadiyya, vol.5, page 7)

**'Durud' from the Innermost Heart**

O Allah, shower 'Durud', Peace and blessings on Muhammad and his followers. Grant as much blessings and mercy as he had griefs and sorrows of his people in his heart. And bestow upon him light of Your mercy always and forever.

(Barka-tud Du'a, Roohani Khazain, vol.6, page 10-11)

**Some Special Prayer Repetitions**

Hadhrat Masih Ma'udd advised Hadhrat Nawab Muhammad Ali Khan sahib regarding prayers during difficult times. He said:

Recite eleven times after every salat with
great humility. After the night prayer recite 'Durud' at least forty one times and then offer two rakats of nafal. In every prostration repeat at least three times. Upon finishing 'namaz' pray for yourself.

(Maktobat-e-Ahmadiyya, vol.7, part 1, page 33)

Revealed Prayer for Deliverance from Misery and Affliction

Approximately in year 1880, Hadhrat Masih Ma'Uud as was suffering from severe colic dysentery for sixteen days. As this disease had taken the life of another person only after eight days Huzur's family lost hope of his survival and even recited surah Yasin for his soul three times.

He writes: "As God taught some of his prophets prayers for deliverance from calamities, He taught me this prayer through a revelation. So accordingly I brushed my hands over my chest, back, hands and face after dipping them in the river water in which sand was also mixed and recited this prayer:

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمَدِهِ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ الْعَظِيمِ اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ

على مُحَمَّدٍ وَأَلِي مُحَمَّدٍ

Holy is Allah with His praise. Holy is Allah who is the Greatest. O Allah bestow blessings on Muhammad as and his followers.

Huzur adds: "I call Allah in whose hands is my life, to witness that every time I recited these holy words and stroked my body with wet hands, I felt as if the fire inside me was leaving me until after sixteen days illness I recovered fully."

(Tiryaq- ul Qulub, page 36-37)

Ism-e-'Azam (The Greatest Name)

Hadhrat Masih Ma'Uud as wrote on 6th of December 1902:

Last night I was in such a state that if revelation from God had not come, I had no doubt that it was my last hour. In this state I dozed off and saw that three male buffalos came. One of them came towards me and I hit him and pushed him aside. Then the second one came and I pushed it away as well. When the third one came he appeared so powerful and I thought that there is no escape from him. With God's Grace as soon as this thought occurred in my mind, the male buffalo turned its head to one side. I realised it was a Godsend and escaped by brushing past him. I started to run and
thought that it would chase me but I did not look back. At that time God inspired me with this prayer:

"O my Lord, everything is subservient to You. So my Lord, protect me, help me and have mercy upon me."

My heart was inspired that this is 'Ism-e-'Azam' and whosoever will recite these words will be delivered of his affliction.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1902)

Afterwards Huzur(as) wrote and advised his friends to recite this prayer with humility and sincerity during ruku, prostration and while standing up after reciting surah Al-Fatiha.

(Makloobat vol.5 part one page 38)

Prayer for Recovery

In an epidemic God revealed to Huzur(as) that during these days, three names of Allah the Almighty should be repeated again and again.

O Guardian, O Honourable and Mighty, O Companion.

Huzur said that Rafiq is a new name of Allah which had not been mentioned before.


Prayer for Recovery from Painful Disease

On January 2 1905 Hadhrat Masih Ma'uddas greatly suffered from a boil on his left cheek. On supplication he received this revelation and on reciting it and blowing on himself he recovered.
I seek help with Allah's name, the Sufficient, the Healer. In the name of Allah, the Most Forgiving, ever Merciful. In the name of Allah, the Benevolent, the Noble. O Protector, O Honourable, O Mighty, O Companion, O Guardian, bestow healing upon me. On reciting these words, he recovered.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1905)

Another Prayer for Recovery
In 1906 this prayer was revealed during an illness:

אִשְׁפָּנֵיָּה בִּנְּ לַדְּנָק וַאֲרַחְמַנְיָּה

O my Lord, bestow healing upon me and have mercy upon me.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1906)

Prayer for Deliverance from Affliction
In 1899 Hadhrat Masih Ma'uudas saw a dream that fire, smoke and sparks were blowing towards him but did not cause any harm. He was reciting this prayer at that time:

يَاخَيِّي يَاقِيُومُ بَرَحْمَتِكَ أَسْتَغْفِرُكَ إِنَّ رَبِّي رَبُّ السَّمَوُّ وَالْأَرْضِ

O Ever Living and Self Subsisting Being, I supplicate for help with Your mercy. Indeed my Lord is the Lord of the heavens and the earth.

(Tadkirah, revelation of 1899, reference letter to Maulana Abdul KarimSahib)

Once some one wrote to Hadhrat Masih Ma'uudas about his difficulties, Huzur replied; "Say Istighfar a great deal and say this prayer in namaz."

يَاخَيِّي يَاقِيُومُ أَسْتَغْفِرُكَ بَرَحْمَتِكَ يَا أَرْحَمُ الرَّاجِمِينَ

O Ever Living and Self Sustaining One, I supplicate for help with Your mercy. O the Most Merciful of all who show mercy."

(Malfoozat, vol.4, page 250)
Prayer for Attaining Love and Forgiveness of God
Hadrat Masih Ma'udd as wrote in a letter of condolence to his faithful friend Munshi Rustam Ali Sahib, on the shocking death of his sincere friend, Sunder Das. He advised him to recite this prayer frequently during the day and the night as well as in prostration.
(Maktoobat-e-Ahmadiyya, vol. 5, number 3, page 74)

نيّلَ أَحْبَبُ مِنْ كُلِّ مَحْبُوبٍ إِنِّي مُتَّوَّلٍ وَأَذْخُلُي فِيَّ عِبَادَكَ المُخْلِصِينَ

O the Most Beloved of all the loved ones, forgive my sins and include me in Your faithful servants.

A Prayer full of Love of God
ربِ أسْكَ جَنُّتِي وَرَحْمَتُكَ جَنُّتِي وَأَيْمَاكَ غَدَائِيْ

وَفَغَلْكَ رَدَائِيْ

O my Lord, Surely You are my heaven, Your mercy is my shield, Your signs are my sustenance and Your actions are my mantle.
(Haqiqat-ul Wahi, page 364, Rochani Khazain, vol. 22, page 361)

Prayer for getting Helpers for the Faith
Hadrat Masih Ma'udd as prayed for helpers in the Faith with an anguished heart during the lonely times in his crusades. He mentioned this in a letter to Hadrat Maulvi Noor-ud-Din Sahib.

ربِ أَغْطِينِي بِنِّي لَذَنِكَ أَنْصَارًا فِي دِينِكَ وَأَزْهَبْ عَيْنِي

حُزْنِيَّ وَأَصِلْ لَيْ بِي شَأْنِي كَلٌّ لَكَ إِلَّا أُنْتَ

O my Lord, You Yourself, grant me sincere helpers in the faith. Remove my grief and put all my affairs right, as there is none worthy of worship except You."
(Maktoobat-e-Ahmadiyya, vol.5, page 34)

Prayer for Lasting Blessings
Approximately in 1883, God revealed this prayer to Hadrat Masih
Ma’uud** for attaining blessings and also informed him of the acceptance of this prayer as a special favour and Grace for him.

(Omar-e-Ahmadiyya, part 4, page 520, margin within margin no 3,
Roochani Khazain, vol.1, page 621)

ربّ اجعلني مباركًا حييًا ما كنت

O my Lord, make me such a blessed one, that wherever I abide, this blessing stays with me.

Prayer for Increase in Wealth

On 2nd March 1904 Hadhrat Masih Ma’uud** saw in a dream that he was tying a paper bag which was full of money in a white handkerchief. This revealed prayer was on his tongue:

ربّ اجعل بركة فيه

"O my Lord, bestow blessings in it"

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1904)

Prayers for Increase in Wisdom and Knowledge

On June 7, 1906 this prayer was revealed:

ربّ أرني أنوارك الكلية

O My Lord, show me that light of Yours, which comprehends everything.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1906)

In the 1906 revelations this prayer is also included:

ربّ علمني ما هو خير عندك

O my Lord, teach me whatever is better in Your estimation.

(Haqeeqat ul Wahl, page 103, Roohani Khazain, vol.22, page 106)

On July 20th 1907 this prayer was revealed:

ربّ أرني حقائق الأشياء

O my Lord, show me the reality of things.

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1907)
Prayer for Ability to Gain Knowledge and Understanding

وَمَا تَوَفَّيْنِي إِلاَّ بِاللَّهِ رَبِّي أَنْطَقْنَا بِالْحَقِّ وَاَكْبَشَفْ عَلَيْنَا

O Allah, I have no power or authority except the one bestowed by Your Grace. O our Lord, guide us to the right path and with Your Grace, grant us the understanding of it and You Yourself teach us special knowledge.

(Haqiqat-ul Wahi, page 5, Roohani Khazain, vol.22, page 8)

Prayer for Guidance and Truth

وَمَا تَوَفَّيْنِي إِلاَّ بِاللَّهِ رَبِّي أَنْطَقْنَا بِالْحَقِّ وَاَكْبَشَفْ عَلَيْنَا

I do not possess any faculty except the one bestowed by Allah’s Grace. O my Lord, make the truth flow from my tongue, enlighten us with truth and guide us to the manifest truth.

(Khatma Brahina-e-Ahmdiyya, Roohani Khazain, vol. 21, page 414)

Prayer for Mercy and Victory

وَمَا تَوَفَّيْنِي إِلاَّ بِاللَّهِ رَبِّي أَنْطَقْنَا بِالْحَقِّ وَاَكْبَشَفْ عَلَيْنَا

O my Lord, I have no power or authority except the one bestowed by Your Grace. O our Lord, guide us to the right path and with Your Grace, grant us the understanding of it and You Yourself teach us special knowledge.

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I have no power except that which God gives me. O my Lord, You Yourself help me. O my Lord, support me with Your Grace. O my Lord, my people have rejected me so give me shelter in Yourself. O my Lord, my people have cursed and reproached me, so you Yourself bestow mercy upon me. O the Creator of the heavens and the earth, the Most Merciful of all who mercy, bestow mercy upon me as there is none merciful except You. Surely only You can provide proof of my truth in this world and the life after death. You are the Most Merciful of all who show mercy. I have put my trust in You and You do not destroy those who put their trust in You.

Prayers for Mercy

On 31st of May 1903, this prayer was revealed to Hadhrat Masih Ma'uddsal:

اللهُمَّ ارْحَمَنِ

Allah have mercy.

(Tadkirah)

On 4th April 1907 this prayer was revealed:

يَااللَّهُ رَحْمَنَ

Mercy O Lord.

(Tadhirkah)

On 30th September 1907 this prayer was revealed:

رَبِّ ارْحَمْنِي إِنَّ فَضْلَكَ وَرَحْمَتَكَ يُنجِيُ بِنَ الْغَدَاءِ

O my Lord, have mercy on me. Surely Your mercy and blessings deliver from punishment.

(Tadhirkah)

Prayer for Help and Victory at being Accused of Falsehood

Hadhrat Masih Ma'uddsal upon being accused of falsehood said; "Dejected by the impertinence of the opponents and rivals, I closed my doors and prayed to the Lord, the Bestower. I submitted myself
to Him and prostrated before Him and supplicated:

يا رب انصر عبدك و اخذل أغداك ك استجنبي يا رب
استجنبي الام يستهر بتك و ترسولك و حتمامي
يكدبون كتابك و يسبون نبيك - أستغفوك برحمتك يا
حتي يا قيوم يا مهتم

(Ayena Kamalat-e-Islam, page 569)

O my Lord, bestow victory upon Your servant. Reject my enemies. O my Lord, listen to my supplications and accept them. How long would the ridicule be directed against You and Your Messenger? And how long would these people reject Your Book and use abusive language about Your Prophet? O the Eternal and the Immortal God and the Helper, in the name of Your mercy I beseech You to listen to my cry of help.

Prayer for Destruction of Bitter Enemies and Rejecters of Truth

يا زرب فأسس مدعائي و مزق أغذاك و أغذائي و انجز
وغداك و انصرعبدك وأرناأتيامك و شهروا حسامك
ولا تذر من الكافرين شريرًا

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1904)

O my Lord, Listen to my prayers and break Your and my enemies into pieces and fulfil Your promise and help Your servant. Show us the day of fulfilment of Your promises. Wield Your sword for us and leave not a single mischievous disbeliever behind.

Prayer for Reformation of the Followers of Muhammad

In a letter to Mir Abbas Ali Sahib, Huzur wrote this prayer:

اللهُمَّ اصِلْحُ أَمْهَةَ مُحَمَّدٌ اللَّهُمَّ أَرْحَمُ أَمْهَ مُحَمَّدٍ اللَّهُمَّ

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O Allah, reform the followers of Muhammad ﷺ. O Allah, have mercy upon the people of Muhammad ﷺ. O Allah, shower blessings of Muhammad ﷺ on us. and bestow mercy and blessings and peace upon him.

O my Lord, reform the followers of Muhammad ﷺ
(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1882)

An Anguished Prayer at the Persecution by an Opponent

When Maulvi Muhammad Hussain Batalavi reached the lowest level of his abusive and vile attitude, Hadhrat Masih Ma’uud ﷺ offered this prayer. The source of this prayer appears to be the prayer of the Holy Prophet ﷺ when he was persecuted at Ta’if.

O my Guardian, my Beloved Master, I leave the answer to this person’s abuse, curses and name calling to You. If it is Your will, then Your will is my will. I do not wish anything better than Your pleasure. My heart is not hidden from You. Your eyes see my innermost self. If there is any discrepancy in me remove it. I seek refuge in Your countenance from any vice which You find in me. O my Beloved Guide, if I have chosen the path of destruction, You save me from it and make me perform the deeds that please You. My soul tells me that You are with me and will remain with me. Since You have informed me that You are with me, and since You addressed me with the words, أَلَيْنِيُّ منَّ أَراَهَا إِياَنُكَ, and since You told me out of kindness and benevolence أَنتُ بَينِيُّ بِمَنْخَالَةِ لَا يَعْلُمُهَا الْخَلْقُ, my spirit has revived. Your comforting words are like ointment for my wounds. Your loving words enliven my grief stricken heart. I was sinking in grief and You gave me glad tidings. I was afflicted and You comforted me.

O my Beloved, it is sufficient for me that You are with me and I am for You. Your assault will destroy the ranks of the enemy and all Your pure promises will be
fulfilled and You will forgive Your servant’s sins.

(Aasmani Faisla, page 9, Roohani Khazain, vol.4, page 319)

A Comprehensive Prayer

When Hadhrat Masih Ma’uudas was grieved by the abusive language and opposition and the vicious maulivals, he prayed to God in these words:

أَللّهُمَّ فِاحْفَظْنَا بِنَفْسِهِنَا وَبَرَّنَا بِيْنَ تَهْمِيمِهِنَّ وَاخْصِصْنَا بِجِنْفُكَ و/or/اِضْطَفْائِكَ وَخَيرِكَ و/or/لا تَكُنْنَا إِلَى

كُلَا غِيرِكَ و/or/أُرْزُعْنَا أن نَّعْمَلْ صَالِحًا تَرَضَاهُ نَسْتَلِكَ

رُحُمْتَكَ وَفَضْلَكَ وَرَضَاكَ لَ و/or/آَنَتْ خَيْرَ الْرَّاحِمِينَ

رَبّ كَنْ يَفْضِلْكَ قُوَّتُي وَنُورُ بَصِيرَتِي و/or/مَا فِي قُلُوبِي و/or/قَبْلَةُ

حَيَاتِي وَسَمَاتِي و/or/اِشْغَفْنِي مَحْبَةً و/or/أَيْنِي حُبًا لَّيْتَكُ

عَلِيَّهِ أَحْلَ بِنْ بَعْدِي رَبّ فَقِلْتُ دَعاوتي و/or/اِغْتَنَمْتِ سَبِيْتَيٍّ

و/صَافِينِي و/or/غَافِينِي و/or/عَذَّبْتِي و/or/أَيْدِيَنِي و/or/أَيْدِيَنِي و/or/فَتْنِيَّ

و/or/رَكْنِي و/or/نُؤُرْنِي و/or/اجْعَلْنِي جَمِيعًا لَكَ و/or/كُنْ لِي جَمِيعًا

رَبّ تَعَالِ إِلَيْنِ بِنَ كُلِّ بَابٍ و/or/حَليْصِنِي بِنَ كُلِّ جَيْبٍ

و/or/اِسْتِقْنِي بِنَ كُلِّ شَرَابٍ و/or/أَعْنِي فِي هَيْجَاءِ النَّفْسِ

و/or/حُجُذْبِيْنِي و/or/اِخْفَظْنِي بِنَ مَهَالِكِ البَيْنِ و/or/ظُلُامِيْنِيْنِرَكَ

لا تَكُنْنِي إِلَى نَفْسِي طُرْقًا عَيْنٍ و/or/اِغْصَمْنِي بِنَ سِبَاتِي

و/or/اجْعَلْ إِلَيْكَ رُفُعًا و/or/صَعُودًا و/or/أَدخَلْ فِي كُلِّ ذِرَةٍ

بِنَ دُرَّاتٍ و/or/جَوُودٍ و/or/اِجْعَلْنِي بِنَ الْيَدِينِ لَكَ تَسْمَى فِي

بِحَارِكَ و/or/مُسْرِحِ فِي رِياضٍ أَنْوَارٍ و/or/رَضَاكَ تَخَتَّ
O Allah save us from their mischief and exonerate us from their slander. Make us special with Your protection, eminence, and Your blessings. Do not entrust us to any one except Yourself. Enable us to do
such righteous deeds that please You. We are desirous of Your mercy, beneficence, and Your pleasure. You are the Most Merciful of all who show mercy.

O my Lord, with Your blessings, You become my vigour, light of my eyes, delight of my heart and the focal point of my life and death. You grant me zeal to attain Your love and infuse me with such love that no one surpasses me in this love for You. O Lord, accept my prayers, grant my aspirations, cleanse me, protect me and draw me close to Yourself. You Yourself guide me, support me and enable me to do good. Purify me and enlighten me. Take over my existence completely and You become totally mine. O my Lord, come to me from every door and remove every barrier which, separates us. Intoxicate me with the wine of Your love. Help me in times when the passions of the evil self are rising and evil emotions are ready to destroy me. Protect me from the darkness and destruction caused by separation from You. Do not leave me to my evil self even for the twinkling of an eye. Save me from the evil within me. My ascent should be towards You and my descent be in Your direction. Enter every atom of every particle that constitutes my existence. Make me one of those who swim in Your seas and walk in Your illuminated gardens. And those who are happy at the Your decree when it comes and put distance among my enemies.

O my Lord, show me Your beauty as a favour and with the light of Your countenance, make me drink Your pure water and deliver me from every haze or barrier which, distances me from You. Do not make me one of those who were covered in the veils of darkness and were removed from the light and blessings. And due to their defective thinking and perverse efforts shifted from the house of blessings to the house of destruction. Grant me pure obedience to Your Majesty and grant me the ability to prostrate to You always. Bestow upon me such strength which attracts Your bounties and grant me special gifts that You bestow only upon Your chosen ones. Shower such mercy upon me which You only grant to Your beloved servants. O my Lord, revive Islam with my power,
efforts, prayers and discourses. Revive its lustre, beauty and attractiveness and destroy every arrogant enemy and his arrogance.
O my Lord, show me how You bring the dead to life. Show me such faces that manifest the beauty of the faith. Grant me such souls who possess wisdom. Show me such eyes that shed tears in Your fear. Show me such hearts that tremble at the mention of Your name. Show me such pure natures which follow the right path of truth.

Some Special Revealed Prayers of Hadhrat Masih Ma'ūd

(These prayers refer to the person and status of Huzur and were revealed in special circumstances. Prayers can be chosen out of this collection according to one's own situation.)

رب اجزه جزاءاً أوهاً

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1904)

O my Lord, reward him fully.

Before this prayer, a revelation regarding Huzur's status is also recorded in which he was addressed as "Imam of High Status" and this prayer was meant for his person.

رب أصص روجتي

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1899)

O my Lord, grant health to my wife.

رب اشفع روجتي هدى واجعل ليها بركاتها في السماة وبركاتها في الارض

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1906)

O my Lord, grant health to this wife of mine and provide blessings from heaven and the earth for her.

رب ردني عمرى وعمر روجتي زيادة خارقة عادة

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1901)
O my Lord, exceptionally prolong my life and my wife's life.

رَبِّ لَا تُضِيِّغْ عُمُرِي وَعُمُرَهَا وَأَخْفَظْنِي بِنْ كُلِّ آفَةٍ

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1906)

O my Lord, do not let my life and my wife's life go to waste. Save me and protect me from every hardship and affliction that is intended for me.

رَبِّ اَخْفَظْنِي فِي الْقُوْمِ يُخَذَّدُونَنِي سَحْرَةٍ

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1906)

O my Lord, protect me, as these people are making me the butt of their ridicule.

رَبِّ أُخْرِجْنِي مِنَ النَّارِ

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1907)

O my Lord, take me out of fire.

Note: Immediately after this, is another revelation: "All praise belongs to Allah, Who saved me from the fire." This refers to the fire kindled by the mischief of Ahrar. Hadhrat Musleh Ma'udda said in his Friday sermon of 14th June 1935 that after this revelation no such ordeal occurred in the life of the Promised Messiahaa. So this was a prophecy for the Jamaat that hellish situations would be created for them but God would save them."

(Tadhkirah, revelation of 1906)

Hadhrat Masih Ma'udda pointing to an earthquake said that he received the following revelation.

رَبِّ أَرْبَى نِيَ أَيْنَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ

O my Lord, show me a sign from heaven.

With this revelation the words of 'Honour with rewards' were revealed. These words refer to the fact that God would bestow honour as a result of this sign and it would carry a reward as well. Huzur said that the scene of an earthquake was shown to him and then these words were revealed.
O my Lord, postpone its time and make it happen at another time.

Then in another revelation, acceptance of the prayer was mentioned and Huzur said that God had postponed the earthquake.

On 31st of August this was revealed:

Show me the earthquake of the appointed time.
(Means show me a vision.)

This prayer was accepted and then another revelation was revealed on 9th March 1906

O my Lord, do not show me the earthquake of the doomsday. O my Lord, do not show me the death of any of them (meaning his special Khuddam and Ansar of the Jamaat).

This revelation came after the death of Maulavi Abdul Karim Sahib Sialkoti. In the second prayer the request was for the postponement of the earthquake. As it has been mentioned earlier this prayer was also accepted and the earthquake occurred later than its appointed time.

O my Lord, show a distinction between the truthful one and the liars. You recognise every truthful one and reformer.

Huzur said: these revealed words contained a rebuttal to the words of Abdul Hakim Khan in which he referred to himself as the truthful one. God said that He would show the difference between a truthful
one and a liar.

(Ishtehar August 16, 1906, included in Haqeeqat ul Wahl)

رب لا تُعِبِّي مِنَ الْمُخَرِّبَاتِ ذَكَرًا

(Tadkirah, revelation of 1906)

O my Lord, do not leave a single humiliating thing for me.

So this prayer was accepted. In 1903 in another revelation God promised acceptance of this prayer, and said: "He will not leave the memory of anything which supposedly humiliates you."

(Tadkirah)

O my Lord, leave not a single one of those staunch dis-believers.

رب اجعلني غالبًا على غيري

(Tadkirah, revelation of 1907)

O my Lord, make me victorious over my opponents.

Another revelation "My victory" refers to the acceptance of this prayer.

واجعل لي غلبة في الدُنيَا والذِنَين

(Tadkhirah, revelation of 1900)

And grant me mastery in the World and the Faith.

واجعل لي نأفًا هذا التجارة

(Tadkhirah, revelation of 1900)

Make this business profitable for me.

Reference is to the business of the spirit and belief

هل أذلكم على تجارة تنجيكم من عذاب يوم

(Tadkirah, revelation of 1906)

رب سلطتي على النار

O my Lord, give me control over fire.(meaning that the fire of punishment obeys me).

(Zabur 25:118, Matti 9:21)
These two words are from the Hebrew language.
(Tadkirah, revelation of 1883)

O God, I pray that You grant me salvation and free me from hardships.

A prophecy in the form of prayer: "We granted salvation", ' was fulfilled after twenty-five years.
(Braheen-e-Ahmadiyya, part 5, page 8, Roohani Khazain, vol.22, page 104-105)

(Tadkirah, revelation of 1892

O my Lord, manifest Yourself to me, manifest Yourself.

(Tadkirah, revelation of 1893

O Allah, make this dream of mine full of blessings.

(Tadkirah, revelation of 1902

O God, if You destroy this Jamaat, never again will You be worshipped on this earth.

(Tadhrkirah

O Allah, bestow victory.
Prayer for Those who call us Disbelievers

O my Beloved, my people have sunk deep in vice
Only Your power can guide them to the right path

Though the work is Yours, we have become restless

Turn them to distinct truth with Your Grace
Bestow upon them the capacity to contemplate

Though parted from us, by calling us non-believers
We, still grieve and agonise for their plight

We know, their hearts are hard like stones
Even then, a stream of piety can flow from the stones
A Prayer of Trust in God and His Unity

Sheikh Muhammad Bukhsh Sahib (chief of Karianwala district Gujrat) wrote to Hadrat Masih Mau'd about his severe financial difficulties. Hudur wrote this poem for him and God delivered him of his problems with this prayer.

Inevitably, one day, you will face annihilation
No one has the power to oppose Divine decree

One day, you must leave this transitory world behind
Everyone is bound by God's decree
O the mortal one, be steadfast, it is obligatory on you
In grief, sorrow, despair, gloom, worries and affliction

Despair not from God's benevolence in this manner
Hardships pose no problem to the Remover of difficulties

Can weak mortals fulfil your needs?
Supplicate, for all needs to One, who can

Eradicate every whiff of duality from your heart
Bow only before the Lord of the heavens and the earth

Inculcate love of piety and hate for evil
Surely, one day, you will appear before God

Can falsehood succeed in the face of truth?
What value has a stone when compared to a priceless ruby
Islam's Pitiab State and Anguished Prayer for its Dominance

Without God's Grace, the boat of Islam is sinking
Help O Folly! Wisdom is at a loss

Grant me, O God, exceptional zeal and fervour
Which renders me passionate, with heartache for faith

Cause such fire within me, for my people
Countless flames of it constantly rise up to the sky

Every particle of mine, be sacrificed to You, O God
I am tearful; show me the faith in full blossom

Ahmad's faith is under attack from all sides
Can't anyone see these nations and their assaults?
Where is the eye that sheds not tears of grief?
Where is the heart, which is not restless in sorrow?

Today the faith is being assaulted by every nation
The lofty minaret of Islam is shaky

Have not this calamity reached the heavens yet?
Would the sun of faith disappear into the caves?

O my Merciful God, Grant me victory over Satan,
He is assembling countless armies

This war is bigger than war with Russia or Japan
I am destitute and my opponent is renowned

Thinking of this, my heart loses control
O my Refuge, let the armies of angels descend
Every particle of mine be sacrificed to You, O my Beloved
O the Captain, turn the tide of the world in my favour

Pray, take heed of the clamour in Your Street
If You do not befriend me, I would be totally destroyed

Help me now, with Your Mercy
So that the boat of Islam rides this storm

Overlook my faults and shortcomings
Let not the cursed enemies of faith gloat over it

Apply ointment to my wounds, I am afflicted
Listen to my cries of help, I am destitute

Weakness of Muhammad’s faith is unbearable to me
O my Master, make me triumphant and victorious
Would You cause me to die before accomplishing my mission? This is not what I hoped for? O my Protecting Fortress

O my Lord, Have mercy on Islam, save it with Your Mercy Accept the supplications of the people of this wrecked boat

Clouds of despair are gathering, the night is dark and gloomy

A world is parched dry without Your water O my Friend, turn the tide of the river this way

In this trial oursenses are deserting us Liberate Your servants, Have Mercy on them

Planning is useless, how do we deal with it? Chaotic sway of calamities is everywhere
This boat is sinking fast, come O my Captain!
This nation is withering in springtime

O Lord! who except You can irrigate this land
Withered is the garden of righteousness, faith is just a shrine

It is only You, who can set the matters right
Otherwise the tide of mischief is turning into a flood

Show us a sign; faith is loosing its identity
Glance this way, that we may perceive spring
Prayer For Children

Bless them with good fortune, faith and prosperity
Guard them Yourself, have Mercy on them

О my Patron, bestow good fortune on them
Make their status high, their ranks lofty

O my Creator, accept all my prayers
My life be sacrificed to You. help us
We are at Your threshold, with high hopes
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me

Mahmood, my beloved son is Your servant
Grant him long life, prosperity, dispel all darkness

May the days be of fulfilled hopes and dawns bright
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me

He has two brothers, grant them happiness too
Your Bashir Ahmad and Your Sharif, the younger

Bestow blessings equally on them, Bestow sweet Mercy
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me

Make them good, let them not go astray
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me
O my Beloved, O the Affectionate One,
Grant them glory, make them bright as stars

Bestow this Grace on them, grant them inner piety
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me

O the soul of my heart, the Sovereign of both worlds
Grant such Mercy on them, it makes them unique

Grant perpetual good fortune, and bounties from heaven
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me

Listen to my supplications, O my Beloved God
My life be sacrificed to You, shelter them with mercy

Listen to my cries of help, keep them safe
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me
O the One, Unique One, Creator of the universe
Listen to my prayers, humble prayers of mine

Make them moons of the faith, I put them in Your trust
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me

Make them auspicious, grant them bounties
Save them from every sorrow, deliver them from pain

Be my Facilitator, do not put me in trial
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me

Make these three servants of You, guides of the world
Make them educators of the world, full of brightness

May they be sanctuary for kings, and bright as the sun
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me
ابن وقار بوجود فثار ديار الموجود
حن پا شار موجود مولی کے پار موجود

May they attain dignity, become the pride of the land
Ready to sacrifice themselves for truth, true friends of God

پاڑگ و پار موجود اک سے پرارات موجود
پیرز کرامک مبتہشان میں پرتواشی

Grant them offspring, multiply them thousand fold
Bless this day, Holy is He, Who watches over me

(Dur-e-Sameen Urdu page 36-38)
O my Master! This is my prayer to You
A humble cry of help in Your court

Grant me, whatever is in my heart
In modesty, my tongue opens not

My children, a favour from You
Enable me to see them all as righteous ones

Nothing is beyond Your power
Bestow upon them, everything You bestowed on me

(Dur-e-Sameen Urdu page 47)
What a wonderful Benefactor, the Sea of Generosity

Holy is He, Who humiliated my enemies

Deliver them from filth

Make them succeed in humility

May they live a life of prosperity and happiness

O my Lord, save them from an evil life

May they become callers to faith, like me

Holy is He, Who humiliated my enemies

Illuminate their foreheads with good fortune

Save them from the fear of the Anti Christ
In every situation save them from grief
Pain and sorrow overwhelm them not

This, my heart's desire, I supplicate
Holy is He, Who humiliated my enemies

Save them from times of grief

May they adhere to Your threshold
O my Guardian, protect them at all times

O my Guide, I supplicate to You
Holy is He, Who humiliated my enemies
May they never see the times of helplessness
Let not grief and affliction touch them
Allow me to see righteousness of all of them
Before the time of my return arrives
You gave me their glad tidings before hand
Holy is He, Who humiliated my enemies
O my God, I remember Your Bounties
You gave glad tidings and then these children
You told me they would not be destroyed
They will grow like tall trees in the garden
You informed me of this again and again

Holy is He, Who humiliated my enemies
An Old Comprehensive Persian Poem

1 God Almighty, the Holy, the Exalted
   He created, the sun, the moon and the sky

2 Every lane, every path is full of mischievous ones
   O God, revive your faith once more

3 Show us, once more the glory of your faith
   Once more, Grace us with a Merciful glance

4 Inspire Ahmad's faith with life once again
   Remove the evil of disbelief from the world

5 Cause disbelief and disbelievers to fade away from earth
   Remove the dead and the dogs, bestow tranquillity
6 O Almighty and Gracious God
Deliver my soul from the grief for faith

7 You, the Forgiving, the Greatest, the Noblest
Your forgiveness knows no limits

8 In both worlds, there is no partner for You
You are the One, in the heavens and the earth

9 You are the Noblest, Your Glory Greatest
You are the only One, the Holy and the Eternal

10 Grant me vigour, O Lord, for advancement of the faith
Bestow support and guidance for this mission

11 The highly agonised one's envy my heart
Make me the lowest one among the pious
12 Infuse my eyes with the light of the truth
Accomplish all my affairs beautifully

13 Deliver me from the evil self
Leave not an iota of Satan's sway in me

14 Demolish my ego from the root
Free me from my self; enliven me with Your spirit

15 Permeate me with attraction, lead me to Your love
Love without which, I find not a moment's solace

16 Purify my heart from pride and arrogance
Fill and enlighten my soul with Your light

17 Captivate my heart with Your love
Love, without which, I have no roots or branches
18 Imbue my soul with the clamour of a mad lover
Intoxicate, absorb and make me lost in Your love

19 Confer such a state on me, that I cannot live without You
Without You, I would be rendered deaf and dumb

20 Such a state in which, nothing matters except You
Everything, but You, would become worthless

21 Cause me to loose interest in the world
The world and time mean nothing to me

22 Hold me captive in Your deep love
Escape becomes out of the question

23 Make gold and silver worthless in my eyes
Make attaining poverty my greatest aim
24 Grant me such wisdom which seeks truth
Make me follow Your path eagerly

25 Enrich my soul with Your love
Intoxicate and absorb me in You

26 My ultimate desire is, to praise and Glorify You
All I aspire for is, Your pleasure

27 Ever since, I lost myself in You and Your love
World and its affairs have become meaningless

28 O my God, forgive me my sins
Guide me to Your threshold

29 Illuminate my heart and soul
Cleanse me of my invisible sins
30 Console and allure my heart
With a merciful glance resolve my problems

31 You are my Beloved in both worlds
What I beseech You for, is You Yourself
Prayer for Decisive Distinction between

Truth and Falsehood

O the Mighty Creator of the Heavens and the Earth
O the Merciful, Affectionate, and the Guide

O my Master, You watch the hearts
O the One, from Whom, nothing is hidden

If You Know I am full of impiety and mischief
If You perceive me as a man of evil disposition

Tear me to pieces, me a wicked one
Delight my enemies with my destruction

Shower rain of mercy on their hearts
Gratify their desires with Your Grace
آتش افکان بدر فدا یار
سپرم باش و نیک کن کاریم

Let the fire of Your wrath, burn my abode
You be my enemy and destroy my affairs

وهرما از دیپکانت
یاری آسانانت
یاری آسانانت

But, O Lord, if You perceive me as Your servant
If You know, Your threshold is the object of my veneration

ورون مس آل میت رته
کرجبان آل راز را
پاش ده

If You discern such love in my heart
Which was hidden from the eyes of the world

پاک از روست میت کاری
امره که افکن آل امار کن

Then O Lord, for this love, treat me as a beloved
And manifest some of the love You have for me

ایم آل سوء و میر طوجه
وائی آن سور میر سوزنه

My Master, You embrace every seeker of truth
You know the passion that burns in the lover's heart

زام تحت با که پاوار ورتم
زام میت باک درول که فتم

I beseech You in the name of the bond I have for You
In the name of love which is implanted in my heart
Manifest Your Self, exonerate me from enemy's accusations
You are my Shelter, my Refuge, and my Retreat

The fire of love that You have ignited in my heart
As a result, every other love has gone up in smoke

Illuminate my face with the lustre of this love
Transform the darkness into a bright day

Enlighten the eyes of the blind world
O the Mighty, show Your power and might

Show a bright sign from heaven
Make a flower bloom in Your garden

I see the world full of impiety and mischief
In negligence, the heedless people have forgotten death
Unaware of reality, alien to truth
Like children, fascinated by fiction

Their love for the Friend has gone cold in their hearts
Their hearts have turned away from the path of the loved one

The storm is gathering, the night dark and gloomy
Save us, let the sun of Your mercy rise high and bright
AN Arabic Poem

O our Lord, support us with Your mercy
Exact retribution from him who discards truth as if it is worthless

O my Lord, my people are sunk deep in darkness and ignorance
Have mercy on them; cause them to reach the illuminated house

O my Lord, arbitrate between us, grant an honourable decision
O the Being, Who watches my heart and my innermost self

O the One, Whose doors are open for supplicators,
Reject not my prayers, I beg of You

O my Lord, shower 'Durud' on Your Messenger for ever
In this world and in the world to come