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#### **Merits of Kufa City**

Be it known to you that al-Kufa city is one of the four cities chosen by Almighty Allah exclusively. It is narrated that the word tur-sinin (Holy Qur'an, 95/2) mentioned in the Holy Qur'an is an indication of this city. According to another narration, this city is the sanctuary of Almighty Allah, the Holy Prophet (s), and Imam `Ali ('a), and to give one dirham as alms in this city is equal in rewarding to giving one hundred dirhams at other places, and to offer a two-unit prayer there is equal in rewarding to offering a hundred-unit prayer at other places.

#### Merits of Masjid al-Kufa

To mention all the merits of Masjid al-Kufa (the Kufa Mosque) cannot be covered in this book, because they are too many to be contained by one book. The least to mention in this respect is that this honorable mosque is one of the four mosques that are worthy of being visited so that the merits of such visit may be attained. It is also one of the four places where a traveler is free to perform the obligatory prayers either in the complete form (itmam) or in the shortened form (qasr). The reward of performing one obligatory prayer at Masjid al-Kufa is equal to the reward of going on one acceptable hajj and equal to the reward of performing one thousand prayers at other places.

In Masjid al-Kufa, according to narrations, all Prophets offered prayers, and the Awaited Imam - peace be upon him - will also offer prayer therein. In this connection, a hadith reads that one thousand Prophets and one thousand successors of Prophets offered prayers in Masjid al-Kufa. Moreover, some narrations may hint that this mosque is preferred in merits to the Holy Mosque in Jerusalem (al-masjid al-aqsa).

#### Merits of Masjid al-Kufa

Ibn Qawlawayh has reported Imam Muhammad al-Baqir ('a) as saying, "If people were to realize the favors that they may attain when they visit Masjid al-Kufa, they should certainly travel to it from remote countries... One obligatory prayer in this mosque is equal in reward to (the reward of) one time of admitted hajj, and to offer a supererogatory prayer in this mosque is equal in reward to (the reward of) one admitted `umrah."

However, according to another narration, the reward of one obligatory prayer and one supererogatory prayer that are performed in Masjid al-Kufa is equal to the reward of one hajj and one `umrah practiced with the Holy Prophet (s).

Shaykh al-Kulayni, as well as other scholars, has reported on the authority of our master reporters that Imam Ja`far al-Sadiq ('a) asked Harun ibn Kharijah, "What is the distance between your house and Masjid al-Kufa? Is it one mile?"

"No," answered Harun, "It is less than that."

The Imam ('a) asked, "Do you then perform all your prayers there?" "No, in fact" answered Harun.

The Imam ('a) commented, "Had I been present in the precinct of that mosque, I would have never missed any prayer that I can perform there. Do you know the merits of that place? All Prophets and virtuous saints offered prayers in Masjid al-Kufa, including the Holy Prophet Muhammad (s). When he was taken to the heavens, Archangel Gabriel said to him, 'Muhammad, do you know where you are now? You are now opposite to the mosque of kufan.' The Holy Prophet (s) thus asked permission from his Lord to visit the mosque and offer a two-unit prayer. He was thus permitted.

Verily, the right side of this mosque is a garden of Paradise, the middle of it is a garden of Paradise, and the back of it is also a

#### Merits of Masjid al-Kufa

garden of Paradise. To perform an obligatory prayer there is equal in reward to performing one thousand prayers (at other places). To offer a supererogatory prayer therein is equal in reward to offering five hundred prayers. To sit there without reciting or saying any devotional statement is considered worship. If people were to realize the merits of visiting this place, they would certainly come to it, even crawling."

According to another narration, the reward of one obligatory prayer that is performed in Masjid al-Kufa is equal to the reward of going on hajj, and the reward of one supererogatory prayer that is offered there is equal to the reward of one `umrah.

At the end of the previously mentioned seventh untimed form of ziyarah of Imam `Ali ('a), I have also referred to some merits of Masjid al-Kufa.

Finally, in the word of some narrations, the right side of this mosque is more favorable than its left side.

As is mentioned in the book of Misbah al-Za'ir and other books, the recommended devotional acts at Masjid al-Kufa are as follows:

You may begin with the following words when you enter the City of al-Kufa:



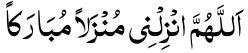
bismi allahi wa billahi In the Name of Allah (I begin), in Allah (I trust),

وَفِي سَبِيلِ اللهِ

wa fi sabili allahi on the way of Allah (I proceed),

wa `ala millati rasuli allahi and the course of Allah's Messenger,

salla allahu `alayhi wa alihi peace be upon him and his Household, (I follow).



allahumma anzilni munzalan mubarakan
O Allah, (please do) enable me to reside blessedly

## وَانْتَ خَيْرُ الْمُنْزِلِينَ

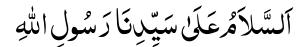
wa anta khayru almunzilina and You are the best of those who enable to reside.

You may then walk toward the mosque, repeating the following statements:

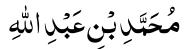
allahu akbaru wa la ilaha illa allahu Allah is the Most Great. There is no god but Allah.

walhamdu lillahi wa subhana allahi All praise be to Allah. All glory be to Allah.

When you reach the gate of the mosque, you may stop there and say the following words:



alssalamu `ala sayyidina rasuli allahi
Peace be upon our master the Messenger of Allah,



muhammadi bni `abdillahi Muhammad son of `Abdullah,

## وَ آلِهِ الطَّاهِرِينَ

wa alihi alttahirina and upon his immaculate progeny.

### اَلسَّلاَ مُعَلَىٰ امِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

alssalamu `ala amiri almu'minina
Peace be upon the Commander of the Faithful,

`aliyy bni abi talibin wa rahmatu allahi wa barakatuhu
`Ali the son of Abi-Talib. Allah's mercy and blessings be upon him,

### وَعَلَىٰ مَجَالِسِهِ وَمَشَاهِدِهِ

wa `ala majalisihi wa mashahidihi upon his sessions, upon his meeting-places,

wa maqami hikmatihi wa athari aba'ihi upon the places that witnessed his wisdom, upon the traces of his forefathers:

adama wa nuhin wa ibrahima wa isma`ila Adam, Noah, Abraham, and Ishmael,

### وتبيان بيناته

wa tibyani bayyinatihi
and upon the places that witnessed the presentations
of his evidences.

# اَلسَّلاَمُعَلَىٰ الإِمَامِ الْحَكِيمِ الْعَدُلِ

alssalamu `ala al-imami alhakimi al`adli Peace be upon the Imam: the wise, the just,

# الصِّدِّيقِ الأُكْبَرِ الْفَارُوقِ بِالْقِسْطِ

alssiddiqi al-akbari alfaruqi bilqisti the grandest veracious, and the fair distinguisher

alladhi farraqa allahu bihi bayna alhaqqi walbatili by whom Allah distinguished the right from the wrong,

walkufri wal-imani atheism from (true) belief,

walshshirki walttawhidi and polytheism from monotheism,

### لِيَهْلِكُ مَنْ هَلَكُ عَنْ بَيِّنَةٍ

liyahlika man halaka `an bayyinatin so that he who would perish might perish by clear proof

wa yahya man hayya `an bayyinatin and he who would live might live by clear proof.

ashhadu annaka amiru almu'minina
I bear witness that you are verily the commander of the faithful,

wa khassatu nafsi almuntajabina the elite of the selves of the select ones,

wa zaynu alssiddiqina the adornment of the veracious ones,

wa sabiru almumtahanina and the most steadfast among the tried ones;

wa annaka hakamu allahi fi arzihi and that you are verily the judge of Allah on His lands,

wa qazi amrihi wa babu hikmatihi the decider according to His orders, the door to His wisdom,

wa `aqidu `ahdihi walnnatiqu biwa `dihi the maker of His pledge, the spokesman of His promise,

walhablu almawsulu baynahu wa bayna `ibadihi the rope that is connected between His servants and Him,

wa kahfu alnnajati wa minhaju alttuqa the haven of redemption, the course of piety,

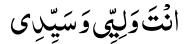
walddarajatu al`ulya wa muhayminu alqazi al-a`la the most elevated rank, and the executor of the laws of the Most Exalted Judge.

### يا امِيرَالُهُؤُمِنِينَ

ya amira almu'minina
O Commander of the Faithful,



bika ataqarrabu ila allahi zulfa through you do I seek close nearness to Allah



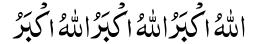
anta waliyyi wa sayyidi for you are my chief, master,



wa wasilati fi alddunya wal-akhirati and means (to Allah) in this world as well as the Hereafter.

#### You may then enter the mosque:

It is however more favorable to enter the mosque from the gate situated at the backside. This gate is known as bab al-fil (The Elephant Gate). You may then say the following words:



allahu akbaru allahu akbaru allahu akbaru
Allah is the Most Great. Allah is the Most Great.
Allah is the Most Great.

## هٰنَا مَقَامُرالْعَائِنِ بِاللهِ

hadha maqamu al`a'idhi billahi
This is the situation of him who seeks refuge with Allah,

wa bimuhammadin habibi allahi with Muhammad the most beloved by Allah,

salla allahu `alayhi wa alihi may Allah's peace be upon him and his Household,

wa biwilayati amiri almu'minina
with the (Divinely commissioned) leadership of the
Commander of the Faithful.

wal-a'immati almahdiyyina alssadiqina and with the Imams; the well-guided, the veracious,



alnnatiqina alrrashidina the spokesmen (of Allah), the orthodox,

## الَّنِينَ اذُهَبَ اللهُ عَنْهُمُ الرِّجُسَ

alladhina adhhaba allahu `anhumu alrrijsa from whom Allah removed filth

wa tahharahum tathiran and He purified them with thorough purification.

razitu bihim a'immatan wa hudatan wa mawaliyya I accept them as leaders, guides, and masters.

sallamtu li'amri allahi la ushriku bihi shay'an
I succumb to the acts of Allah. I associate none with Him

wa la attakhidhu ma`a allahi waliyyan and I do not betake any master other than Allah.

kadhaba al`adiluna billahi Truly liars are those who set up equals with Allah

## وَضَلُّوا ضَلاَلاً بَعِيداً

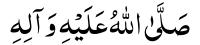
wa zallu zalalan ba`idan as they have certainly strayed off in remote error.

hasbiya allahu wa awliya'u allahi Sufficient for me are Allah and the saints of Allah.

ashhadu an la ilaha illa allahu I bear witness that there is no god but Allah,

wahdahu la sharika lahu alone without having any partner.

wa ashhadu anna muhammadan `abduhu wa rasuluhu And I bear witness that Muhammad is His servant and Messenger,



salla allahu `alayhi wa alihi may Allah's blessings be upon him and his Household,

# وَانَّ عَلِيَّا وَالائِبَّةَ الْمَهُدِيِّينَ مِنَ ذُرِّيَّتِهِ عَلَيْهِمُ السَّلاَمُ

wa anna `aliyyan wal-a'immata almahdiyyina min dhurriyyatihi `alayhimu alssalamu and that `Ali and the well-guided Imams from his progeny, peace be upon them all,

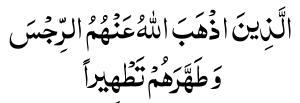
اوْلِيَا ئِي وَحُجَّةُ اللهِ عَلَىٰ خَلْقِهِ

awliya'i wa hujjatu allahi `ala khalqihi are my masters and the arguments of Allah against His created beings.

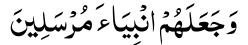
You may then walk to the fourth column of the mosque, which is situated next to bab al-anmat and opposite to the fifth column.

This column is also called istiwanat ibrahim (the column of Prophet Abraham). You may then offer a four-unit prayer. In the first two units, you may recite Surah al-Fatihah and Surah al-Tawhid. In the other two units, you may recite Surah al-Fatihah and Surah al-Qadr (No. 97). When you finish, you may say tasbih al-zahra' litany and then say the following words:

alssalamu `ala `ibadi allahi alssalihina alrrashidina Peace be upon the righteous, orthodox servants of Allah



alladhina adhhaba allahu `anhumu alrrijsa wa tahharahum tathiran from whom Allah has removed filth and purified them a thorough purification.



wa ja`alahum anbiya'a mursalina He also made them Prophets and Messengers

# وَحُجَّةً عَلَىٰ الْخَلْقِ اجْمَعِينَ

wa hujjatan `ala alkhalqi ajma`ina and set them as arguments against all the created beings.

#### وَسَلاَ مُرْعَلَىٰ الْبُرْسَلِينَ

wa salamun `ala almursalina Peace be upon the Messengers

walhamdu lillahi rabbi al`alamina and all praise be to Allah the Lord of the worlds.

dhalika taqdiru al`azizi al`alimi
This is the arrangement of the Mighty, Knowing Lord.

You may then repeat the following statement seven times:

salamun `ala nuhin fi al`alamina
Peace and salutation to Noah among the nations.

#### Devotional acts at Magam Ibrahim (a.s.) You may then say the following words:

## نَحْنُ عَلَىٰ وَصِيَّتِكَ يَا وَلِىَّ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

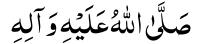
nahnu `ala wasiyyatika ya waliyya almu'minina
O master of the believers, we are abiding by your precept

allati awsayta biha dhurriyyataka that you provided to your offspring:

min almursalina walssiddiqina the Messengers and the veracious ones.

wa nahnu min shi`atika
And we are among your adherents

wa shi`ati nabiyyina muhammadin and among the adherents of our Prophet Muhammad,



salla allahu `alayhi wa alihi
peace of Allah be upon him and his Household

### وَعَلَيْكَ وَعَلَىٰ جَبِيعِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ

wa `alayka wa `ala jami`i almursalina and upon you as well as all the Messengers,

wal-anbiya'i walssadiqina Prophets, and veracious ones.

wa nahnu `ala millati ibrahima

And we are also following the doctrine of Abraham,

wa dini muhammadin alnnabiyyi al-ummiyyi the religion of Muhammad the Meccan Prophet,

wal-a'immati almahdiyyina and the religion of the well-guided Imams,

wa wilayati mawlana `aliyyin amiri almu'minina and we are loyal to the (Divinely commissioned) leadership of `Ali, the Commander of the Faithful.

## ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَىٰ الْبَشِيرِ النَّنِ يرِ

alssalamu `ala albashiri alnnadhiri

Peace be upon the bearer of glad tidings (for the believers)

and the warner (against Allah's chastisement).

### صَلَوَاتُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ

salawatu allahi `alayhi May Allah's peace,

wa rahmatuhu wa rizwanuhu wa barakatuhu mercy, pleasure, and blessings be upon him,

wa `ala wasiyyihi wa khalifatihi and upon his successor and vicegerent:

alshshahidi lillahi min ba`dihi `ala khalqihi the witness on Allah's creatures after him (the Prophet),



`aliyyin amiri almu'minina
`Ali, the Commander of the Faithful,

# الصِّدِّيقِ الأَكْبَرِوَ الْفَارُوقِ الْمُبِينِ

alssiddiqi al-akbari walfaruqi almubini the grandest veracious, and the clear distinguisher (between the right and the wrong),

alladhi akhadhta bay`atahu `ala al`alamina whom You have ordered the peoples to swear allegiance to him.

razitu bihim awliya'a wa mawaliyya wa hukkaman I thus accept them as masters, leaders, and rulers,

fi nafsi wa wuldi wa ahli wa mali wa qismi over myself, my progeny, my family members, my property, whatever sustenance You decide for me.

wa hilli wa ihrami wa islami wa dini whatever is legal or illegal for me to do, my being Muslim, my religion,

#### وَدُنْيَايَ وَآخِرَتِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَهَاتِي

wa dunyaya wa akhirati wa mahyaya wa mamati my worldly life, my Next Life, my being kept alive, and my death.

antumu al-a'immatu fi alkitabi

You (the Infallible Imams) are indeed the Imams
whom are mentioned in the (Holy) Book

## وَفَصُلُ الْمَقَامِ وَفَصُلُ الْخِطَابِ

wa faslu almaqami wa faslu alkhitabi and you are the clear leaders in all situations, the clear judges,

wa a`yunu alhayyi alladhi la yanamu the eyes of the Ever-living Lord Who never sleeps,

wa antum hukama'u allahi and the judging representatives of Allah.

wa bikum hakama allahu wa bikum `urifa haqqu allahi Through you has Allah judged and though you was the right of Allah recognized.

Ia ilaha illa allahu muhammadun rasulu allahi
There is no god but Allah.
Muhammad is the messenger of Allah.

antum nuru allahi min bayni aydina wa min khalfina You are the Light of Allah that lies before and behind us.

antum sunnatu allahi allati biha sabaqa alqaza'u You are the instructions of Allah that He has decided before all things.

### يا امِيرَالُهُوُّمِنِينَ

ya amira almu'minina
O Commander of the Faithful,

ana lakum musallimun tasliman
I submit to you with thorough submission,

la ushriku billahi shay'an
I never associate with Allah anything [or anyone],

wa la attakhidhu min dunihi waliyyan and I never betake a master other than Him.

alhamdu lillahi alladhi hadani bikum All praise be to Allah Who has guided me to this,

wa ma kuntu li'ahtadiya lawla an hadaniya allahu and I should never have been guided if Allah had not guided me.

allahu akbaru allahu akbaru allahu akbaru
Allah is the Most Great. Allah is the Most Great.
Allah is the Most Great.

### الْحَمُثُ لُولِيُّهِ عَلَىٰ مَا هَدَانَا

alhamdu lillahi `ala ma hadana All praise be to Allah for that to which He has guided us.

The seat of judgment (dakkat al-qaza') was a shop-like structure inside Masjid al-Kufa in which there was a bench that was used by Imam 'Ali ('a) for judging. Next to this place, there was a short column on which the following holy verse was written:

إِنَّ الله يَامُرُبِ الْعَدُلِ وَالإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَاءِ ذِي الْقُرْبِ الْعَدُلِ وَالإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَاءِ ذِي الْقُرْبِ الْقُرْبُ الْفُحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنكِّ وَالْبَغِي الْقُرْبُ الْفُحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنكِّ وَالْبَغِي الْفُحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنكِّ وَالْبَغِي يَعِظُكُمُ لَعَلَّكُمُ تَذَكَّرُونَ.

innallaha yamuru bil'adle wal ehsan wa etae dhil-qurba wa yanha 'anil fahshae wal munkar wal baghy yaezukum la allakum tazakkarun.

"Surely, Allah enjoins the doing of justice and the doing of good to others and the giving to the kindred, and He forbids indecency and evil and rebellion; He admonishes you that you may be mindful."

The place of the washtub (bayt al-tast) is the place where one of the miracles of Imam `Ali ('a) was shown:

While an unmarried girl was swimming in a pool, a leech could penetrate into her body to settle in her womb. This leech fed on the blood of that girl and thus grew up. Hence, the girl's belly began to grow bigger and bigger that her brothers though that she was illegally pregnant. As they intended to kill their sister, they first provided the case before Imam 'Ali ('a) to decide about her. The Imam ('a) ordered that a thick curtain should be erected in one

Devotional acts in the Seat of Judgment and the Place of the Washtub of the sides of the mosque (Masjid al-Kufa) behind which the girl would sit. The Imam ('a) then asked a famous midwife in al-Kufa city to check the girl. The answer of the midwife came as follows: "O Amir al-Mu'minin, this girl is pregnant. She carries a fetus in her womb."

However, the Imam ('a) ordered them to bring a washtub made of clay and he asked them to make that girl sit there. When the leech felt the stench of the clay, it sneaked out from where it had entered and it fell in the washtub. Thus, the innocence of the girl was proved.

According to other narrations, Imam `Ali ('a) extended his hand and brought a piece of ice from the mountains of Syria and put it in the washtub, causing the leech to come out.

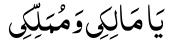
#### Order of devotional Acts in Masjid al-Kufa:

Be it known to you that the order of doing the recommended acts in Masjid al-Kufa according to the opinion of the majority of scholars is that the acts to be done in the center of the mosque come directly after the acts at the fourth column. Hence, the acts of the seat of judgment and the place of washtub should be the last of all, which means that they are done after the accomplishment of the acts at the seat of Imam al-Sadiq ('a) (dakkat al-sadiq).

In this book, I imitate the order followed by Sayyid Ibn Tawus, in his book of Misbah al-Za'ir, `Allamah al-Majlisi, in his book of Bihar al-Anwar, and Shaykh Khazir, in his book of al-Mazar.

In conclusion, one who desires to follow the opinion of the majority of scholars may do the acts at the seat of judgment (dakkat alqaza') and the place of washtub (bayt al-tast) after accomplishing all the other acts of Masjid al-Kufa.

Back to the acts of dakkat al-qaza' and bayt al-tast, after finishing from the fourth column, you may walk to dakkat al-qaza' and offer there a two-unit prayer, reciting in each unit Surah al-Fatihah and any other Surah you like to recite. After accomplishment, you may say the famous Tasbih al-Zahra' litany and then say the following supplicatory words:



ya maliki wa mumalliki

O He Who possesses me, He Who endows me with possessions,

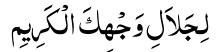
wa mutaghammidi bilnni`ami aljisami and He Who encompasses me with enormous bounties

مِنْ غَيْرِ اسْتِحْقَاقٍ

min ghayri istihqaqin albeit that I do not deserve them.

## وَجُهِي خَاضِعٌ لِمَا تَعُلُوهُ الاقْدَامُر

wajhi khazi`un lima ta`luhu al-aqdamu My face is humble to what is overtopped by feet



lijalali wajhika alkarimi due to the majesty of Your Noble Face.

## لاَتَجْعَلُ هٰذِهِ الشِّكَّةَ وَلاَهٰذِهِ الْبِحْنَةَ

la taj`al hadhihi alshshiddata wa la hadhihi almihnata (Please) do not make this hardship and this ordeal

muttasilatan bistisali alshsha'fati to be continual until they lead to the extirpation of the root.

### وَامْنَحْنِي مِنْ فَضْلِكَ

wamnahni min fazlika And (please) grant me from Your favor

ma lam tamnah bihi ahadan min ghayri mas'alatin more than that which You have granted to any body who has not asked You to grant him.

anta alqadimu al-awwalu You are verily the Eternal and the First Lord

alladhi lam tazal wa la tazalu Who has neither beginning nor end.

## صَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَتَّدٍ وَ ٱلِ مُحَتَّدٍ

salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin (please) send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,

## وَاغُفِمْ لِي وَارْحَمْنِي

waghfir li warhamni forgive me, have mercy on me,

### وَزَكِّ عَمَلِي وَبَارِكُ لِي فِي اجَلِي

wa zakki `amali wa barik li fi ajali admit my deeds, bless my lifetime,

# وَاجْعَلْنِي مِنْ عُتَقَائِكَ وَطُلَقَائِكَ مِنَ النَّارِ

waj`alni min `utaqa'ika wa tulaqa'ika min alnnari and include me with those whom You release and pardon from Hellfire,

birahmatika ya arhama alrrahimina in the name of Your mercy, O most merciful of all those who show mercy.

At the place of the washtub, which is connected to the seat of judgment, you may offer a two-unit prayer. When you finish the prayer and say the Tasbih statements, you may say the following

**Devotional acts in the Seat of Judgment and the Place of the Washtub** supplicatory words:

allahumma inni dhakhartu tawhidi iyyaka
O Allah, I save (the reward of) my submission to Your Oneness,

wa ma`rifati bika wa ikhlasi laka my recognition of You, my sincerity to You,

wa iqrari birububiyyatika and my bearing witness of Your Godhead,

wa dhakhartu wilayata man an`amta `alayya bima`rifatihim min bariyyatika

and I also save (the reward of) my loyalty to those with the recognition of whom You have bestowed upon me:

muhammadin wa `itratihi salla allahu `alayhim namely, Muhammad and his Household, peace of Allah be upon them,

## ڸؚؽۅ۫ڡؚۏؘڗؚؠٳڶؽڬٵڿؚڵٲۅٙٱڿؚڵؖ

liyawmi faza`i ilayka `ajilan wa ajilan
(I save all that) to the day of my taking refuge with You,
whether in this world or the Hereafter.

# وَقُلُ فَزِعْتُ إِلَيْكَ وَإِلَيْهِمْ يَا مَوْلاً يَ

wa qad fazi`tu ilayka wa ilayhim ya mawlaya Thus, I am now taking refuge with You, O my Master, and with them,

## فِي هٰذَا الْيَوْمِ وَفِي مَوْقِفِي هٰذَا

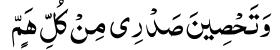
fi hadha alyawmi wa fi mawqifi hadha on this day and on this very situation,

wa sa'altuka ma zaka min ni`matika and I thus beg You for Your increasing bounties,

wa izahata ma akhshahu min niqmatika for removing from me Your chastisement that I fear,

## وَالْبَرَكَةَ فِيمَا رَنَهُ تَنِيهِ

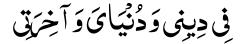
walbarakata fima razaqtanihi for blessing all the sustenance which You grant me,



wa tahsina sadri min kulli hammin and for immunizing my heart from receiving any grievous matter,

#### وَجَائِحَةٍ وَمَعْصِيَةٍ

wa ja'ihatin wa ma`siyatin any calamity, or any act of disobedience to You,



fi dini wa dunyaya wa akhirati regarding my religion, worldly life, and the Next Life.

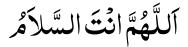


ya arhama alrrahimina
O most merciful of all those who show mercy.

It is narrated that Imam al-Sadiq ('a) offered a two-unit prayer in this place; the place of the washtub (bayt al-tast).

### Prayers and Supplications in the Center of the Mosque

At the center of Masjid al-Kufa, you may offer a two-unit prayer, reciting in the first unit Surah al-Fatihah and Surah al-Tawhid, and in the second unit Surah al-Fatihah and Surah al-Kafirun (No. 109). After you finish the prayer and say the Tasbih statements, you may say the following:



allahumma anta alssalamu O Allah, You are the Peace.

wa minka alssalamu You are the source of peace.

wa ilayka ya`udu alssalamu To You does peace belong.

wa daruka daru alssalami Your abode is the abode of peace.

Prayers and Supplications in the Center of the Mosque

## حَيِّنَا رَبَّنَا مِنْكَ بِالسَّلاَمِ

hayyina rabbana minka bilsslami So, our Lord, greet us with peace from You.

allahumma inni sallaytu hadhihi alssalata O Allah, I have offered this prayer,

ibtigha'a rahmatika wa rizwanika wa maghfiratika seeking Your mercy, pleasure, forgiveness,

wa ta`ziman limasjidika and as sign of my esteeming Your mosque.

allahumma fasalli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin O Allah, (please) send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad.

### ۅٵۯڣؘۼۿٳ<u>ڣ</u>؏ؚڷؚؾۣؽ

warfa`ha fi `illiyyina raise my prayer to the most elevated place,

#### Prayers and Supplications in the Center of the Mosque



wa taqabbalha minni ya arhama alrrahimina and accept it from me,

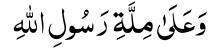
O most merciful of all those who show mercy.

It is worth mentioning that the center of Masjid al-Kufa is also called dakkat al-mi`raj (Seat of the Ascension to the Heavens). Apparently, when the Holy Prophet (s), at the night of his Ascension, asked permission from Almighty Allah to visit this mosque, he offered his prayer at this place. Previously, I have mentioned the narration involving this incident.

The seventh column is the place where Almighty Allah guided Prophet Adam to ask for repentance. Hence, you may walk to this place, stop there, face the kiblah direction, and say the following words:



bismi allahi wa billahi In the Name of Allah (I begin), in Allah (I trust),

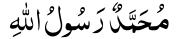


wa `ala millati rasuli allahi and the course of Allah's Messenger,

salla allahu `alayhi wa alihi peace be upon him and his Household, (I follow).



wa la ilaha illa allahu There is no god but Allah.



muhammadun rasulu allahi Muhammad is Allah's messenger.

#### ألسَّلاً مُرعَكَى ابِينَا آدَمَ وَامِّنَاحَوَّاءَ

alssalamu `ala abina adama wa ummina hawwa'a Peace be upon our father Adam and our mother Eve.

alssalamu `ala habila almaqtuli zulman wa `udwanan Peace be upon Abel who was killed wrongly and aggressively,

`ala mawahibi allahi wa rizwanihi because he was envied for Allah's favors and pleasure.

alssalamu `ala shaythin safwati allahi Peace be upon Sheeth, the select of Allah,

#### الْمُخْتَارِ الامِينِ

almukhtari al-amini the chosen and trustee,

### وَعَلَى الصَّفُوةِ الصَّادِقِينَ مِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِهِ الطَّيِّبِينَ

wa `ala alssafwati alssadiqina min dhurriyyatihi alttayyibina and upon the veracious, select ones from his immaculate progeny,

## اوَّلِهِمْ وَآخِرِهِمْ

awwalihim wa akhirihim from the first to the last.

#### اَلسَّلاَ مُرعَكَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَإِسْمَاعِيلَ

alssalamu `ala ibrahima wa isma`ila Peace be upon Abraham, Ishmael,

wa ishaqa wa ya`quba Isaac, and Jacob,

## وَعَلَىٰ ذُرِّيَّتِهِمُ الْمُخْتَارِينَ

wa `ala dhurriyyatihimu almukhtarina and upon their chosen descendants.

alssalamu `ala musa kalimi allahi Peace be upon Moses the spoken by Allah.

alssalamu `ala `isa ruhi allahi Peace be upon Jesus the spirit of Allah.

## ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَىٰ مُحَبَّدٍ بُنِ عَبْدِ اللهِ خَاتِم النَّبِيِّينَ

alssalamu `ala muhammadin ibni `abdillahi khatimi alnnabiyyina Peace be upon Muhammad the son of `Abdullah, the seal of the Prophets.

alssalamu `ala amiri almu'minina wa dhurriyyatihi alttayyibina
Peace be upon the Commander of the Faithful
and upon his immaculate progeny.

wa rahmatu allahi wa barakatuhu Allah's mercy and blessings be upon them.

alssalamu `alaykum fi al-awwalina Peace be upon you among the ancient generations.



alssalamu `alaykum fi al-akhirini
Peace be upon you among the coming generations.

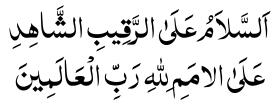
#### ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَىٰ فَاطِمَةَ الزَّهْرَاعِ

alssalamu `ala fatimata alzzahra'i
Peace be upon Fatimah al-Zahra' (the Luminous Lady).

### السلام عكا الائِتة الهادين

alssalamu `ala al-a'immati alhadina Peace be upon the guiding Imams:

shuhada'i allahi `ala khalqihi the witnesses of Allah upon His created beings.



alssalamu `ala alrraqibi alshshahidi
`ala al-umami lillahi rabbi al`alamina
Peace be upon the supervisor: the witness on the nations
for Allah the Lord of the worlds.

At the same place, you may offer a four unit prayer reciting in the first unit Surah al-Fatihah and Surah al-Qadr and reciting in the second unit Surah al-Fatihah and Surah al-Tawhid and repeat the same in the third and fourth units. When you finish this prayer and say the Tasbih statements, you may then say the following supplicatory words:

## ٱللَّهُمَّ إِنْ كُنْتُ قَدْعَصَيْتُكَ

allahumma in kuntu qad `asaytuka O Allah, if I have disobeyed you,

## فَإِنِّ قَدُاطَعُتُكَ فِي الإِيمَانِ مِنِّي بِكَ

fa'inni qad ata`tuka fi al-imani minni bika I have also obeyed you in my belief in You.

mannan minka `alayya la mannan minni `alayka This is out of Your favoring upon me, not a favor that I do to You.

wa ata`tuka fi ahabbi al-ashya'i laka
I have also obeyed You in the things that You most like:

lam attakhidh laka waladan
I have not claimed that You have child

wa lam ad`u laka sharikan and I have not associated any one with You.

## وَقَلْ عَصَيْتُكِ فِي اشْيَاءَ كَثِيرَةٍ

wa qad `asaytuka fi ashya'a kathiratin Yet, I have disobeyed You in many things,

`ala ghayri wajhi almukabarati laka on account of neither defiance,

wa la alkhuruji `an `ubudiyyatika nor mutiny against my servitude to You,

wa la aljuhudi lirububiyyatika nor denial of Your Godhead;

wa lakin ittaba`tu hawaya rather, I only followed my lusts,

## وَازَلِّنِيَ الشَّيْطَانُ بَعْدَ الْحُجَّةِ عَلَىَّ وَالْبِيَانِ

wa azallaniya alshshaytanu ba`da alhujjati `alayya walbayani and Satan caused me to slip although You have had clear argument against me.

fa'in tu`adhdhibni fabidhunubi ghayra zalimin li
Thus, if You chastise me, then it is on account of my sins
and You are never unjust to me.

wa in ta`fu `anni wa tarhamni And if You pardon me and have mercy upon me,

fabijudika wa karamika ya karimu then this is out of Your magnanimity and generosity, O All-generous.

allahumma inna dhunubi lam yabqa laha illa raja'u `afwika O Allah, nothing can stand for my sins except my hope in Your pardon,

wa qad qaddamtu alata alhirmani although I have done things due to which I deserve deprivation of Your pardon.

fa'ana as'aluka allahumma ma la astawjibuhu Therefore, I beseech You, O Allah, for that which I do not deserve

wa atlubu minka ma la astahiqquhu
and I seek from You that which I do not merit.

allahumma in tu`adhdhibni fabidhunubi wa lam tazlimni shay'an
O Allah, if you chastise me, then this will be on account
of my sins and You shall never be unjust to me.

wa in taghfir li fakhayru rahimin anta ya sayyidi
But if You forgive me, then You are already the best of all those
who show mercy, O my Master.

allahumma anta anta wa ana ana O Allah, You are what You are and I am what I am:

anta al`awwadu bilmaghfirati
You are always returning with forgiveness

wa ana al'awwadu bildhdhnubi and I always return with sinning.

wa anta almutafazzilu bilhilmi You always confer with forbearance

wa ana al`awwadu biljahli and I always return with impatience.

allahumma fa'inni as'aluka ya kanza alzzu`afa'i O Allah, I do beseech You, O treasure of the weak,

ya `azima alrraja'i ya munqidha algharqa
O He in Whom great hope is put, O rescuer of the drowned,

ya munjiya alhalka ya mumita al-ahya'i O savior of those about to perish, O He Who causes the alive to die,

## يًا مُحِيىَ الْمَوْقَ

ya muhyiya almawta
O He Who causes the dead to live again!

anta allahu la ilaha illa anta You are Allah; there is no god but You.

anta alladhi sajada laka shu`a`u alshshamsi It is You before Whom has prostrated the ray of the sun,

wa dawiyyu alma'i wa hafifu alshshajari the sound of water, the rustling of trees,

wa nuru alqamari wa zulmatu allayli and the moonlight, the murk of night,

wa zaw'u alnnahari wa khafaqanu alttayri the light of daytime, and the flapping of birds.

## فَاسُالُكَ اللَّهُمَّ يَاعَظِيمُ

fa-as'aluka allahumma ya `azimu I thus beseech You, O All-great,

### بِحَقِّكَ عَلَىٰ مُحَبَّدٍ وَ آلِهِ الصَّادِقِينَ

bihaqqika `ala muhammadin wa alihi alssadiqina in the name of the duty of Muhammad and his veracious Household towards You,

## وبِحَقِّ مُحَمَّدٍ وَ آلِهِ الصَّادِقِينَ عَلَيْكَ

wa bihaqqi muhammadin wa alihi alssadiqina `alayka in the name of Your duty towards Muhammad and his veracious Household,

wa bihaqqika `ala `aliyyin in the name of the duty of `Ali towards You,

### وَبِحَقِّ عَلِيٍّ عَلَيْكَ

wa bihaqqi `aliyyin `alayka in the name of Your duty towards `Ali,

## وبحقِّكَ عَلَىٰ فَاطِمَةً

wa bihaqqika `ala fatimata in the name of the duty of Fatimah towards You,

## وَبِحَقِّ فَاطِمَةً عَلَيْكُ

wa bihaqqi fatimata `alayka in the name of Your duty towards Fatimah,

wa bihaqqika `ala alhasani in the name of the duty of al-Hasan towards You,

wa bihaqqi alhasani `alayka in the name of Your duty towards al-Hasan,

wa bihaqqika `ala alhusayni in the name of the duty of al-Husayn towards You,

wa bihaqqi alhusayni `alayka and in the name of Your duty towards al-Husayn.

# فَإِنَّ حُقُوقَهُمْ عَلَيْكَ مِنَ افْضَلِ إِنْعَامِكَ عَلَيْهِمُ

fa'inna huquqahum `alayka min afzali in`amika `alayhim

Verily, Your duty towards them is one of the greatest blessings

that You conferred upon them.

## وَبِالشَّانِ الَّذِي لَكَ عِنْدَهُمُ

wa bilshsha'ni alladhi laka `indahum

And (I beseech You) in the name of the position
that You enjoy with them

wa bilshsha'ni alladhi lahum `indaka and in the name of the position that they enjoy with You

salli `alayhim ya rabbi salatan da'imatan muntaha rizaka to (please) bless them, O Lord, with blessings that are as endless until they attain Your pleasure,

waghfir li bihim aldhdhunuba allati bayni wa baynaka to forgive me, in their names, the sins that I committed concerning my duties towards You,

wa arzi `anni khalqaka to make Your creatures to be satisfied with me,

## واتبم عكى نِعْمَتك

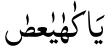
wa atmim `alayya ni`mataka to complete Your favors upon me

### كَمَا اتُّمَهُ تَهَاعَكَى آبَالِيْ مِنْ قَبُلُ

kama atmamtaha `ala aba'i min qablu in the same way as You had completed them upon my forefathers,

wa la taj`al li'ahadin min almakhluqina `alayya fiha imtinanan not to cause any of Your creatures to have any role in these favors,

wamnun `alayya kama mananta `ala aba'i min qablu to confer upon me with graces in the same way as You had already done with my forefathers,



ya kaf ha' ya' `ayn sad

## ٱللَّهُمَّ كَمَاصَلَيْتَ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَ آلِهِ

allahumma kama sallayta `ala muhammadin wa alihi
O Allah, in the same way as You have poured blessings upon
Muhammad and his Household,

## فَاسْتَجِبُ لِي دُعَالِ وَعَالِمُ فِيَاسَالُتُ

fastajib li du`a'i fima sa'altu
(please) respond to my entreaty as regards that which
I have asked from You,

ya karimu ya karimu ya karimu O All-generous! O All-generous!

You may then prostrate yourself and say (while prostrating) the following supplicatory prayer:

ya man yaqdiru `ala hawa'iji alssa'ilina
O He Who has full power over settling the requests
of the beseechers

#### وَيَعْلَمُ مَا فِي ضَبِيرِ الصَّامِتِينَ

wa ya`lamu ma fi zamiri alssamitina and Who knows what is hidden in the inner selves of the silent ones.

#### يَا مَنْ لاَيَحْتَاجُ إِلَى التَّفُسِيرِ

ya man la yahtaju ila alttafsiri O He Who does not require explanation.

ya man ya`lamu kha'inata al-a`yuni O He Who knows the stealthy looks

wa ma tukhfi alssuduru and that which the breasts conceal.

#### يَا مَنُ انْزَلَ الْعَذَابَ عَلَىٰ قَوْمِ يُونُسَ

ya man anzala al`adhaba `ala qawmi yunusa
O He Who decided chastisement to befall
the people of (Prophet) Jonah

wa huwa yuridu an yu`adhdhibahum and as He decided to chastise them,

fada`awhu wa tazarra`u ilayhi they prayed Him and besought Him;

## فَكَشَفَ عَنْهُمُ الْعَنَابَ وَمَتَّعَهُمُ إِلَى حِينٍ

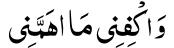
fakashafa `anhum al`adhaba wa matta`ahum ila hinin so, He removed from them the chastisement and He gave them provision until a time.

qad tara makani wa tasma`u du`a'i You do see where I am, You do hear my prayer,

wa ta`lamu sirri wa `alaniyati wa hali

You do know what I conceal, what I declare,
and in what situation I am:

salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin (please) send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,



wakfini ma ahammani and relieve me from all that which has aggrieved me

#### مِنُ امْرِدِينِي وَدُنْيَايَ وَ آخِرَتِي

min amri dini wa dunyaya wa akhirati from the affairs of my religion, my worldly life, and my Next Life.

You may then repeat the following statement seventy times:



ya sayyidi O my Master.

You may then raise your head from the state of prostration and say the following supplicatory prayer:

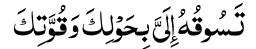
ya rabbi as'aluka barakata hadha almawzi`i
O my Lord, I pray You to grant me the blessing of this place

wa barakata ahlihi and the blessing of its people.

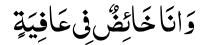
wa as'aluka an tarzuqani min rizqika
And I pray You to grant me sustenance from Your sustenance;

رِنُه قَاحَلاَلاً طَيِّباً

rizqan halalan tayyiban sustenance that is legal and pleasant,



tasuquhu ilayya bihawlika wa quwwatika and that You bring it to me by Your might and power,



wa ana kha'izun fi `afiyatin while I experience good health,

ya arhama alrrahimina
O most merciful of all those who show mercy.

In the book of al-Mazar al-Qadim, it is mentioned that the following supplication may be said immediately after the abovementioned supplication that ends with ya karimu ya karimu ya karimu:

ya man tuhallu bihi `uqadu al-makarihi

O He through whom the knots of detested things are untied!

## كُوَيَا مَنْ يُفْتَابِهِ حَدُّ الشَّدَائِدِ

wa ya man yuftha'u bihi haddu alshshada'idi...

O He through whom the cutting edge of hardships is blunted!...

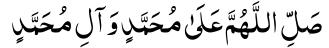
This supplication, which has been mentioned in the first section of this book under the title of du'a' al-amn (Supplication for Security), is one of the supplications of al-Sahifah al-Sajjadiyyah.

The writer of al-Mazar al-Qadim has added that the following supplication may be said:

allahumma innaka ta`lamu wa la a`lamu O Allah, You verily know while I do not,

wa taqdiru wa la aqdiru You have power (over all things) while I do not,

wa anta `allamu alghuyubi and You are the Knower of all unseen things.



salli allahumma `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin

(Please) send blessings upon Muhammad

and the Household of Muhammad,

waghfir li warhamni wa tajawaz `anni forgive me, have mercy upon me, overlook my sins,

wa tasaddaq `alayya ma anta ahluhu and confer upon me with that which is befitting You,



ya arhama alrrahimina
O most merciful of all those who show mercy.

Be it known to you that the narrations carrying the merits of the seventh column in Masjid al-Kufa are numerous. For instance, al-Kulayni has reported through an authoritative chain of authority that Imam 'Ali Amir al-Mu'minin ('a) used to offer prayers next to the seventh column and the distance between him and this column was so close that one could hardly pass from there.

According to another validly reported narration, each night sixty thousand angels descend from the heavens to offer prayer at the seventh column and none of them returns until the Resurrection Day.

According to another validly reported tradition, Imam al-Sadiq (`a) has said, "The seventh column is the standing-place of Prophet Abraham ('a)."

In his book of al-Kafi, Shaykh al-Kulayni has also narrated that Abu-Isma`il al-Sarraj reported that Mu`awiyah ibn Wahab took him

from the arm to the seventh column and said that Abu-Hamzah al-Thumali had taken him from the arm to this seventh column and said that al-Asbagh ibn Nubatah had taken him from the arm to this seventh column and said, "This is the place where Imam 'Ali Amir al-Mu'minin ('a) used to be. Imam al-Hasan ('a) used to offer prayers at the fifth column, but when Imam 'Ali ('a) would be absent, al-Hasan ('a) would take his place at the seventh column, which is at bab kindah (the Gate of Kindah)."

In conclusion, the narrations reporting the merits of the seventh column at Masjid al-Kufa are numerous; but because my course in this book is to sum up as much as possible, I will mention no more.

The fifth column in al-Kufa Mosque is one of the peculiar places; therefore, it is advised not to miss offering a prayer there and not to miss supplicating Almighty Allah for granting the personal requests. According to an authoritative narration, Prophet Abraham ('a) offered a prayer at this place.

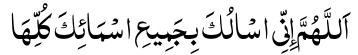
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It is also understood from an aforementioned narration that Imam al-Hasan ('a) used to offer prayers at this place.

In conclusion, narrations have confirmed that the seventh and the fifth columns in Masjid al-Kufa are the most blessed places.

Sayyid Ibn Tawus says: At the fifth column, you may offer a twounit prayer reciting any Surah you want after Surah al-Fatihah. When you finish the prayer and say the Tasbih statements, you may say the following supplicatory prayer:



allahumma inni as'aluka bijami`i asma'ika kulliha O Allah, I beseech You in the name of all Your Names:

#### مَاعَلِبُنَامِنُهَاوَمَالاَنَعُلَمُ

ma `alimna minha wa ma la na `lamu those which we know and those which we do not.

## وَاسُالُكَ بِاسْمِكَ الْعَظِيمِ الاعْظِمِ

wa as'aluka bismika al`azimi ala`zami And I beseech You in the name of Your Great, All-great,



alkabiri alakbari grand, and All-grand Name,

## الَّذِي مَنْ دَعَاكَ بِهِ اجَبْتَهُ

alladhi man da`aka bihi ajabtahu which if one beseeches You by it, You will respond to him,

wa man sa'alaka bihi a`taytahu if one begs you by it, You will give him,

wa man istansaraka bihi nasartahu if one asks You for victory by it, You will give him victory,

## وَمَنِ اسْتَغْفَرَكَ بِهِ غَفَرُتُ لَهُ

wa man istaghfaraka bihi ghafarta lahu if one asks for Your forgiveness by it, You will forgive him,

### ومن استعانك بداعنته

wa man ista`anaka bihi a`antahu if one seeks Your aid by it, You will aid him,

wa man istarzaqaka bihi razaqtahu if one solicits You by it for sustenance, You will grant him sustenance,

wa man istaghathaka bihi aghathtahu if one seeks Your help by it, You will help him,

wa man istarhamaka bihi rahimtahu if one begs Your mercy by it, You will have mercy upon him,

wa man istajaraka bihi ajartahu if one seeks refuge with You by it, You will protect him,

wa man tawakkala `alayka bihi kafaytahu if one asks for Your support by it, You will support him,

### ومن استغصمك بِهِ عَصَمْتَهُ

wa man ista`samaka bihi `asamtahu if one seeks Your shield by it, You will guard him,

wa man istanqadhaka bihi min alnnari anqadhtahu if one seeks You by it to save him from Hellfire, You will save him,

wa man ista`tafaka bihi ta`attafta lahu if one seeks Your kindness by it, You will be kind to him,

wa man ammalaka bihi a`taytahu and if one puts hope in You by it, You will give him:

alladhi ittakhadhta bihi adama safiyyan the Name by which You have betaken Adam as Your choice,

wa nuhan najiyyan wa ibrahima khalilan Noah as Your confidant, Abraham as Your intimate friend,

wa musa kaliman wa `isa ruhan Moses as the one spoken by You, Jesus as Your spirit,

wa muhammadan habiban wa `aliyyan wasiyyan Muhammad as Your most beloved one, and `Ali as Your Prophet's successor,

salla allahu `alayhim ajma`ina may Your blessings be upon all of them,

an taqziya li hawa'iji
(I beseech You) to grant me my requests,

wa ta`fuwa `amma salafa min dhunubi overlook my past sins,

## وَتَتَفَضَّلَ عَلَىَّ بِهَا انْتَ اهْلُهُ

wa tatafazzala `alayya bima anta ahluhu and confer upon me with that which befits You

wa lijami`i almu'minina walmu'minati lilddunya wal-akhirati as well as upon all the believing men and women in this world and the world to come.

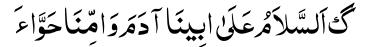
ya mufarrija hammi almahmumina

O He Who relieves the grievances of the aggrieved ones!

wa ya ghiyatha almalhufina
O He Who aids the confused ones!

Ia ilaha illa anta subhanaka ya rabba al`alamina
There is no god but You.
All glory be to You, O Lord of the worlds.

It is narrated that Imam al-Sadiq ('a) instructed one of his companions to offer a two-unit prayer at the fifth column, for it is the place where Prophet Abraham ('a) used to offer prayers. The Imam ('a) then taught him to say there, while facing the kiblah direction, the aforementioned form of ziyarah that comprises the following statements:



alssalamu `ala abina adama wa ummina hawwa'a... Peace be upon our father Adam and our mother Eve...

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You may then walk to the seat of Imam `Ali ibn al-Husayn Zayn al-`Abidin ('a) that is situated near the third column from the direction of bab kindah (the Gate of Kindah). Opposite to this place from the kiblah direction is the seat of Imam `Ali Amir al-Mu'minin ('a) and from the west side is bab kindah, which is now blocked. It has been also said that one who wants to offer prayers there must stand five arms far from the column, since the actual place of the seat of Imam Zayn al-`Abidin ('a) was there. Anyhow, you may offer there a two-unit prayer reciting Surah al-Fatihah and any other Surah you like. When you finish the prayer and say the Tasbih statements, you may say the following:



bismi allahi alrrahman alrrahimi
In the Name of Allah; the All-beneficent, the All-merciful.



allahumma inna dhunubi qad kathurat
O Allah, my sins have been growing



wa lam yabqa laha illa raja'u `afwika and nothing can stand for them except the hope in Your pardon

#### وَقَدُقَدُ مَتُ آلَةَ الْحِرْمَانِ إِلَيْكَ

wa qad qaddamtu alata alhirmani ilayka although I have done things due to which I deserve deprivation of Your pardon.

## فَانَا اسْالُكَ اللَّهُمَّ مَا لاَ اسْتَوْجِبُهُ

fa'ana as'aluka allahumma ma la astawjibuhu Therefore, I beseech You, O Allah, for that which I do not deserve

wa atlubu minka ma la astahiqquhu and I seek from You that which I do not merit.

allahumma in tu`adhdhibni fabidhunubi

O Allah, If you chastise me, then this will be on account of my sins

wa lam tazlimni shay'an and You shall never be unjust to me.

wa in taghfir li fakhayru rahimin anta ya sayyidi
But if You forgive me, then You are already the best of all those
who show mercy, O my Master.

allahumma anta anta wa ana ana O Allah, You are what You are and I am what I am:

anta al`awwadu bilmaghfirati You always return with forgiveness

wa ana al'awwadu bildhdhnubi and I always return with sinning.

wa anta almutafazzilu bilhilmi You always confer with forbearance

wa ana al`awwadu biljahli and I always return with impatience.

allahumma fa'inni as'aluka O Allah, I do beseech You,

#### يَاكُنُوَالضَّعَفَاءِيَاعَظِيمَ الرَّجَاءِ

ya kanza alzzu`afa'i ya `azima alrraja'i O treasure of the weak! O He in Whom great hope is put!

ya munqidha algharqa ya munjiya alhalka
O rescuer of the drowned! O savior of those about to perish!

## يًا مُبِيتَ الاحْيَاءِ يَا مُحْيِيَ الْمَوْتَى

ya mumita al-ahya'i ya muhyiya almawta O He Who cause the alive to die! O He Who causes the dead to live again!

anta allahu alladhi la ilaha illa anta You are Allah; there is no god but You.

anta alladhi sajada laka shu`a`u alshshamsi It is You before Whom have prostrated the ray of the sun,

wa nuru alqamari wa zulmatu allayli the moonlight, the murk of night,

#### وَضَوْءُ النَّهَارِ وَخَفَقَانُ الطَّايْرِ

wa zaw'u alnnahari wa khafaqanu alttayri the light of daytime, and the flapping of birds.

fa-as'aluka allahumma ya `azimu I thus beseech You, O All-great,

bihaqqika ya karimu `ala muhammadin wa alihi alssadiqina in the name of the duty of Muhammad and his veracious Household towards You, O All-generous,

wa bihaqqi muhammadin wa alihi alssadiqina `alayka in the name of Your duty towards Muhammad and his veracious Household.

wa bihaqqika `ala `aliyyin in the name of the duty of `Ali towards You,

## وَبِحَقِّ عَلِيٍّ عَلَيْكُ

wa bihaqqi `aliyyin `alayka in the name of Your duty towards `Ali,

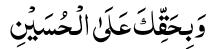
### وَبِحَقِّكَ عَلَىٰ فَاطِمَةً

wa bihaqqika `ala fatimata in the name of the duty of Fatimah towards You,

wa bihaqqi fatimata `alayka in the name of Your duty towards Fatimah,

wa bihaqqika `ala alhasani in the name of the duty of al-Hasan towards You,

wa bihaqqi alhasani `alayka in the name of Your duty towards al-Hasan,



wa bihaqqika `ala alhusayni in the name of the duty of al-Husayn towards You,

Devotional acts at the Third Column[Station of Imam Zayn al-Abidin (a.s.)]

## وبِحَقِّ الْحُسَيْنِ عَلَيْكَ

wa bihaqqi alhusayni `alayka and in the name of Your duty towards al-Husayn.

fa'inna huquqahum min afzali in`amika `alayhim

Verily, Your duty towards them is one of the greatest blessings

that You conferred upon them.

## وَبِالشَّانِ الَّذِي لَكَ عِنْدَهُمُ

wa bilshsha'ni alladhi laka `indahum

And (I beseech You) in the name of the position
that You enjoy with them

wa bilshsha'ni alladhi lahum `indaka and in the name of the position that they enjoy with You

### صَلِّيا رَبِّعَلَيْهِمُ

salli ya rabbi `alayhim to (please) bless them, O Lord,

### صَلاَةً دَائِمَةً مُنْتَهَىٰ رِضَاكَ

salatan da'imatan muntaha rizaka with blessings that are endless until they attain Your pleasure,

Devotional acts at the Third Column[Station of Imam Zayn al-Abidin (a.s.)]

waghfir li bihim aldhdhunuba allati bayni wa baynaka to forgive me, in their names, the sins that I committed concerning my duties towards You,

### واتبم نغتتك عكى

wa atmim ni`mataka `alayya to complete Your favors upon me

## كَمَا اتَّمَهُتَهَاعَلَىٰ آبَالِىٰ مِنْ قَبُلُ

kama atmamtaha `ala aba'i min qablu in the same way as You had completed them upon my forefathers.



ya kaf ha ya `ayn sad

## ٱللَّهُمَّ كَمَا صَلَّيْتَ عَلَىٰ مُحَبَّدٍ وَ ٱلِ مُحَبَّدٍ

allahumma kama sallayta `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin O Allah, just as You have poured blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,

## فَاسْتَجِبْ لِي دُعَا ئِي فِيَا سَالْتُكَ

fastajib li du`a'i fima sa'altuka (please) respond to my entreaty as regards that which I have asked from You.

Devotional acts at the Third Column[Station of Imam Zayn al-Abidin (a.s.)] You may then prostrate yourself and stick your right cheek to the ground and repeat as much as possible the following statements with reverence and weeping:

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ya sayyidi ya sayyidi ya sayyidi O my Master! O my Master! O my Master!

صَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَتَّدٍ وَ ٱلِ مُحَتَّدٍ

salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin
Bless Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad

وَاغْفِرْ لِي وَاغْفِرْ لِي...

waghfir li waghfir li...
and forgive me. Please, forgive me...

Repeat these words with tearful humility.

You may then stick your left cheek to the ground and repeat the same words.

You may then supplicate Almighty Allah for anything you want.

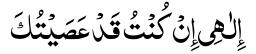
Immediately after their reference to the acts to be advisably done at the fourth column, Shaykh al-Shahid and Muhammad ibn al-Mashhadi have included this act with the other acts that are done at the courtyard of the mosque.

They have added that one may offer a four-unit prayer in the first two units of which one may recite Surah al-Fatihah and Surah al-Tawhid and the last two units one may recite Surah al-Fatihah and the Surah al-Qadr.

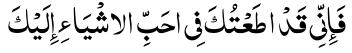
After accomplishment, one may say the Tasbih al-Zahra' litany... etc.

Some books have me ntioned that the following instruction of Imam al-Sadiq (as) to one of his companions may be carried out in place of Imam Zainul Abidin(as)

However this instruction is not dedicated to this place; rather, to the courtyard of Masjid al-Kufah when Imam mentioned that when you pass by the mosque in the mornings then perform this.



ilahi in kuntu qad `asaytuka O Allah, if I have disobeyed you,



fa'inni qad ata`tuka fi ahabbi al-ashya'i ilayka I have also obeyed you in the things that You most like.

## كُمُ اتَّخِنُ لَكَ وَكَماً

lam attakhidh laka waladan
I have not claimed that You have child

wa lam ad`u laka sharikan and I have not associated any one with You.

wa qad `asaytuka fi ashya'a kathiratin Yet, I have disobeyed You in many things

`ala ghayri wajhi almukabarati laka on account of neither defiance,

wa la alistikbari `an `ibadatika nor my being too arrogant to serve You,

wa la aljuhudi lirububiyyatika nor denial of Your Godhead,

## وَلاَ الْخُرُوجِ عَنِ الْعُبُودِيَّةِ لَكَ

wa la alkhuruji `an al`ubudiyyati laka nor mutiny against my servitude to You;

wa lakin ittba`tu hawaya rather, I only followed my lusts

wa azallaniya alshshaytanu ba`da alhujjati walbayani and Satan caused me to slip although You have clear argument against me.

fa'in tu`adhdhibni fabidhunubi ghayra zalimin anta li Thus, if You chastise me, then it is on account of my sins and You are never unjust to me.

wa in ta`fu `anni wa tarhamni And if You pardon me and have mercy upon me,

fabijudika wa karamika ya karimu then this is out of Your magnanimity and generosity, O All-generous!

You may also say the following:

ghadawtu bihawli allahi wa quwwatihi
I begin this day with the might and power of Allah.

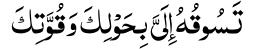
ghadawtu bighayri hawlin minni wa la quwwatin I do not begin it with my might or power;

wa lakin bihawli allahi wa quwwatihi rather, with Allah's might and power.

ya rabbi as'aluka barakata hadha albayti wa barakata ahlihi
O my Lord, I beseech You for the blessing of this house
and the blessing of its people

# وَاسَالُكَ انْ تَرُزُقَنِي رِنْهِ قَاحَلاً طَيِّباً

wa as'aluka an tarzuqani rizqan halalan tayyiban and I pray You to grant me sustenance from Your sustenance; sustenance that is legal and pleasant,



tasuquhu ilayya bihawlika wa quwwatika and that You bring it to me by Your might and Power,



wa ana kha'izun fi `afiyatika while I experience good health.

According to an authoritative narration, Abu-Hamzah al-Thumali reported that he was one day sitting in the grand mosque of al-Kufa when a man entered from bab kindah. His face was indeed the prettiest, he smelt the nicest perfume, and he put on the cleanest dress. He also put a turban, a shirt, and a jubbah (a type of long open cloth coat with wide sleeves). As he was also wearing Arabian slippers, he took them off when he entered the mosque. He then stopped near the sixth column of the mosque, raised his hands to the level of his ears and uttered a takbir statement (i.e. saying allahu-akbar) that was so reverent that my entire body shivered. He then offered a four-unit prayer with excellent genuflection and prostration. At accomplishment, he uttered the supplicatory prayer that begins with this statement:

## إِلهِى إِنْ كُنْتُ قَدْعَصَيْتُكَ فَإِنِّ قَدُاطَعْتُكَ فِي احَبِّ الاشْيَاءِ إِلَيْكَ...

ilahi in kuntu qad `asaytuka fa'inni qad ata`tuka fi ahabbi alashya'i ilayka...

O my God, if I have disobeyed You, I have indeed obeyed You in the nearest thing to You...

When he reached at the statement:

ya karimu ya karimu ya karimu O All-generous! O All-generous!

He prostrated himself and repeated this word as much as one breath may take. He then said while prostrating:

ya man yaqdiru `ala hawa'iji alssa'ilina...
O He Who has full power over granting the requests
of the beseechers...

He then repeated the following word seventy times:

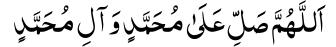


*ya sayyidi* O my Master.

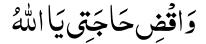
When he raised his head, I looked at him closely and could conclude that he was Zayn al-`Abidin ('a). I thus kissed his hand and asked him what had caused him to come to the mosque. The Imam ('a) answered, "As you have seen." (i.e. I came here to offer prayers the al-Kufa Mosque)... etc.

At the end of the seventh form of the untimed ziyarah of Imam 'Ali ('a), we have mentioned this story but with a little difference due to the difference of the reports. We have also mentioned that the Imam (`a) suggested to Abu-Hamzah al-Thumali that he would accompany him to visiting the holy tomb of Imam 'Ali ('a) and the man agreed... etc.

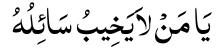
The bab al-faraj (The Gate of Relief) is also called maqam nuh (the standing-place of Prophet Noah). When you accomplish the acts at the third column, you may walk to the Seat of Amir al-Mu'minin ('a), which is the bench located next to the gate of the mosque from the side of Imam `Ali's house. You may offer there a four-unit prayer, reciting Surah al-Fatihah and any other Surahs you want. When you finish the prayer and say the Tasbih statements, you may say the following:



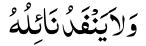
allahumma salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin
O Allah, (please) send blessings upon Muhammad
and the Household of Muhammad



waqzi hajati ya allahu and grant my request. O Allah!



ya man la yakhibu sa'iluhu O He Whose beseecher is never disappointed



wa la yanfadu na'iluhu and Whose gifts are inexhaustible!

### يَاقَاضِ الْحَاجَاتِ يَامُجِيبَ الدَّعَوَاتِ

ya qaziya alhajati ya mujiba aldda`awati O Settler of needs! O Responding to the prayers!

ya rabba al-arazina walssamawati
O Lord of the earth layers and the heavens!

ya kashifa alkurubati ya wasi`a al`atiyyati O Reliever of agonies! O expansive Donor of gifts!

#### يا دَافِعَ النَّقِبَاتِ

ya dafi`a alnnaqimati O Savior from hardships!

#### <u>يامُبَدِّلَ السَّيِّئَاتِ حَسَنَاتٍ</u>

ya mubaddila alssayyi'ati hasanatin

O He Who changes the punishments of wrongdoings into rewards for good deeds!

`ud `alayya bitawlika wa fazlika wa ihsanika (Please do) confer upon me with Your bounty, favor, and kindness,

### وَاسْتَجِبْ دُعَا ئِي فِيَا سَالْتُكُ وَطَلَبْتُ مِنْكَ

wastajib du`a'i fima sa'altuka wa talabtu minka and (please do) respond to my prayers regarding that which I have besought and asked from You,

bihaqqi nabiyyika wa wasiyyika wa awliya'ika alssalihina in the name of Your Prophet, Your Prophet's successor, and Your righteous saints.

#### **Another Prayer at This Place**

You may also offer another two-unit prayer at this place. When you finish and say the Tasbih statements, you may say the following supplicatory prayer:

allahumma inni halaltu bisahatika O Allah, I am residing in Your courtyard,

li`ilmi biwahdaniyyatika wa samadaniyytika because I have full recognition of Your Oneness and Independence

wa annahu la qadira `ala qaza'i hajati ghayruka and I know for sure that none can ever settle my need save You.

#### وَقَدُ عَلِمْتُ يَا رَبِّ

wa qad `alimtu ya rabbi I also admit, O my Lord,

## اتَّهُ كُلَّمَا شَاهَدُتُ نِعْمَتَكُ عَلَىَّ

annahu kullama shahadtu ni`mataka `alayya that the more I feel Your favors upon me,

### اشتكت فاقتى إليك

ishtaddat faqati ilayka the more I need You.

wa qad taraqani ya rabbi min muhimmi amri ma qad `araftahu O my Lord, I have been inflicted with aggrieving matters that You know,

li'annaka `alimun ghayru mu`allamin because You are All-knowing and You do not want information.

وَاسْالُكَ بِالِاشِمِ الَّذِي وَضَعْتَهُ عَلَىٰ

### السَّمَاوَاتِ فَانْشَقَّتُ

wa as'aluka bilismi alladhi waza`tahu `ala alssamawati fanshaqqat
I thus beseech You in the Name that when You put
on the heavens, they rent asunder,

#### وَعَلَىٰ الارْرَضِينَ فَانْبُسَطَتُ

wa `ala al-arazina fanbasatat when You put on the earth, it spread out,

wa `ala alnnujumi fantasharat when You put on the stars, they diffused,

wa `ala aljibali fastaqarrat and when You put on the mountains, they settled down;

wa as'aluka bilismi alladhi ja`altahu `inda muhammadin wa `inda `aliyyin and I beseech You in the Name that You put with Muhammad, with `Ali,

## وعِنْكَ الْحَسَنِ وَعِنْكَ الْحُسَيْنِ

wa `inda alhasani wa `inda alhusayni with al-Hasan, with al-Husayn,

## وَعِنْكَ الائِيَّةِ كُلِّهِمُ

wa `inda al-a'immati kullihim and with all the Imams,

## صَلَوَاتُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِمُ اجْمَعِينَ

salawatu allahi `alayhim ajma`ina blessings be upon them all,

an tusalliya `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin to bless Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,

wa an taqziya li ya rabbi hajati to grant me all my requests, O my Lord,

wa tuyassira `asiraha to make easy the difficult ones of them,

وَتُكُفِينِي مُهبَّهَا

wa takfiyani muhimmaha to relieve me from the grievances of them,



wa taftaha li quflaha and to unlock for me their locks.

## فَإِنْ فَعَلْتَ ذَٰلِكَ فَلَكَ الْحَمْدُ

fa'in fa`alta dhalika falaka alhamdu If You do that for me, then all praise be to You,

wa in lam taf`al falaka alhamdu and if You do not, still all praise be to You,

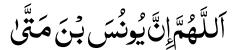


ghayra ja'irin fi hukmika for You never decide wrongly



wa la kha'ifin fi `adlika and You never exceed justice.

Then, you may put your right cheek on the ground and say the following supplicatory words:



allahumma inna yunusa bna matta O Allah, Jonah the son of Matthias,

`alayhi alssalamu `abdaka wa nabiyyaka peace be upon him, Your servant and Prophet,

da`aka fi batni alhuti fastajabta lahu prayed You from the inside of the whale, and You responded to his prayer.

wa ana ad`uka fastajib li I thus pray You; so, (please) respond to me

bihaqqi muhammadin wa ali muhammadin in the name of Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad.

You may then mention your needs.

Then, you may put your left cheek on the ground and say the following supplicatory words:

## ٱللَّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ امَرْتَ بِالدُّعَاءِ

allahumma innaka amarta bilddu`a'i O Allah, You have ordered us to pray You

wa takaffalta bil-ijabati and You have thus promised of response.

wa ana ad`uka kama amartani
Hence, I am praying You as You have ordered;

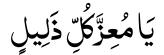
fasalli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin so, (please) send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad

wastajib li kama wa`adtani and respond to me as You have promised,



ya karimu
O All-generous!

You may then return to the normal position of prostration and say the following words:



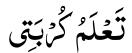
ya mu`izza kulli dhalilin

O He Who (is able to) reinforce any humble one!

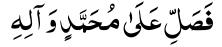


wa ya mudhilla kulli `azizin

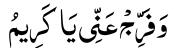
O He Who (is able to) humiliate any arrogant one!



ta`lamu kurbati You know my agony;



fasalli `ala muhammadin wa alihi so, (please) bless Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad



wa farrij `anni ya karimu and relieve me, O All-generous!

#### Prayer for granting the requests at this Place

In order to supplicate for settling the needs, one may offer at this place a four-unit prayer. After accomplishment and saying the

Tasbih statements, one may say the following supplicatory prayer:

allahumma inni as'aluka ya man la tarahu al`uyunu O Allah, I beseech You, O He Whom cannot be seen by eyes,

wa la tuhitu bihi alzzununu Whom cannot be comprehended by visions,

wa la yasifuhu alwasifuna
Whom cannot be described by all those who describe Him,

wa la tughayyiruhu alhawadithu Whom cannot be affected by events,

wa la tufnihi aldduhuru and Whom cannot be obliterated due to passage of ages!



ta`lamu mathaqila aljibali You know the measures of mountains,



wa makayila albihari the amounts (of water) of oceans,



wa waraqa al-ashjari the number of the trees' leaves,

وَرَمُلَ الْقِفَارِ

wa ramla alqifari the sands of deserts,

### وَمَااضَاءَتُ بِهِ الشَّبْسُ وَالْقَبَرُ

wa ma aza'at bihi alshshamsu walqamaru whatever is under the sunlight and moonlight,

wa azlama `alayhi allaylu whatever is under darkness of night,

wa wazaha `alayhi alnnaharu and whatever is shown by daylight.

wa la tuwari minka sama'un sama'an No sky can screen another sky from You,

wa la arzun arzan no layer of the earth can screen another layer from You,

wa la jabalun ma fi aslihi no mountain can screen its other parts from You,

wa la bahrun ma fi qa`rihi and no ocean can screen its depths from You.

as'aluka an tusalliya `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin I thus beseech You to send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,

wa an taj`ala khayra amri akhirahu to cause the best of my affair to be the conclusion of it,

wa khayra a`mali khawatimaha to cause the best of my deeds to be the last of them,

wa khayra ayyami yawma alqaka and to cause the best of my days to be the day when I meet You,

innaka `ala kulli sha'in qadirun for You verily have power over all things.

allahumma man aradani bisu'in fa'arid-hu
O Allah, (please do) deter all those who intend evil to me,

wa man kadani fakid-hu encumber all those who plan to do evil to me,

wa man baghani bihalakatin fa'ahlik-hu terminate all those who is set to terminate me,

## وَاكْفِنِي مَا اهَبَّنِي مِبَّنْ دَخَلَ هَبُّهُ عَكَى

wakfini ma ahammani mimman dakhala hammuhu `alayya and save me from all that which aggrieves me at the hands of those who intend grief to me.

allahumma adkhilni fi dir`ika alhasinati O Allah, (please do) include me with Your impervious armor

wasturni bisitrika alwaqi and cover me with Your protective shield.

ya man yakfi min kulli shay'in O He Who saves from all things

wa la yakfi minhu shay'un and nothing can ever save from You,

## إِكْفِنِي مَا اهَةِنِي مِنْ امْرِاللَّانْيَا وَالآخِرَةِ

akfini ma ahammani min amri alddunya wal-akhirati (please) relieve me from whatever has aggrieved me from the affairs of this world and the world to come

### وَصَدِّقُ قَوْلِي وَفِعْلِي

wa saddiq qawli wa fi`li and cause my words to be corresponding with my deeds.

ya shafiqu ya rafiqu
O All-sympathetic! O All-kind!

farrij `anni almaziqa (please) relieve me from depression

wa la tuhammilni ma la utiqu and do not burden on me that which I cannot stand.

allahumma ihrusni bi`aynika allati la tanamu O Allah, (please) guard me with Your Eye that never sleeps

warhamni biqudratika `alayya and have mercy upon me in the name of Your power over me.

#### يا ارْحَمَ الرَّاحِينَ

ya arhama alrrahimina
O most merciful of all those who show mercy!

#### ياعلى ياعظيم

ya `aliyyu ya `azimu O All-high! O All-great!

### انْتَعَالِمٌ بِحَاجَتِي

anta `alimun bihajati You know what I need

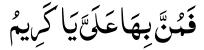
#### وَعَلَىٰ قَضَائِهَا قَدِيرٌ

wa `ala qaza'iha qadirun and You have the power to grant it to me,

wa hiya ladayka yasirun which is an easy thing to be done by You



wa ana ilayka faqirun and I do want You;

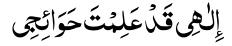


famunna biha `alayya ya karimu so, (please) do me the favor of settling my need, O All-merciful!



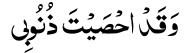
innaka `ala kulli shay'in qadirun Verily, You have power over all things.

You may then prostrate yourself and say the following supplicatory words:



ilahi qad `alimta hawa'ijiO my God, You have known my needs;

fasalli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin waqziha so, please send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad and settle my needs.



wa qad ahsayta dhunubi You have accounted all my sins;

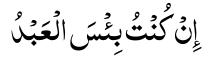
## فَصَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَبَّدٍ وَ ٱلِهِ وَاغْفِمُهَا

fasalli `ala muhammadin wa alihi waghfirha so, please send blessings upon Muhammad and his Household and forgive them,



ya karimu O All-generous!

You may then put your right cheek on the ground and say the following:

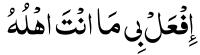


in kuntu bi'sa al`abdu

If I am the worst servant (of You),



fa'anta ni`ma alrrabbu then You are the All-excellent Lord;



if`al bi ma anta ahluhu so, please do to me that which befits You

# وَلاَ تَفْعَلْ بِي مَا انَا اهْلُهُ

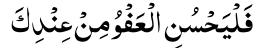
wa la taf`al bi ma ana ahluhu and do not do to me that which I deserve,



ya arhama alrrahimina
O most merciful of all those who show mercy!

You may then put your left cheek on the ground and say the following:

allahumma in `azuma aldhdhanbu min `abdika O Allah, if Your servant's sin has been very flagrant,



falyahsun al`afwu min `indika then, let Your pardon be very excellent,

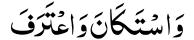


ya karimu O All-generous!

You may then return to the normal position of prostration and say the following words:

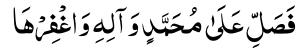


irham man asa'a waqatarafa
(Please) have mercy upon him who had misbehaved
and committed sins,



wastakana wa`tarafa but he then submitted and confessed.

It is worth mentioning that the previously mentioned supplicatory prayer up to:



fasalli `ala muhammadin wa alihi waghfirha So, please send blessings upon Muhammad and his Household and forgive them,

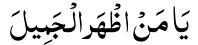


ya karimu O All-generous...

It has been mentioned in the book of al-Mazar al-Qadim to be said within the acts at maqam zayn al-`Abidin (the standing-place of Imam Zayn al-`abidin) in the courtyard of the mosque known as Masjid al-Sahlah.

#### Devotional acts at the niche Mehrab of Imam `Ali (a.s.)

At the place where Imam `Ali Amir al-Mu'minin ('a) was martyred, you may offer a two-unit prayer reciting Surah al-Fatihah and any other Surah. After accomplishment and saying the Tasbih statements, you may say the following supplicatory prayers:



ya man azhara aljamila

O He Who makes known what is good and beautiful

wa satara alqabiha and covers up ugliness and defects!

ya man lam yu'akhidh biljarirati O He Who does not demand submission under duress

wa lam yahtik alssitra walssarirata and has not exposed the hidden and the unknown!



ya `azima al`afwi
O He Who is the greatest pardoner!

Devotional acts at the niche Mehrab of Imam 'Ali (a.s.)

#### يَاحَسَنَ التَّجَاوُزِ

ya hasana alttajawuzi
O He Who is the subtle indulgent!

ya wasi`a almaghfirati O He Whose forgiveness is limitless!

ya basita alyadayni bilrrahmati
O He Whose Hands are expansive with mercy!

ya sahiba kulli najwa
O He Who is partner in every confidential speech!

ya muntaha kulli shakwa
O He to Whom all complaints reach!



ya karima alssafhi
O He Who is generous in clemency!

Devotional acts at the niche Mehrab of Imam 'Ali (a.s.)

#### ياعظيم الرَّجاع

ya `azima alrraja'i
O He in Whom all hopes are put!

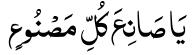
## يَا سَيِّدِي صَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَتَّدٍ وَ ٱلِ مُحَتَّدٍ

ya sayyidi salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin O my Master, send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad

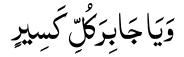
waf`al bi ma anta ahluhu ya karimu and do to me that which befits You, O All-generous!

#### Devotional acts at Station of Imam al-Sadiq's (a.s.)

You may then walk to Imam al-Sadiq's place (maqam al-sadiq), which is near to the tomb of Muslim ibn `Aqil. You may offer there a two-unit prayer; and when you finish and say the Tasbih statements, you may then say the following supplicatory prayer:



ya sani`a kulli masnu`in
O He Who Makes all things made!



wa ya jabira kulli kasirin
O He Who sets all things broken!

wa ya hazira kulli malan
O He Who is present in all sessions held!

wa ya shahida kulli najwa
O He Who witnesses all confidential meetings!



wa ya `alima kulli khafiyyatin
O He Who knows about all things hidden!

Devotional acts at Station of Imam al-Sadiq's (a.s.)

wa ya shahidan ghayra gha'ibin
O He Who is always nearby and is never absent!

wa ya ghaliban ghayra maghlubin
O He Who always overcomes and is never defeated!

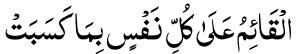
wa ya qariban ghatra ba`idin
O He Who is always nigh and is never far off!

wa ya mu'nisa kulli wahidin
O He Who entertains each and every lonely one!

wa ya hayyan hina la hayya ghayruhu
O He Who existed when there was no other being exists!

ya muhyiya almawta wa mumita al-ahya'i
O He Who restores lives to the dead and causes the alive to die!

Devotional acts at Station of Imam al-Sadiq's (a.s.)



alqa'imu `ala kulli nafsin bima kasabatO He Who watches every soul as to what it earns!



la ilaha illa anta There is no god save You.



salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin...
(Please do) send blessings upon Muhammad
and the Household of Muhammad and...

You may then mention your needs.

### Salat Hajat

### Prayer for Settling the Needs at al-Kufa Mosque

Imam al-Sadiq ('a) is reported to have said that one who offers the following prayer at Masjid al-Kufa will have all his requests settled: One may offer a two-unit prayer reciting at each unit Surahs al-Fatihah, al-Falaq (No. 113), al-Nas (No. 114), al-Tawhid (No. 112), al-Kafirun (No. 109), al-Nasr (No. 110), al-Qadr (No. 97), and al-A`la (No. 87). After accomplishment, one may say the Tasbih al-Zahra' litany and then beseech Almighty Allah for settling his needs.

This order of Surahs is corresponding with the order adopted by Sayyid Ibn Tawus in his book of al-Misbah, while according to the narration of Shaykh al-Tusi in his book of al-Amali, Surah al-Qadr follows Surah al-A`la. Possibly, the commitment to the order of the Surahs is not obligatory; therefore, it is acceptable to recite these seven Surahs in any order as long as Surah al-Fatihah precedes the others. Finally, Almighty Allah knows best.

When you accomplish all the acts at Masjid al-Kufa, you may walk to the tomb of Muslim ibn `Aqil—may Allah sanctify his soul, light up his tomb, and be pleased to him. When you stop at the tomb, you may say the following:

alhamdu lillahi almaliki alhaqqi almubini All praise be to Allah: the Lord and the evident Truth.

almutasaghiri li`azamatihi jababiratu alttaghina
All the tyrannical oppressors are subservient to His almightiness.

almu`tarifi birububiyyatihi jami`u ahli alssamawati wal-aradina All the inhabitants of the heavens and the layers of the earth admit His Godhead.

almuqirri bitawhidihi sa'iru alkhalqi ajma`ina All the created beings confess of His Oneness.

# وَصَلَّىٰ اللهُ عَلَىٰ سَيِّدِ الأَنَامِ

wa salla allahu `ala sayyidi al-anami May Allah send blessings upon the master of all created beings

wa ahli baytihi alkirami and upon the members of his Household; the noble ones,

salatan taqarru biha a'yunuhum such blessings that delight them

wa yarghamu biha anfu shani'ihim and humiliate all those who antagonize them

min aljinni wal-insi ajma`ina from all jinn and mankind.

salamu allahi al`aliyyi al`azimi Peace of Allah the All-high and All-great,

# وَسَلاَمُ مَلاَئِكَتِهِ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ

wa salamu mala'ikatihi almuqarrabina and peace of His favorite angels,

## وأنبيائِهِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ

wa anbiya'ihi almursalina His missioned Prophets,

wa a'immatihi almuntajabina His choice Imams,

### وَعِبَادِهِ الصَّالِحِينَ

wa `ibadihi alssalihina His righteous servants,

## وَجَبِيعِ الشُّهَدَاءِ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ

wa jami`i alshshuhada'i walssiddiqina and all the martyrs and veracious ones,

walzzakiyatu alttayyibatu and all blessings that are pure and delightful,

## فِيَا تُغْتَدِي وَتَرُوحُ

fima taghtadi wa taruhu that are coming and going,

`alayka ya muslimu bna `aqili bni abi talibin be upon you, Muslim the son of `Aqil the son of Abu-Talib.

wa rahmatu allahi wa barakatuhu Allah's mercy and benedictions be upon you.

ashhadu annaka aqamta alssalata
I bear witness that you performed the prayers,

wa atayta alzzakata defrayed the zakat,

wa amarta bilma`rufi enjoined the right,

# وَنَهَيْتَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ

wa nahayta `an almunkari forbade the wrong,

wa jahadta fi allahi haqqa jihadihi strove in the way of Allah in the best manner of striving,

wa qutilta `ala minhaji almujahidina fi sabilihi and you were slain following the course of those who strive in Allah's way

hatta laqita allaha `azza wa jalla wa huwa `anka radin until you met Allah, to Whom belong all might and majesty, while He is pleased with you.

wa ashhadu annaka wafayta bi`ahdi allahi And I bear witness that you fulfilled your covenant with Allah

# وَبَنَالَتَ نَفْسَكَ فِي نُصْرَةِ حُجَّةِ اللهِ وَابْنِ حُجَّتِهِ

wa badhalta nafsaka fi nusrati hujjati allahi wabni hujjatihi and sacrificed yourself for the sake of supporting Allah's argument and the son of Allah's argument (namely, Imam al-Husayn)

hatta ataka alyaqinu until death came upon you.

ashhadu laka bilttaslimi walwafa'i
I bear witness that you submitted and acted loyally to him

walnnasihati likhalafi alnnabiyyi almursali andthatyouactedsincerelytothesuccessorofthemissionedProphet,

walssibti almuntajabi the select grandson (of the Prophet),



walddalili al`alimi the guide (to the right path), the knowledgeable,

walwasiyyi almuballighi the Prophet's successor, the conveyor (of his mission),

walmazlumi almuhtadami the wronged, and the oppressed Imam.

fajazaka allahu `an rasulihi
May Allah reward you on behalf of His Messenger,

wa `an amiri almu'minina on behalf of the Commander of the Faithful,

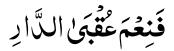
wa `an alhasani walhusayni and on behalf of al-Hasan and al-Husayn



afdala aljaza'i with the best of rewarding

## بِهَاصَبُرُتَ وَاحْتَسَبْتَ وَأَعَنْتَ

bima sabarta wa ihtasabta wa a`anta that befits your steadfastness, reliance (on Allah), and assistance.



fani`ma `uqba alddari
How excellent is the final home!

la`ana allahu man qatalaka May Allah curse him who slew you.

wa la`ana allahu man amara biqatlika May Allah curse him who ordered of slaying you.

wa la`ana allahu man zalamaka May Allah curse him who wronged you.

wa la`ana allahu man iftara `alayka May Allah curse him who forged lies against you.

## وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ مَنْ جَهِلَ حَقَّكَ

wa la`ana allahu man jahila haqqaka May Allah curse him who underestimated your position

### وَاسْتَخَفَّ بِحُمْ مَتِكَ

wastakhaffa bihurmatika and belittled your sanctity.

wa la`ana allahu man baya`aka wa ghashshaka May Allah curse those who cheated you after they had sworn allegiance to you,

wa khadhalaka wa aslamaka those who disappointed and let you down,

wa man allaba `alayka wa lam yu`inka and those who allied against you instead of assisting you.

alhamdu lillahi alladhi ja`ala alnnara mathwahum

All praise be to Allah Who decided Hellfire to be the eternal abode of those peoples.

# وَبِئْسَ الْوِرْدُ الْمَوْرُودُ

wa bi'sa alwirdu almawrudu
Woeful indeed will be the place to which they are led!

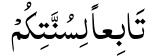
ashhadu annaka qutilta mazluman
I bear witness that you were slain wrongly

wa anna allaha munjizun lakum ma wa`adakum and that Allah shall fulfill His promise to you.

ji'tuka za'iran `arifan bihaqqikum As I am visiting you, I recognize your right,



musalliman lakum I am submissive to you,

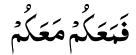


tabi`an lisunnatikum
I am imitating your course,

# وَنُصْرَقِ لَكُمْ مُعَدَّةٌ

wa nusrati lakum mu`addatun and I am preparing myself for supporting you

hatta yahkuma allahu wa huwa khayru alhakimina until Allah judges, and He is the best of judges.



fama`akum ma`akum So, I am always with you

la ma`a `aduwwikum and I never am with your enemies.

salwatu allahi `alaykum May Allah's peace be upon you

wa `ala arwahikum wa ajsadikum and upon your souls and bodies

wa shahidikum wa gha'ibikum and upon the present from you and the absent one.

wa alssalamu `alaykum wa rahmatu allahi wa barakatuhu Peace and Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you.

qatala allahu ummatan qatalatkum bilaydi wal-alsuni May Allah kill the groups that have killed you with deeds and words.

Al-Mazar al-Kabir, the previously mentioned supplication is regarded as a form of seeking permission of entrance to the tomb of Muslim ibn `Aqil, may Allah be pleased with him. The author then says: You may then enter, approach the tomb or point to the tomb, according to the previous narration and say the following words:

### اَلسَّلاَ مُعَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الْعَبْدُ الصَّالِحُ

alssalamu `alayka ayyuha al`abdu alssalihu
Peace be upon you, O righteous servant (of Allah),

almuti`u lillahi wa lirasulihi wa li'amiri almu'minina who is obedient to Allah, to His Messenger, to the Commander of the Faithful,

# وَالْحَسَنِ وَالْحُسَيْنِ عَلَيْهِمُ السَّلاَمُر

walhasani walhusayni `alayhim alssalamu to al-Hasan, and to al-Husayn, peace be upon them.



alhamdu lillahi All praise be to Allah

## وَسَلاَ مُرْعَلَىٰ عِبَادِةِ الَّذِينَ اصْطَفَىٰ

wa salamun `ala `ibadihi alladhina istafa and all peace be upon His servants whom He has chosen:

### مُحَبِّدِوَ آلِهِ

muhammadin wa alihi Muhammad and his Household.

wa alssalamu `alaykum wa rahmatu allahi Peace, Allah's mercy,

wa barakatuhu wa maghfiratuhu blessings, and forgiveness be upon you

## وَعَلَىٰ رُوحِكَ وَبَكَانِكَ

wa `ala ruhika wa badanika and upon your soul and your body.

## أَشُهَدُ أَنَّكَ مَضَيْتَ عَلَىٰ مَا مَضَىٰ عَلَيْدِ الْبَدْرِيُّونَ

ashhadu annaka madayta `ala ma mada `alayhi albadriyyuna
I bear witness that you died for the same principles
for which the martyrs of the Battle of Badr died:

# الْمُجَاهِدُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللهِ

almujahiduna fi sabili allahi those who strove in Allah's way

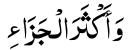
almubalighuna fi jihadi a`da'ihi and did their best in struggling against Allah's enemies



wa nusrati awliya'ihi and in supporting Allah's friends.

## فَجَزَاكَ اللهُ أَفْضَلَ الْجَزَاعِ

fajazaka allahu afdala aljaza'i
So, may Allah reward you with the best rewarding,



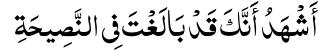
wa akthara aljaza'i with the most abundant rewarding,

wa awfara jaza'i ahadin mimman wafa bibay`atihi and with the most affluent rewarding that He grants to one who fulfilled his allegiance to Him,

### وَاسْتَجَابَ لَهُ دَعْوَتُهُ

wastajaba lahu da`watahu responded to His invitation,

wa ata`a wulata amrihi and obeyed His representatives.



ashhadu annaka qad balaghta fi alnnasihati
I bear witness that you exerted all efforts in acting sincerely

### وأعطيت غاية المجهود

wa a`tayta ghayata almajhudi and you put forth all possible endeavors

hatta ba`athaka allahu fi alshshuhada'i so that Allah has included you with the martyrs,

wa ja`ala ruhaka ma`a arwahi alssu`ada'i put your soul with the souls of the delighted ones,

wa a`taka min jinanihi afsahaha manzilan has decided for you the most spacious abode in the gardens of His Paradise

wa afdalaha ghurafan and the best rooms therein,

wa rafa`a dhikraka fi al`illiyyina raised your name to the `illiyyin (the loftiest place),

### وَحَشَىٰكَ مَعَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَالصِّدِّبِقِينَ

wa hasharaka ma`a alnnabiyyina walssiddiqina and added you to the group of the Prophets, the veracious ones,

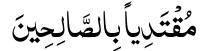
walshshuhada'i walssalihina the martyrs, and the righteous ones.

wa hasuna ula'ika rafiqan How excellent is the company of these.

ashhadu annaka lam tahin wa lam tankul
I bear witness that you never slackened or recoiled
(from your duty)

# وَأُنَّكَ قَدُ مَضَيْتَ عَلَىٰ بَصِيرَةٍ مِنْ أُمْرِكَ

wa annaka qad madayta `ala basiratin min amrika and that you died while you are certain of your doctrine



muqtadiyan bilssalihina as you followed the righteous ones

وَمُتَّبِعاً لِلنَّبِيِّينَ

wa muttabi`an lilnnabiyyina and imitated the Prophets.

فَجَهَعَ اللهُ بَيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَكُ

fajama`a allahu baynana wa baynaka So, may Allah gather us with you

وَبَيْنَ رَسُولِهِ وَأُولِيَائِهِ

wa bayna rasulihi wa awliya'ihi and with His Messenger and intimate servants

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fi manazili almukhbitina in the abodes of the modest ones.

فَإِنَّهُ أَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِدِينَ

fa'innahu arhamu alrrahimina
Surely, He is the most merciful of all those who show mercy.

You may then offer a two-unit prayer at the side of his head and present this prayer as your gift to him. Then, you may say the prayer which is said at the end of the Ziyarah recited in holy shrine of al-`Abbas (sa)

## ٱللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَ ٱلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

allahumma salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin
O Allah, send blessings upon Muhammad
and the Household of Muhammad,



wa la tada` li fi hadha almakani almukarrami... and, as I am in this noble place...

When you stop at the tomb of Hani' ibn `Urwah, you may greet the Holy Prophet (s) and then say the following:

salamu allahi al`azimi wa salawatuhu Peace of Allah the All-great and His blessings

`alayka ya hani'u bna `urwata be upon you, Hani' the son of `Urwah.

alssalamu `alayka ayyuha al`abdu alssalihu Peace be upon you, O righteous servant (of Allah),

alnnasihu lillahi wa lirasulihi wa li'amiri almu'minina who acted sincerely for the sake of Allah, His Messenger, the Commander of the Faithful,

walhasani walhusayni `alayhim alssalamu al-Hasan, and al-Husayn, peace be upon them.

# اشُهَدُ انَّكَ قُتِلْتَ مَظْلُوماً

ashhadu annaka qutilta mazluman
I bear witness that you were slain wrongly.

### فَلَعَنَ اللهُ مَنْ قَتَلَكَ وَاسْتَحَلَّ دَمَكَ

fala`ana allahu man qatalaka wastahalla damaka So, may Allah curse those who slew you and dared to shed your blood

wa hasha quburahum naran and may He stuff their graves with fire.

ashhadu annaka laqita allaha wa huwa radin `anka I bear witness that you met Allah while He is pleased with You

bima fa`alta wa nasahta for what you did and acted sincerely.

wa ashhadu annaka qad balaghta darajata alshshuhada'i
And I bear witness that you have attained the rank of the martyrs,

### وَجُعِلَ رُوحُكَ مَعَ ارْوَاحِ السُّعَدَاعِ

wa ju`ila ruhuka ma`a arwahi alssu`ada'i your soul has been included with the souls of the delighted ones

bima nasahta lillahi wa lirasulihi mujtahidan for you painstakingly acted with sincerity for Allah and for His Messenger,

## وَبَنَالْتَ نُفْسَكَ فِي ذَاتِ اللهِ وَمَرْضَاتِهِ

wa badhalta nafsaka fi dhati allahi wa mardatihi and sacrificed yourself for the sake of Allah and for the sake of attaining His pleasure.

farahimaka allahu wa radiya `anka So, may Allah have mercy upon you and be pleased with you,

wa hasharaka ma`a muhammadin wa alihi alttahirina may He include you with the group of Muhammad and his Immaculate Household,

# وَجَمَعَنَا وَإِيَّاكُمْ مَعَهُمْ فِي دَارِ النَّعِيمِ

wa jama`ana wa iyyakum ma`ahum fi dari alnna`imi and may He gather us with you and them in the Abode of Bliss.

wa salamun `alayka wa rahmatu allahi wa barakatuhu Peace and Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you.

You may then offer a two-unit prayer and present it as a gift to Hani' ibn `Urwah. Then, you may pray Almighty Allah to grant you your requests. As for bidding farewell to him, you may say the same form of wada` (bidding farewell) that is said to Muslim ibn `Aqil.

# ٱلدَّهُمَّ إِنَّ أَسُأَلُكَ الأَمَانَ يَوْمَ لا يَنْفَعُ مالُ وَلا بَنُونَ إِلاَّ مَنْ أَنَّ اللهَ بِقَلْبِ سَليمٍ

allaahumma innee as-alukal amaana yawma laa yanfa-u' maalun wa laa banoonun illaa man atallaaha biqalbin saleem O Allah, I ask You for protection on the day when property will not avail, nor sons except he who comes with a heart free (from evil) (26:88)

# وَأَسُالُكَ الأَمانَ يَوْمَرِيَعَضُّ الظَّالِمُ عَلَى يَكَيْهِ يَقُولُ يِالَيْتِنِي اتَّخَذُتُ مَعَ الرَّسُولِ سَبيلاً

wa as-alukal amaana yawma ya-a'z"z"uz' z'aalimu a'laa yadayhi ya qoolu yaa laytanittakhad'tu ma-a'rrasooli sabeelaa And I ask You for protection on the day when the unjust one will bite his hands saying: O would that I had taken a way with the messenger (25:27)

وَأُسَالُكَ الأَمانَ يَوْمَ يُعْرَفُ الْمُجْرِمُونَ بِسيماهُمْ فَيُؤْخَذُ بِالنَّواصِ وَالأَقْدامِ

wa as-alukal amaana yawma yu'-raful mujrimoona biseemaahum fayoo-khad'u bin nawaas'ee wal aqdaam

And I ask You for protection on the day when the guilty shall be recognised by their marks so they shall be seized by the forelocks and the feet (55:41)

wa as-alukal amaana yawma laa yajzee waalidun a'n wlaadihee wa laa mawloodun huwa jaazin a'n inna wa'-dallaahi h'aqq And I ask You for protection on the day when a father shall not give any satisfaction for his son nor shall the child give any satisfaction for his father, Surely the promise of Allah is true (31:33)

وَأَسْالُكَ الأَمانَ يَوْمَ لا يَنْفَعُ الظّالِدِينَ مَعْذِرَتُهُمْ وَلَهُمُ اللَّعْنَةُ وَلَهُمْ سُوءُ النَّادِ

wa as-alukal amaana yawma laa yanfa-u'z z'aalimeena ma'd'iratuhum wa lahumul la'-natu wa lahum soo-ud daar
And I ask You for protection on the day when the unjust
shall not benefit from their excuse and for them is curse
and for them is the evil abode (40:52)

وَأَسْالُكَ الأَمانَ يَوْمَرلاتَهُ لِكُنْفُسُ لِنَفْسٍ شَيْئاً وَالأَمْرُ يَوْمَ بِإِنلهِ

wa as-alukal amaana yawma laa yamliku nafsun linafsin shay-an wal amru yawma-id'in lillaah

And I ask You for protection on the day when no soul shall control anything for (another) soul and the command on that day shall be entirely Allah's (82:19)

وَأَسَالُكَ الأَمانَ يَوْمَ بَغِنَّ الْبَرْءُ مِنَ أَخِيهِ وَأُمِّهِ وَأُبِيهِ وَصاحِبَتِهِ وَبنيهِ لِكُلِّ امْرِئٍ مِنْهُمْ يَوْمَبِنٍ شَأْنٌ يُغْنيهِ

wa as-alukal amaana yawma yafirrul mar-u min akheehi wa ummihee wa abeehee wa s'aah'ibatihee wa baneehee likulli amree-in minhum yawma-id'in shaanun yughneehi And I ask You for protection on the day when a man shall flee from his brother, and his mother, his father, his spouse, and his children, each one of them on that day will have a concern which will occupy him (80:34)

وَأَسَالُكَ الأَمانَ يَوْمَ يَوَدُّ المُجْرِمُ لَوْ يَفْتَى ى مِنْ عَذَابِ يَوْمَ بِإِبنيهِ وَصَاحِبَتِهِ وَأَخيهِ وَفَصِيلَتِهِ اللَّى تُؤُويهِ وَمَنْ فِي الأَرْضِ جَميعاً تُمَّ يُنْجيهِ

wa as-alukal a-maana yawma ya-waddul mujrimu law yaftadee min a'd'aabi yawma-id'im bibaneehee wa s'aahibatihee wa akheehee wa fas'eelatil latee tooweehi wa man fil arz"l jamee-a'n thumma yunajjeehi

And I ask You for protection on the day when the guilty will wish to redeem himself from the chastisement of that day by (sacrificing) his children, and the near of kin who gave him shelter and all those that are in the earth (wising) that this might deliver him...

# كُلَّاإِنَّهَا لَظِي نَزَّاعَةً لِلشَّوى

kallaa innahaa laz'aa nazzaa-a'tal lish-shawaa
... by no means! Surely it is a flaming fire, dragging by the head
(70:16)

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْمَوْلِي وَأَنَا الْعَبْلُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْعَبْدَ إِلَّا الْمَوْلِي

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal mawlaa wa anal a'bdu wa hal yarh'amul a'bda illal mawlaa

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Master and I am the Slave, and who else can be merciful to the slave except the Master?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal maaliku wa anal mamlooku wa hal yarh'amul mamlooka illal maalik

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Owner and I am the one owned by You, and who else can be merciful to the owned except the owner?

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْعَزيزُ وَأَنَا النَّاليلُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ النَّاليلَ إِلَّا الْعَزيزُ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antla a'zeezu wa anad' d'aleelu wa hal yarh'amud' d'aleela illal a'zeez

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Mighty and I am the low, and who else can be merciful to the low except the Mighty?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal khaaliqu wa anal makhlooqu wa anal makhlooqu wa hal yarh'amul makhlooqa illal khaaliq My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Creator and I am the creature, and who else can be merciful to the creature except the Creator?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaay antal a'zeemu wa anal h'aqeeru wa hal yarh'amul h'aqeera illal a'zeem

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Glorious and I am the miserable, and who else can be merciful to the miserable except the Glorious?

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْقَوِيُّ وَأَنَا الضَّعيفُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الضَّعيفَ إِلَّا الْقَوِيُّ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaay antal qawiyyu wa anal za'eefu wa hal yarh'amul za'eefa illal qawiy

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Powerful and I am the weak, and who else can be merciful to the weak except the Powerful?

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْغَنِيُّ وَأَنَا الْفَقيرُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْفَقيرَ إِلَّا الْغَنِيُّ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal ghaniyyu wa anal faqeeru wa hal yarh'amul faqeera illal ghaniyy

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Wealthy and I am the Poor, and who else can be merciful to the poor except the Wealthy?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal mu'-t'ee wa anas saa-ilu wa hal yarh'amus saaila illal mu'-t'ee

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Bestower and I am the beggar, and who else can be merciful to the beggar except the Bestower?

مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْحَيُّ وَأَنَا الْهَيِّتُ

## وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْمَيِّتَ إِلَّا الْحَيُّ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal h'ayyu wa anal mayyitu wa hal yarh'amul mayyita illal h'ayy

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Living and I am the dead, and who else can be merciful to the dead except the Living?

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْباق وَأَنَا الْفان وَ هَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْفانِ إِلَّا الْباق

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal baaqee wa anal faanee wa hal yarh'amul faanee illal baaqee

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Eternal and I am the transient, and who else can be merciful to the transient except the Eternal?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal daa-imu wa anaz zaa-ilu wa hal yarh'amuz zaaila illad daa-im

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Permanent and I am the short-lived, and who else can be merciful to the short-lived except the Permanent?

مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الرَّازِقُ وَأَنَا الْمَرْزُوقُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْمَرْزُوقَ إِلَّا الرَّازِقُ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antar raaziqu wa anal marzooqu wa anal marzooqu wa hal yarh'amul marzooqa illar raaziq My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Provider and I am the blessed, and who else can be merciful to the blessed except the Provider?

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْجَوادُ وَأَنَا الْبَخيلُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْبَخيلَ إِلَّا الْجَوادُ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal ja waadu wa anal bakheelu bakheela illal jawaad

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Generous and I am the miser, and who else can be merciful to the miser except the Generous?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal mua'afee wa anal mubtalaa wa hal yarh'amul mubtalaa illal mu-a'afee

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Healer and I am the afflicted, and who else can be merciful to the afflicted except the Healer?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal kabeeru wa anas' s'agheeru wa hal yarh'amus' s'agheera illal kabeer

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Great and I am the insignificant, and who else can be merciful to the insignificant except the Great?

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْهادى وَأَنَا الضّالُّ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الضّالَ إِلَّا الْهادى

mawlayaa yaa mawlaaya antal hadee wa anaz" z"allu wa hal yarh'amuz" z"aalla illal haadee

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Leading and I am the straying, and who else can be merciful to the straying except the Leading?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antar rah'maanu wa anal marh'oomu wa hal yarh'amul marh'ooma illar rah'maan

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Merciful and I am the one shown mercy, and who else can be merciful to the one shown mercy except the Merciful?

مَوْلاى يامَوْلاى أَنْتَ السُّلُطانُ وَأَنَا الْمُنْتَحَنُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْمُنْتَحَنَ إِلَّا السُّلُطانُ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antas sult'aanu wa anal mumtah'anu wa hal yarh'amul mumtah'ana illas sult'aan

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Authority and I am the tried, and who else can be merciful to the tried except the Authority?

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الدَّليلُ وَأَنَا الْمُتَحَيِّرُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْمُتَحَيِّرَ إِلَّا الدَّليلُ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antad daleelu wa anal mutah'ayyiru wa hal mutah'ayyira ilad daleel

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Guide and I am the confused, and who else can be merciful to the confused except the Guide?

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْعَفُورُ وَأَنَا الْمُنْدِبُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْمُنْدِبِ إِلَّا الْعَفُورُ

mawlaaya antal ghafooru wa anal mud'nibu wa hal yrh'amul mud'nibu illal ghafoor

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Forgiver and I am the sinner, and who else can be merciful to the sinner except the Forgiver?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal ghaalibu wa anal maghloobu wa hal yarh'amul maghlooba illal ghaalib

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Victor and I am the defeated, and who else can be merciful to the defeated except the Victor?

مَوْلاي يا مَوْلاي أَنْتَ الرَّبُّ وَأَنَا الْهَرْبُوبُ

### وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْمَرْبُوبِ إِلَّا الرَّبُّ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antar rabbu wa anal marboobu wa hal yarh'amul marbooba illar rabb

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the Nourisher and I am the nourished, and who else can be merciful to the nourished except the Nourisher?

# مَوْلاى يا مَوْلاى أَنْتَ الْمُتَكَبِّرُو أَنَا الْخاشِعُ وَهَلْ يَرْحَمُ الْخاشِعَ إِلَّا الْمُتَكَبِّرُ

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya antal mutakabbiru wa anal khaashi-u' wa hal yarh'amul kaashi-a' illal mutakabbir

My Lord, O my Lord, You are the High-handed and I am the humble, and who else can be merciful to humble the except the High-handed?

mawlaaya yaa mawlaaya arh'amnee birah'matika My Lord, O my Lord, have mercy on me by Your mercy,

warz"a a'nnee bijoodika wa karamika wa faz"lika and be pleased with me by Your Generosity and Your Magnanimity and Your Grace,

## ياذًا الْجُودِ وَالإحْسانِ وَالطَّوْلِ وَالإِمْتِنانِ

yaa d'al joodi wal ih'saani wat't'ooli wal imtinaani O the Generous, and Beneficent, O the Almighty and the Benefactor,

بِرَحْمَةِكِ يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ

birah'matika yaa arh'amar raaha'imeen By your Mercy, O the most Merciful of the Merciful.