

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ
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Du'a for Reading the Book

Read the following Du'a (supplication) before you study a religious book or an Islamic lesson, you will remember whatever you study, *إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ*:

اللَّهُمَّ افْتَحْ عَلَيْنَا حِكْمَتَكَ وَأَنْشُرْ
عَلَيْنَا رَحْمَتَكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ

Translation

O Allah *عَزَّوَجَلَّ*! Open the door of knowledge and wisdom for us, and have mercy on us! O the One Who is the Most Honourable and Glorious! (*Al-Mustatraf*, vol. 1, pp. 40)

Note:

Recite Salat-‘Alan-Nabi ﷺ once before and after the Du'a.

بَریلی سے مَدینہ

Bareilly say Madinah

Bareilly to Madinah

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No matter how hard Satan tries to make you feel lazy, read this booklet in its entirety with the intention of reward. You will have blessings not only in your worldly life but also in your afterlife.

Excellence of Salat-‘Alan-Nabi ﷺ

Sayyiduna Ubayy Bin Ka’b رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ humbly said to the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: I shall (discontinue all my invocations and) devote all my time to the recitation of Salat [Durood]. Our Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ replied, ‘This is sufficient to remove your worries, and your sins will be forgiven.’

(Sunan-ut-Tirmizi, vol. 4, pp. 207, Hadees 2465)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

In those days, I (the author i.e. Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat) used to lead Salat-ul-Fajr wearing the blessed ‘Imamah (turban) of Mufti-e-A’zam Hind, Maulana Mustafa Raza Khan رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ in Haydari Masjid adjacent to the sacred mausoleum of Sayyiduna Muhammad Shah Doolha Bukhari Sabzwari رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ

situated in Kharadar, a locality of Bab-ul-Madinah (Karachi). **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ**, the blessed ‘Imamah of a perfect Wali (friend of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**) has touched my hands and head many times; **اِنْ شَاءَ اللّٰهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ** the fire of Hell will not touch my hands and head. Obviously, if it does not touch my hands and head, the whole body of mine will also remain safe, **اِنْ شَاءَ اللّٰهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ**.

Actually, ‘Allamah Maulana Hameed-ur-Rahman Qadiri Razavi **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ** – son of the Khalifah of A’la Hadrat Maulana Jameel-ur-Rahman Qadiri Razavi, the Khalifah of A’la Hadrat **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ** – used to lead Salah in that Masjid. Since his blessed house was situated almost 6 to 7 kilometres from the Masjid, I was privileged to lead the Jama’at of Fajr Salah whilst wearing the blessed ‘Imamah of Mufti-e-A’zam Hind **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ** thus gaining its blessings. Once, whilst mentioning the virtues of A’la Hadrat **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ**, Maulana Hameed-ur-Rahman **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ** told me the following parable:

In those days, I was a small child. I clearly remember that A’la Hadrat **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ** would always talk to me and other children courteously. He did not have the habit of scolding, rebuking, or treating any one disrespectfully. One Thursday, I was present in the blessed house of A’la Hadrat **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ** in Bareilly. Meanwhile, somebody came to meet him but it was not the time when A’la Hadrat **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ** met people. Since he was insistent on meeting, I went to the private room of A’la Hadrat **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ** to inform him of the visitor but I did not find him

anywhere in the entire home. We were surprised at it, thinking where he had gone. We all were standing in complete astonishment when, all of a sudden, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ emerged from the very same room of his! We asked the secret of his sudden emergence from the room despite the fact that we looked for him throughout the home including that room. When we insisted, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ explained, 'أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ', I humbly visit Madinah Munawwarah from my room (i.e. from Bareilly) every Thursday at the very same time.

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Confirmation through Qutb-e-Madinah

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, Imam of Ahl-us-Sunnah was a true devotee of the Holy Rasool. The Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ was extremely benevolent towards him. Now read another faith-refreshing parable of him visiting Madinah from Bareilly.

Al-Haaj Muhammad 'Arif Ziyae who was a resident of Madinah Munawwarah told me this parable. He narrated: Once, my Murshid Sayyidi Qutb-e-Madinah, Maulana Ziyauddin

Ahmad Qadiri Razavi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said to me: In those days, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was alive. Once I humbly visited the sacred mausoleum of the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. After reciting Salat and Salam, I came to 'Bab-us-Salam' where I glanced towards the Golden Grilles. To my surprise, I saw that A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was standing in reverential posture in front of the sacred Muwajahah. I was amazed to see that A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ has come to Madinah Munawwarah but I am unaware of it. Hence, I moved towards the Muwajahah but A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was no longer there! I then went back towards Bab-us-Salam and glanced towards the Golden Grilles; I saw A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ again in front of Muwajahah! I moved towards Muwajahah for the second time, but he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was not there again! This happened even for the third time. I realized that it was something special between the Beloved Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and his beloved devotee and that I should not interfere in it.

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

إِلْحَمَهُ لِلَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! In this way, the evidence of my Murshid Qutb-e-Madinah رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was also obtained regarding the spiritual visit of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ from Bareilly to Madinah Munawwarah.

*Gham-e-Mustafa jis kay seenay mayn hay
Go kaheen bhi rahay woh Madinay mayn hay*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Mufti-e-A'zam Hind from Bareilly to Madinah

Dear Islamic brothers! You must have realised how much benevolent our Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ was towards the Imam of Ahl-us-Sunnah, A'la Hadrat. He صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ would even call our A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ from Bareilly to Madinah without any apparent means of transportation. Not only A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ, his son Mufti-e-A'zam Hind Maulana Mustafa Raza Khan رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was also blessed with similar privilege. Therefore, one of the disciples of Mufti-e-A'zam Hind, who is also a responsible Islamic brother of Dawat-e-Islami, mailed me a photocopy of a piece of writing from Nagpur, India which contained the following details reported by a preacher of Dawat-e-Islami:

In 1409 AH, my parents and elder brother with his wife were privileged to perform Hajj. They beheld two very faith-refreshing scenes in Madinah Munawwarah:

1. My respected father saw that Mufti-e-A'zam Hind رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ, with his face as bright as the moon and his head adorned with 'Imamah [Islamic turban] as usual,

was present along with his particular Madani Qafilah near the blessed mausoleum of the Holy Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. My father was very amazed to see Mufti-e-A'zam Hind about eight years after his demise. (My father goes onto say) In the state of amazement and happiness, he went to look for his elder son to inform him about it. When he met his son, he discovered that the son was also in search of the father because he had also watched that blessed scene. When both father and son came back to the same place, Mufti-e-A'zam Hind رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ had departed along with his Madani Qafilah.

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Passed away when in the court of the Holy Rasool

2. Relating the second parable, my father said: I saw a tall and strong young man at the blessed court of the Holy Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. He was praying with his hands raised whilst standing towards the blessed feet of the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. All of a sudden, he collapsed and fell dead in the court of the Holy Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. A lot of people gathered around the fortunate deceased young man. The Muslims present over there began to express envy

at the faith-refreshing demise of that fortunate young man in their own different languages.

Yoon mujh ko maut aaye to kya poochhna mayra

Mayn khaak per, nigah dar-e-yar ki taraf

(Zauq-e-Na'at)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Back to his home from gallows

Once Amjad 'Ali Khan Qaadiri Razavi who was a disciple of A'la Hadrat went hunting. He fired a bullet, but the bullet missed its target and hit a passer-by causing his death. The police arrested Amjad 'Ali. He was convicted of murder and was sentenced to be hanged. A few days before the execution, his family members came to prison and met him weeping. Amjad 'Ali said: Don't worry, I cannot be hanged because in my dream, my Murshid Sayyidi A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ gave me the good news, 'We have released you.' The grieved family members departed.

On the day of execution, his mother came weeping to prison for seeing her beloved son for the last time. اِسْبِخْنَ اللهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! How strong belief Amjad 'Ali had in his Murshid! He said to his mother with great confidence, 'Dear mother, don't be sad; go home. اِنْ شَاءَ اللهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, I will have today's breakfast after coming

back at home.’ After she left, Amjad ‘Ali was brought to the gallows to be hanged. Before the noose was put around his neck, he was customarily asked to express his dying wish. He replied, ‘There is no need to ask this as the time of my death has not yet approached.’ People thought that he had gone mad due to the fear of death. The executioner put the noose around his neck but at the very same moment, an official order was received declaring that a certain number of murderers and prisoners would be released in happiness of the coronation ceremony of Queen Victoria. The noose was immediately removed [from the neck of Amjad ‘Ali]. He was brought down from the gallows and set free.

On the other hand, there was absolute mayhem at home and preparations were being made for receiving his corpse. Amjad ‘Ali Qaadiri Razavi reached his home alive and said, ‘Bring the breakfast! I had told you that I would have breakfast at home, *إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ*.’ (*Tajalliyat Imam Ahmad Raza, pp. 100; amended*)

May Allah *عَزَّوَجَلَّ* have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

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صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Beholding Sayyiduna ‘Ali

‘Abdul Maajid Bin ‘Abdul Maalik, an aged scribe of Bab-ul-Madinah (Karachi), told a faith-refreshing parable to some Islamic brothers. He said: I was only 13 at that time. My step-mother had become insane. She had to be kept in chains on the top floor of the house. She was given even long-term medical treatment but in vain. On someone’s advice, I and my father managed to take her from Pilibhit to Bareilly whilst still in chains. My mother continued to swear all the way. When she saw A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ, she shouted and said, ‘Who are you! And why have you come here!’ A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ told her very gently, ‘I have come for your betterment.’ My mother harshly said, ‘Will you do what I wish?’ He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ replied, ‘إِنْ شَاءَ اللهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ.’ My mother said, ‘Make me behold Sayyiduna ‘Ali كَرَّمَ اللهُ تَعَالَى وَجْهَهُ الْكَرِيمَ.’

Hearing it, A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ removed his blessed shawl from his blessed shoulders, covered his blessed face with it, and then uncovered his face. Now, instead of A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ, Sayyiduna ‘Ali كَرَّمَ اللهُ تَعَالَى وَجْهَهُ الْكَرِيمَ with his luminous face was in front of us. My elderly mother was lost in beholding Sayyiduna ‘Ali كَرَّمَ اللهُ تَعَالَى وَجْهَهُ الْكَرِيمَ. I and my father also beheld Sayyiduna ‘Ali كَرَّمَ اللهُ تَعَالَى وَجْهَهُ الْكَرِيمَ in the state of wakefulness. Sayyiduna ‘Ali كَرَّمَ اللهُ تَعَالَى وَجْهَهُ الْكَرِيمَ then covered his blessed face with the shawl and then removed it, now A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was present in front of us with his smiling face. Thereafter, giving

some medicine in a small bottle, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said, 'These are two doses; give a single dose to the patient but do not give at all the second dose if not required.'

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! My mother recovered from insanity with just a single dose of medicine and, since then, she did not suffer from any mental disorder during the rest of her life.

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Qismat mayn lakh paych haun, saw bal hazaar kaj

Yeh saari gutthi ik tayri seedhi nazar ki hay

(Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

The blessed penny

Once, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was to go to harbour to welcome the Hujjaj (Hajj pilgrims). The hired transport got late. One of the devotees, Ghulam Nabi went to bring a horse-drawn cart without informing anyone. When he returned with the horse-cart, he saw that the booked vehicle had also arrived. He then gave a penny (i.e. a quarter of a rupee) to the cart owner and let him go. Nobody else was aware of it.

After four days, Ghulam Nabi came in the great court of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ who gave him a penny. He asked, 'What is this penny for?' A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ replied, 'That day you gave a penny to that cart man.' Ghulam Nabi became astonished as he had not told anybody about it yet A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ became aware of it. Seeing him in deep thought people said, 'Why are you losing this penny, take it as a sacred relic.' He then took the penny. As long as that sacred penny remained in his possession, he did not face financial problem.

(Summarized from: Hayat A'la Hadrat, vol. 3, pp. 260)

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

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Haath utha ker aik tukra ay Kareem!

Hayn sakhi kay maal mayn haqdar ham

(Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Release from imprisonment...

An aged woman was a disciple of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. Her husband was sentenced to twelve years imprisonment and a penalty of five thousand rupees as a result of a murder case. She lodged an appeal in the court. She said that she visited

the blessed court of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ daily since the day of lodging the appeal. A few days before the date of court's decision, she came to A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ while observing proper veil and requested for help. A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ advised her to recite ﴿حَسْبُنَا اللهُ وَنِعْمَ الْوَكِيلُ﴾ abundantly. She left. Thereafter, she came to the court of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ several times and he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ advised the same.

At last, the date of the court's decision arrived. She came and requested, 'Your honour! Today the decision will be made.' He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ replied, 'Keep reciting the same invocation.' Listening to the same reply, she became slightly annoyed and began to return muttering, 'When my Peer [i.e. spiritual guide] does not help, why would anybody else help!' When A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ observed the situation, he called her back and said, 'Take the Paan (betel leaf).' She replied, 'I am already chewing a Paan.' A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ insisted but she was a little displeased. Then, giving the Paan to her with his own blessed hand, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said, 'He has been released, now take and chew this Paan.' Listening to it, she took the Paan happily and went home. When she reached near her home, her children came to her hurriedly saying, 'Where were you, a person with a telegram is waiting for you.'

Receiving the telegram, she happily went home where she got the telegram read out and learnt that her husband had been released. (*Hayat A'la Hadrat, vol. 3, pp. 202*)

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Tamanna hay farmaiye rauz-e-Mahshar

Yeh tayri riha`ee ki chitthi mili hay

(Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

A fortunate ill person

Sayyid Qana'at 'Ali Shah Sahib was a faint-hearted person. On hearing about a patient's critical surgery, he once became unconscious. Many attempts were made to bring him back to consciousness but in vain. A request was made in the court of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ came and placed the head of Sayyid Sahib onto his lap with great affection. Then, he placed his blessed handkerchief onto the Sayyid's face. Suddenly, the Sayyid Sahib regained consciousness and opened his eyes. Seeing his head in the lap of a great Wali (i.e. friend of Allah), the Sayyid Sahib became overjoyed and tried to get up in honour but could not do so due to weakness.

May Allah ﷺ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Sar-e-baaleen inhayn rahmat ki ada layi hay

Haal bigra hay to beemar ki ban aayi hay

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Revealed what was in the heart

In Bareilly, there was a person who did not pay respect to the saints of Islam and believed that saints misuse discipleship and cheat people. Some people of his family were disciples of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. One day, they persuaded him into meeting A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. On the way, they passed a confectioner's shop where Amrityaan (a type of sweets) were being fried. Seeing delicious sweets, his mouth watered and he said, 'I will go only if you give this sweet to me.' They told him that he will be given the sweets while returning from the court of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ.

Anyway, they all reached the court of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. Meanwhile, a man entered with a basket full of hot Amrityaan. After Fatihah, the sweets were served to all. It was a tradition in the court of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ that the descendants of the family of the Beloved Nabi صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and those who

have adorned their faces with the Sunnah of beard used to be given two pieces of sweet. Since that person did not have a beard, he was given only one piece of sweet. A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ ordered the distributing person to give him two. He said, 'Your honour! He does not have a beard.' A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ smiled and said, 'He has a strong appetite for it, give him one more.' Seeing that saintly-miracle, the person became a disciple of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ and began to respect the saints of Islam. (*Tajalliyat Imam Ahmad Raza, pp. 101*)

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Downpour

Once, an astrologer came in the court of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ asked the astrologer, 'Tell me when it would rain according to your computation.' Having made computation, the astrologer said, 'There is no water in this month. It will rain the next month.' A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said, 'Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is Omnipotent. If He عَزَّوَجَلَّ wills, it may rain even today. You are looking at the stars but I am looking not only at the stars but also at the omnipotence of the Creator of the stars.'

There was a clock on the wall. A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ asked him, 'What time is it?' The astrologer replied, 'It is quarter past eleven.' A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ further asked, 'How much time is left in 12 o'clock?' He replied, 'Forty-five minutes.' A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ asked again, 'Can it be 12 o'clock before forty-five minutes?' He replied in the negative. Listening to it, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ stood up and rotated the hands of the clock. The clock instantly chimed 12 o'clock. A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ then said, 'You said that it cannot be 12 before forty-five minutes, so how is it 12 o'clock right now?' The astrologer replied, 'You changed the position of the hands of the clock otherwise it would have taken forty-five minutes to be 12 o'clock.'

A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said, 'Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is Omnipotent; He عَزَّوَجَلَّ may move a star anywhere at any time. You predicted that it would rain next month but if my Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ wills, it may start raining today at the very same moment.' As soon as A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ uttered that, clouds appeared on the sky and it began to rain! (*Anwaar-e-Raza, pp. 375*)

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

The labourer who was prince

A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was once invited to a religious gathering in some neighbourhood of Bareilly. The devotees arranged for a palanquin¹. A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ got onto the palanquin. Four labourers picked it up on their shoulders and started to walk. After they moved just a few steps, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ suddenly called out, 'Stop the palanquin.' The palanquin stopped. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ got off immediately and asked the labourers humbly, 'Tell me truthfully which one of you is a Sayyid²? I feel the fragrance of the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.' Stepping forward, one of the labourers said, your honour! 'I am a Sayyid.'

No sooner had he completed his sentence than the great Mujaddid of the era, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ took off his blessed 'Imamah and put it at the feet of the Sayyid. Then, with tears streaming from his eyes and hands clasped together, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ beseeched the Sayyid seeking forgiveness in these words: Honourable prince! Forgive this mistake of mine. I have unintentionally made this mistake. Oh how dreadful! I took ride on the shoulders of the prince whose blessed slipper is the crown of my head. If, on the Day of Judgement, the Noble Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ asked me, 'O Ahmad Raza! Was it the use of the delicate shoulders of my son to bear the burden of your palanquin?' Then what reply I would give and

¹ A conveyance carried by means of poles resting on the shoulders of several men.

² A descendant of the grand family of the Beloved Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

how great insult it would be to my claim of love for the Holy Rasool **صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ**!

Having made the prince forgive him verbally several times, A'la Hadrat **رَحِمَهُ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ** expressed his last wish saying, 'Dear prince! The only way to compensate for what I have done unknowingly is that now you sit in the palanquin and I would carry it on my shoulders.' Upon hearing it, people's eyes welled up in tears and some of them even screamed emotionally. Despite his repeated refusal, the "labouring prince" had to get on the palanquin. What a heart-rending scene it was! The Imam of the Ahl-us-Sunnah sacrificed the honour of his divinely-gifted abilities and worldwide fame at the feet of an unknown labourer (prince) for the sake of pleasure of the Greatest Rasool **صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ**. (*Anwaar-e-Raza, pp. 415*)

May Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Tayri nasl-e-pak mayn hay bachchah bachchah noor ka

Tu hay 'ayn-e-noor, tayra sab gharanah noor ka

(Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

An amazing parable of his expertise in different disciplines

Dear Islamic brothers! Who can realize how great devotee of Rasool the person is who has so much affection for the descendant of the Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ?

A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was not only a great devotee of the Holy Rasool but also a Wali blessed with miracles. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was a great Islamic scholar as well. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ possessed expertise in more or less 50 disciplines. By the blessing of his immense Islamic knowledge, amazing knowledge of worldly sciences was also bestowed upon him. In this regard, read the following parable and rejoice.

Doctor Sir Ziyauddin, the vice chancellor of 'Ali Garh Muslim University, acquired education in Europe. He was one of the prominent mathematicians of the sub-continent. He once faced a problem in mathematics which he could not resolve despite making several efforts. Hence, he decided to go to Germany for the solution. In those days, 'Allamah Sayyid Sulayman Ashraf Qadiri Razavi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was the head of the department of Islamic Studies in the same university. He insisted on Sir Ziyauddin meeting A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ in Bareilly, which was at a distance of few hours, to seek the solution to his problem instead of taking pains to go to Germany. Dr. Ziyauddin argued, 'How can a Maulana, who has never been to any college, solve a mathematical problem? I will not go to Bareilly to waste my

time.’ However, he agreed to meet A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ due to the repeated insistence of Sayyid Sulayman Shah Sahib.

A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was a little ill at that time. Dr. Ziyauddin said, ‘Maulana! My problem is extremely complex; it can’t be described at once. It is better that you listen to my problem when you are at ease.’ A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said, ‘Tell me the problem.’ He described the problem which was solved by A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ instantly. Amazed by listening to the correct answer, Dr. Ziyauddin said spontaneously, ‘I have heard of ‘Ilm-e-Ladunni¹ but I have observed it today. I was committed to go to Germany for the solution to this problem but Maulana Sayyid Sulayman Ashraf Qaadiri Razavi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ guided me to come here.’

Imam of Ahl-us-Sunnah رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ then had one of his handwritten booklets brought which largely consisted of sketches of triangles and circles. Seeing the booklet, Dr. Ziyauddin became even more astonished and said, ‘I travelled from country to country spending a lot of money and acquired some knowledge from European experts but, having come to know about your immense knowledge, I consider myself only a student. Will you please let me know who your teacher is in this art?’ A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ replied, ‘There is no teacher of mine in this field. I learnt four basic mathematical principles – addition,

¹ Knowledge which is bestowed upon somebody by Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ directly.

subtraction, multiplication & division from my respected father as they are needed for the rulings of inheritance. I had just started reading the book ‘Chughmeeni’ but my father advised me, ‘Why do you waste time? These disciplines will be bestowed upon you from the court of the Holy Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.’ Therefore, what you have seen is the benevolence of the Noble Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.’

*Masa`il zeest kay jitnay bhi thay paycheedah paycheedah
Nabi kay`ishq nay hal ker diye posheedah posheedah*

Dr. Sir Ziyauddin was so impressed by the vast knowledge and good manners of A’la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ that he became regular in offering Salah and observing Sawm, and adorned his face with the Sunnah of beard.

(Summarized from: Hayat A’la Hadrat, vol. 1, pp. 222-229)

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!

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*Nigah-e-Wali mayn woh taseer daykhi
Badalti hazaraun ki taqdeer daykhi*

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Manqabat A'la Hadrat

Tu nay baatil ko mitaya ay Imam Ahmad Raza

Deen ka danka bajaya ay Imam Ahmad Raza

Daur-e-baatil aur dalalat Hind mayn tha jis ghari

Tu mujaddid ban kay aaya ay Imam Ahmad Raza

Ahl-e-Sunnat ka chaman sar-sabz tha shadab tha

Aur rang tum nay cherhaya ay Imam Ahmad Raza

Tu nay baatil ko mita ker Deen ko bakhshi jila

Sunnataun ko phir jilaya ay Imam Ahmad Raza

Ay Imam-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat! Naa`ib-e-Shah-e-Umam!

Ki-jiye ham per bhi sayah ay Imam Ahmad Raza

'Ilm ka chashmah huwa hay mauj-zan tahreer mayn

Jab qalam tu nay uthaya ay Imam Ahmad Raza

Hashr tak jaari rahay ga fayz kyun kay tum nay hay

Fayz ka derya bahaya ay Imam Ahmad Raza

Hay ba-dargah-e-Khuda 'Attar 'aajiz ki Du'a

Tum pay ho rahmat ka sayah ay Imam Ahmad Raza

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

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