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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**:

اللَّهُمَّ افْتَحْ عَلَيْنَا حِكْمَتَكَ وَانْشُرْ
عَلَيْنَا رَحْمَتَكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ

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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 upon the Holy Prophet ﷺ once before and after the Du'a.

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Blessings of Paradise

This content has been taken from page no. 64 to page no. 78 of the book 'Backbiting'.

Du'a of 'Attar

O Lord of Mustafa صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ! Whosoever reads or listens to the 25-page booklet 'Blessings of Paradise', bestow him with the loftiest blessings of Paradise.

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Virtue of Salat upon the Prophet ﷺ

The Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said: The best of days is Friday; it is on this day that Sayyiduna Adam عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ was created, it is on this day his blessed soul was taken, it is on this day the Trumpet will be blown and it is on this day catastrophe will occur (the Day of Judgement will take place). Therefore,

increase in your sending of Salat upon me on this day, for your Salat is presented to me.’ The Sahabah رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ asked: ‘O Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ! And how will Salat upon you be presented to you after you have passed away?’ He replied: *‘Indeed, Allah Almighty has prohibited the earth from consuming the bodies of the Prophets. (Sunan-e-Abu Dawood, vol. 1, pp. 391, Hadees 1047)*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Conduct of Sayyiduna ‘Umar Bin ‘Abdul ‘Aziz رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ

One man approached Ameer-ul-Mu’mineen Sayyiduna ‘Umar Bin ‘Abdul ‘Aziz رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ and said something negative against another. He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ warned, ‘If you would prefer, I could investigate your matter and if you are found to be untruthful, you may fall under the indication of this verse of the Qur’an:

إِنْ جَاءَكُمْ فَاسِقٌ بِنَبَأٍ فَتَبَيَّنُوا

If any disobedient one comes to you with a news, make a strict investigation.

[Kanz-ul-Iman (Translation of Quran)] (Part 26, Surah Al-Hujurat, Verse 6)

If you were found to be truthful, you would still be considered as per this verse of the Qur’an:

هَمَزٌ مَشَاءٌ بِنَيْمٍ

One who taunts a lot, going around with slander.

[Kanz-ul-Iman (Translation of Quran)] (Part 29, Surah Al-Qalam, verse 11)

Or if you prefer I may forgive you.’ He replied, ‘O Leader of the Faithful, please forgive me! I will refrain from this (i.e. backbiting and tale-telling) in the future.’

(Ihya-ul-‘Uloom, vol. 3, pp. 193)

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

اٰمِيْنَ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْاَمِيْنِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوْا عَلٰى الْحَبِيْبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ

You have come to me with three evils

One man approached a saint رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ and uttered some negative things about a friend of the saint. The saint said to him, ‘Regrettably, you have come to me with three evils:

1. You have stirred hatred in me for a fellow Islamic brother;
2. For this reason you have preoccupied me (with worry and evil whispers); and

3. You have tarnished your trustworthy character (i.e. I considered you a trustworthy individual, but you turned out to be a gossipmonger).’ (*Ihya-ul-‘Uloom*, vol. 3, pp. 193)

Safeguard yourselves from the thieves of love

Scholars of our religion رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ advise: Safeguard yourselves from the enemies of the intellect and the thieves of love. These thieves speak ill and tell tales. A thief steals worldly materialistic possessions whereas they (i.e. those who backbite and tell tales) steal the love and respect that people have among themselves.

(*Al-Mustatraf*, vol. 1, pp. 151)

In a state of battle until parting

Shaykh Sayyiduna Mansoor Bin Zaazaan رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ said, ‘By Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Generally, whoever comes and sits with me, I find myself in a constant state of battle against him. This is because neither does he refrain from distancing me from my friends by backbiting against them, nor does he avoid revealing the backbiting of others against me, plunging me into anxiety and testing times. (*Tanbih-ul-Mughtarrin*, pp. 196)

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

أَمِينٍ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

*Mujhay ghibaton say bacha Ya Ilahi
Bachoon chughliyon say sada Ya Ilahi
Kabhi bhi lagaun na tuhmat kisi per
Day taufiq şidq-o-wafa Ya Ilahi*

*Allah! Guard me from backbiting and slandering
May I refrain from gossiping and tale-bearing
Allah! Safeguard me from laying false allegation
Aid me in truthfulness and Your loyal devotion*

صَلِّ اللّٰهُ عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ صَلُّوْا عَلٰى الْحَبِيْبِ
تُوْبُوْا اِلَى اللّٰهِ اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ
صَلِّ اللّٰهُ عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ صَلُّوْا عَلٰى الْحَبِيْبِ

Blessed with faith through Madani Channel 17 days before death

It is the summary of an incident relayed by an Islamic brother from Siddeeq Aabad: On Monday 20th April 2009, a 50-year old non-Muslim living in Karachi **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ** embraced Islam after becoming convinced by the true teachings of the Muslim faith on Madani Channel. He was given a Muslim name – Muhammad Siddeeq.

He attended the weekly Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima' at Dawat-e-Islami's International Headquarters, Faizan-e-Madinah and from there he travelled with a 12-day Madani Qafilah with the devotees of the Prophet to learn the Sunnah. Two or three days after his return, a car near Kakri Ground (in Bab-ul-Madinah, Karachi) hit him. The accident proved fatal and seventeen or eighteen days after gaining the precious gift of Iman (faith), he left this world. May Allah ﷺ forgive him.

اٰمِيْنَ بِجَاةِ النَّبِيِّ الْاَوْمِيْنَ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Madani Channel ki muhim hay Nafs-o-Shaytan kay khilaf

Jo bhi daykhay ga, karay ga اِنْ شَاءَ اللهُ i'tiraf

Nafs-e-ammarah pay zarb aysi lagay gi zordar

Sharm-e-'isyan kay sabab hoga gunahgar ashkbar

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish murammam, pp. 632)

To campaign against the Nafs and Satan is Madani Channel's aim

Whoever watches it shall اِنْ شَاءَ اللهُ accept this

It will move your heart and rattle your Nafs

The sinner will weep with guilt and remorse

صَلُّوْا عَلٰى الْحَبِيْبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ

Some are reformed before death and some go astray

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ he was indeed fortunate to be blessed with the wealth of

Islam only seventeen or eighteen days before he passed away. Nobody knows the hidden divine decree of Allah Almighty. Someone may spend all his life in a state of disbelief, but be blessed with faith at the time of his death, whereas another may spend all his life performing virtuous deeds, but die without faith. We seek goodness from Allah Almighty.

In this context, listen to and learn a lesson from the following Hadees reported by the Mother of Believers, Sayyidatuna ‘Aaishah Siddiqah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا: Whenever Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ wills good for a person, He عَزَّوَجَلَّ designates an angel to him a year before his death who constantly keeps him on the right path until he dies with belief. Upon his death, people say that so-and-so died in a good state. When such a fortunate and pious person begins dying, his soul is made to depart quickly. At that time, he wants to meet Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ wants to meet him. When Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ intends bad for a person, a Satan is appointed to him a year before his death who constantly misguides him until he dies in his worst moments. As death approaches him, his soul begins to jerk. At that time the dying person does not want to meet Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, nor does Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ (want to meet him)’ (*Musnad Ibn-e-Rahawayh, vol. 3, pp. 503*)

Iman pay day maut Madinay ki gali mayn

Madfan mayra mahboob kay qadmaun mayn bana day

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, amended version, pp. 112)

Blessings of Paradise

*Grant me death on faith in the street of Madinah
Make my place of burial by the feet of the Beloved of Allah*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Iman revived in Faizan-e-Madinah

This is a summary of what an Islamic brother from Sultanabad [Bab-ul-Madinah, Karachi (Pakistan)] reported. There was a non-Muslim (he was about 30 years of age) who was living in our locality with some of his friends, some of whom were Muslims. They used to watch movies and TV programs on cable television, just like the common practice amongst the youth today. When Madani Channel was launched in the blessed month of Ramadan 1429 A.H., its Madani programs were also relayed on the cable networks, which this non-Muslim really took a liking to, so he began to mostly watch Madani Channel. By the blessings of watching the programs, one day he went to the International Headquarters of Dawat-e-Islami, Faizan-e-Madinah in order to wash away the darkness of his disbelief and to enlighten his heart with the light and guidance of Islam, where he pronounced the Kalimah and became a Muslim.

In the weekly Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima' in front of thousands of attendees and viewers of Madani Channel, he became the disciple of Ghaus-e-A'zam Shaykh 'Abdul Qadir Jilani رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ. Thereafter, he attended congregational Salah and

started growing a beard. Occasionally, he would adorn his head with an ‘Imamah upon his head. Furthermore, he started learning the proper recitation of the Quran in Dawat-e-Islami’s Madrasa-tul-Madinah (for adults). He also attended the 3-day Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima’ at Sahra-e-Madinah in Madina-tul-Awliya, Multan. May Allah ﷺ grant him and all of us steadfastness on our faith.’

اٰمِيْنَ بِجَاہِ النَّبِيِّ الْاَمِيْنَ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Nach ganon aur filmon say yeh channel pak hay

Madani Channel haq bayan kernay mayn bhi bay-bak hay

Madani Channel mayn Nabi ki Sunnataun ki dhoom hay

Aur Shaytan-e-la'in ranjur hay maghmum hay

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish murammam, pp. 632-633)

اٰمِيْنَ بِجَاہِ النَّبِيِّ الْاَمِيْنَ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Du’a of a backbiter is not accepted

Sayyiduna Shaykh Faqih Abul Lays Samarqandi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ has said, ‘the Du’a of three individuals are not accepted:

1. Whoever eats Haraam;
2. Whoever excessively backbites; and
3. Whoever has jealousy towards Muslims.’ *(Tanbih-ul-Ghafilien, pp. 95)*

Guarantee for Paradise

Here is a blessed narration from the Prophet of mankind, the Peace of our heart and mind, the most Generous and Kind صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: ‘Whoever sits in his home and does not backbite against other Muslims, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is his Guarantor for Paradise.’

(Al-Mu'jam-ul-Awsat li-Tabarani, vol. 3, pp. 46, Hadees 3822)

Neighbour of the Noble Prophet ﷺ in Paradise

Sayyiduna Abu Sa'eed Khudri رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ reported that the Most Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said: ‘He who performs Salah properly, whose household is large (has more members) and provisions are limited, and who does not backbite other Muslims, he and I will be like this in Paradise (i.e. the Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ put his index finger and middle finger together).’

(Musnad Abu Ya'la, vol. 1, pp. 428, Hadees 986)

22 Favours bestowed in Paradise

Dear Islamic brothers! سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ! The above mentioned Hadees mentions a Madani method to gain the neighbourhood of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ in Paradise. سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ. the greatness of Paradise is truly marvellous. Dawat-e-Islami's publishing house ‘Maktaba-tul-Madinah’ has published a 1250-page book (in Urdu) entitled ‘Bahar-e-Shari'at.’ Here are some glimpses from that book's chapter on Paradise, إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ it

will increase your desire to attain it. Step up your spirited efforts to attain the bountiful Paradise of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Thus, it is stated:

1. If any object from Paradise, the size of a fingernail is revealed in this world, all the lands and the seas would become adorned by it.
2. If a Heavenly bracelet was to be displayed, it would dim out the sunshine from the sun just like the sun dims out the light of the stars.
3. A space small enough to lay down a whip in Paradise is better than this entire world and all the things contained within it.
4. The walls of Paradise are made of gold, bricks are made of silver, and musk is used to join them together.
5. The dwellers of Paradise will be presented with the tastiest of tasty cuisines. Whatever they wish shall be promptly presented in front of them.
6. When they see a bird and they wish to eat it, it will be presented to them roasted at that very moment.
7. If they wish to have water, containers will come to hand automatically and they will have the exact amount of water, milk, heavenly wine, and honey that is desired, with neither a drop more nor a drop less. After they have

finished drinking, the container will go back to where it came from.

8. Worldly alcohol has a foul odour, a bitter taste, and an intoxicating effect. Whoever drinks it, loses his reasoning ability, self-control, and starts using bad language. The wine in Paradise will be free from such negative factors.
9. There are no impurities in Paradise. There is not any urine, faeces, earwax, nasal mucus or bodily dirt.
10. One will have a fragrant burp which will be enjoyable and he will also perspire fragrantly.
11. All the food will be digested.
12. The burp and sweat will smell like musk.
13. Just like breathing, the tongue will be glorifying and praising Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** voluntarily and involuntarily.
14. Everyone will have at least ten thousand servants at his service, each one of them will have a silver bowl in one hand and a gold bowl in the other. All bowls will be filled with a variety of blessings (cuisines), each different in colour. As they eat, instead of the taste reducing, it will enhance. Every morsel will have seventy flavours, each distinct from the other and all these flavours will be tasted without one flavour overwhelming the other.

15. Neither will their clothing ever wear out nor will their youth wither away.
16. If someone were to wear clothing from Paradise in this world, whoever saw it would faint, as people would not be able to bear its sheer magnificence.
17. If any Hoor (heavenly maiden) from Paradise were to place her saliva into the ocean, it would all turn sweet. According to one Hadees, if a Hoor were to place her saliva into the seven oceans (of the world) the water would turn sweeter than honey.
18. Besides the hair on the head, the eyebrows, and the eyelashes, the dwellers of Paradise will not have any bodily hair. They will all be without beards and their eyes will be lined with kohl. Everyone will look thirty years old and will never look older than that.
19. Then, the people will go (by Allah Almighty's order) to the market place which would be surrounded by the angels. They will see things that their eyes have never seen, that their ears have never heard and their minds have never thought of. There will be no buying or selling, rather whatever they like in the market place will be sent along with them.
20. People of Paradise will meet others in this market. When a person from a lower rank will meet another from a higher

rank and will like his clothing, before their conversation is finished he will feel that his own clothing is better than the others, as there is no sorrow in Paradise.

21. Whenever they will want to meet each other, their thrones will move closer. According to Allah ﷻ, the most respectable person amongst them would be the one who is blessed with the privilege of seeing Almighty Allah ﷻ in the mornings and in the evenings.
22. When all the dwellers of Paradise would have entered, Allah ﷻ will ask them, 'Do you want anything else that I shall provide for you?' They will say, 'You have illuminated our faces, allowed us entry into Paradise and saved us from Hell.' At that moment the veil, which is drawn upon the people, would be lifted and they will see Allah ﷻ. They will not be awarded anything greater than the honour of seeing Allah.' (*Bahar-e-Shari'at*, vol. 1, pp. 152-162)

اللَّهُمَّ ارْزُقْنَا زِيَارَةَ وَجْهِكَ الْكَرِيمِ بِجَاهِ

حَبِيبِكَ الرَّؤُوفِ الرَّحِيمِ عَلَيْهِ الصَّلَاةُ وَالتَّسْلِيمُ ، أَمِينَ!

Allah! For the sake of Your Beloved, the Compassionate and Beneficent Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ), bless us with the honour of seeing You. Ameen!

*Allah karam itna gunah gar peh ferma
Jannat mayn parausi mujhay Aqa ka bana day
(Wasail-e-Bakhshish murammam, pp. 112)*

*O Allah bestow this much grace upon this sinner,
Make my abode in the blessed vicinity of the Holy Prophet, in
Paradise*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ
تُؤَبَّرُوا إِلَى اللَّهِ أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ
صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

How to gain Hoors (heavenly maidens)?

Dear Islamic brothers! Strive to avoid backbiting and all sinful conversations and make yourself worthy of Paradise. With just a small movement of your tongue, recite **أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ** and be rewarded with Hoors in Paradise! In this regard, a saint made a Du'a after worshipping for forty years: 'O Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**! Show me a glimpse in this world of the blessings that You will bestow upon me in Paradise.' While he was still busy in his Du'a, the arch of the Masjid split open, a beautiful Hoor emerged from the gap and said: 'You will gain one hundred Hoors like me, each will have one hundred helpers, and each helper will have a hundred slave-girls, and each slave-girl will have a hundred assistants.' Upon hearing this, the saint rejoiced and inquired:

‘Will anyone get more than me in Paradise?’ She replied: ‘Every inhabitant of Paradise, who would have recited **أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ** in the morning and evening, will receive this.

(Raud-ur-Riyaheen, pp. 55)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Attacking the honour of another Muslim is Haraam

The Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said: ‘Everything that belongs to a Muslim is Haraam for another Muslim, his possessions, his honour and his blood. It is enough for a person to be evil that he considers his Muslim brother inferior to himself.’ *(Sunan Abi Dawood, vol. 4, pp. 354, Hadees 4882)*

What is arrogance?

Dear Islamic brothers! Arrogance is when someone considers himself superior to another. Firstly, arrogance is Haraam and secondly, it leads to backbiting. Furthermore, an arrogant person tends to ridicule those who he considers inferior to himself. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has said in the Quran in Surah Al-Hujurat, part 26, verse 11:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا يَسْخَرُ قَوْمٌ مِنْ قَوْمٍ عَسَىٰ

أَنْ يَكُونُوا خَيْرًا مِنْهُمْ وَلَا نِسَاءٌ مِنْ نِسَاءِ عَسَىٰ أَنْ يَكُنَّ خَيْرًا مِنْهُنَّ

O Believers! Men must not ridicule other men, perhaps the ridiculed ones are better than the mockers, nor must the women ridicule other women, perhaps the ridiculed women are better than the mockers.

[Kanz-ul- Iman (translation of Quran)] (Part 26, Surah Al-Hujurat, Verse 1)

Do not look at others with disdain

Shaykh Sayyiduna Imam Ahmad Bin Hajar Makki Shaafi'i رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ while elaborating on this verse said: 'سُخْرِيَه' [Sukhriyah in this verse] refers to looking down with despise upon the one who is ridiculed. This order of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ signifies that one should not look down upon anyone with disdain. It is possible that the one who is looked down upon is at a better and higher status in the court of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. It is reported from the Intercessor of the Ummah صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: 'How many are there in a miserable state, with dishevelled hair and worn out old clothes, whom no one pays any mind to, but if they were to swear by Allah's name on any matter, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ would surely fulfil it.' (*Sunan-e-Tirmizi, vol. 5, pp. 459, Hadees 3880*)

Satan, the accursed, considered Sayyiduna Adam عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام inferior to himself and thus suffered eternal loss. On the other hand, Adam عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام received everlasting respect and there is a great difference between them. Here, it is also possible for it to mean, 'Do not consider another person as inferior as it is possible that one day that other person may

attain a position of respect, and you may be disgraced, in which case he may take revenge.

لَا تُهَيِّنَ الْفَقِيرَ عَلَّكَ أَنْ تَرَكَعَ يَوْمًا وَالِدَهُرُ فَدَّ رَفَعَهُ

Don't disgrace a poor man, for perhaps one day you might be needy and Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ might grace him with wealth.

(Az-Zawajir 'Aniqtiraf-il-Kabaair, vol. 2, pp. 11)

Who is a Muslim and who is a Muhajir?

Dear Islamic brothers! It is necessary upon every Muslim that he does not cause any unjustifiable difficulty for another Muslim, nor should he steal his belongings, dishonour, antagonise, hurt or fight him. After all, why should Muslims fight one another, when they are actually supposed to be the protectors of one another?! The Knower of the Unseen صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated: 'A (complete) Muslim is he who avoids harming other Muslims by his tongue and hands. A (complete) Muhajir (one who migrates for the sake of Allah) is he who gives up all that is forbidden by Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.'

(Sahih Bukhari, vol. 1, pp. 15, Hadees 10)

The renowned commentator of the Quran, Hakeem-ul-Ummat, Mufti Ahmad Yar Khan رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ while elaborating on this Hadees, has explained: A complete Muslim is he who is a Muslim in every way; linguistically and according to *Shari'ah*.

The true believer is he who does not backbite another Muslim, nor curses, tells tales or makes sarcastic remarks about him. He does not physically hurt him, nor does he write anything against him. Furthermore, a complete *Muhajir* is he who not only migrates from his homeland, but also migrates away from sin; or abandoning sins is linguistically also considered migration and this continues forever.

(Mirat-ul-Manajih, vol. 1, pp. 29)

It is impermissible to hurt others even by a gesture

Dear Islamic brothers! The Prophet of Rahmah, the Intercessor of the Ummah, the Owner of Jannah صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, 'It is not allowed for any Muslim to scare another Muslim.'

(Sunan Abu Dawood, vol. 4, pp. 391, Hadees 5004)

At another time, he صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, 'It is impermissible for a Muslim to gesture with his eyes in a manner which harms another Muslim.' *(Az-Zuhd li-Ibn-e-Mubarak, pp. 240, Raqm 689; Ithaf-us-Sadah-liz-Zabidi, vol. 7, pp. 177)*

Agonizing itch

Dear Islamic brothers! It might seem very simple and easy to harm a fellow Muslim and hurt his feelings, to curse, backbite or to slander him, but this could turn into a heavy burden in the Hereafter if these acts result in displeasing Allah Almighty.

It is narrated on page 21 of the Urdu booklet ‘Zulm ka Anjam’, published by Dawat-e-Islami’s publishing department, Maktaba-tul-Madinah: Shaykh Sayyiduna Yazeed Bin Shajarah رحمۃ اللہ علیہ has narrated that: Like seas have shores, Hell also has shores which have snakes like Arabian camels and scorpions like mules living there. When the dwellers of Hell will plead for their punishments to be reduced, it will be ordered for them to be pulled out to the shore. As soon as they are pulled ashore, these snakes will grab their lips and faces and peel their skin off. They will turn towards the fire to safeguard themselves, and then they will be inflicted with an itch. They will itch so much that all their skin and flesh will be plucked away and only bones will remain. It will be called out, ‘O so-and-so! Is it hurting you now?’ They will say, ‘Yes.’ Then it will be said, ‘This is the punishment for the harm you caused to the believers.’

(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 280, Hadees 5649)

Ay khaṣa-e-khaṣan-e-Rusul waqt-e-Du’a hay

Ummat pay tayri a kay ‘ajab waqt para hay

Tadbeer sanbhalnay ki hamaray nahin koi

Han aik Du’a tayri kay maqbool-e-Khuda hay

O most special Prophet! It is time for supplication

As turmoil and hardships engulf your nation

*No recourse in sight, only relying on your supplication
For surely your pleas are accepted without exception*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Fortune enlightened by the blessings of Milad celebrations

Dear Islamic brothers! In order to get rid of the habit of backbiting and to develop a habit of offering Salah and practicing the Sunnah, keep yourself attached to the righteous Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami and travel in the Madani Qafilahs with the devotees of the Prophet to learn the Sunnahs of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. To prosper in this life and to be successful in the Hereafter, act according to the Madani In'amaat booklet. Fill in the questionnaire and submit it to the representative of Dawat-e-Islami on the first day of each Madani month. Celebrate Milad – the Blessed Birthday [of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ] – with the devotees of the Prophet as it has numerous blessings.

Here we present to you the summary of the narrative of an Islamic brother, who was from the city of Trarkhel Sudhnoti district (in Kashmir): On the 12th night of Rabi'-un-Noor 1430 A.H., our Masjid was being decorated with green flags and beautiful illuminations to celebrate the blessed night. Suddenly four drug addicts entered the Masjid and informed the Imam:

‘We were just about to use drugs, but then we thought to ourselves that tonight is the night of Milad. Will we sin even on this night? Why shouldn’t we repent?’ Therefore, we have come to you for this reason.’ Thereafter they repented and joined the congregation to gain the blessings of the Milad celebrations. The Imam of the Masjid quickly contacted a representative of Dawat-e-Islami. He came soon afterwards with some Islamic brothers and they met with the drug addicts with great enthusiasm. Later that night, they travelled with the 3-day Madani Qafilah according to its schedule and their passion was highly commendable. **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ**, by the blessings of the Milad celebration, all four of them made righteous intentions to establish Salah, adorn the beard, acquire the blessing of the 63-day Tarbiyyati Course and attend the Masajid etc. Furthermore, all of them made Bay’at [pledge of allegiance] into the Qadiriyyah Razawiyyah Tareeqah (spiritual path) along with their family members and became ‘Attari. At the time of delivering the statement, it had only been a few days since they joined the righteous Madani environment and at that time, they were travelling in a 12-day Madani Qafilah.

*Khoob jhoomo ay gunahgaraun tumhari Eid hay
Ho gaya bakhshish ka saman Eid-e-Milad-un-Nabi*

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish murammam, pp. 380)

*Transgressors! Sway with joy, today is your celebration
The means of forgiveness is the Milad commemoration*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

After seeing beautiful illuminations, a disbeliever embraced Islam

Dear Islamic brothers! Did you realize the Madani blessings of celebrating Milad? It was because the devotees of the Prophet were celebrating the Milad that those drug addicts found out about that blessed and mercy-filled night and felt that they should respect it. So, they entered the Masjid which was adorned with decorative lights and where green flags swayed in celebration of the blessed night. The benefits of celebrating the birth of our Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ are truly incredible. One Islamic brother told me [the author] that once, a Masjid was decorated beautifully to mark the Milad celebrations. It so happened that a non-Muslim passed by it and when he saw the magnificent decorations on the Masjid, he inquired about the occasion. He was informed that the splendid decorations were placed to mark the birthday of our Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. Upon hearing that, his heart filled with the respect for the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. He thought, 'despite almost fifteen centuries passing, these Muslims still celebrate the birthday of their Prophet with such

passion and enthusiasm, and decorate their homes and Masajid. This proves that this is the true religion.’ **أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ**, he repented from his false beliefs and embraced Islam, reciting the Kalimah.

Beautiful illuminations for Milad

On page 174 of *Malfuzaat-e-A'la Hadrat* [the 561-page publication of Maktaba-tul-Madinah, the publishing department of Dawat-e-Islami], it is stated:

Question: Is it considered wastage to decorate with lights, chandeliers or special flooring¹ for the celebrations of Milad?

Answer: The scholars state: **لَا خَيْرَ فِي الْإِسْرَافِ وَلَا إِسْرَافَ فِي الْحَيْرِ** that is, *there is no goodness in wastage and there is no wastage in goodness*. Hence, anything that is intended to increase the honour of a gathering of remembrance cannot be deemed impermissible.

A thousand candles were lit

Imam Muhammad Ghazali **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ** has narrated in *Ihya-ul 'Uloom* from Sayyid Abu 'Ali Ruzbari **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ** that once a person arranged a gathering for the remembrance of Allah **عَزَّ وَجَلَّ** and for this gathering he lit a thousand candles. Another

¹ This means to level the particular surface of the earth with limestone as a form of adornment.

person came, noticed all these candles and turned around to leave, but just then the host held his hand and told him to put out any candle which he thought had been lit to please anyone else other than Allah ﷺ. He tried to put out the candles, but not even a single one of them went out.

(Ihya-ul-'Uloom, vol. 2, pp. 26, summarised)

*Lahrao sabz parcham ay Islami bhaiyo!
Ghar ghar karo charaghan kay Sarkar a gaye*

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish murammam, pp. 511)

*O Prophet's devotees! Fly green flags today
Decorate every house and street for Noble Prophet's birthday*

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ	صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ
أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ	تُوبُوا إِلَى اللهِ
صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ	صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ