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Du'a for reading this book

ead the following *du'a* (supplication) before you study a religious book or an Islamic lesson, you will remember whatever you study عنائه النام :



Translation

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

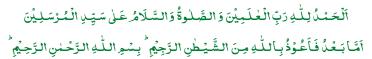
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Recite salat upon the Prophet once before and after the du'a.

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Madinah: the sanctified sanctuary

Supplication of the Amir of Ahl al-Sunnah:

"O Lord of Mustafa! Whosoever reads or listens to the 18-page booklet *Madinah*: the sanctified sanctuary, grant them the ability to adopt the sunnah of the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّهِ وَسَلَّمَ and forgive them without accountability.

Excellences of reciting salat upon the Prophet

Deeds will be weighed upon a scale on the Day of Judgement, and on that day, a certain Muslim's bad deeds will outweigh his good. The intercessor of the *ummah*, the final Prophet مَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْتِواللّهِ وَسَلّمَ will then take a slip of paper and place it upon the Muslim's good deeds, causing them to outweigh the bad as a result. The Muslim will exclaim, 'May my parents be sacrificed for you! Who are you?' The Prophet صَلَّى اللّهُ عَلَيْتِواللّهِ وَسَلّمَ will answer:

'I am your Prophet Muhammad (صَلَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالْهِ وَسَلَّمَ), and this (slip of paper) is the *salat* you sent upon me.'¹



When the greatest devotee had a fever

The following incident is narrated in hadīth 3926 of *Sahīh Bukhāri*. A beloved mother of the Muslims, Sayyidatuna 'Āishah Siddiqah مَعْوَى اللَّهُ عَمَّاهِا explains:

When the Prophet صَلَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالْهِ وَسَلَّهُ migrated to Madinah, Sayyiduna Abu Bakr and Sayyiduna Bilal (the Prophet's muezzin) معنى اللهُ عَنْهُمَا both had fevers. I went to them and addressed my father (Abu Bakr); 'O father! How are you feeling?' He recited the following:

Translation: Everyone initiates the day with their family, but death is closer to them than the laces of their shoes.

1. Sayyiduna Bilal مخى الله then said: 'If only I could spend another night in a valley (of Makkah) with *idhkhir* and *jalīl* grass around me. If only I were to visit the spring of

¹ Mosu'a Ibn Abi Dunya, vol. 1, p. 92, hadith 79

Majannah again one day. If only I may behold the mountains of Shāmmah and Tafīl yet again!'

Sayyidatuna 'Āishah مَشِى اللَّهُ عَنْهَا goes on to further elaborate:

When I mentioned to the Messenger of Allah مَلَىٰ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهِ وَسَلَّمُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَبِّ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ عَبِّ اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ الللَّهُ اللَّهُ الللَّهُ اللَّهُ الللَّهُ اللل



He who fashioned Yathrib into Taybah

Mufti Ahmad Yar Khan ومُحْمَقُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ elucidates on the blessed city of Madinah by saying:

Before the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالْهِ وَسَلَّم arrived, Madinah was a place of illness and epidemic sickness. As soon as the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالْهِ وَسَلَّمَ stepped into its parameters, all illness was removed and its very soil became a means of

¹ Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhāri, vol. 2, p. 601, hadith 3926

remedy, as explained in this hadīth, 'The soil of our Madinah cures the ill.'

Incorrect to say Yathrib instead of Madinah

Imam Ahmad Razā Khān مَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ also adds a unique point of discussion to this topic:

Referring to Madinah as Yahtrib is impermissible, prohibited and sinful. The Messenger of Allah prohibited and sinful. The Messenger of Allah عليّه وَالله وَسَلَّمَ said: 'Repentance is necessary for whomever refers to Madinah as Yathrib. Madinah is $t\bar{a}bah$, Madina is $t\bar{a}bah$.'

'Allamah Munāwi مَحْمُقُاللّٰهِ affixes the following point to this narrative:

In light of this hadīth, it is forbidden (*harām*) to refer to Madinah as Yathrib. The Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهِ وَسَلَّمَ has commanded the one who does this to repent; one only repents if he has sinned.³

Imam Bukhari مَعْتُهُ اللَّهِ writes, "Whomsoever says Yathrib when referring to Madinah should say 'Madinah' ten times as expiation."

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¹ Wafa al-Wafa, vol. 1, p. 69, Mirāt al-Manājīḥ, vol.2, p. 178

² Musnad Imam Ahmad, vol. 6, p. 409, hadith 18544, Fatāwā Razawiyyah, vol. 21, p. 116

³ Al-Tayseer Sharh al-Jāmi' al-Ṣaghīr, vol. 2, p. 424

⁴ Tareekh al-Kabeer, vol. 6, p. 62, hadith 8282

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيْبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّد

When fever sought permission from the Prophet

As described by Sayyidatuna Umm Tāriq نمضى اللَّهُ عَنْهَا :

The Prophet of Allah صَلَى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهُ once went to the house of Sa'd مِنِى اللَّهُ عَنْهُ and sought permission to enter. Sayyiduna Sa'd مَنِى اللَّهُ عَنْهُ however, remained silent. Permission was sought again, and Sayyiduna Sa'd remained silent again. After permission was sought for the third time, Sayyiduna Sa'd مَنِى اللَّهُ عَنْهُ began to leave. Sayyiduna Sa'd مَنَى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا لَهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا لَهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهِ وَلَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهِ وَلَاهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهُ وَلَا عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ وَلَا عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهِ

Sayyidatuna Umm Tāriq مَضِى اللَّهُ عَنْهَا said:

I heard a voice at the door seeking permission to enter, but I could not see who was speaking. (Highlighting his knowledge of unseen granted by Allah) The Prophet صَلَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ وَاللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ وَاللَّهِ وَاللّهُ وَلَّهُ وَاللّهُ وَاللّ

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¹ This was a greeting of seeking permission to enter a house. It is not necessary to reply to this.

Prophet صَلَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالهِ وَسَلَّمَ declared, 'You are not welcome here. Go towards the people of Quba.' It readily complied and embarked thereupon.¹

According to another narration, when the Prophet مَلَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالْهِ وَسَلَّمَ asked who it was, it replied, "I am fever. I eat flesh and drink blood."

(This fever remained with the people of Quba for six days and six nights.) The people of Quba presented themselves to the merciful Prophet عَلَى اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ مَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلّٰهُ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهُ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهُ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهُ ع

Visiting the unwell

Upon a request submitted by the unwell people of Quba, The Prophet of utmost good character مَثَلَ اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهِ مَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهِ مَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهُ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰلّٰ اللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰلّٰ اللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَل

As he began to leave, a woman followed behind and said:

¹ Dalail al-Nubuwwah, al-Bayhaqi, vol. 6, p. 158

² Fayd al-Qadir, vol. 2, p. 231, hadith 1617

³ Al-targhib wa al-tarhib, vol. 4, p. 153, hadith 81

I take oath by He Who made you a truthful Prophet! Please pray for me the same way you have prayed for the Ansār, as I hail from amongst them.

The Messenger of Allah مَلَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّهِ وَسَلَّمَ then explained, "If you desire, I can pray for Allah to give you well-being. If you remain patient, Paradise is for you." Hearing this, she submitted, "I shall be patient and not give preference to anything over Paradise."

May Allah Almighty have mercy upon them and forgive us without accountability for their sake!



Sheikh 'Abd al-Qādir driving away illness

O devotees of the Messenger! Allah Almighty has bestowed countless excellences upon our sheikh, Sayyiduna 'Abd al-Qādir Jilāni محمدة الله عليه (famously known as *Ghawth al-a'zam*).

The great sheikh was once visited by Abu al-Ma'āli Ahmad Muzaffar bin Yusuf Baghdadi Hanbali, a prominent scholar of the time. The latter said, "My son Muhammad has had a fever for 15 months." Sheikh 'Abd al-Qādir Jilāni مَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ replied,

¹ Al-Adab al-Mufrad, p. 132, hadith 502

"Go to your son and say in his ear, 'O Umm Mildam (an appellation used for fever)! 'Abd al-Qādir declares for you to depart from my son."

Abu Ma'āli further said, "I did as the sheikh instructed, and my son never had fever again." Two years then passed, and close affiliates to Sheikh 'Abd al-Qādir inquired from Abu Ma'āli as to the health of the latter's son. He went on to reply by saying his son had never suffered from fever again.¹

Fever and plague

Dear Islamic brothers, the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ وَسَلَّمَ stated:

Jibrīl عليه السّلام came to me with fever and plague accompanying him. I stationed fever in Madinah and consigned plague to Syria. Plagues are (a means of attaining) martyrdom for my *ummah* and punishment for disbelievers.²

Reconciling two narrations

Dear Islamic brothers, Masjid Quba is now part of Madinah, whereas it was not in previous times. In regards to aforementioned hadīth, Imam Jalāl al-Dīn Suyūti Shaf'i عَمْتُهُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ

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¹ Bahjat al-Asraar, p. 153

² Musnad Imam Ahmad, vol. 7, p. 393, hadith 20793

(One narration specifies fever being sent to Quba from Madinah, and another highlights fever being kept in Madinah.) It is necessary to reconcile these two hadīth, as their apparent meanings may seem to contrast. Two matters can be distinguished in this:

The first facet of discussion centres around the Prophet مَلَى اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَسَلَّمَ entering Madinah and then having fever stationed in Juhfah and Khamm by means of his sacred supplications. When Jibrīl عَلَيْهِ السَّالَةُ عَلَيْهِ السَّالَةُ presented fever and plague in front of the Prophet مَلَى اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ مَلَّى it was made necessary for one of the two to remain in Madinah. The beloved of Allah عَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ عَلْمُ اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّٰهِ وَاللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّ

This is due to fever being less harmful in comparison to plague, leading to the decision of it being kept in Madinah. The Messenger of Allah صَلَى اللّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللّهِ مَسَلّهُ had fever leading up to his passing from this world, and Sayyidatuna 'Āishah مَوْى اللّهُ عَنْهُ had the same during the incident of Ifk, as did many other honourable Companions عَلَيْهِمُ الرّفُواكُ. In all this, plague never occurred (in Madinah) at any time. This reasoning is of greatest soundness to me.

The second reason that comes to my understanding is that the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهِ وَسَلَّمَ ordered for a specific, more harmful and severe type of fever to be kept away from Madinah. He had this

stationed in Juhfa. This did not entail a collective abolishment of fever at large.¹

Where is Juhfa?

In explaining where Juhfa is located, *'Allamah 'Ali Qāri عَمُ*هُاللَّهِ عَلَيْهُ said:

Juhfa is found between Makkah and Madina, towards Syria. The name literally means the flowing of a flood. The etymological root of this stems from an immense flooding that took place thereupon, thus giving Juhfah its current name. Its original title was Mahya'ah, named after the individual who first resided in its parameters.²

Dark Skinned Woman

As narrated by Sayyiduna 'Abd Allah bin 'Umar ترضى اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا:

The Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهِ وَسَلَّمُ had a dream regarding Madinah, and said, 'I saw a dark-skinned woman with unkempt hair, who left Madinah and settled in Mahya'ah, which is Juhfah. I have interpreted this to mean an epidemic in Madinah has been stationed in Juhfah.'3

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¹ Kashf al-Gumma Fi Fadl al-Humma, pp. 5 - 6

² Mirqāt al-Mafātīḥ, vol. 5, p. 390, hadith 2516

³ Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhāri, vol. 4, p. 422, hadith 7039

In another narration, a person travelled from Makkah to Madinah. The Prophet صَلَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهِ مَسَلَّهُ asked him, "Did you see anyone on your way here?", to which the man replied, "I saw a dark-skinned woman." The Prophet صَلَّ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهِ مَسَلَّمَ then explained, "That was fever, and it will never return (to Madinah) after today."

Blessings in fever

Imam Samhūdi ﷺ states:

The fever present in Madinah today is not one of illness. Rather, it is the mercy of our Lord, and it erases sins due to the supplications of our beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَلْهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَلْهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَلْهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَلْهِ وَلَا اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا لَمِنْ عَلَيْهِ وَلَاللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا لَهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا لَلْهُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا لَعَلَيْهِ وَلَا لَلْمُ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللْعِلِي وَاللْعِلْمِ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا عَلَيْهِ وَاللْعِلْمِ عَلَيْهِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَالْعِلْمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَالْعِلْمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَلِمِ وَاللْعِلْمِ وَلِي عَلَيْهِ وَلِي

O devotees of the Messenger! When the mercy for all worlds, the final Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالهِ وَسَلَّمَ arrived in Madinah, Sayyidatuna 'Āishah مِثِى اللهُ عَنْهَا معمل and some of the honourable Companions مَثَلَ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالهِ وَسَلَّمَ had fever. As a result of the supplications made by the Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالهِ وَسَلَّمَ Madinah became the greatest place in the entire Arabian peninsula; in fact, the entire world. Even its weather is of quality unmatched by any other. Its very earth is a means of cure.

The sacred soil of Madinah

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¹ Sharh al-Zurqaani 'ala Muwatta', vol. 4, p. 309, hadith 1714

² Fayd al-Qadir, vol. 4, p. 14, hadith 4388

As mentioned in *Jadhb al-Qulūb*:

Allah Almighty has placed remedial qualities in the soil and fruit of Madinah. A host of hadīth describe its soil to contain cure for every illness. Some hadīth mention مِنَالِجُنَاهِ, meaning, its soil is a cure for leprosy and vitiligo.

Some narrations mention a specific place in Madinah named Su'ayb (publicly known as *khāk-i-shifā*; a place whose soil offers cure). Narrations are found in which the Prophet صَلَى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهِ وَسَلَّمَ instructed the Companions مَا تَعْهُمُ الرِّهُ مَانُ to seek cure for their fever from the soil of Su'ayb. Various incidents and true stories can be found of pious people drawing remedy from this soil. ¹

Ibn Battāl مَحْمَدُهُ اللَّهِ عَلَيه said, 'Whoever lives in Madinah will find a fragrance in its soil and gardens like no other.'2

Year-long fever cured in a day

Sheikh Majd al-Dīn Fairūzābādi مَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْه said:

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¹ Jadhb al-Qulub, p. 27

² Sharh al-Zurqaani 'ala Muwatta', vol. 4, p. 308, hadith 1714

My servant had fever for an entire year. I mixed the soil of Madina (taken from Su'ayb) with water and gave it to him to drink. التحديث He regained health the same day.¹

Sadly, this blessed place has now been made hidden from public view. Some dig into the ground to obtain its cure-giving soil, but administrative personnel fill the resultant holes with coal tar.



Dear Islamic brothers, the blessings of the final Prophet مَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالْهِ مَسَلَّمَ caused Madinah to become sanctified, sacred and hallowed. Perniciously fatal fevers were removed from this city, and it became a place of safety in turn.

Common fevers and illnesses were allowed to remain in Madinah, as with the mercy of Allah, these cause sins to be removed and ranks to be raised. Upon hearing of the excellences associated with having a fever, some honourable Companions even desired for it to come upon them.

Asking for a Fever

Sayyiduna Ubay bin Ka'b مَضِى اللَّهُ عَنْهُ details:

I asked the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَالْهِ وَسَلَّمَ, "What reward does a person earn when afflicted with fever?" He replied by

¹ Jadhb al-Qulub, p. 27

saying, "He receives good deeds as long as his feet stumble and he remains drenched in sweat." I supplicated to Allah after hearing this; "O Lord! I ask you for fever that does not prevent me from striving in Your path, performing Hajj, and offering congregational prayer in Masjid Nabawi."

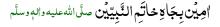
The narrator of this incident explains how this *du'ā* was accepted, and *Sayyiduna* Ubay bin Ka'b من always had fever from then onwards. 1

Asking to always have fever

When the Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, "Fever is expiation for sins", *Sayyiduna* Zayd bin Thābit موضى اللَّهُ عَنْهُ made du'ā and asked to always have a fever. This was accepted, and he remained in this state until he passed away.²

Some Ansāri Companions عَلَيْهِمُ الرِّصُوانَ also made the same supplication; they too remained in a state of fever until they passed away.³

May Allah Almighty have mercy upon them and forgive us without accountability for their sake!



¹ Al-Mu'jam al-Kabīr, vol. 1, p. 200, hadith 540

² Qoot al-Qulub, vol. 2, p. 49

³ Qoot al-Qulub, vol. 2, p. 49

The reward of fever and headache

The final Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللَّهِ وَسَلَّمَ said:

A person with sins the size of Mount Uhud suffers from headache and fever; when they separate from him (i.e he recovers), he does not have even an atom's worth of sin remaining.¹

Mufti Ahmad Yar Khan مَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ adds:

Other illnesses affect but one or two limbs, but fever affects every nerve of the body from head to toe. For this reason, it serves as a means of earning forgiveness for every sin and transgression of the entire body.²

Another narration is as follows: "A believer remains afflicted with illness to the extent it purifies him from sin."

A favoured illness

Sayyiduna Abū Hurayrah غثو الله عنه said, "There is no pain I favour more than that of fever. It is felt in a person's every joint, and Allah Almighty certainly grants reward to every part of the body in accordance to the level of pain it experiences."⁴

³ Shu'b al-Īmān, vol. 7, p. 166, hadith 9863

¹ Shu'b al-Īmān, vol. 7, p. 176, hadith 9903

 $^{^2}$ Mirāt al-Manājīḥ, vol. 2, p. 413

⁴ Musannaf ibn Abi Shaybah, vol. 7, p. 99, hadith 10922

What happens if you have fever for ten days?

Whoever has fever for three nights becomes as free from sins as he was on the day of his birth. Whoever has fever for ten days, an announcement is made in the skies regarding that individual, "Indeed, your sins have been forgiven. Begin your deeds afresh."

Do not delay in becoming a *murīd*² of Sheikh 'Abd al-Qādir Jilāni

A few years ago, a young person became affiliated with Dawat-e-Islami. He began to come down with fever just handful of days before his marriage. By hook or by crook, he went on to get married whilst unwell and remained this way throughout the succeeding *walīmah*. After less than a week, he eventually passed away.

There was no Madani Channel at that time. Instead, speeches of Amīr Ahl al-Sunnah were freely distributed from Maktaba-tul-Madinah in audio cassette form. The young man would listen to these speeches regularly, even when approaching his final days. Amīr Ahl al-Sunnah visited his family to offer condolences. They explained how the young man listened to these speeches avidly, and how he longed to become a *murīd* of Sheikh 'Abd al-Qādir Jilāni مَنْهُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهُ through Amīr Ahl al-Sunnah himself.

¹ Kanz ul-'Ummal, Juzz 3, vol. 2, p. 132, hadith 6766

² Spiritual follower; adherent of a spiritual guide

They added, he passed away after reciting the Kalimah and repenting.¹ O Allah! Forgive the deceased young man without accountability.

O devotees of the Messenger اَصَلَى اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاللهِ وَسَلَّمُ There is no downside in becoming the *murīd* of Sheikh 'Abd al-Qādir Jilāni order, read Corpse of a Child, a booklet written by Amīr Ahl al-Sunnah. The following is a beautiful incident, regarding a *murīd* of Sheikh 'Abd al-Qādir Jilāni مَحْمُةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ.

A moving tale

Ghulām Nabi Qādri lived in Landhi (Karachi, Pakistan). He was a *murīd* of Sheikh 'Abd al-Qādir Jilāni مثمَّةُ اللهِ عليه and steadfast upon the latter's teachings, as well as those of Imam Ahmad Razā Khān مثمَّةُ اللهِ عليه.

A gathering was held in Landhi, in which Amīr Ahl al-Sunnah على المنابع was to deliver a sunnah-inspired speech. Ghulām Nabi Qādri had a fever but left no stone unturned in inviting people towards goodness, not allowing his illness to stop him. When the speech began, he wrapped himself in his shawl and sat down. Two days later, Amīr Ahl al-Sunnah was informed he had passed away.

¹ Audio Bayan - Char Madani Phool

Visiting his home in the middle of the night, Amīr Ahl al-Sunnah described what he then saw:

I have seen many deceased people, but never have I seen one whose face gleamed and shone like his. It was like a blossoming flower, full of light. He appeared as though he had simply fallen asleep. Some devotees of the Messenger said it did not look as though he had passed away, but simply laying down in rest. Islamic brothers were reciting *n'at* around him, and it seemed as if he had become successful. May Allah Almighty have mercy upon him and forgive us without accountability for his sake!



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I was ordered to (migrate to) a settlement which shall consume all others (become superior to them). People call it Yathrib, and (yet) that is Madinah. It will purify people in the same manner a furnace purifies iron from rust.

(Şaḥīḥ al-Bukhāri, vol. 1, p. 17, hadith 1871)





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