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Ameer Ahl-e-Sunnat's

رُحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ

Devotion to Ala Hadrat

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(For Islamic Brothers)

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ
 أَمَا بَعْدُ فَأَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat's Devotion to A'la Hadrat

أَلصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَعَلَى إِلِكِ وَأَصْحَبِكَ يَا حَبِيبَ اللَّهِ
 أَلصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَبِيَّ اللَّهِ وَعَلَى إِلِكِ وَأَصْحَبِكَ يَا نُورَ اللَّهِ

نَوَيْتُ سُنَّتَ الْإِعْتِكَافِ

Translation: I have made the intention of Sunnah I'tikaf.

Whenever you enter a Masjid, upon remembering, make the intention of Nafil I'tikaf because as long as you stay in the Masjid you will keep obtaining the reward of Nafil (supererogatory) I'tikaf. In addition, eating and drinking (water etc.) will also become permissible for you in the Masjid.

Excellence of Salat-'Alan-Nabi ﷺ

The Rasool of mankind, the Peace of our heart and mind, the most Generous and Kind صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said, 'I will intercede for the one who recites Salat upon me.' (Al-Qaul-ul-Badi', pp. 261)

شافعِ روزِ جزا تم پہ کروڑوں درود

دافعِ جملہ بلا تم پہ کروڑوں درود

صَلُّوا عَلَيَّ الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيَّ مُحَمَّدَ

Dear Islamic brothers! Before listening to the Bayan, let's make good intentions for attaining rewards. The Beloved Rasool ﷺ has said, 'نِيَّةُ الْمُؤْمِنِ خَيْرٌ مِّنْ عَمَلِهِ' *The intention of a believer is better than his action.*

(*Al-Mu'jam-ul-Kabeer, vol. 6, pp. 185, Hadees 5942*)

Two Madani pearls

- Without a good intention, no reward is granted for a good deed.
- The more righteous intentions one makes the greater reward he will attain.

Intentions of listening to the Bayan

1. Lowering my eyes, I will listen to the Bayan attentively.
2. Instead of resting against a wall etc., I will sit as I sit in Tashahhud as long as possible with the intention of showing respect for religious knowledge.
3. I will make room for others by folding my hands and limbs and by moving slightly.
4. If someone pushes me, I will remain patient and calm and avoid staring, snapping, and arguing with them.
5. When I hear *تُؤْتُونَآ إِلَى اللَّهِ، اذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ، صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ*, etc., I will reply loudly with the intention of gaining reward and encouraging others to recite also.
6. After the Bayan, I will approach other people by making Salam, shaking hands, and for making individual efforts upon them.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! Imam of Ahl-us-Sunnah, Maulana Shah Imam Ahmad Raza Khan رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ is the great scholarly and spiritual personality of subcontinent and a unique revivalist who does not need any kind of introduction. His writings are the striking and strong evidence of his scholarly status. Due to his excellent scholarly achievements, Na'tiyah poetry and devotion to Rasool a great number of people are his devotees and praise him.

Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ is also one of the true devotees and admirers of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. He has become the fan of A'la Hadrat due to his personality and scholarly achievements. That's why Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ is serving Islam in an extremely splendid manner as per the teachings of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. It can be determined by his highly effective writings, Sunnah-inspiring speeches and Madani Muzakaraha which are full of knowledge and wisdom and adorned with the translation of Quran [Kanz-ul-Iman], details of *Fatawa Razawiyah* and highly touching and tear-jerking couplets of *Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish*. Let's listen to it in the words of the devotee of A'la Hadrat [Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ] as to why he is so much impressed with A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ and why he shows so much devotion to him.

Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat's devotion to A'la Hadrat

In his booklet '*Sayyidi Qutb-e-Madinah*', Shaykh-e-Tareeqat, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ has mentioned: اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, I had been introduced to the personality of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ in my childhood, since then as I gain maturity, I developed love of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ in my heart. Thereafter I had a strong yearning to enter his Silsilah (chain of spiritual order), and by only one chain or means (i.e. through Sayyidi Qutb-e-Madinah) I became the Mureed [disciple] of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. (*Sayyidi Qutb-e-Madinah*, pp. 2)

He has further said: I had been fond of the Na'at of the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ since my childhood and also developed devotion to A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. I, therefore, liked to recite and listen to A'la Hadrat's Kalam [poetical work such as Na'at, Qasidah, etc.]. Once I stood up to recite Na'at keenly on mike at Badami Masjid (Bombay Bazar, Bab-ul-Madinah, Karachi), but I just recited the couplet:

*Chamak tujh say paatay hayn sab paanay walay
Mayra dil bhi chamka day, chamkanay walay*

All of a sudden, an old man scolded me and pushed me back from the mike just perhaps because I was too young and did not have a good voice. I became very sad, but the devotion to the Beloved Rasool ﷺ and love of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ came to my rescue.

(Tazkirah Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, part 2, pp. 31)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, it was for this devotion and love that the first booklet that Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat wrote was about the life history of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ, namely 'Biography of Imam Ahmad Raza' which was published on 25th Safar-ul-Muzaffar (1393) on the occasion of 'Yaum-e-Raza'.

اعلى حضرت سے ہمیں تو پیار ہے
ان شاء اللہ عَزَّوَجَلَّ اپنا بیڑا پار ہے

Have you heard why Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ has so much love and devotion to A'la Hadrat that he feels A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ is the best source to attain the closeness to the Beloved Rasool ﷺ and the one who is associated with him can never be deprived, but rather he recognizes the Beloved Rasool ﷺ in a proper way. Furthermore, the fortunate person who is blessed with the correct recognition of the Beloved Rasool ﷺ is surely a very lucky person. Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat showed great courage, so Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ helped him and his devotion to A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ worked for him. He has not only been following steadily and firmly A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ since his childhood, but he has also been busy making efforts to spread the blessings of Raza all over the world in different ways. By virtue of these efforts of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat such a

Madani revolution has taken place in the society that today we can see the blessings of translation of the Holy Quran '*Kanz-ul-Iman*' *Fatawa Razawiyyah* and *Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish* everywhere.

Surely all these are the striking and strong evidence of his devotion to A'la Hadrat. So following in the footsteps of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat *داعية بر كائمه العالیه* make yourself and also your children the followers of A'la Hadrat *رحمته اللوتعالی علیہ*. Read and listen to the scholarly services of A'la Hadrat *رحمته اللوتعالی علیہ*, his events related to the devotion to Rasool and his Na'tiyah poetry not only yourself, but also persuade your children to do so. Keep on telling them that A'la Hadrat *رحمته اللوتعالی علیہ* was a great saint, practising Islamic scholar, Mufti of Islam, great Muhaddis, Mujaddid [revivalist] of his time and a true devotee of Rasool who had been very dear in the court of Mustafa *صلی اللہ تعالی علیہ وآلہ وسلم*. Then to increase their interests tell them the events which are related to A'la Hadrat's devotion to Rasool such as the faith-refreshing event of the visit of Madinah Munawwarah.

A'la Hadrat's Yearning for beholding Beloved Nabi

When A'la Hadrat *رحمته اللوتعالی علیہ* went to sacred Madinah for the second time, he *رحمته اللوتعالی علیہ* kept reciting Salat and Salam in front of the luminous Raudah wishing to see the Beloved Rasool *صلی اللہ تعالی علیہ وآلہ وسلم*. He felt absolutely sure that the Beloved Rasool *صلی اللہ تعالی علیہ وآلہ وسلم* would bless him with his blessed sight. But, on the first night, nothing happened like this. On this occasion, feeling sad he *رحمته اللوتعالی علیہ* wrote a famous poem; in the opening couplet of this poem he *رحمته اللوتعالی علیہ* expressed the hope for the attachment to the Merciful Rasool *صلی اللہ تعالی علیہ وآلہ وسلم*:

Woh soo`ay lalah zaar phirtay hayn

Tayray din ay bahaar phirtay hayn

Explanation of Raza's poetry: O spring! Rejoice as the greatest of all springs is about to come to you. In the closing couplet, he *رحمته اللوتعالی علیہ* expressed his humility and humbleness in these words:

*Koi kyun poochhay tayri baat Raza
Tujh say shayda hazaar phirtay hayn*

In the second line of the above couplet, A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ out of extreme humility used the word 'Sag [i.e. dog]' for himself. However, the word 'Shayda' i.e. admirer has been read here out of respect for him (which means a lover).

Explanation of couplet: Being very humble in this closing couplet A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said to himself: O Ahmad Raza! What are you and your reality! There are thousands of Sag-e-Madinah [dogs of Madinah] like you, wandering with great devotion in the streets of Madinah.

Having recited the couplets, he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ sat reverentially waiting for beholding the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. At last, his fortune smiled on him and he was blessed with the luminous sight of the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ with the naked eye in wakefulness. (*Hayat A'la Hadrat, vol. 1, pp. 92*)

اب کہاں جائے گا نقشہ تیرا میرے دل سے
تہ میں رکھا ہے اسے دل نے گمانے نہ دیا

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you noticed that when A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ had the privilege to pay a visit in the court of the Holy Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, he recited the couplets full of devotion to Beloved Mustafa صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ from the bottom of his heart. The highly emotive and tear-jerking couplets were accepted and Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ had mercy on him and the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ blessed him with his luminous sight.

جو ہے اللہ کا ولی ہے شک
عاشقِ صَادِقِ نَبی ہے شک
غوٹِ اعظم کا جو ہے متوالا
واہ کیا بات اعلیٰ حضرت کی

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Introduction to A'la Hadrat

A'la Hadrat, Imam of Ahl-us-Sunnah, Maulana Shah Imam Ahmad Raza Khan رحمۃ اللہ تعالیٰ علیہ was born in Jasoli, an area in Bareilly on Saturday, 10th of Shawwal-ul-Mukarram, 1272 AH (i.e. 14th June 1856), at the time of Zuhr. He رحمۃ اللہ تعالیٰ علیہ passed away on 25th Safar-ul-Muzaffar, 1340 AH.

(Hayat-e-A'la Hadrat, vol. 1, pp. 58)

A'la Hadrat رحمۃ اللہ تعالیٰ علیہ belonged to a Pathan family. He followed the Hanafi school of thought and Qadiri spiritual order. His father's name is Maulana Naqi 'Ali Khan رحمۃ اللہ تعالیٰ علیہ and grandfather's name is Maulana Raza 'Ali Khan رحمۃ اللہ تعالیٰ علیہ. *(Faadil Baraylvi 'Ulama-e-Hijaz ki Nazar mayn, pp. 67)*

He was Pathan, Hanafi and Qadiri. A'la Hadrat's birth name is 'Muhammad'. His respectable mother used to call him 'Amman Miyan'. His respectable father and other relatives used to call him 'Ahmad Miyan' and his grandfather named him 'Ahmad Raza'. His historical name is 'Al-Mukhtar'. A'la Hadrat رحمۃ اللہ تعالیٰ علیہ himself used to write 'Abdul Mustafa' before his name.¹ From this act his devotion to Rasool can easily be judged. At one place, in his world famous Na'at collection 'Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish', Imam Ahmad Raza Khan رحمۃ اللہ تعالیٰ علیہ has stated:

خَوْفِ نَهْ رَكَهْ رِضَا ذَرَا تُوْ تُوْ هَيْ عَبْدِ مُصْطَفَى
تِيرِي لِيْ اَمَانْ هَيْ تِيرِي لِيْ اَمَانْ هَيْ

Translation: Do not fear O Raza! You are 'Abd-e-Mustafa. You will remain safe, you will remain safe!

صَلُّوْا عَلَيَّ الْحَبِيْبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيَّ مُحَمَّدٍ

¹ Tajalliyat Imam Ahmad Raza, pp. 21

Scholarly services of A'la Hadrat

A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ spent his entire life following Shari'ah. His personality truly reflects Shari'ah and Sunnah. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ not only himself acted upon Islamic teachings, but he also imparted knowledge to his family members and well-wishers. He, from time to time, imparted knowledge to them through his wise speeches and advices and through his prominent writing skills he has done a great favour to Muslims Ummah by performing scholarly services in a different style for the propagation and publication of Islam.

The great Islamic services of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ include the excellent translation of the Holy Quran '*Kanz-ul-Iman*' from which Muslims will keep on attaining blessings of Quran until the world exists.

The great Islamic services of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ also include his Dars and teaching through which he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ satisfied the thirst of knowledge of students and by his blessings many Islamic scholars and blessed Muftis started teaching and working at Dar-ul-Ifta and many started preaching Islam.

The great Islamic services of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ include a large number of Fatawa (Islamic verdicts) which he wrote and removed people's religious and scholarly confusions. He has given Muslim Ummah the voluminous collection of Fatwas in Urdu language by the name of '*Fatawa Razawiyah*' which consists of 30 volumes, approximately 22,000 pages, 6,847 answers to questions and 206 booklets. The great Islamic services of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ also include his classic art of poetry which has greatly inspired the devotees of Rasool.

Introduction to book '*Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish*'

The matchless Na'at collection of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ is known as '*Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish*'. Every couplet which A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ wrote is the true representation of Quran and Hadees and serves as a true protection of the greatness of Namoos-e-Risalat [reverence for Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ], blessed companions and Ahl-e-Bayt and pious saints رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ and the source of their blessings. Since A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ had a great command over other languages besides Urdu, he wrote Na'ats in languages like Arabic and Persian etc. apart from Urdu. A'la Hadrat's '*Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish*' is so rich in fluency

and eloquence that even renowned poets and writers of the time are astounded when they study '*Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish*' and cannot resist admiring and appreciating it.

Shaykh-e-Tareeqat, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, the founder of Dawat-e-Islami, 'Allamah Maulana Abu Bilal Muhammad Ilyas Attar Qaadiri Razavi Ziyaae دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَه is so much attached to '*Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish*' that he, from time to time, recites the couplets from '*Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish*' in his speeches and Madani Muzakaraha, or rather persuades his disciples, family members and friends to study *Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish* and to keep it with them. Just see the love of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat for '*Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish*' that he has named his Na'tiyah collection '*Wasail-e-Bakhshish*' as it also bears its relation to the name of the Na'tiyah collection of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. *Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish* is the great achievement of A'la Hadrat due to which the devotion to Beloved Mustafa صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ develops in the hearts of devotees of Rasool. This book can be read, downloaded and printed from the website of Dawat-e-Islami www.dawateislami.net.

خیر سے حافظہ قوی تر تھا	علم و عرفان کا جو کہ ساگر تھا
واہ کیا بات اعلیٰ حضرت کی	حق پہ مبنی تھا جس کا ہر فتویٰ
بخش عطار کو بلا پرسش	مولا بہر 'حدائق بخشش'
واہ کیا بات اعلیٰ حضرت کی	خلد میں کہتا کہتا جائے گا

صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

Maslak (doctrine) of A'la Hadrat

Acting upon the teachings of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ we should spend our life and should serve Islam a lot according to our financial ability by holding fast to the Maslak (doctrine) of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ till the last breath. Giving Madani pearls to his disciples and believers, the devotee of A'la Hadrat, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَه has said:

All Islamic brothers and sisters must hold fast to the Maslak [i.e. doctrine] of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. The Maslak of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ is the same as was that of the Beloved Rasool's companions and the saints of Islam, i.e. believing in the oneness of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and worshipping only Him, and believing in the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ as the truthful and the last Nabi sent by Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Furthermore, it also includes having complete regard for the devotion and greatness of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and His Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, not denying even a single obligation of Islam, avoiding fault-finding and insult of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, His Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and Blessed Rasool's companions رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمْ and staying away from blasphemers, etc. (are the signs of identification of Maslak-e-A'la Hadrat). (*Dawat-e-Islami ka Ta'aruf*, pp. 48)

The devotion of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat to A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ can also be judged by the fact that he دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ urges [people] in his Madani Muzakaraha and the Islamic scholars and Muftis, students of Jami'a-tul-Madinah and common people, who come to meet him, to keep hold fast to the Maslak of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ and not to have any contradiction if they do not understand any point of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. Once he دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ said: May our intellect be sacrificed for the sayings of A'la Hadrat! We accept every saying of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. Once he دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ said to the students of Takhassus-fil-Fiqh (Mufti course): It is extremely necessary to keep the devotion of A'la Hadrat, Imam Ahmad Raza Khan رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ intact in the depth of our heart. A'la Hadrat, Imam Ahmad Raza Khan رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ is the saint of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, true devotee of Rasool and our pious predecessor. The Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said: 'الْبِرَّةُ مَعَ أَكْبَرِكُمْ' i.e. blessing is with your pious saints. (*Al-Mustadrak lil-Haakim*, vol. 1, pp. 238, Hadees 218)

If any of you have even a little difference of opinion with my master A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ so keep it in mind that your bad days have started, مَعَآذَ اللهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Therefore, immediately be cautious and get rid of the idea of contradiction [difference of opinion] like something wrong is removed. If your mind does not accept any of the rulings A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ has mentioned in *Fatawa Razawiyyah*, do not use your wisdom at all for it, but rather consider the act of not understanding the ruling to be your own defect.

عاشقِ صادقِ نبیِ بے شک
واہ کیا باتِ اعلیٰ حضرت کی

جو بے اللہ کا ولی بے شک
غوٹِ اعظم کا جو بے متوالا

Reason why translation of Quran 'Kanz-ul-Iman' is preferred

Dear Islamic brothers! After listening to the Madani pearls of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ**, full of knowledge and intellect, every wise person can very well judge that Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ** has deep love for A'la Hadrat. Accepting every saying of A'la Hadrat **رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ** not only he himself avoids contradiction, but he also urges his disciples and devotees to do the same.

One clear proof of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat's devotion to A'la Hadrat **رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ** is that he gives the translation of the Quranic Ayah, which he mentions in his speeches, Madani Muzakaraha and books, from blessed 'Kanz-ul-Iman' and mentions A'la Hadrat in a way that the importance and greatness of the translation 'Kanz-ul-Iman' and the one who has produced *Kanz-ul-Iman* develop in the depth of the heart of the listeners. Prior to mentioning the translation from *Kanz-ul-Iman* he mentions the title of A'la Hadrat in this way: In his famous translation of Quran 'Kanz-ul-Iman' my master A'la Hadrat, Imam-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, Wali-e-Na'mat, Azeem-ul-Barakat, Azeem-ul-Martabat, Parwanah Sham'-e-Risalat, Mujaddid-e-Deen-o-Millat, Haami-e-Sunnat, Maahi-e-Bid'at, 'Aalim-e-Shari'at, Peer-e-Tareeqat, Imam-e-'Ishq-o-Mahabbat, Baa'is-e-Khayr-o-Barakat, 'Allamah Maulana Al-Haaj Al-Haafiz Al-Qaari Ash-Shah Imam Ahmad Raza Khan **رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ** has translated this blessed Ayah like this. He **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ** then mentions the translation of the Ayah. **سُبْحَانَ اللهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ**! What an impressive style Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat adopts for his devotion to A'la Hadrat **رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ**!

On the occasion of one hundred years' celebration of the completion of *Kanz-ul-Iman* (1430 AH), praising the translation 'Kanz-ul-Iman' Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ** wrote in one of his letters: The translation 'Kanz-ul-Iman' is better than all the translations of Urdu; this translation is the collection of different authentic commentaries along with the word by word translation. The reverence and the honour of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** along with the

respect for the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ can be seen in every word of *Kanz-ul-Iman*. It is very useful and beneficial to study *Kanz-ul-Iman* in order to illuminate the heart with the knowledge of Quran and the love of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ has given 72 Madani In'amaat to Islamic brothers, 63 to Islamic sisters, 92 to Islamic students. According to these Madani In'amaat, every Islamic brother and Islamic sister has to read at least the translation of 3 Ayahs from *Kanz-ul-Iman* and their commentaries from *Khaza'in-ul-'Irfan* or *Noor-ul-'Irfan*.

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! On the blessed occasion of one hundred years' celebration of the completion of *Kanz-ul-Iman* as per the wish of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ countless copies of *Kanz-ul-Iman* from Maktaba-tul-Madinah the publishing house of Dawat-e-Islami were sold at half price so that *Kanz-ul-Iman* can be found at every home. In addition, Majlis IT of Dawat-e-Islami has also presented the Holy Quran with the translation '*Kanz-ul-Iman*' and commentary *Khaza'in-ul-'Irfan* in the form of a software CD which can be bought from Maktaba-tul-Madinah. With the help of this software you can recite and listen to the Holy Quran and the translation '*Kanz-ul-Iman*' and can also study the commentary. Further, with the help of the search option you can look up any word in the Holy Quran, translation '*Kanz-ul-Iman*' and commentary *Khaza'in-ul-'Irfan*.

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! In the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami, many Islamic brothers and Islamic sisters have studied complete *Kanz-ul-Iman* with its commentary. If we also want to attain the blessings of *Kanz-ul-Iman*, we should make intention immediately that I will also study at least 3 Ayahs with their translation and commentary daily. If we form its habit, so in addition to getting in-depth information we will also get abundant reward for our Hereafter, اِنَّ شَاءَ اللّٰهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

راضی رضا سے صاحبِ قرآن بے آج بھی	خدمتِ قرآنِ پاک کی وہ لاجواب کی
خورشیدِ علم ان کا درخشاں بے آج بھی	احمد رضا کا تازہ گُلستاں بے آج بھی

Introduction to Majlis Maktaba-tul-Madinah

Dear Islamic brothers! Buy the translation 'Kanz-ul-Iman' today from Maktaba-tul-Madinah in order to attain its blessings. Maktaba-tul-Madinah is a publishing department of Dawat-e-Islami which is supplying countless books and booklets, Sunnah-inspiring speeches and the memory cards of Madani Muzakaraha, etc. all over the world. After every weekly Ijtima', all the devotees of Rasool must buy something from Maktaba-tul-Madinah; at least one booklet should be bought. First of all, study it yourself and then give it to someone else so that he can also study it. It will not only increase your Islamic knowledge, but will also present the call towards righteousness to others.

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Madani pearls of presenting call towards righteousness and Madani pearls about different topics are also being spread all over the world through 'Mahnamah Faizan-e-Madinah'. Every topic of 'Mahnamah Faizan-e-Madinah' is admonitory and life-changing. 'Mahnamah Faizan-e-Madinah' is such a great and impressive achievement which is like putting something in a nutshell. 'Mahnamah Faizan-e-Madinah' is a best source of associating people with the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami.

'Mahnamah Faizan-e-Madinah' should also be distributed along with distributing Madani booklets. Would that 'Mahnamah Faizan-e-Madinah' could reach every home every month! It will help develop Madani environment at home, اِنْ شَاءَ اللّٰهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ. May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ make all the departments of Dawat-e-Islami progress including Maktaba-tul-Madinah!

اٰمِيْنَ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْاَمِيْنِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوْا عَلٰى الْحَبِيْبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ

Weekly Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima'

Dear Islamic brothers! Associate yourself with the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami in order to develop devotion and greatness of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ in the heart and to spend life according to his teachings. Also participate actively in the 12 Madani activities of Zayli Halqah. One of the 12

Madani activities of Zayli Halqah is to attend weekly Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima'. **عَدَّوَجَلَّ**, one can get good company, attain the blessings of the translation of Quran '*Kanz-ul-Iman*' and have the privilege to do Zikr of Allah **عَدَّوَجَلَّ** collectively in the weekly Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima'at. We have also been persuaded to have good company in blessed Ahadees. Further, those who do Zikr of Allah **عَدَّوَجَلَّ** in gathering have been given the good news of forgiveness and the good news of their sins being changed into virtuous deeds. For persuasion let's listen to a faith-refreshing Madani parable of an Islamic brother who attended the weekly Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima'.

Three drinking brothers joined the Madani environment

Here is a summary of a piece of writing received from an Islamic brother from Okara district Divalpur (Punjab Pakistan): We were one of the richest families of Divalpur. Before I matured, our elder brother had unfortunately become an alcoholic due to the company of wicked friends. Trapped in bad companionship and drinking, our elder brother did not pay any attention to our education and etiquette. He only wanted alcohol. Gradually, alcohol addiction led him to selling household items. He even sold a cloth shop, a factory and a market with many shops just to feed his addiction. How can household remain safe from the fire burning inside the house? Eventually, another brother of mine who was younger than the eldest and older than me also became an alcoholic. The fire of addiction further blazed, engulfing me and I also became an alcoholic. Our respected mother was already very grief-stricken. When we became alcoholics, she became even more grieved.

At last, fortune smiled on us. There was another brother of ours who was protected from alcohol. Fortunately, he began to take interest in the global and non-political Quran and Sunnah-preaching movement – Dawat-e-Islami. By the blessing of affiliation with the fragrant Madani environment, he sometimes used to take us with him to the Ijtima' by making individual effort but we would get bored. He continued to make individual effort, persuading us affectionately to attend the Ijtima' with him.

عَدَّوَجَلَّ! By the blessings of the individual efforts made by him, all of those brothers of ours who were once alcoholic have done penance, joining

the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami. Whenever I thought about my past life, I tremble with fear. What would become of us if we were not blessed with the Madani environment? Perhaps, we would have no shelter and even our close relatives would reject us.

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! By the blessing of the Madani environment, the autumn-hit orchard of our family was also blessed with the Madani spring of happiness once again. Billions of thanks to Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! At the time of writing this parable, I am doing a 63-day Tarbiyyati course and the eldest brother has been travelling with Sunnah-inspiring Madani Qafilahs along with devotees of Rasool for almost 17 months.

اسی ماحول نے ادنیٰ کو اعلیٰ کر دیا دیکھو
اندھیرا ہی اندھیرا تھا اُجالا کر دیا دیکھو

Relation to A'la Hadrat

Dear Islamic brothers! Another interesting aspect of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat's devotion to A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ is that he likes the number '25' very much. That's why he mentions the date of the 'Urs of A'la Hadrat 25th Safar-ul-Muzaffar in different styles in his Madani Muzakaraha and books. He دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ even loves the name 'Raza' so much that he joins the word 'Raza' to names in order to attain its blessings.

From this act of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ we have got this Madani pearl that relation has great blessings, therefore it is a great privilege to attain the blessings of relations in every permissible act even in giving a name and fixing a date.

Remember! The thing that has its relation to the pious bondmen of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ no longer remains an ordinary thing, but rather its glory increases. For instance, when Safa and Marwah both mountains had their relation to the blessed feet of a pious saint and the mother of the blessed Nabi [Sayyiduna Isma'eel عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامَ] Sayyidatuna Haajirah رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهَا so it has become the sign of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Similarly, Maqaam-e-Ibraheem by virtue of the blessing of the blessed feet has become the sign of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. The graves

of blessed Ambiya and pious saints have become the signs of Allah ﷺ due to the blessing of the relation to their body. The cave of Ashab-e-Kahf رَحِمَهُ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمْ became blessed by virtue of the blessing of the relation to the pious people. Koh-e-Toor was given greatness by the relation of Sayyiduna Musa Kaleemullah عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام and Makkah Mu'azzamah became respected and exalted due to its relation to our Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. Having regard for the relation we should also benefit from their blessings.

In order to attain blessings from the relations Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat رَحِمَهُ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ became the disciple of Ziyauddin Madani دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ. Mentioning the reason for it he دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ has said: (For becoming the disciple [Mureed]) only one eminent personage became the focus of my attention though there was no shortage of MashaaiKh [spiritual guides] of Ahl-us-Sunnah that time nor even today but *everyone has their own choice and has their own thoughts*.

I knew that I could become a Mureed [disciple] of A'la Hadrat رَحِمَهُ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ through this sacred personage who is the only Shaykh between A'la Hadrat and me. His charismatic personality also had another attraction that he رَحِمَهُ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ was receiving blessings directly from the shade of Gumbad-e-Khazra. The dignified personality I am talking about is 'Allamah Maulana Ziyauddin Madani Qaadiri Razavi رَحِمَهُ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ.

ضياء پير و مرشد مرے رہنما ہیں سرورِ دل و جان مرے دل رُبا ہیں
مُنور کریں قلبِ عطار کو بھی شہا! آپ دینِ مبین کی ضیا ہیں

Dear Islamic brothers! The fortunate people who have their relation to Allah-loving people receive the blessing of this relation in their life, but these relations also become useful for them after their death.

Dear Islamic brothers! It is a fact that we like everything of the person we fall in love with; we even establish our relation of devotion to his [beloved's] home, doors and walls, streets and even his city. We consider it to be an honour to respect everything that is related to him [the beloved]. Once, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ showed such a great devotion to A'la

Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ that those who saw it started weeping. Regarding this let's listen to a faith-refreshing parable and rejoice.

First visit to sacred Bareilly

Very first time, when Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ reached the city (blessed Bareilly) of his spiritual guide, he دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ remained barefoot as a mark of respect until he stayed there. He visited the sacred shrine of A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ with extreme respect and reverence. (Having seen the strange style of the visit, the people present there started weeping.) During the visit, someone informed him of a pious saint رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ who had seen A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ. On knowing it, he and his both sons kissed the eyes of the saint رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ with great love and devotion.

برکتیں مُرشدی کی پاؤں میں
واہ کیا بات اعلیٰ حضرت کی

پھر بریلی شریف جاؤں میں
کر لوں روضے کا خوب نظارہ

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you noticed how respectfully and reverently Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat paid a visit to his spiritual guide. Remember! Paying a visit to the shrine of the spiritual guide is a great privilege and brings about a blessing and making Isal-e-Sawab for them is a Mustahab [preferable] act. The mercy of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ always descend to the shrines of pious saints. Du'as are heard, problems and difficulties are resolved by virtue of the blessing of the visit. Further, visiting the shrines of pious saints especially with this mind-set has been the practice of our pious predecessors.

Sayyiduna Imam Shaafi'i رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ has stated: Whenever I need something, I offer 2 Rak'at Salah and then pay a visit to the luminous shrine of Imam-e-A'zam Abu Hanifah رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ and make Du'a there. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ fulfils my need. *(Al-Khayraat-ul-Hisaan, pp. 94)*

Dear Islamic brothers! Surely visiting the shrines of Allah-loving people is a great privilege and brings about blessing and goodness. But remember! We can get these blessings only when we pay our visit to these shrines in a respectful manner. Therefore, first make Wudu before visiting shrines. If

Makruh time has not begun, offer two Rak'at Nafil at home in which after Surah Al-Fatihah recite Ayat-ul-Kursi once and Surah Al-Ikhlās thrice and then send the reward of this Salah to the saint of the shrine. When you reach the shrine stand in the direction of the face of the saint at a distance of 4 arms with both hands tied and humbly say like this: 'السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا سَيِّدِي' (i.e. may peace be upon you O my chief!) as it is the respect.

After Fatihah make Du'a through the Wasilah of the saint as Du'as are answered through the Wasilah of pious people. Avoid useless talks and non-Shar'i acts as much as possible. Be careful that your back does not turn towards the blessed shrine. May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ enable us to respect pious people and follow their blessed life!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Summary of speech

Dear Islamic brothers! In today's speech, we have had the privilege of listening to some facts about Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat's devotion to A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ.

- Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ has loved A'la Hadrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ since his childhood.
- When Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ started writing so the very first booklet he wrote was 'Tazkirah Imam Ahmad Raza'.
- Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ greatly loves 'Pachhisween Sharif' (25th Safar-ul-Muzaffar) of A'la Hadrat, that's why he uses the number '25' in his speeches, Madani Muzakaraha and writings in different styles.
- Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ not only loves the translation of A'la Hadrat 'Kanz-ul-Iman' himself, but he also persuades his disciples and devotees to read it.

May Allah ﷺ enable us to spend our life following Ameer Ahl-e-Sunnah and acting upon the teachings of A'la Hadrat!

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! In conclusion, I would like to take the opportunity to mention the excellence of Sunnah as well as some Sunan and manners. The Rasool of Rahmah, the Intercessor of the Ummah صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said, 'Whoever loves my Sunnah, loves me, and whoever loves me will be with me in Jannah.' (Ibn 'Asakir, vol. 9, pp. 343)

سینہ تری سُنَّت کا مدینہ بنے آقا
جَنَّت میں پڑوسی مجھے تم اپنا بنانا

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Madani pearls about sleeping and waking up

1. Dust the bed off properly before sleeping, so that poisonous insects etc. if any, are removed.
2. Recite this Du'a before sleeping:

اللَّهُمَّ بِاسْمِكَ أَمُوتُ وَأَحْيَا

O Allah ﷺ, I die and live (sleep and wake up) by Your name.

(Sahih Bukhari, vol. 4, pp. 196, Hadees 6325)

3. Do not sleep after 'Asr, as there is a fear of losing the intellect. The Noble Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said, 'Whoever sleeps after 'Asr and loses his intellect, should blame only himself.'

(Musnad Abi Ya'la, vol. 4, pp. 678, Hadees 4897)

4. It is Mustahab [preferable] to nap for a while in the afternoon.

(Fatawa 'Aalamgiri, vol. 5, pp. 376)

A legendary and leading scholar of Shari'ah and Tareeqah, 'Allamah Maulana Mufti Muhammad Amjad 'Ali A'zami رحمته الله تعالى عليه says, 'This is probably for those who remain awake at night offering Salah, doing Zikr of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, or reading and studying religious books, so that the tiredness caused by staying awake at night can be removed by the midday nap.'

(Bahar-e-Shari'at, vol. 16, pp. 79)

5. It is Makruh [disliked] to sleep in the beginning of the day or between Maghrib and 'Isha. (Fatawa 'Aalamgiri, vol. 5, pp. 376)
6. To sleep in the state of purity is Mustahab.
7. First sleep on your right side facing Qiblah with your right hand under the right cheek for some duration, and then on your left side.

(Fatawa 'Aalamgiri, vol. 5, pp. 376)

8. Remember the grave as you go to sleep, as in the grave we will be alone and there will be no one but our deeds.
9. When going to sleep, busy yourself with the remembrance of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Keep reciting Tahleel, Tasbih and Tahmeed (i.e. keep reciting ﴿لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ﴾, ﴿سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ﴾ and ﴿الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ﴾) until you fall asleep because a person wakes up in the same state that he falls asleep in, and on the Day of Judgement a person will rise in the same state that he dies in.

(Fatawa 'Aalamgiri, vol. 5, pp. 376)

10. Recite this Du'a upon waking up:

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَحْيَانَا بَعْدَ مَا أَمَاتَنَا وَإِلَيْهِ النُّشُورُ

All praise is to Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ who gave us life after death and to Him we will return. (Sahih Bukhari, vol. 4, pp. 196, Hadees 6325)

11. Make a firm intention upon waking up that you will adopt piety and will not cause distress to others. (*Fatawa 'Aalamgiri, vol. 5, pp. 376*)
12. When boys and girls are ten years old, they should be made to sleep separately. Even a boy of this age should not sleep with the boys of the same age or with men older than him.
(*Durr-e-Mukhtar, Rad-dul-Muhtar, vol. 9, pp. 629*)
13. When the husband and wife sleep on the same bed, they should not have a child of ten years old sleep with them. When a boy reaches an age where he can feel lust, the rulings for men will apply to him.
(*Durr-e-Mukhtar, vol. 9, pp. 630*)
14. Perform Miswak upon waking up.
15. Offer Tahajjud after waking up in the night as it is a great blessing to do so. The Beloved Rasool ﷺ has said, 'The best Salah after the Fard [Salah], is Salah performed in the night.'

(*Sahih Muslim, pp. 591, Hadees 1163*)

To learn various Sunan, obtain the following books, *Bahar-e-Shari'ah* part 16 comprising of 312 pages and *Sunnatayn aur Adaab*, comprising of 120 pages, both published by Maktaba-tul-Madinah, the publishing department of Dawat-e-Islami. One of the best ways to learn Sunan is to travel in the Madani Qafilahs of Dawat-e-Islami with the lovers of the Beloved Rasool.

عاشقانِ رسول، آئیں سنت کے پھول
دینے لینے چلیں، قافلے میں چلو

صَلُّوا عَلَيَّ الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيَّ مُحَمَّدٍ

The 6 Salawaat-'Alan-Nabi and 2 Du'as that are recited in the Sunnah-inspiring weekly Ijtima' (congregation) of Dawat-e-Islami:



1. The Salat-'Alan-Nabi for the night preceding Friday

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ النَّبِيِّ الْأُمِّيِّ الْحَبِيبِ
الْعَالِي الْقَدْرِ الْعَظِيمِ الْجَاهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَسَلِّمْ

The saints of Islam have quoted that whoever recites this Salat-'Alan-Nabi at least once on the night preceding Friday [the night between Thursday and Friday] on a regular basis will be blessed with the vision of the Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ at the time of death, as well as at the time of his burial into the grave, to the extent that he will see the Noble Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ lowering him into the grave with his own merciful hands. (*Afdal-us-Salawat 'ala Sayyid-is-Sadat, pp. 151*)

2. All sins forgiven

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَسَلِّمْ

It is narrated by Sayyiduna Anas رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ that the Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated, 'Whoever recites this Salat upon me whilst standing, then prior to his sitting back; and if he recites it whilst sitting, then before he stands back, his sins will be forgiven.' (*Ibid, pp. 65*)

3. 70 Portals of mercy

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Whoever recites this Salat-'Alan-Nabi, 70 portals of mercy are opened for him. (*Al-Qaul-ul-Badi'*, pp. 277)

4. The reward of 600,000 Salawat-'Alan-Nabi

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ عَدَدَ
مَا فِي عِلْمِ اللَّهِ صَلَاةً دَائِمَةً بَدْوَامِ مُلْكِ اللَّهِ

Shaykh Ahmad Saawi عليه رحمه الله الهادي reports from some saints of Islam that the one reciting this Salat-'Alan-Nabi once receives the reward of reciting Salat-'Alan-Nabi 600,000 times. (*Afdal-us-Salawat 'ala Sayyid-is-Sadat*, pp. 149)

5. Nearness to the Distinguished Rasool ﷺ

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا تُحِبُّ وَتَرْضَى لَهُ

One day somebody came [to the blessed court of the Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ], and the Noble Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ made him sit in between himself and Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ. The respected companions رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمْ were surprised as to who that honoured person was. When he had left, the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, 'When he recites Salat upon me, he does so in these words.' (*Al-Qaul-ul-Badi'*, pp. 125)

6. Durood-e-Shafa'at

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَ أَنْزِلْهُ الْبَقْعَدَ الْمُقَرَّبَ عِنْدَكَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ

The Greatest Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated: The one who recites this Salat upon me, my intercession will become Wajib for him.

(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 2, pp. 329, Hadees 31)

1. Good deeds for 1000 days

جَزَى اللهُ عَنَّا مُحَمَّدًا مَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ

It is narrated by Sayyiduna Ibn 'Abbas رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمَا that the Noble Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated, 'For the reciter of above supplication, seventy angels write good deeds (in his account) for 1000 days.'

(Majma'-uz-Zawaid, pp. 254, vol. 10, Hadees 17305)

2. An easy way to spend every night in worship

The following narration has been mentioned on page 187 of *Gharaib-ul-Quran*, 'If anyone recites the following Du'a three times at night it is as if he has found Layla-tul-Qadr.' We should recite it every night. Here is the Du'a:

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللهُ الْحَلِيمُ الْكَرِيمُ
سُبْحَانَ اللهِ رَبِّ السَّمَوَاتِ السَّبْعِ وَرَبِّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيمِ

Translation: There is none worthy of worship except Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ Who is 'حَلِيمٌ' and 'كَرِيمٌ'. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is 'سُبْحَانَ', Rab of the seven skies and Rab of the magnificent 'Arsh.