

Parables/Events of
Allah-Loving
People

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sunnah-inspiring ijtima

(For Islamic Brothers)

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

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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 Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said, 'The one who recites Salat upon me, his Salat reaches me; I make Istighfar for him, and besides this, 10 virtues are written for him.'

(Al-Mu'jam-ul-Awsat, vol. 1, pp. 446, Raqm 1642)

بچیں بے کار باتوں سے پڑھیں اے کاش! کثرت سے
ترے محبوب پر ہر دمِ دُرودِ پاک ہم مَوَلیٰ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

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 also recite.
6. After the Bayan, I will approach other people by making Salam, shaking hands, and for making individual efforts upon them.

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Sacrificed life at Eid-ul-Adha

It is mentioned on page 126 of a masterpiece ‘*Aashiqan-e-Rasool ki 130 Hikayatayn*’ written by Shaykh-e-Tareeqat, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, the founder of Dawat-e-Islami, ‘Allamah Maulana Abu Bilal Muhammad Ilyas ‘Attar Qadiri Razavi **داعش تبرکاتہم العالیہ**:

Sayyiduna Maalik Bin Dinar **رحمۃ اللہ تعالیٰ علیہ** has stated: While I was on my way to Makkah Mukarramah for Hajj along with a caravan, I saw a young man who was travelling on foot without any provisions. I said Salam for which he replied. I then asked him, ‘O young man! Where have you come from?’ He replied, ‘From Him (i.e. Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**).’ When I asked where he had been going to, he replied, ‘To Him (i.e. Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**).’ I asked: ‘Where are your provisions?’ He replied: ‘They are upon His mercy (i.e. the mercy of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**).’ I said, ‘You will not be able to make such a long journey without water and other provisions; do you have anything?’ He replied, ‘I took five letters as my provisions for the journey at the time of leaving home.’ I asked him, ‘What are the five letters?’ He replied, ‘This saying of Allah **كَلِمَاتٍ**.’ When I asked about the meanings of the letters, he replied: Kaaf [ك] means (i.e. the Fulfiller of needs), Ha [ه] means the Guide, Ya [ی] means the Protector, ‘Ain [ع] means the Knower and Saad [ص] means the One Who is truthful. Therefore, the one whose companion is the Fulfiller of needs, the Guide, the Protector, the Knower and the One Who is Truthful, how can he die or be worried and why should he carry the burden of provisions and water!

Sayyiduna Maalik Bin Dinar **رحمۃ اللہ تعالیٰ علیہ** stated: Having heard what the Haji said I presented him my Qamees (shirt) which he refused to accept and said, ‘O Shaykh! Remaining without Qamees is better than wearing the shirt of this (mortal) world because one will face accountability for using its Halal things and torment for using its Haraam things.

When the night fell, he looked towards the sky and began to make Du‘a emotionally in these words, ‘O the One Who gets pleased with the obedience of His bondmen and Who is not harmed by the sins of His bondmen! Bless me

with the thing (i.e. worship) that pleases You and forgive the thing (i.e. sin) that does not harm You.’

Putting on Ihram, when people uttered **لَبَّيْكَ**, he remained silent. I asked him why he did not utter **لَبَّيْكَ**, he replied, ‘I fear that if I say **لَبَّيْكَ** and He replies: ‘لَا لَبَّيْكَ وَلَا سَعْدَيْكَ وَلَا أَسْمَعُ كَلَامَكَ وَلَا أَنْظُرُ إِلَيْكَ’, that is, neither do I accept your **لَبَّيْكَ** nor **سَعْدَيْكَ** nor I will listen to your Kalam (words) nor look towards you.’

He then left and I could not see him throughout my way. When I reached Mina, I found him reciting some Arabic couplets. Having recited the couplets he began to make Du’a in a beseeching manner, ‘O Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**, people have sacrificed animals and attained Your closeness. I have nothing to attain Your closeness except for my life, so I am offering it to You; please accept it.’ Having said this, the Haji screamed loudly, fell on the ground and passed away. Sayyiduna Maalik Bin Dinar **رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ** stated: Suddenly, a voice was heard from Ghayb, ‘He is the beloved bondman of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** who has been killed by the sword of Divine love.’ I, then, carried out the funeral rites of this fortunate Haji. (*Raud-ur-Riyaheen*, pp. 99)

محبت میں اپنی گُما یا الہی	نہ پاؤں میں اپنا پتا یا الہی
رہوں مست وبے خود میں تیری ولا میں	پلا جام ایسا پلا یا الہی
میں بے کار باتوں سے بچ کے ہمیشہ	کروں تیری حمد و ثنا یا الہی
مرے دل سے دنیا کی چاہت مٹا کر	کر اُلفت میں اپنی فنا یا الہی
تُو اپنی ولایت کی خیرات دیدے	مرے غوث کا واسطہ یا الہی

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! It has been understood from the parable when a person falls in love with Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** he becomes unconcerned about others. Just ponder over the love Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** has bestowed upon the young fortunate

Haji. He had such a great trust in Allah ﷻ that he did not take provisions with him for the journey. The state of being unconcerned about others in devotion to Allah ﷻ was this when Sayyiduna Maalik Bin Dinar رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ offered him his Qamees he refused to accept it. Surely, when a person is blessed with Divine love, so it makes him carefree from the world and whatever it has. How the beloved bondmen of Allah ﷻ love Allah can be judged by the fact that Sayyiduna Sa'eed Bin Jubayr رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said: On the Judgement Day, Allah ﷻ will say to the people who would have worshipped false gods: Go to Hell along with your false gods! So they will not go to Hell because they know it that the torment of Hell is for ever. Allah ﷻ then will say to believers in front of the infidels: If you love Me, go to Hell! Upon hearing this, believers will get ready to jump into Hell. In the meantime, someone who calls out will recite the following blessed Ayah from beneath 'Arsh-e-Ilahi:

وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَشَدُّ حُبًّا لِلَّهِ ط

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: And for the believers no one's love is equal to the love of Allah. (Part 2, Surah Al-Baqarah, Ayah 165)

Dear Islamic brothers! It has been understood that the beloved bondmen of Allah ﷻ love Allah more than all other things. About the above-mentioned blessed Ayah it is stated in *Tafseer Siraat-ul-Jinaan*, volume 1, page 264: The beloved bondmen of Allah ﷻ love Allah more than all creatures. Living and dying for Divine love is the aim of their lives.

All the following acts such as preferring the Will of Allah ﷻ to every pleasure, instead of sleeping in soft beds performing Sajdah to Allah ﷻ, weeping in remembrance of Allah ﷻ, being worried for the pleasure of Allah ﷻ, performing worship in the long winter nights and keeping Sawm in the long summer days, having love and enmity for the sake of Allah ﷻ, giving someone something and not giving something to someone for the sake of Allah ﷻ, being thankful for His blessings, being patient upon distress, having trust in Allah ﷻ in every circumstance, leaving every matter to Allah ﷻ, being ready all the time to act upon the commandments of Allah ﷻ,

having no love for others, having love for the beloveds of Allah ﷺ and hatred for the enemies of Allah ﷺ, having devotion to the beloveds of Allah ﷺ, showing true devotion to the Allah's most Beloved Rasool ﷺ from the bottom of the heart, reciting the Book of Allah ﷺ, getting close to the closest believers of Allah ﷺ, loving them, having their company for developing further Divine love, and hundreds of acts other than these are such which are the evidence and requisites for Divine love.

(Tafseer Siraat-ul-Jinaan, pp. 264)

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you listened as to what the requisites of Divine love are, if someone claims to have Divine love, so how should he spent his days and nights? His head should be bowed in the Divine court of Allah ﷺ, eyes should be wet in the remembrance of Allah ﷺ, heart should be restless for the pleasure of Allah ﷺ, days should be spent in observing Sawm and nights in performing worship. Let's listen to the manner of those who have Divine love:

On page 211 of '*Hikayatayn or Naseehatayn*', a published book of Maktaba-tul-Madinah, the publishing department of Dawat-e-Islami it is stated: Sayyiduna Zunnoon Misri رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ has said: Once I was strolling through a mountain. While strolling I passed through a valley which had many trees, plants and fruits. I started pondering over the greatness of Allah ﷺ and the manner in which He beautifully created all those things. Suddenly I heard a voice that moved me to tears and heightened my love. I went after the voice and reached the lower part of the mountain near a cave. The voice was coming from [inside] the cave. I went inside the cave and found a worshipper who was extremely weak but looking blessed. I heard him saying: Pure is He Who has made the hearts of lovers alive in His court through Du'as and made them carefree from the struggles of earning livelihood. Now they only trust in Him and He has chosen them for His love so now they only wish for Him. When he felt my presence I said: 'السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ', O the companion of sorrows and sadness! he replied: 'وَعَلَيْكَ السَّلَامُ' Who told you the address of the person that has been away from the creatures by the fear of Allah ﷺ and who is heedless of fluency in conversation due to the accountability of his Nafs? I

replied: I have come to you due to the curiosity of knowing something about pious mysterious saints رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى and the desire to ponder over the Hereafter. So he said: O young man! Undoubtedly, there are some bondmen of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ who have extremely great love for Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, due to their having extremely great love for Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ their souls go around in 'Aalam-e-Malakoot and see the great treasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ makes them observe His beauty and they see it in a way that their hearts are filled with His love and their souls keep flying to attain His closeness. They are the kings of the world and the Hereafter.

He then started weeping and made Du'a: O Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Enable me to perform the deeds like these pious saints and also join me with them. He then cried loudly and fell on the ground and then passed away. By Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! These are the attributes of Kha'ifeen [Allah-fearing people] and the signs of 'Aarifeen [pious people].

تِرا یا الہی تِرا یا الہی	رَبِّ ذِکْرِ اَآئِہوں پَہرِ میرے لب پر
ہی اے کاش گزرے سدا یا الہی	مِری زندگی بس تری بندگی میں
محمد کے غم میں رُلا یا الہی	نہ ہوں آشک برباد دنیا کے غم میں
تُو دیوانہ کر غوث کا یا الہی	مجھے اولیا کی مَحَبَّتِ عطا کر

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Dear Islamic brothers! Surely we should also try to develop Divine love. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ once said to his Nabi Sayyiduna Dawood عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام: O Dawood (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)! If you want to love Me, dispel the love of the world from your heart because love for Me and the world cannot gather in one heart; O Dawood! Whoever loves Me, offers Tahajjud at night for Me while people are sleeping; he remembers Me in private, when heedless people remain heedless of My remembrance, he thanks Me for My blessings whereas those who forget remain heedless of Me. (Hilyat-ul-Awliya, vol. 8, pp. 211, Raqm 11906)

Introduction to book ‘Allah Walon ki Baatayn’

It is very useful to study the published book of Maktaba-tul-Madinah, the publishing house of Dawat-e-Islami ‘Allah Walon ki Baatayn’ to develop love for Allah-loving people in the heart and to know the unique manner of Allah-loving people’s Divine love.

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! The prominent events of the life of many blessed saints, their saintly miracles, blessed sayings, compliance with Islamic laws, unique manners and parables of Divine love have all been mentioned comprehensively and beautifully in this book. Therefore, it is requested to all Islamic brothers to read this book as well as encourage other Islamic brothers to do so. This book can also be read, downloaded and printed from the website of Dawat-e-Islami www.dawateislami.net.

Dear Islamic brothers! Now let’s listen to some events of pious people who loved Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

Skin of ram

Ameer-ul-Mu`mineen, Sayyiduna ‘Umar Farooq-e-A’zam رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has narrated that the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ saw Sayyiduna Mus’ab Bin ‘Umayr رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ coming in the state that he wrapped a ram skin around his back, so he صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said: Look at the person whose heart Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has illuminated. Undoubtedly, I saw him with his parents who would give him best food and [Halal] drink to consume. He has been in this state due to the love for Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and His Rasool (صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) which you are viewing. *(Hilyat-ul-Awliya, vol. 1, pp. 153, Hadees 343)*

Lover will be with his beloved

It has been narrated that a Bedouin came to the Holy Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and humbly said: Ya Rasoolallah صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ! When will be the Judgement Day? The Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ replied: What preparation have you made for it? He humbly replied: For it I have not accumulated [offered] too many [Nafi] Salah and [observed Nafi] Siyam, however, I love Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and

His Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. The Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said to him: 'الْبَرُّ مَعَ مَنْ أَحَبَّ' i.e. A person will be with the one whom he loves.

(Sunan-ut-Tirmizi, vol. 4, pp. 172, Hadees 2392)

(The narrator of this Hadees) Sayyiduna Anas رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has said: I have not seen Muslims feeling so much happy for any other thing but this, since I embraced Islam. (Musnad Imam Ahmad, vol. 4, pp. 398, Hadees 13066)

You have closeness to Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ

It has been narrated that Sayyiduna 'Isa Ruhullah عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام passed by three people whose bodies were feeble and colour changed. He عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said: How have you got into this state? They humbly replied: Fear of the fire of Hell. He عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said: It is at the mercy of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ to protect Allah-fearing people from the Hell. He عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام then passed by three other people who were weaker than the previous ones and their colour were more changed than them. He عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام asked them: How have you got into this state? They replied: Yearning for Paradise. He عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said: It is at the mercy of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ to bestow the thing upon you which you deserve. He عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام then passed by three other people who were weaker and had their colours changed more than the previous both groups and their faces were like mirrors of Noor (spiritually enlightened). Sayyiduna 'Isa عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said: How have you got into this state? They replied: We love Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Sayyiduna 'Isa عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام said three times: You have closeness to Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

ذِكْر لَبٍ پَر تَرَا ہر گھڑی ہو	قلب میں یاد تیری بسی ہو
میرے مولیٰ تُو خیرات دیدے	مستی و بے خودی اور فنا کی

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Dear Islamic brothers! Just ponder! What the condition of Allah-loving people used to be in Divine love that these great personages would greatly fulfil the rights of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and His bondmen. Further, they also would like to perform

virtuous deeds and hate sins. Abundance of Divine worship would make them weak and worn out and would change their [body] colour. Today, if we ponder over our state we find that we have no virtuous deeds and commit abundant sins, **الْأَمَانُ وَالْخَفِيفُ**. Unfortunately, the vast majority of Muslims are non-practicing. They neither care for the rights of people, nor have any sense of guilt for the violation of the rights of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**. Performing good deeds has become very difficult for Nafs, whereas committing sins has become very easy. Empty Masajid and overcrowded places of entertainment [where men and women are mixed] are deeply hurting the feelings of sincere and true Muslims. The people misusing TV, dish antenna, internet and cable are not less in number; the excessive struggle for the fulfilment of needs and attainment of facilities has made vast majority of Muslims utterly heedless of their Hereafter.

Countless sins are openly committed in our society like swearing, slandering, having low opinion for someone, backbiting, tale-telling, finding faults with others, disclosing the faults of others, lying, making false promises, defrauding, killing, causing anyone pain without Shar'i permission, not paying off debt, not returning the borrowed thing of someone, calling Muslims with bad names, using someone's possession without his permission despite him resenting it, drinking, gambling, stealing, fornicating, watching movies and dramas, listening to songs and music, giving and taking interest and bribes, disobeying and disturbing parents, being unfaithful to trust [misappropriating], unlawful gazing, women's adopting masculine styles and men's adopting feminine styles, unveiling [women's act of making no Purdah], arrogance, haughtiness, jealousy, showing off, bearing malice and hatred towards any Muslim, going beyond the bounds of Shari'ah in anger, lust for sins, love for respect, miserliness and self-admiring, etc. Despite this we are in the vain hope that we have true love and devotion to Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** and His Beloved Rasool **صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ**.

Just ponder! Are these the speaking and life styles and characters of the one who has true Divine love? Would that we could also be blessed for the sake of those who have true Divine love! Would that we could also become the ones who follow in the footsteps of these blessed personages and offer all

Salahs with Jama'at in the first row! Would that we could become the ones who observe Nafil Sawm along with the Siyam of sacred Ramadan! Would that we could also speak the truth, become good-mannered, fulfil the rights of parents and other relatives! Would that we could not go even near the sins and miss any Salah! Would that we could not miss any Sawm of Ramadan, we could not lie, backbite, tell-tale, abuse any one! Would that we could be blessed with the real love and sympathy of Muslims for the sake of Allah ﷺ and we could get rid of backbiting! War against backbiting will continue, إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

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Du'a of Sayyiduna Dawood for Divine love

Dear Islamic brothers! In order to attain the real love of Allah ﷺ we should follow the footsteps of Allah-loving people along with making Du'a for its attainment. Despite worshiping too much, having Divine love and being favourite Nabi of Allah ﷺ Sayyiduna Dawood عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام would ask Allah ﷺ for His love.

Sayyiduna Abu Darda رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has said that the Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said: Sayyiduna Dawood عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام would make this Du'a: 'اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ حُبَّكَ وَحُبَّ مَنْ يُحِبُّكَ وَالْعَمَلِ الَّذِي يُبَلِّغُنِي حُبَّكَ' i.e. Ya Allah ﷺ! I request you for Your love, the love of Your beloved ones, and for the deeds which lead me to Your love. 'اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ حُبَّكَ أَحَبَّ إِلَيَّ مِنْ نَفْسِي وَمَالِي وَأَهْلِي وَمِنْ الْمَاءِ الْبَارِدِ' i.e. O Allah ﷺ! Make Your love more dearer to me than my life and wealth, family members and cold water. (Mishkat-ul-Masabih, vol. 1, pp. 465, Hadees 2496)

مرے دل سے دنیا کی چاہت مٹا کر	کر اُلفت میں اپنی فنا یا الہی
عبادت میں گزرے مری زندگانی	کرم ہو کرم یا خدا یا الہی!
تُو اپنی ولایت کی خیرات دیدے	مرے غوث کا واسطہ یا الہی!

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you listened that the beloved Nabi of Allah ﷺ Sayyiduna Dawood عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام would make Du'a to Allah ﷻ for His love, therefore we should also make Du'a to Allah ﷻ for His love. Believe me! Divine love is the great blessing which if someone gets; he will be blessed with the pleasure of worship and sweetness of faith.

Sweetness of faith

Sayyiduna Anas Bin Maalik رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has narrated that the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said: 'ثَلَاثٌ مَنْ كُنَّ فِيهِ وَجَدَ بِهِنَّ حَلَاوَةَ الْإِيمَانِ' i.e. the person who possesses three qualities will attain the sweetness of faith through them. (1) 'صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ' He loves Allah ﷻ and His Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ the most. (2) 'وَأَنْ يُحِبَّ الْمَرْءَ لَا يُحِبُّهُ إِلَّا لِلَّهِ' If he loves someone, he loves for the pleasure of Allah ﷻ. (3) 'وَأَنْ يُكْرَهَ أَنْ يَّعُودَ فِي الْكُفْرِ كَمَا يُكْرَهُ أَنْ يُوقَدَ لَهُ نَارٌ فَيُفْتَدَفَ فِيهَا' He hates Kufir as much as a person hates to be thrown into blazing fire.

(Shu'ab-ul-Iman, vol. 1, pp. 364, Hadees 405)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! You must have noticed that loving Allah ﷻ and His Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ more than everything of the universe and loving or hating someone else mainly for the pleasure of Allah ﷻ and His Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ are great blessings for a Muslim!

If someone is able to attain these blessings, he is blessed with the real sweetness of faith, or rather the fact is that the fortunate Muslims who instead of their personal benefits and worldly purpose, develop good relationship with each other and love each other only for the pleasure of Allah ﷻ, so not only does they get the sweetness of faith, but Allah ﷻ is also pleased with them, loves them and will bestow very great status upon them on the Judgement Day. Let's listen to another narration about it.

One who becomes beloved of Allah!

Sayyiduna Laahiq Bin Hameed رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ has stated that Sayyiduna Qays Bin 'Ubbad رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said: A person went to meet his brother for the sake of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. On the way, he met a stranger who asked him where he had been going. He replied that he had been going to meet such and such person. The stranger asked: Are you going to fulfil any relationship which you both have with each other? He replied in the negative. He asked: Are you going to return the favour which he has done for you? He replied in the negative and said: I only love him for the sake of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. The stranger said: Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has sent me to you so that I tell you that Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ loves you because you love a Muslim for His sake. *(Allah Walon ki Batayn, vol. 3, pp. 164)*

Sayyiduna 'Umar Farooq-e-A'zam رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has narrated: The Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said: Undoubtedly, there are some people who are neither Ambiya nor martyrs but, on the Day of Judgement, even Ambiya عَلَيْهِمُ الصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ and martyrs will envy (Rashk) them seeing their status. People humbly asked, 'Ya Rasoolallah صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ! Tell us who will be these people?' The Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ replied: They will be the people who would have loved each other due to the love for Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ though they will not be the relatives of each other nor will there be any business dealing between them. By Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! [On the Day of Judgement,] Their faces will be Noor [illuminated] and surely they will be on Noor. They will be fearless when all people will be fearful, and they will feel no grief when people will feel grief. *(Mishkat-ul-Masabih, vol. 2, pp. 219, Hadees 5012)*

Similarly, it has been stated in another narration: They will belong to different cities and tribes and will have no relationship with each other. They will love and have friendship with each other only for the sake of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. On the Judgement Day, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will lay the pulpits of Noor and make them sit on them. Their faces and clothes will be of Noor. On the Judgement Day, people will be nervous and confused, but they will not be nervous and confused. *(Musnad Imam Ahmad, vol. 8, pp. 450, Hadees 22969)*

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you noticed! Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ will bestow glory and greatness upon the ones who love Him and who love others for His pleasure. On the Day of Judgement, when there will be a state of utter selfishness

people will be worried, however, the fortunate people will have no sorrow and worry, but rather they will be warmly welcomed. Allah ﷺ will lay the pulpits for them made of Noor and will make them sit on the seat of respect and dignity.

Therefore, we should also develop the love for Allah ﷺ and the Beloved Rasool ﷺ and should make their pleasure the criterion for our friendship and enmity with others. اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ ﷺ, for this purpose, the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami is the best source. In the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami, not only the love of Allah ﷺ and the Beloved Rasool ﷺ is preached, but also the mind-set to have friendship with only the friends of Allah ﷺ is developed. By virtue of the blessing of this Madani environment, the passion for love and sympathy is developed for Muslims and the curiosity of reforming the people of the entire world along with one's own personal reformation is developed for the pleasure of Allah ﷺ. Therefore, associate yourself with the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami all the time and actively participate in the 12 Madani activities of Zayli Halqah in order to develop Divine love more and more, propagate Sunnah of the Beloved Rasool ﷺ, protect yourself and other Muslims from sins and guide them to the virtuous path.

Chowk Dars

Chowk Dars is one of the 12 Madani activities which is carried out daily. The aim of it is to spread the call towards righteousness amongst Muslims. The Beloved Rasool ﷺ said: Your [act of] enjoining to do goodness and forbidding from the evil is Sadaqah and your [act of] removing filth from the path is Sadaqah and every step you take for Salah is Sadaqah.

(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 3, pp. 466, Raqm 4561)

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ ﷺ! Fortunate are the Islamic brothers who spread the call towards righteousness by delivering Chowk Dars from *Faizan-e-Sunnat* daily. اِنَّ شَاءَ اللّٰهُ ﷺ, by virtue of its blessing they will attain the reward for giving Sadaqah. Let's listen to a faith-refreshing Madani parable of Chowk Dars for persuasion.

Repented before Death

An Islamic brother living in Bab-ul-Madinah [Karachi] has stated: After 'Isha Salah, Chowk Dars used to be delivered outside the Jami' Masjid in our area. A large number of Islamic brothers used to attend it. One day, as usual, Muballigh (preacher) Islamic brother came for Chowk Dars after 'Isha Salah and invited the people present around to attend the Dars. One Islamic brother stepped forward and also invited a watchman named Raju Bhai to attend the Dars who was present at the nearby rickshaw stand.

عَدَّوَجَلَّ، Raju Bhai accepted the invitation and attended the Dars of *Faizan-e-Sunnat*. After the Dars, the preacher of Dawat-e-Islami made Islamic brothers, who were listening the Dars, repent of their past sins before the tear-jerking Du'a was made; also Du'a for the forgiveness of the attendees was made upon which everyone said 'Aameen' aloud.

At the end of the Du'a, those who were listening to the Dars recited Salat-'Alan-Nabi loudly. While reciting Salat-'Alan-Nabi Raju Bhai kissed his thumbs and touched them to his eyes. He recited Kalimah Tayyibah 'لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ مُحَمَّدٌ رَّسُولُ اللَّهِ' loudly and fell over spontaneously. An Islamic brother stepped forward and picked him up, but until then he had passed away. Glory be to Allah عَدَّوَجَلَّ! Raju Bhai was privileged to repent of his sins by virtue of the blessing of Chowk Dars before his death.

بے تمنائے عطار یا رب! ان کے جلووں میں یوں موت آئے
جھوم کر جب گرے میرا لاشہ تھام لیں بڑھ کے شاہِ مدینہ

صَلِّ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

Dear Islamic brothers! A Muslim should love Allah عَدَّوَجَلَّ more than anybody else because therein lies the sign and sweetness of faith. Surely, every one of us claims that I love my Lord [Allah عَدَّوَجَلَّ] very much, but unfortunately our deeds are contrary to it, that is, our character is totally opposing our statement. Through our practical condition it seems that we do not love our

Creator even as much as we love the creatures. A wise person has rightly said: *Get yourself busy in the permissible works; otherwise you will get indulged in the impermissible ones.* Unfortunately, nowadays we have started doing the acts [which are not to be done] in a way that we do not pay any attention to the acts which are to be done; we have started getting worried for this mortal world in a way that we have forgotten to worry about the Hereafter; we have fallen into the love of this world in a way that we have become heedless of the accountability which will be made from us on the Day of Judgement; we have fallen into the love of creatures in a way that we have forgotten to remember Allah **عَدَّوَجَلَّ**; we have fallen into the love of sins in a way that we have forgot to repent; we have started getting worried to have wonderful houses constructed in a way that we have stopped paying attention to make our eternal home (grave) better. Just ponder! What we have to do and what we are doing! Just ponder! Isn't it the age about which our Beloved Rasool **صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** warned us by unveiling the knowledge of ghayb (unseen) centuries ago!

Desire for five and heedlessness from five

The Rasool of Rahmah, the Intercessor of Ummah **صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** has said: ﴿سَيَأْتِي زَمَانٌ عَلَى أُمَّتِي يُحِبُّونَ خَمْسًا وَيَنْسُونَ خَمْسًا﴾ An era will soon come upon my Ummah when they will love five and will forget five:

1. ﴿يُحِبُّونَ الدُّنْيَا وَيَنْسُونَ الْآخِرَةَ﴾: They will love the world and will forget the Hereafter.
2. ﴿وَيُحِبُّونَ الْمَالَ وَيَنْسُونَ الْحِسَابَ﴾: They will love wealth and will forget accountability (in the Hereafter).
3. ﴿وَيُحِبُّونَ الْخَلْقَ وَيَنْسُونَ الْخَالِقَ﴾: They will love creatures and will forget the Creator.
4. ﴿وَيُحِبُّونَ الذُّنُوبَ وَيَنْسُونَ التَّوْبَةَ﴾: They will love sins and will forget repentance.
5. ﴿وَيُحِبُّونَ الْقُصُورَ وَيَنْسُونَ الْمَقْبَرَةَ﴾: They will love palaces and will forget the graveyard.' (*Mukashafa-tul-Quloob*, pp. 34)

مگر تجھ کو اندھا کیا رنگ و بُو نے
جو آباد تھے وہ محل اب ہیں سُونے
یہ عبرت کی جا ہے تماشا نہیں ہے
مکین ہو گئے لا مکاں کیسے کیسے
زمین کھا گئی نوجوان کیسے کیسے
یہ عبرت کی جا ہے تماشا نہیں ہے
اسی سے سکندر سا فاتح بھی ہارا
پڑا رہ گیا سب یونہی ٹھاٹھ سارا
یہ عبرت کی جا ہے تماشا نہیں ہے
ہو زینت نرالی ہو فیشن نرالا
تجھے حُسنِ ظاہر نے دھوکے میں ڈالا
یہ عبرت کی جا ہے تماشا نہیں ہے
جہاں تاک میں ہر گھڑی ہو آجَل بھی
یہ جینے کا انداز اپنا بدل بھی
یہ عبرت کی جا ہے تماشا نہیں ہے
اور اٹھتے چلے جا رہے ہیں برابر
یہاں پر تِرا دل بہلتا ہے کیوں کر
یہ عبرت کی جا ہے تماشا نہیں ہے

جہاں میں ہیں عبرت کے ہر سُو نمونے
کبھی غور سے بھی یہ دیکھا ہے تُو نے
جگہ جی لگانے کی دنیا نہیں ہے
ملے خاک میں اہلِ شاں کیسے کیسے
ہوئے نامور بے نشان کیسے کیسے
جگہ جی لگانے کی دنیا نہیں ہے
اجل نے نہ کسریٰ ہی چھوڑا نہ دارا
ہر اک لیکے کیا کیا نہ حسرتِ سدھارا
جگہ جی لگانے کی دنیا نہیں ہے
یہی تجھ کو دُھن ہے رہوں سب سے بالا
جیا کرتا ہے کیا یونہی مرنے والا
جگہ جی لگانے کی دنیا نہیں ہے
وہ بے عیش و عشرت کا کوئی محل بھی
بس اب اپنے اس جہل سے تُو نکل بھی
جگہ جی لگانے کی دنیا نہیں ہے
جب اس بزم سے اٹھ گئے دوست اکثر
یہ ہر وقت پیشِ نظر جب ہے منظر
جگہ جی لگانے کی دنیا نہیں ہے

صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

Madani pearls of Divine love

Dear Islamic brothers! For developing Divine love in our hearts, let's listen to below mentioned Madani pearls of Divine love in the light of Glorious Quran, blessed Hadees and the blessed sayings of our pious predecessors رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى.

1. Reciting Glorious Quran, reading its translation and interpretation, and understanding it is the sign of Divine love. Allah ﷺ has stated:

وَإِذَا سَمِعُوا مَا أُنزِلَ إِلَى الرَّسُولِ تَرَى
أَعْيُنُهُمْ تَفِيضُ مِنَ الدَّمْعِ مِمَّا عَرَفُوا مِنَ الْحَقِّ

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: And when they hear to what has come down to the Messenger (Rasool Muhammad), you see their eyes overflowing with tears because they have recognised the truth. *(Part 7, Surah Al-Ma'idah, Ayah 83)*

It is stated in *Mukashafa-tul-Quloob*: Three logical aspects demonstrate the truth of love: (1) The lover regards the words of his beloved as the best of all. (2) For him, company of his beloved is best from all. (3) According to him, the pleasure of beloved is dearest of all. *(Mukashafa-tul-Quloob, pp. 33)*

Sayyiduna Sahl Tustari رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said: The sign of devotion to Allah ﷺ is that a person has devotion to the Glorious Quran. The sign of Divine love and the love of Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ is to have devotion to the Glorious Quran and the Sunnah of the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

(Mukashafa-tul-Quloob, pp. 37)

2. Along with performing the Fard acts, one should perform supererogatory acts too, and it is such a brilliant deed which makes one the favourite and the beloved of Allah ﷺ.

Source of Divine love

Sayyiduna Abu Hurayrah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has narrated that the Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated: Allah ﷺ has said, 'Whoever causes pain to a saint, I declare war against him. A bondman seeks closeness to Me most through the Faraaid [obligatory acts] and he continues to gain closeness to Me by means of Nawafil [supererogatory acts], until I start to love him. *(Sahih Bukhari, vol. 4, pp. 248, Hadees 6502)*

میں پڑھتا رہوں سنتیں، وقت ہی پر

ہوں سارے نوافل ادا یا الہی

3. Engaging in the blessed act of the Zikr of Allah ﷺ is also a sign of Divine love and is the source of obtaining the Divine love. Allah ﷻ has stated:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ ذِكْرًا كَثِيرًا ﴿٦٦﴾ وَسَبِّحُوهُ بُكْرَةً وَأَصِيلًا ﴿٦٧﴾

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: O Believers! Remember Allah abundantly. And Glorify Him, morning and evening. (Part 22, Surah Al-Ahzaab, Ayah, 41, 42)

The Beloved Rasool ﷺ has stated: 'مَنْ أَحَبَّ شَيْئًا أَكْثَرَ ذَكَرَهُ' he who loves any [body], mostly speaks about him. (Kanz-ul-'Ummal, vol. 1, pp. 217, Hadees 1825)

Sayyiduna Abul Hasan Zanjaani رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said: Worship is based on 3 things 'eye', 'heart' and 'tongue'. Eye should be for seeking admonition, heart for contemplation and the tongue should be the core of truth and for the Zikr (remembrance of Allah ﷻ) and Tasbih. (Mukashafa-tul-Quloob, pp. 37)

Sayyiduna Sari Saqati رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ once went to Shaykh Jurjaani رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ; there he saw grinded Sattu and humbly asked: O Shaykh! Why don't you eat anything except drinking Sattu (roasted barley). He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said: In comparison to eating food and drinking Sattu, I have observed difference of 70 Tasbihat (i.e., the time consumed in drinking Sattu is shorter to eating food to the extent that I can recite 70 Tasbihat in that duration). It is for the reason, I have been eating Sattu for 40 years so that I don't lose the time for Tasbihat. (Mukashafa-tul-Quloob, pp. 37)

میرے دل سے دنیا کی چاہت مٹا کر

کر آفت میں اپنی فنا یا الہی

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

4. Despite the desires of Nafs, sacrificing one's will for the pleasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

Hujjat-ul-Islam, Sayyiduna Imam Muhammad Ghazali رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said: True devotion to Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is the name of three things: 'Abiding by laws of Shar'iah', 'being content with the fixed Divine decree of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and what is bestowed by Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ', and 'sacrificing the desires of Nafs for the pleasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.' (*Baytay ko Naseehat, pp. 37*)

Sayyiduna Sari Saqati رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ used to say: My Nafs has the desire for eating honey for 40 years but I have not fulfilled its desire until today.

(*Tazkira-tul-Awliya, pp. 163*)

جرصِ دنیا نکال دے دل سے بس رہوں طالبِ رضا یا ربِّ

5. After having removed the keenness for world from heart, absolutely keep it submitted in the blessed court of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

It is quoted, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ sent down revelation to Sayyiduna 'Isa عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام: When I see anyone's heart is cleaned from the love of world and Hereafter, I fill it with My love.

6. Refraining from all those acts causing hurdles in attaining the closeness of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

Sayyiduna Zunnoon Misri رَحْمَةُ اللهِ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ said: Another sign of having devotion to Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is that one quits every that thing which makes him heedless of Zikr of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and keeps him busy performing the acts seeking pleasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. (*Az-Zuhd-ul-Kabeer, pp. 78*)

7. Following the footsteps of the pious people and adopting their company:

Shaykh-e-Tareeqat, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, the founder of Dawat-e-Islami, 'Allamah Maulana Abu Bilal Muhammad Ilyas 'Attar Qaadiri Razavi دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ has said: One should always adopt the company which develops the eagerness for worshipping and enthusiasm to practice blessed Sunnah. A good companion

is the one who makes you remember Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**; whose speech encourages you to perform good deeds and whose company makes you stay away from the love for the world and develop love for Hereafter. A friend should have this trait, that by virtue of him, one develops the love for Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** and His Beloved Rasool **صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ**. One should avoid the company of those missing Salah, adopting fashion and involving in non-serious activities.

Dear Islamic brothers! For developing Divine love, Divine pleasure, fear of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** in heart, yearning of guarding Iman as well as terrifying oneself by the torment of grave and Hell, getting rid of committing sins, making oneself punctual of following Sunnah, growing the love for the Beloved Rasool **صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** in heart and increasing eagerness for the neighbourhood of the Beloved Rasool **صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** in Jannat-ul-Firdaus, righteous environment and the company of pious people are of utmost importance because under such unspeakable condition of our today's society, real storm of sins has been drifting away everybody. In this deteriorating situation, Masjid-filling campaign of Dawat-e-Islami – a global non-political movement for the propagation of Quran and Sunnah – is no less than a great blessing. Keep yourself engaged with it.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Introduction to Majlis Madani Muzakarah

By the grace of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** even in today's predominantly evil and sinful era, approximately 103 departments under Dawat-e-Islami, are actively serving in propagating the Sunan, the publication of 'Ilm-e-Deen and for calling towards righteousness.

اَللّٰهُمَّ لِيْهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Shaykh-e-Tareeqat, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, the founder of Dawat-e-Islami, 'Allamah Maulana Abu Bilal Muhammad Ilyas Attar Qadiri **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ** has started a question-answer program to act upon the saying 'Knowledge is a collection of countless treasures and a question is a source of acquiring them.' In the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami, this is called 'Madani Muzakarah'.

A large number of Islamic brothers attend 'Madani Muzakaraha' during which they ask different questions about beliefs and deeds, virtues, Shari'ah and Tareeqah, history and life history, science and medicine, morality and Islamic information, economic, social and organizational matters and many other topics. Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ** answers them with full of wisdom and enriched with the love of the Blessed Rasool **صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ**.

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ 'Majlis Madani Muzakaraha' is one of the 103 departments of Dawat-e-Islami which is privileged to present these Madani Muzakaraha in the form of booklets, audio and video CDs with the passion for conveying these interesting Madani pearls full of knowledge and wisdom to the Muslims on a global scale. **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ**, until now, Majlis Madani Muzakaraha has presented many Madani Muzakaraha in audio cassettes and video CDs as well as in written form and more efforts are continued in this regard.

صَلُّوْا عَلٰى الْحَبِيْبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلٰى 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 اللهُ 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

صَلُّوْا عَلٰى الْحَبِيْبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ

Sunan and manners about shaking hands

Firstly, two blessed sayings of the Beloved Mustafa ﷺ:

1. When two Muslims shake the hands while meeting and ask each other about their well-being, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ sends down a hundred mercies between them, of which ninety nine mercies are for the one who meets the other more warmly and asks about the well-being of his brother in a more beautiful manner. *(Al-Mu'jam-ul-Awsat, vol. 5, pp. 380, Raqm 7672)*
2. When two friends meet, shake the hands, and recite Salat upon the Nabi (صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ), their past and future sins are forgiven before they separate. *(Shu'ab-ul-Iman lil-Bayhaqi, vol. 6, pp. 471, Hadees 8944)*
3. When two Muslims meet, it is Sunnah for them to shake the hands using both hands after saying Salam.
4. Say Salam when leaving as well. You may also shake hands.
5. While shaking hands; if possible, recite the following Du'a as well after reciting Salat-'Alan-Nabi:

يَغْفِرُ اللهُ لَنَا وَلَكُمْ

May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ forgive me and you.

6. The Du'a that two Muslims make while shaking hands it will اِنْ شَاءَ اللهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ be answered and both will be forgiven before their hands are separated. *(Musnad Imam Ahmad Bin Hanbal, vol. 4, pp. 286, Hadees 12454)*
7. Shaking hands with each other removes enmity.
8. You can shake hands every time you meet.
9. It is not Sunnah for both to just shake hands by using one hand each. The Sunnah is to use both hands for a handshake.
10. Some people just touch their fingers; this is not the Sunnah either.

11. It is Makruh to kiss one's own hand after shaking hands.

(Bahar-e-Shari'at, vol. 16, pp. 115)

12. If one feels lust while shaking hands with an Amrad (attractive young boy) then it is impermissible to shake hands with him. Even just looking at that boy is a sin if one feels lust by seeing him.

(Durr-e-Mukhtar, vol. 2, pp. 98)

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 عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى 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 رحمة 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. Duood-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.