

Eminence of Sayyiduna رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ

'Usman-e-Ghani

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Thought-provoking speech of weekly
sunnah-inspiring ijtima

(For Islamic Sisters)

Muballighah must read the Bayan at least 3 times before delivering speech

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

Eminence of Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani

Please note that this speech was originally written for Islamic brothers, we have done necessary changes for Islamic sisters. It may be possible that some words could have been remained unchanged! If so, Muballighah should change the wordings accordingly at the time of delivering this speech. (Translation Department)

Virtue of Salat upon the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

It is stated by the Last Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ of Allah Almighty,

مَنْ صَلَّى عَلَيَّ فِي يَوْمٍ أَلْفَ مَرَّةٍ لَمْ يَمُتْ حَتَّى يَرَى مَقْعَدَهُ مِنَ الْجَنَّةِ

Translation: Whoever sends Salat upon me 1000 times a day will not die until he sees his place in Paradise.

(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 2, pp. 326, Hadees 2590)

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

Dear Islamic sisters! Before listening to the Bayan, let's first of all make good intentions for attaining the Divine pleasure and earning rewards. The Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said, 'بَيَّتُهُ الْمُؤْمِنُ خَيْرٌ مِنْ عَمَلِهِ' *The intention of a Muslim is better than his action.* (Al-Mu'jam-ul-Kabeer, vol. 6, pp. 185, Hadees 5942)

An important point

For righteous and permissible work, the more we make good intentions, the more we attain reward.

Note: The intentions mentioned below can be modified as per situation

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 in reverential posture like that in Tashahhud as long as possible with the intention of paying respect to religious discourse.
3. I will make room for other Islamic sisters 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 **تُوبُوا إِلَى اللَّهِ، اذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ، صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ**, etc., I will reply in low voice with the intention of gaining reward and encouraging others to also recite.
6. After Ijtimā, I will take the lead to say Salam and shake hands and make individual effort.
7. During the speech, I will avoid the unnecessary use of mobile phone.
8. Neither will I record the speech, nor any kind of voice as it is not permitted.
9. Whatever I listen I will act upon it and later on convey it to others. In this way, I will be privileged to propagate the call towards righteousness.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic sisters! The sacred month of Zul-Hijjah-tul-Haram is showering a rain of blessings and mercy. On the 18th day of this month, it is the day of martyrdom of the one who attained the honour of marrying two of the blessed daughters of the Noble Prophet **صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** one after the other, the one who was martyred in an utterly cruel manner, the one who was extraordinarily generous, the one who was patient and kind, the one who was very modest, and the one who greatly loved the poor, the beloved of Allah Almighty and His Messenger **صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ**, the third rightly-guided Caliph, Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen (the leader of the believers), Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani **رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ**, and this day is soon approaching. We will have the honour of listening to a commemorative account regarding his blessed life, conduct

and character. First and foremost, we will listen to an account of 'Usman-e-Ghani's رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ love for the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. Alongside this, we will also listen to the religious services of Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ and the Ahadees on his excellence. We will also gain faith-enlightening knowledge related to his love for the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. May Allah Almighty grant us the taufeeq to wholeheartedly listen to the speech from start to finish. Aameen

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

A unique manner of hospitality

It is written in the book of Maktaba-tul-Madinah '*Sahabah Kiraam ka 'Ishq-e-Rasool'* on page 53, 'One day, Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ requested in the blessed court of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, 'O Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, please visit my home along with your friends and eat what is present.' The Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ accepted the invitation. Then, when the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ set off with the Blessed Companions رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ towards the home of Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ, Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ walked behind the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and began counting the blessed footsteps of the Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. The Master of Madinah صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ stated, 'Usman! Why are you counting my footsteps?' Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ requested, 'O Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ of Allah Almighty, may my mother and father be sacrificed for you! I want to free one slave in exchange for every footstep for the sake of your respect and honour.' Hence, however many steps the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ took until the house of Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, he freed this number of slaves.' (*Jaami-ul-Mu'jizat*, pp. 257, summarised)(*Sahabah Kiraam ka 'Ishq-e-Rasool*, pp. 53-54)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic sisters! You heard as to how Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ freed one slave per footstep of the Noble Prophet

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ out of love for the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. One comes to know from this that the light of love and devotion for the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ was shining in the heart of Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ, and the feeling of love for the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ had become so infused in his veins and soul that nothing was more dear to him than the personality of the Blessed and Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

Allah Almighty has given the order of respecting the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ in the Holy Qur'an itself; hence,

It is stated by Allah Almighty in Part 26, verse number 9 of Soorat-ul-Fath:

يَتُومِنُوا بِاللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ وَأَعْرَظُوا وَتُوقِرُوهُ^ط وَتُسَبِّحُوهُ بُكْرَةً وَأَصِيلاً ﴿٩﴾

In order that, O people, you may believe in Allah and His Messenger, and honour and revere the Messenger (the Holy Prophet Muhammad), and you should glorify Allah, morning and evening.

[Kanz-ul-Iman (Translation of Quran)] (Part 26, Surah Al-Fath, Verse 9)

It is written in Tafseer Siraat-ul-Jinaan under the aforementioned verse: One comes to know from this verse that the respect and reverence of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ is greatly desired and carries deep importance in the Majestic Court of Allah Almighty because here Allah Almighty made the respect and reverence of His Beloved صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ precede His Tasbih (mentioning His glorification). Also, whilst declaring those who respect him after they believe as being successful and prosperous, Allah Almighty states:

فَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا بِهِ وَعَزَّرُوهُ وَنَصَرُوهُ وَاتَّبَعُوا النُّورَ الَّذِي أُنزِلَ مَعَهُ^ل أُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُفْلِحُونَ ﴿١٥٧﴾

So, those who believe in him, and honour him, and give him assistance, and follow the light (i.e. the Qur'aan) which was sent down with him; it is they who became successful.'

[Kanz-ul-Iman (Translation of Quran)] (Part 9, Surah Al-A'raf, Verse 157) (Tafseer-e-Siraat-ul-Jinaan, Part 26, Al-Fath, under verse 9, vol. 9, p. 347)

One also comes to know from the account that the Blessed Companions رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ are those who mention the method of respecting the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ to the Ummah. In fact, whichever methods of respecting the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ there will be until the Day of Judgement and which do not contradict the Shari'ah, they are commendable, like Sayyiduna Imam Maalik رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ not travelling on an animal in Madinah Munawwarah for the sake of the respect of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic sisters! There is no doubt that if one is fortunate to have true devotional love, then one also attains the methods of making such devotion apparent, and who can be more of a devotee of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ than the Blessed Companions رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ? Every Companion is a shining star of love and affection for the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ in their own right. The examples of love for the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ that these sacred personalities presented are unparalleled. The greatness and status that they were decreed, no non-Sahabi can attain it; hence,

It is a blessed statement of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, 'Your spending of gold equal to a mountain cannot be equal to a Mudd or even half a Mudd spent by one Companion.' (Bukhari, vol. 2, p. 522, Hadees 3673, summarised)

The services of the Noble Companions رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ

Dear Islamic sisters! You heard that the status of the Noble Companions رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ is so matchless that no one can even reach their rank and status.

- The Noble Companions are those personalities who accepted Islam first and foremost.
- They said صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ Labbayk upon the invitation of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.
- They saw the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and saw his miracles with their (own) eyes.
- They are the most superior and high-ranking amongst the Ummah.

- Allah Almighty Himself has mentioned their good qualities in the Holy Qur'an.
- Their ranks have been mentioned in blessed Hadees.
- Allah Almighty selected them to accompany His Beloved صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.
- They attained the honour of preaching Islam first.
- They endured painful oppression and tyranny whilst promoting and propagating the religion of Islam.
- Due to their efforts day and night, the flag of Islam was raised high throughout the whole world.
- They sacrificed everything of theirs for the preaching of the religion.
- They endured hunger and thirst in a difficult environment at the beginning of Islam, tied stones to their stomachs, became subject to enmities of their close relatives and fought battles with them, and still kept the flag of Islam raised high.
- Due to their efforts, today we mention the Name of Allah Almighty and the name of His Beloved صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

Hence, we should love all the Blessed Companions including Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ and also teach their love to our children as well.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

The eminence of Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ

Dear Islamic sisters! We were hearing regarding the blessed life of Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ. Who can measure the services of Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ and the sacrifices that he made for the sake of the religion are indeed his part?!

- He is included amongst those Blessed Companions رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ who accepted faith at the start of Islam.

- He had the honour of migrating twice in the path of Allah Almighty.
- [The one] who has the honour of being Jaami'-ul-Qur'an [the gatherer of the Holy Qur'an].
- He has prayed facing towards both Qiblahs.
- His name is included in the list of Blessed Companions رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ who remained firm on faith despite enduring all difficulties of relatives.
- He also has the honour that two of the blessed daughters of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ were given in marriage to him one after the other.
- He was matchless in his life and appearance.
- He is included in those accepted people of Allah Almighty who would spend their entire nights in worshipping and servitude.
- He was included amongst those people who would always remain fearful of Allah Almighty, pious, and abstinent.
- He had such a tolerant character that he embraced martyrdom but he did not allow the spilling of blood in the blessed city of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.
- He was a unique example of generosity.
- He was also matchless example of forbearance, patience, and kindness.
- He was a pious person of humbleness and humility.

Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani and obedience to the Prophet

Dear Islamic sisters! Just like other noble attributes, Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ was exemplary in following the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. He would greatly adopt the blessed Sunnahs and manners of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ in his sayings and actions in any situation, whether in intense heat or in bitterly cold weather. Let's observe some glimpses of his love for the blessed Sunnahs and statements of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ; hence,

One day, Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was sat by the entrance of the Masjid and asked for the meat of a goat's foreleg and consumed it. He then offered Salah without redoing Wudu and said, 'The Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ also consumed the very same, sitting at the same place, and did so in the same way.'

(Musnad-e-Ahmad, Musnad 'Usman Bin 'Affaan, vol. 1, p. 137, Hadees 441)

Once Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ began smiling whilst performing Wudu! People asked the reason, to which he رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ replied, 'Once I saw that the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ smiled having performed Wudu at this very place.'

(Musnad Ahmad, Musnad 'Usman Bin 'Affaan, vol. 1, p. 130, Hadees 415)

When Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ made the intention of Salah one cold night [in the winter], he asked for water from his slave, Sayyiduna Humraan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ for Wudu; the slave presented water to him, so he began washing his hands and face from it. (He started Wudu, so) the slave requested, 'May Allah Almighty protect you. You are performing Wudu even though the night is in fact very cold.' He replied, 'I heard from the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, 'The person who performs perfect Wudu, Allah Almighty forgives his former and latter sins.'

(Musnad-ul-Bazaar, Musnad 'Usman Bin 'Affaan, vol. 2, p. 75, Hadees 422)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic sisters! Keeping the aforementioned narration in mind, we should also contemplate whether we also know how to perform Wudu in a proper manner or not? If we do not know, we should therefore learn; are we also punctual in offering Faraaid and Nawafil? Do we also have the passion to act upon Sunnahs? May Allah Almighty grant us the taufeeq to fulfil the Faraaid, Wajibat, Sunnahs and Mustahabbat.

أَمِينَ بِجَاةِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Blessed Ahadees and the eminence of 'Usman-e-Ghani

Dear Islamic sisters! Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ is included amongst those fortunate Blessed Companions رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ regarding whom the blessed lips of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ have moved many a time, sometimes he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ was granted the good news of Paradise in the blessed court of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, sometimes the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ declared him as his friend of Paradise, sometimes he was granted the certificate of being modest, and sometimes people attaining Paradise via his intercession was announced.

Amongst the praiseworthy words the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ stated regarding him, let's listen to five blessed sayings of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ:

1. It was stated, 'Usman (رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ) is from me, and I am from 'Usman (رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ).' (Ibn 'Asakir, 'Usman Bin 'Affaan, vol. 39, p. 102, Hadees 7878)
2. It was stated, 'In Paradise, there will be a friend for every Prophet, and my friend is 'Usman Bin 'Affaan (رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ).' (Ibn 'Asakir, 'Usman Bin 'Affaan, vol. 39, p. 104, Hadees 7881)
3. It was stated, 'On the Day of Judgement, from the intercession of 'Usman (رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ), seventy thousand people will enter Paradise without accountability upon whom Hell had become Wajib [necessary]. (Ibn-e-'Asakir, 'Usman Bin 'Affaan, vol. 39, p. 122, Hadees 7916)
4. It was stated, 'From my nation, the one who is the most modest and most respectable and noble is 'Usman Bin 'Affaan (رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ).' (Musnad-ul-Firdaus, vol. 1, p. 250, Hadees 1790)
5. It was stated, 'The person with the most modesty amongst my nation is 'Usman Bin 'Affaan (رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ).' (Mustadrak, vol. 4, p. 689, Hadees 6335)

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The acts of worship performed by Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ

Dear Islamic sisters! We were hearing about Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ. One enlightening aspect of his pure blessed life is that he would spend the entire night in Sajdah and Qiyam [prostration and standing - in Salah]. Some of his nights would be spent in reciting the Holy Qur'an, sometimes they would be spent in enjoying the feeling of Sujood and Qiyam [prostrating and standing i.e. in Salah]. Let's listen to accounts of Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ showing his passion for acts of worship and recitation of the Holy Qur'an; hence,

1. Sayyiduna Zubayr Bin 'Abdullah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ states, 'Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ would always keep fasts, and would rest somewhat in the start of the night then spend the entire night in worship.' (*Musannaf Ibn-e-Abi Shaybah, vol. 2, p. 173, Hadees 6*)
2. When Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ was martyred, his wife therefore said to the murderers, 'You martyred that person who would worship all night and would complete the Holy Qur'an in one Rak'at [unit in Salah].'
(*Az-Zuhd lil Imam Ahmad, p. 153, Hadees 673*)
3. Sayyiduna 'Abdur-Rahman Taymi رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ states, 'I spent the night at Maqaam Ibraheem once. Having offered the 'Isha prayer, I arrived at Maqaam Ibraheem, to the extent that I stood in it, meanwhile someone placed their hand in between my shoulders. I saw that it was Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman Bin 'Affaan رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ. After some time, he started the recitation of the Holy Qur'an from Surah Al-Fatihah, up to the extent that he completed the entire Holy Qur'an.'

(*Az-Zuhd li-Ibn-il-Mubarak, p. 452, Hadees 1276, summarised*)

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One does not get the time!

Dear Islamic sisters! Ponder! Who performed worship to this extent? It was Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna 'Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ! The one whose eminence is such that he attained the honour of becoming the husband of two of the blessed daughters of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ one after the other, the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ gave him the good news of Paradise many a time from his own blessed tongue, the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and the infallible angels would even have haya (modesty) from him, and the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ took the pledge of Ridwan for his sake. In short, despite attaining such a high status, he would worship and recite the Holy Qur'an, and he would remain striving to perform as many good deeds as possible. Whereas on the other side, our state is that most of our time is wasted in useless activities, our days and nights are falling prey to heedlessness, we do not have time to seek knowledge of the religion, nor do we have the opportunity to come to know of information regarding necessary acts of worship, nor do we manage to take out time to for the recitation of the Holy Qur'an, nor do we have the fortune at all of calling towards righteousness or listening to it. Some Islamic sisters even remain deprived of the honour of carrying out and listening to Dars and speeches. They are not even able to perform self-accountability of their deeds and contemplate and ponder over them. Also they do not attend the weekly Ijtima [congregations], and remain deprived from the weekly Madani Muzakaraha. Sadly, there are some who, مَعَآذَ اللهِ (Allah Almighty forbid), also actually cause their Fard Salah to become Qada, there are some who are unable to even seek Fard 'Uloom [religiously obligatory knowledge], there are some who are not even aware of essential matters of the religion. In short, if one mentions that we should learn the religion, improve and better our Hereafter, there are some who say that they do not get the time.

Bear in mind! Taking out time for essential knowledge and acts of worship of the religion, and worshipping in such a manner as it has been commanded, is our religious responsibility. In fact, it is necessary for a person to take time out and learn the essential matters of whichever job or field a person is related to. It is a sad state that we do not have time to learn the essential matters of the religion, whereas, for worldly matters, we have all the time in the world. Hours are spent

in reading newspapers, watching, listening to and reading the news. Some foolish Islamic sisters become so engrossed in using mobile phones and the internet that they do not even stay aware of the time.

If only every Muslim understood the purpose of coming into this world! Remember the hardships at the time of death, remember the worry and loneliness of the grave, remember the 50,000-year long Day of Judgement and being present in the Divine Majestic Court.

Let's listen to two blessed sayings of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ to awaken the passion and zeal inside ourselves to carry out the acts of worship and recite the Holy Qur'an; hence,

1. It was stated, 'Allah Almighty states, 'O mankind! You should free yourself for My worship, I will fill your chest with richness and I will close your door of dependency. If you will not do so, then I will fill both of your hands with pre-occupations and I will not close the door of your dependency.' (Tirmizi, vol. 4, p. 211, Hadees 2474)
2. It was stated, 'Indeed, amongst people, some are the people of Allah.' The Blessed Companions رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ requested, 'O Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, who are those people?' He صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ stated, 'The ones who recite the Holy Qur'an as these very people are amongst the people of Allah and distinguished ones.' (Ibn-e-Majah, vol. 1, p. 140, Hadees 215)

Dear Islamic sisters! Today there are quite a few who are worried due to different reasons, they are sometimes dependant in one matter and sometimes in some other task. Why shouldn't we make the mindset of presenting ourselves in the Majestic Court of our Generous, Owner, [Helper] and Lord in order to get rid of the difficulties and dependency on these people, by being punctual in Fard Salahs. Reciting the Holy Qur'an is such a great form of worship that we should supplicate for dependency to be removed by the means of this great worship to the Almighty Lord Who bestows so many favours.

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A miracle of Sayyiduna Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ

Dear Islamic sisters! We were hearing about the life and conduct of Ameer-ul-Mumineen Sayyiduna Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ. From time to time, such miracles would take place at his hands that the intellects were left amazed. Let's listen to one such miracle.

Once, an individual gazed unlawfully towards a woman on the path, then when he presented himself before Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna Usman-e-Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ, he رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ said: You people present yourselves before me in such a state that you have traces of wrongdoing in your eyes! That person said: Has revelation begun to descend upon you after the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ? How do you know that I have signs of wrongdoing in my eyes? He رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ said: Revelation does not come to me, however, what I have said is totally correct. The Merciful Lord has bestowed me with such an insight, that I come to know of the states of the hearts and the thoughts of people.

(Tabqat-ul-Shafi'iyah Al-Kubra lis-Subki, vol. 2, pp. 327, summarised)

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Dear Islamic sisters! أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ the month of Zul-Hijjah is currently distributing its blessings, it is on the 19th of this month that the 'Urs (death day anniversary) of the Khalifah of A'la Hadrat, 'Allamah Maulana Sayyid Mufti Muhammad Na'eem-ud-Deen Muradabadi رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ takes place. He was a great Islamic scholar, Mufti and Wali. Let's listen to a miracle of his:

A miracle of the author of Khaza'in-ul-Irfan

Maulana Manzoor Ahmad Ghoswi رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ states what he witnessed with his own eyes: (he says) it was the daily routine of Allamah Maulana Sayyid Mufti Muhammad Na'eem-ud-Deen Muradabadi رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ to offer the Salah in congregation at the local mosque. Before going to the mosque, a four-foot pot would be filled with ingredients for making tea and then a fire would be lit. When he رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ returned after praying Salah in the mosque, the tea

would be ready. He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ would then sit in the room and very quickly, many devotees would arrive in large numbers.

Generally, around 50 to 200 people would gather, and at times, so many people would gather that the sitting room and the courtyard would both become completely full. As soon as he رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ would sit down, the servants would bring him a cup of tea and a biscuit. He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ would pass it to the person on his right. Like this, he would distribute a few teacups himself. Similarly, the servants would distribute one biscuit and one cup of tea to the rest of the people. He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ would also have a cup of tea and biscuit himself; this was his breakfast in the morning.

Maulana Sayyid Manzoor Ahmad رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ states with certainty that, regardless of whether there were a few attendees or many, he would especially note that the tea was made once and it would be sufficient for all those present. It was never the case that if there were a large number of attendees, they had to make preparations to make more tea. This statement of Maulana Manzoor Ahmad Ghoswi رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ is a clear indication to the fact that this was one great miracle from the daily miracles of the Khalifah of A'la Hazrat رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ. (*Tareekh-e-Islam ki 'Azeem Shakhsiyat Sadr-ul-Afazil, pp. 333 to 334, summarised, Extracted from Faizan-e-Sunnat, p. 398, summarised*)

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ! You have heard that it was due to the blessing of the hand of the Khalifah of A'la Hadrat, 'Allamah Maulana Sayyid Mufti Muhammad Na'eem-ud-Deen Muradabadi رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ and his miracle that the tea prepared once would be sufficient for everyone. In order to learn more about his life, purchase and read the booklet of Maktaba-tul-Madinah, 'Tazkirah Sadr-ul-Afazil'.

Some rulings regarding neighbours

Dear Islamic sisters! Let's now listen to some points from the booklet of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ "The Test of the Judgement Day". Before that, we will listen to two blessed sayings of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ:

- He صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said: The best neighbour in the sight of Allah Almighty is the one who wishes well for his neighbour. (*Tirmizi, vol. 3, p. 379, Hadees 1951*)

- He ﷺ also said: The one who caused harm to his neighbour, he has harmed me, and the one who harmed me, he has caused harm to Allah Almighty. (*Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 3, p. 286, Hadees 3907*)
- It is written in Nuzha-tul-Qaari: Every person understands who a neighbour is according to his own customs and norms. (*Nuzhat-ul-Qaari, vol. 5, p. 568*)
- Imam Muhammad Ghazali رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ states: From the rights of the neighbour (Islamic sister) is that she should give her Salam first.
- Do not have long conversations with the neighbour [Islamic sister].
- Do not enquire too much about her affairs.
- If she falls ill then enquire about her health.
- At times of grief, show her compassion and support her.
- At times of happiness, congratulate her and express your participation in her happiness.
- Forgive her shortcomings.
- Do not peer into her house from the roof.
- Do not restrict the path to her house.
- Hide her shortcomings.
- If she is involved in an accident or other incident, then help her immediately.
- If she is not home, then do not be heedless in protecting her home.
- Do not listen to any words that are spoken against her and keep your gaze lowered from her (female) family members.
- Guide her in those religious and worldly affairs which she has no knowledge about. (*Ihya-ul-'Uloom, vol. 2, pp. 267 Summarised*)

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.

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