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In The Name Of

ALLAH

The Most Beneficent,
The Most Merciful



FOREWORDS

Our dear Holy Prophet's (S.A.W) holy saying is,

اِنَّمَا الْاَعْمَالُ بِالنِّيَّاتِ وَاِنَّمَا لِكُلِّ امْرِیءٍ مَّا نَوٰی ۔۔۔۔۔۔۔۔ (بخاری و مسلم)

"Of course actions depend upon our intentions and of course, everybody will get his (good or bad) reward according to his intentions.

It is true, all of the noble and humble deeds get acknowledged from Allah. There is no action of a true Muslim, which is devoid of Allah's confirmation or love. Allah knows better the conditions and intentions of man's heart. Therefore we get the shelter of Allah from malicious deeds of Satan and mind because there is no one, who helps us except Allah. No one can harm a person who is under protection of God and no one can get his respect who is rejected by Allah.

I am nothing more than a humble fellow who has started a humble presentation series of books and pamphlets within limited resources. It is only for God's sake.

Already a few gifts in the shape of books have been presented. The task certainly is a manifestation of God's blessings. All of my beloved companions and daughters of Islam including Muhammad Naeem Anwar Farooqi, Hafiz Asif Raza Farooqi, Hafiz Muhammad Imran Farooqi and Muhammad Abuzer Farooqi deserve great tributes who are right hand for the sacred mission. Particularly Mrs. Tabinda Iftikhar Sheikh's services are really laudable as she has played a vital and key role in translating this book into English. Almighty Allah must reward all of her services. Her contribution will remain ever lasting. She must prosper in every sphere of life "Insha Allah". I especially give great importance to her sincere services. May she as well as her family members live long. Allah must give her more courage to perform more duties with great zeal and zest.

(Amin)

☆ وَاِذَاسَاَلَکَ عِبَادِیْ عَنِّیْ فَاِنِّیْ قَرِیْبٌ اُجِیْبُ دَعْوَةَ الدَّاعِ
اِذَ دَعَانِ فَلْیَسْتَجِیْبُوْا لِیْ وَلْیُؤْ مِنُوْابِیْ (البقرہ:186)

And when My servants question thee concerning Me, then surely I am nigh. I answer the prayer of the suppliant when he crieth unto Me. So let them hear My call and let them trust in Me, in order that they may be led aright.

Meanings of this holy verse helps in understanding its time of divine revelation. Verily, companions of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W) asked him, "How our prayers will be acknowledged?" Just like, different people or devotees ask from learned men, and friends of Allah:

(1) How our prayers get acknowledged?
(2) What is ISME-AZAM (one such name of Allah, if one repeats and recites it again and again all that he wishes, he can get it)?
(3) Should we pray to Allah in standing still position?
(4) Should we remain standing on one leg?
(5) Should we pray swinging headlong in a well?
(6) Should we reach Khana-e-Kabah (Holy House of Allah), of Roza-e-Rasool (Holy mausoleum of Holy Prophet) (May peace be upon him)?
(7) Should we request for our wishes before prayer (Salat) or after prayer (Salat)?
(8) Should we pray at midnight or at the time of "Tahajjud"(a prayer said after midnight dawn)?
(9) Should we weep and count special rosary or what is the right method to make our prayers granted?

Even some daring people say, "God doesn't listen to our prayers, even our tears have vanished; our eyes have dried; our throats have hoarsed;"

تجھے منانے کے لئے ہم نے کیا کیا نہ کیا
صبر ایوب کیا گریۂ یعقوب کیا

O Allah! We have gone through fire and water to get your sanction like Hazrat Ayub and Hazrat Jacob. (May Peace Be Upon them).

Some unlucky guys and men cross the limits of civilized behaviour. They complain of deprivations and losses insolently and arrogantly. No doubt, Allama Iqbal's popular poem "Shikwa" (complaint-reproach) is a sophisticated form of complaining against deprivations of men. People of Av's time gave a verdict of infidelity against him. Later on, Iqbal had to write, "Jawab-e-Shikwa" (Answer of complaints).

اپنے بھی خفا مجھ سے بیگانے بھی ناخوش
میں زہرِ ہلاہل کو کبھی کہہ نہ سکا قند

"My good-fellows as well as disaquainted are unhappy with me because I could not compromise with wrong ones.

Iqbal had composed

کبھی ہم سے کبھی غیروں سے شناسائی ہے
بات کہنے کی نہیں تو بھی تو ہرجائی ہے
پھر بھی ہم سے یہ گلہ ہے کہ وفادار نہیں
ہم وفادار نہیں تو تُو بھی تو دلدار نہیں

"O Allah! You are set with us at one time and sometimes with other ones. It is below to my dignity to say that you are also with none."

In other words every man wants his wishes to come true and his dreams to become reality. So there must be a solution to everyone's problem. No doubt, some persons adopt many strange methods and tactics to fulfil their fair or unfair desires:

(1) Use of charms
(2) Wasting money on astronomers, ascetics and hermits
(3) Becoming a plaything in the hands of magicians who practise black magic.
(4) Trying to find a magic stick

(5) Trying to find "Paras" (the philosophical stone which according to Hindu legend immediately converts any metal into gold when it touches).
(6) Recitation of Wazifa "Right And Wrong" by themselves and by others.
(7) Reciting and casting "Mantars" (mystical or magical formulas).
(8) Making or completing a Vowor "Chillah" (forty days of fasting and devotion in ditch or grave).
(9) Trying to write holy words of Holy Quran in wrong way (May God save us).
(10) To seek help from dead ones visiting graveyards
(11) Visiting tombs of saints.
(12) Avoiding hot or cold food and meat.
(13) Different daily "Tasbeehat" (counting by beads), "Aiyat-e-Karima", Holy names of Allah, Holy names of the Holy Prophet (May peace be upon him) , "Surah-e-yasin", "Khatm-e-Khuajgan", "Khatm-e-Giarhween", reading Holy Quran, arranging meetings to remember Allah and his Holy Prophet (S.A.W) collectively, arranging processions and making speeches in praise of Holy Prophet (S.A.W), Jihad (Struggle) by money, participating in construction of mosques and "Madrissas", performing obligatory Haj and Umrah, "Aitkaaf" and "Shabina" etc.

Interestingly, all the struggles mentioned above are made in order to have fulfilled one's material desires. These desires may be temporary but one wants them to become true instantly. Following are some of the common objects for which mostly of the human efforts are made.

(1) Some want to become rich and millionaire within one night.
(2) Some want to get rid of haunting debts.

(3) Some are struggling to get married with their favourite sweet hearts.
(4) Every childless couple is desirous to perform the duties of parenthood.
(5) Students want to get success in Exams, whether they work hard or not.
(6) A lot of young men are anxiously looking for "Visas" to get them settled abroad. They are unaware of its consequences.
(7) Some unfortunate people want their self-assumed enemies to perish forever.
(8) Some are struggling hard to get progress in business; some for high ranks in politics; some for higher grades in government posts.
(9) Some women are worrying how to prevent their husbands from marrying twice or thrice; some are making devices to win hearts of their husbands.
(10) Some are willing to get rid of their in-laws.
(11) Some are fed up for being jobless.

ہزاروں خواہشیں ایسی کہ ہر خواہش پے دم نکلے
بہت نکلے میرے ارماں لیکن پھر بھی کم نکلے

In short, *"If wishes were horses, the beggars would ride"*.

Now let us judge impartially and analyse sincerely avoiding excess and deficiency that what should be our humble desires and needs for which one has to devote his time and should pray to Allah whole heartedly. Let us find what are the prayers for which the Holy Prophet (S.A.W) raised his hands before Allah melancholy, which were the holy desires of other Holy Prophets (A.S) of Allah; and what were the motives behind the sighs and sobs of companions of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W)? What men of Allah yearned and longed for it? What are the motives behind spending whole nights on knees praying before Almighty?

شوق طوفان سمندر وانگوں اندر ٹھاٹھاں مارے
اگ فراق نے مار وگایا وسدے دور پیارے

Baba Farid-Ud-Din (R.A.) asserts about pain of love:

درداں دی میں سیج بچھائی تے درداں ہار بنائے
یار فریدن درد سلامت جتھاں درداں یار ملائے

Here are some examples, invokes and prayers of Holy Prophets (A.S).

ENTREATY OF HAZRAT ADAM (A.S)

☆ رَبَّنَا ظَلَمْنَآ اَنْفُسَنَا وَاِنْ لَّمْ تَغْفِرْلَنَا وَتَرْحَمْنَا
لَنَكُوْنَنَّ مِنَ الْخٰسِرِيْنَ (الاعراف:23)

Our Lord we have wronged ourselves. If thou forgive us not and have not mercy on us, surely we are of the lost.

PETITION OF HAZRAT NOOH (A.S)

☆ رَبِّ اِنِّیْ مَغْلُوْبٌ فَانْتَصِرْ (القمر:10)

I am vanquished, so give help.

☆ رَبِّ لَاتَذَرْعَلَى الْاَرْضِ مِنَ الْكَافِرِيْنَ دَيَّارًاه اِنَّكَ اِنْ تَذَرْهُمْ يُضِلُّوْا عِبَادَكَ
وَلَا يَلِدُوْٓا اِلَّا فَاجِرًا كَفَّارًاه رَبِّ اغْفِرْلِیْ وَلِوَالِدَیَّ وَلِمَنْ دَخَلَ بَيْتِیَ مُؤْمِنًا وَّ
لِلْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ وَلَا تَزِدِالظّٰلِمِيْنَ اِلَّا تَبَارًا (نوح:26,27,28)

My Lord! Leave not one of the disbelievers in the land. If thou shouldst leave them, they will mislead Thy slaves and will beget none slave lend ingrates. My Lord! Forgive me and my parents and him who entered my house; believing men and believing women and increase not the wrong-doers in ought save ruin.

☆ رَبِّ اِنِّیْٓ اَعُوْذُبِكَ اَنْ اَسْئَلَكَ مَا لَيْسَ لِیْ بِهٖ عِلْمٌ
وَاِلَّا تَغْفِرْلِیْ وَتَرْحَمْنِیْٓ اَكُنْ مِّنَ الْخٰسِرِيْنَ (هود:47)

He said: My Lord! Lo! In Thee do I seek refuge (from the sin) that I should ask of Thee that whereof I

have no knowledge. Unless Thou forgive me and have mercy on me unless I shall be among the lost.

REQUESTS OF HAZRAT IBRAHIM (A.S.)

☆ رَبَّنَا تَقَبَّلْ مِنَّا اِنَّكَ اَنْتَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ (البقره:127)

Accept from us (this duty). Lo! Thou, only thou, are the hearer the knower.

☆ رَبَّنَا وَاجْعَلْنَا مُسْلِمَيْنِ لَكَ وَمِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِنَآ اُمَّةً مُّسْلِمَةً لَّكَ وَاَرِنَا مَنَا سِكَنَا وَتُبْ
عَلَيْنَآ اِنَّكَ اَنْتَ التَّوَّابُ الرَّحِيْمُ ه رَبَّنَا وَابْعَثْ فِيْهِمْ رَسُوْلًا مِّنْهُمْ يَتْلُوْا عَلَيْهِمْ اٰيٰتِكَ
وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتٰبَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَيُزَكِّيْهِمْ اِنَّكَ اَنْتَ الْعَزِيْزُ الْحَكِيْمُ (البقره:128,129)

Our Lord! And make us submissive into Thee and of our seed a nation submissive unto You, and show us our ways of worship, and relent towards us. Lo! Thou, only Thou, art the relenting, the merciful.

☆ رَبِّ هَبْ لِیْ مِنَ الصّٰلِحِيْنَ (الصافات:100)

My Lord! Vouchsafe one of the righteous.

☆ رَبَّنَاعَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْنَا وَ اِلَيْكَ اَنَبْنَا وَاِلَيْكَ الْمَصِيْرُ ه رَبَّنَا لَا تَجْعَلْنَا فِتْنَةً
لِّلَّذِيْنَ كَفَرُوْا وَاغْفِرْلَنَا رَبَّنَا اِنَّكَ اَنْتَ الْعَزِيْزُ الْحَكِيْمُ (الممتحنه:4,5)

Our Lord! In Thee we put our trust, and unto Thee we turn repentant, and unto Thee is the journeying. Our Lord! Make us not a prey for those who disbelieve, and forgive us, Our Lord! Lo! Thou only Thou art the Mighty, the Wise.

PRAYER OF HAZRAT YOUSAF (A.S.)

☆ فَاطِرَالسَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْاَرْضِ اَنْتَ وَلِیّٖ فِی الدُّنْيَا وَالْاٰخِرَةِ
تَوَفَّنِیْ مُسْلِمًا وَّاَلْحِقْنِیْ بِالصّٰلِحِيْنَ (يوسف:101)

Creator of the Heavens and earth! Thou art my protecting friend in the world and the Hereafter makes me to die submissive (unto Thee), and gain me to the righteous.

INVOCATION OF HAZRAT SHOAIB (A.S.)

☆ وَمَا تَوْفِيْقِيْٓ اِلَّا بِاللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَاِلَيْهِ اُنِيْبُ (هود:88)

My welfare is only in Allah. In Him I trust and unto Him I turn (repentant).

WISHES OF HAZRAT SULEMAN (A.S.)

☆ رَبِّ اَوْزِعْنِيْٓ اَنْ اَشْكُرَ نِعْمَتَكَ الَّتِيْٓ اَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيَّ وَعَلٰى وَالِدَيَّ وَاَنْ اَعْمَلَ صَالِحًا تَرْضٰهُ وَاَدْخِلْنِيْ بِرَحْمَتِكَ فِيْ عِبَادِكَ الصّٰلِحِيْنَ (النمل:19)

My Lord, arouse me to be thankful for Thy favour where with Thou hast favoured my parents, and me and to do good that shall be pleasing unto Thee, and include me in (the number of) Thy righteous slaves.

☆ رَبِّ اغْفِرْلِيْ وَهَبْ لِيْ مُلْكًا لَّا يَنْۢبَغِيْ لِاَحَدٍ مِّنْۢ بَعْدِيْ اِنَّكَ اَنْتَ الْوَهَّابُ (ص:35)

My Lord! Forgive me and bestow on me sovereignty such as shall not belong to any after me. Lo! Thou art the bestower.

PRAYERS OF HAZRAT MOSAH (A.S.)

☆ رَبِّ اِنِّيْ ظَلَمْتُ نَفْسِيْ فَاغْفِرْلِيْ (القصص:16)

My Lord! Lo! I have wronged my soul, so forgive me.

☆ رَبِّ نَجِّنِيْ مِنَ الْقَوْمِ الظّٰلِمِيْنَ (القصص:21)

My Lord! Deliver me from the wrong doing folk.

☆ رَبَّنَآ اَفْرِغْ عَلَيْنَا صَبْرًا وَّ تَوَفَّنَا مُسْلِمِيْنَ (الاعراف:126)

My Lord! Vouchsafe unto us steadfastness and make us die as men who have surrendered unto Thee.

☆ رَبِّ اغْفِرْلِيْ وَلِاَخِيْ وَاَدْخِلْنَا فِيْ رَحْمَتِكَ وَاَنْتَ اَرْحَمُ الرّٰحِمِيْنَ (الاعراف:151)

My Lord! Have mercy on me and on my brother; bring us into Thy mercy, Thou the most Merciful of all who show mercy.

HUMBLE WORDS OF HAZRAT AYUB (A.S.)

☆ اَنِّيْ مَسَّنِيَ الضُّرُّ وَاَنْتَ اَرْحَمُ الرّٰحِمِيْنَ (الانبيآء:83)

Lo! Adversity afflicteth me, and Thou art Most Merciful of all who show mercy.

PRAYER OF HAZRAT YOUNAS (A.S.)

☆ لَآ اِلٰهَ اِلَّآ اَنْتَ سُبْحٰنَكَ اِنِّيْ كُنْتُ مِنَ الظّٰلِمِيْنَ (الانبيآء:87)

There is no God save Thee. Be Thou glorified Lo! I have been a wrong doer.

WISHES OF HAZRAT TALOOT (A.S.)

☆ رَبَّنَآ اَفْرِغْ عَلَيْنَا صَبْرًا وَّ ثَبِّتْ اَقْدَامَنَا وَانْصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِيْنَ (البقره:65)

Our Lord! Vouchsafe unto as steadfastness and make us victorious against non-believers.

PRAYERS OF HAZRAT ZAKRIYA (A.S.)

☆ رَبِّ هَبْ لِيْ مِنْ لَّدُنْكَ ذُرِّيَّةً طَيِّبَةً اِنَّكَ سَمِيْعُ الدُّعَآءِ (ال عمران:38)

My Lord! Bestow upon me of Thy bounty goodly offspring. Lo! Thou art the Hearer of prayer.

☆ رَبِّ لَا تَذَرْنِيْ فَرْدًا وَّاَنْتَ خَيْرُ الْوٰرِثِيْنَ (الانبيآء:89)

My Lord! Leave me not childless, though, Thou art the best of inheritors.

PRAYER OF HAZRAT ISA (CHRIST) (A.S.)

☆ اَللّٰهُمَّ رَبَّنَآ اَنْزِلْ عَلَيْنَا مَآئِدَةً مِّنَ السَّمَآءِ تَكُوْنُ لَنَا عِيْدًا لِّاَوَّلِنَا وَاٰخِرِنَا وَاٰيَةً مِّنْكَ وَارْزُقْنَا وَاَنْتَ خَيْرُ الرَّازِقِيْنَ (المائده:114)

O Allah! Lord of us! Send down for us a table spread with food from Heavens that it may be a feast for us, for the first of us and for the last of us, and a sigh from Thee. Give as Substance, for Thou art the best of Sustainers.

PRAYERS OF HOLY PROPHET MUHAMMAD (A.S.)

☆ اِنَّ صَلَاتِیْ وَنُسُكِیْ وَمَحْيَایَ وَمَمَاتِیْ لِلّٰهِ رَبِّ الْعٰلَمِيْنَ لَا شَرِيْكَ لَهٗ وَبِذٰلِكَ اُمِرْتُ وَاَنَا اَوَّلُ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ (الانعام:164)

Lo! My worship and my sacrifice and my living and my dying are for Allah, Lord of the Worlds. He hath not partner. This am I commended, and I am first of those who surrender (unto Him).

☆ رَبِّ اَعُوْذُبِكَ مِنْ هَمَزٰتِ الشَّيٰطِيْنِ ٥ وَاَعُوْذُبِكَ رَبِّ اَنْ يَّحْضُرُوْنَ ٥ (المومنون:97,98)

My Lord! I seek refuge in Thee from suggestions of the evil ones. And I seek refuge in Thee. My Lord, lest they be present with me.

☆ رَبِّ زِدْنِیْ عِلْمًا (طٰهٰ:114)

O God increases me in my knowledge.

☆ رَبَّنَآ اٰتِنَا فِی الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَّ فِی الْاٰخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَّ قِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ (البقره:201)

Our Lord! Give unto us in the w orld t hat w hich good and in the Hereafter that which is good and guard us from the drom of fire.

☆ اَللّٰهُمَّ مٰلِكَ الْمُلْكِ تُؤْتِی الْمُلْكَ مَنْ تَشَآءُ وَتَنْزِعُ الْمُلْكَ مِمَّنْ تَشَآءُ وَتُعِزُّ مَنْ تَشَآءُ وَتُذِلُّ مَنْ تَشَآءُ بِيَدِكَ الْخَيْرُ اِنَّكَ عَلٰی كُلِّ شَیْءٍ قَدِيْرٌ (ال عمران:26,27)

O Allah ! Owner of sovereignty! Thou gives sovereignty unto whom Thou wants and Thou withdrawest sovereignty from whom Thou wants. Thou exalts whom Thou wants and Thou abases whom Thou wants. In Thy hand is the good.

In short all the prayers and wishes of Holy Prophets (A.S) were for noble purpose. If we want our prayers to be acknowledged soon, then we shall have to analyse in light of Quran and Sunnah that how do prayers come true?

Holy Prophet Muhammad (P.B.U.H) says,

☆ اَلدُّعَآءُ مُخُّ الْعِبَادَةِ (الحديث)

Prayer is the brain of service (divine worship).

It means that offering prayer (salat) is service and it's brain or main part is asking something from Allah. Fasting is service, Jihad is service, reciting Holy Quran is service,, seeking knowledge is service; In short every good deed is service and its brain and main part is wishing for a praying for something (begging for Allah's charity).

In other words to pray and to invoke blessing is soul of "Salat" and soul of divine service. So to learn its rules, conditions and to learn this art is the soul of belief. Let us go through different aspects of this topic.

(1) Meanings of prayer.
(2) Importance of prayer.
(3) Important rules of prayers.
(4) Conditions of prayers.
(5) Important timings when prayers are surely acknowledged.
(6) Some tested prescriptions for acknowledgement of prayers.
(7) Final words.

MEANINGS OF PRAYERS

Prayer means to call for, to ask for, to wish, to request, to entreat, to be attentive, to apply, to prefer

appeal, to struggle for gaining blessings of Almighty and seek help.

In Holy words of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W), "The largest and most effective tool of believers for asking Almighty Allah's blessings is prayer because prayer changes a (man's) lot (luck)".

IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER

Here are some Holy and dignified sayings of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W):

(1) Prayer is a believer's tool, pillar of the religion and light of the earth and the sky.
(2) The way of prayer is the way of blessing. So prayer of safety (welfare) should be invoked.
(3) If you want your prayers to be acknowledged in hard time then you must keep on invoking blessings in prosperity as well.
(4) Don't be lacking (Showing meanness) in praying, nobody will die of accidental disaster so long as and you will keep on praying.
(5) Nothing is more important then prayer in the court of Allah. He who does not pray, Allah gets unhappy with him.
(6) There is nothing except prayer which can evade destiny. No doubt calamity is yet to arrive but prayer evades it.
(7) Age is increased by giving alms and by prayers.
(8) The Holy Prophet (S.A.W) passed by a nation who was caught in trouble. He said, "Do they not invoke blessings from Allah?"

RULES AND MANNERS OF PRAYING

It is very important to observe some manners of presenting oneself in the court of Almighty Allah. If one

takes a routine matter or application in office of a routine officer, he has to fulfil many formalities and to observe different rules and regulations. Then here are some compulsory manners and etiquettes which we have to observe when we present our demands and wishes before Almighty. When we follow those manners, our invokes become effective.

(1) Purity of body, clothes and place should be managed.
(2) There should be repentance and promising to commit sin no more in the court of Almighty Allah before praying.
(3) Praise Almighty Allah and send blessings for Holy Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) after praise and Benediction don't doubt about acceptance of prayers, then be sure that your invokes will be acknowledged.
(4) Pray to Almighty with great humility, humbleness and presence of heart. You must repeat your invokes because prayer of that heart is not accepted which is absent.
(5) When a broken heart accepts grandeur of Allah, only then it expresses devotion and servitude to Allah. So as much sighs and sobs will be there, acknowledgement of prayers will be as sooner.
(6) Insist and repeat your prayers and involve yourself in praying but never leave praying. Don't say that we prayed many times but couldn't get acceptance because Allah knows better the proper timings for its acceptance.
(7) You must raise both of your hands and then rub your hands on your face. Allah does not like it to return those hands empty which rose praying towards Him.

CONDITIONS OF PRAYING

Conditions mean those compulsory needs and demands without which no aim or object is achieved. So

every one who wants his prayers to be acknowledged must fulfil its conditions such as there are some conditions for "Salat", some for fasting such as there are some rules for "Zakat" (alms) and some methods of "Haj" (pilgrimage). So without fulfilling the conditions; neither an act is a true act nor it is accepted. For example if a silly person offers his prayers without abolition (cleaning himself) and thinks that Allah is seeing his noble deed or he offers his prayers but leaves any part of bowing "Sajda" or kneeling "Raku" then his prayer will never be accepted. Similarly, every prayer, or "Wazifa", which is presented in Allah's court must be fulfilling its demands and conditions. Otherwise, there must no complaint to justify that our prayers are not acknowledged. So, firstly conditions and then acceptance.

OTHER PRIMARY CONDITIONS

Let us examine what are those compulsory conditions without which acceptance of prayers is doubtful.

(1) There must be repentance and promising not to commit sin again. According to Holy Prophet (S.A.W), "A man's sins become hindrance and partition in way to acknowledgement of prayers.
(2) "Halal" and Lawful earning and bread: it means that means of earning should be "Halal" and Lawful because a single spoon of "Haram" (unlawful) spoils a man's good deeds of forty days.

SECONDARY CONDITIONS

Then here are some corroborative conditions which give support to acknowledgment of prayers i.e.

(1) Doing something noble before invoking blessings.
(2) Giving alms.

(3) Relating noble deeds in the hour of need.
(4) Maintaining cleanliness and purity.
(5) Turning position towards Kaba.
(6) Offering a couple of "Nafal" (extra optional prayers).
(7) To sit on the hams.
(8) Praising Allah and sending blessings for Holy Prophet (S.A.W).
(9) Raising both hands to shoulders.
(10) Spreading both hands and asking like a beggar.
(11) Keeping hands wide open.
(12) Abiding by the rules of presenting in the court of Almighty.
(13) Showing humiliation, humbleness and moaning with sigh and sobs.
(14) Relating Holy names of Almighty.
(15) To invoke blessings of Allah through (Offinity) of Prophets and Auliya (friends of Allah).
(16) Admitting one's sins.
(17) Praying for one's own self and all the Muslims.
(18) Saying "Amin" after praying.
(19) Praying every blessing relating Allah's Holy name i.e praying for knowledge addressing to Almighty ☆ اَللّٰهُمَّ يَا عَلِيْمُ praying for bread addressing him, ☆ اَللّٰهُمَّ يَا رَزَّاقُ.

SOME OF THE TIMINGS AND PLACES WHEN PRAYERS ARE INSTANTLY ACCEPTED

Almighty Allah is Forgiving and Beneficent and showers his blessings whenever a needy spread his hands. According to Quran, Sunnah and teachings of Allah's devotees, some moments and Holy places have proved to be alchemy formula for acceptance of prayers. Let us

view some timings and spots which help in acceptance of prayers.

(1) The day of "Urfah" of the Holy day of pilgrimage and if it is the field of Arafat then it is best place and time.

(2) "Khana-e-Kaba" (the House of Allah) and Holy "Rozah" (tomb) of Holy Prophet (S.A.W). If it is the holy night of "Shab-e-Qadr" (27th of the month of Ramzan) and if it is timing of first sight at Kaaba Sharif then there is no better favourable time than this.

(3) The odd number nights of lost ten days of "Ramzan" and holy day of "Juma-tul-Wida".

(4) Holy Fridays of Ramzan.

(5) The Holy occasion of completion of recitation of the Holy Quran.

(6) The time of "Tahajjud" or dawn.

(7) Before drinking "Ab-e-Zam Zam".

(8) The night between Thursday and Friday.

(9) Between "Azaan" and "Takbeer" specially between two speeches on Friday during prayers.

(10) After reciting Takbeer and Azaan in a new born's ear.

(11) In the hour's of calamity and at the battlefield.

(12) Before sunset and during rain.

(13) During holy meetings of "Zikar".

(14) At the holy places like "Safa and Marwa", "Muqame-Ibrahim", "Arafat", "Mardalfah", and "Minna".

(15) After compulsory prayers and in state of fasting because during these hours the doors of heaven are wide opened.

SOME ELEMENTS OF PRAYERS

It's very important to understand Allah's wisdom and mystery working behind the timings of acceptance of prayers unless one may face different misunderstandings. His unthankful behaviour may lead him towards wrong path and may cause wrath of Allah. Here are some elements or principles of prayers.

(1) The Holy Prophet (S.A.W) said that "He who prays will face three conditions, either his sins will be forgiven or his prayers would be acknowledged later. In other words in another Hadith, it is stated that either a man's prayers' would be acknowledged as well or would be displayed with some alteration just according to his welfare, or his prayers would be saved in His deed book and it's reward will be given on the Day Of Judgement and such person will wish that his no prayer would have been accepted in the world and May all his prayers could become a reward for him on the Day Of Judgement.

(2) Some of our prayers are such that in case of their acknowledgement, we may face certain complications, but Almighty is the Great Solver of Problems and how can he throw us in new complications after rescuing us from the first one. It will thus be merciless not mercifulness i.e. Some of our youngsters insist on going abroad, "O Allah! Take us to America, England or Europe or anywhere outside Pakistan, only then we shall be grateful of when they approach any pious man they ask him that we will recognise you the true pious only when you will send us abroad or help us in winning lothery of fulfilling this or that fair or unfair desires. These folks must think that if they are sent abroad then whether they will not be deprived of blessings of faith, Islam, piety, love of parents, brothers and sisters, freedom and many other blessings.

Once a young men insisted on going Japan contrarily to his parents will, he went there but was caught in Roman's prisons, he repented over his mistake but it was unless to cry over spilt milk. So, it is in Almighty's hands when and how he accepts the prayers i.e if a person is praying for clouds but sun is source of ripening crops. So a man sees only one side of the picture but the creator of all creators look over all aspects of life. He knows well that how can He make a man's prayer a blessing for him.

(3) A man is not aware of his profit and loss completely, because of his limited knowledge. Whereas Allah's knowledge is comprehending apparent as well as hidden aspects of things i.e sometimes a man is requesting only for a flower whereas Allah is to give him sooner or later a whole bouquet but who knows that Allah wants to give him the whole garden. So, we must not try to order or dictate Allah but, we must try to request that O Allah! You are the most merciful and beneficent so save us from disgrace and dishonour, and help us to tread on path of welfare which could adorn our worldly life as well as our life Hereafter.

(4) We must never pray for destruction of anyone but we must pray for blessings and goodness of all creatures of Almighty Allah.

IN SHORT

After going through all the above details, now it is important to conclude on some positive points in order to present our prayers in acceptable manner. So the most suitable way is to give one's matters totally in change of Allah.

☆ وَاُفَوِّضُ اَمۡرِیۡۤ اِلَی اللّٰہِ ؕ اِنَّ اللّٰہَ بَصِیۡرٌۢ بِالۡعِبَادِ (مومن: 44)

I confide my case unto Allah. Lo! Allah is Seer of (His) slaves.

A man's example is not different of an innocent kid who is unaware of many things and their side-effects as he wants to hold a burning coal in his hand or wants to put his tiny fingers into moving fan, or electric switch or fully heated-iron. Let us beg to Allah with humility and humbleness.

O Allah! Forgive all our sins save us from clutches of evil spirit and Satan. O Allah! Shower your mercies on us, make us your slaves, cover us within your blessings, make us busy in works of welfare.

O Allah! Give us wealth of faith, your true love and love of your beloved Holy Prophet (S.A.W) fulfils our hearts with light of faith.

☆ رَبَّنَا لَا تُؤَاخِذۡنَاۤ اِنۡ نَّسِیۡنَاۤ اَوۡ اَخۡطَاۡنَا ۚ رَبَّنَا وَلَا تَحۡمِلۡ عَلَیۡنَاۤ اِصۡرًا کَمَا حَمَلۡتَہٗ عَلَی الَّذِیۡنَ مِنۡ قَبۡلِنَا ۚ رَبَّنَا وَلَا تُحَمِّلۡنَا مَا لَا طَاقَۃَ لَنَا بِہٖ ۚ وَاعۡفُ عَنَّا ۟ وَاغۡفِرۡ لَنَا ۟ وَارۡحَمۡنَا ۟ اَنۡتَ مَوۡلٰىنَا فَانۡصُرۡنَا عَلَی الۡقَوۡمِ الۡکٰفِرِیۡنَ (البقرۃ: 286)

Our Lord! Condemn us not if we forget, or miss the mark! Our Lord! Lay not on us such a burden as Thou didst lay on those before us! Our Lord! Impose not on us that which we have not the strength to bear! Pardon us, absolve us and have mercy on us, Thou, our Protector, and give us victory over the disbelieving folk.

In short! When a man bows before Allah and puts his forehead on earth before Allah, he gives everything. So a man should always keep on praying although Allah is aware of our prayers and needs. The Holy Prophet (S.A.W) said:

☆ اَفۡضَلُ الدُّعَآءِ اَسۡتَغۡفَار (الحدیث)

The best prayer is to beg for forgiveness before Allah.

SOME AUTHENTIC WAYS OF PRAYERS

Here are some very effective "Wazaif" which are outcome of practices of pious men of Allah. These "Wazaif" consist of Quranic verses and Holy Remarks.

FOR ABUNDANCE AND PROSPERITY IN LIVELIHOOD

Everyday between "Sunnah" and "Faraz" of "Fajr Prayers", "Darood Sharif" eleven times and then "Surah Quresh" with Bismillah Sharif forty one times and then again recite "Darood Sharif" eleven times.

FOR ANY FAIR DESIRE

For proper proposals and pair of children whether young girl or young boy at midnight at 12 under the open sky stand facing towards Kiblah while bare-footed and bare-headed, recite this.

(1) Darood Sharif eleven times in the beginning and in the end. ☆ يَا مُسَبِّبَ الْاَسْبَابِ

(2) 500 times (female should recite with covered heads)

TO BE SAFE FROM EVIL SPIRITS & CALAMITIES

To make yourself and your children safe from all the calamities and evil incidents you must make a fence once before sunrise and once before sunset.

(1) Before and after "Darood Sharif" 11 times
(2) "Surah Falaq", "Surah Al-Nas" 11 times.
(3) "Ayah-tul-Kursi" 11 times.
(4) "Third Kalimah" 11 times. Recite all this and rub your hands on all over the body with deep concentration.

TO MAKE MEMORY STRONG

(1) Manage to be Wazu (ablution) all of the times.
(2) Try to avoid sleeping between prayers Azaan of "Asr" and "Maghrib" and from Azaan of "Fajr" to sunrise.
(3) Don't delay "Ghusal" (taking bath) when it is obligatory.
(4) Recite "Surah-e-Ikhlas" daily five hundred times to one thousand times and drink water after reciting it. Moreover, this process is useful as well for smoother person.

FOR PROSPERITY AND AUSPICIOUSNESS IN BUSINESS

If you give five to fifty percent of your regular profits to some mosque, Madrissah or any good deed, your livelihood will never lessen. (Insha Allah)

IF ANY VALUEABLE HAS LOST

(1) In the beginning and end "Darood Sharif" 11 times.
(2) ☆ يَا حَفِيْظُ يَا مُعِيْدُ 313 times.
Should be recited again and again with certain gaps.

TO WIN HEART

If you have to win someone's heart recite this while imaging him/her.

(1) In the beginning and end "Darood Sharif" 11 times.
(2) ☆ يَا عَزِيْزُ يَا وَدُوْدُ 113 times.

TO MAKE SOMEONE AGREE

If you have to make someone agree to your point of view then recite:

(1) In beginning and end "Darood Sharif" 11 times.

(2) ☆ اَللّٰهُمَّ يَا سَمِيْعُ 11 to 21 times.

TO GET RID OF ENEMY

If you face the worst enemy of religion as well as society than recite following verses abundantly imaging him.

☆ اَللّٰهُمَّ اكْفِنَا شَرَّهُمْ بِمَا شِئْتَ

☆ اَللّٰهُمَّ اِنَّا نَجْعَلُكَ فِيْ نُحُوْرِهِمْ وَنَعُوْذُبِكَ مِنْ شُرُوْرِهِمْ

☆ اِنَّمَآ اَشْكُوْا بَثِّيْ وَحُزْنِيْٓ اِلَى اللّٰهِ

Thus there are many such Holy verses which one granted and accepted and one gets rid of his problems. May Almighty Allah forgive our sins and have mercy on "Ummahet-Muslima."

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