

Introduction

The remembrance of Allah is the greatest deed of the human being. It elevates his life, brings him peace and happiness, and enables him to fulfill the real mission of his life in this world. When Allah describes believers in the Holy Qur'an, He says; *Those who believe and whose hearts are set at rest by the remembrance of Allah,*

now surely by Allah's remembrance are the hearts set at rest. (13:28).

The Holy Prophet (s) has said: *There is no action more beloved to Allah, and nothing that saves man so well from the evil of this world and the Hereafter, than the remembrance of Allah.*

Among the ways of remembering Allah is waking up at night for Salat Layl. As explained in the following pages, the Holy Qur'an and Hadith have much to say about this very important part of the worship of a believer. Its merits and effects are tremendous. One who recites Salat Layl regularly is following the path of the Prophets and the Ma'sumeen (a).

Salat Layl has a basic method which is explained in this book. It also has many du'as that can be recited with it, some of which are included in this book. These are beautiful du'as with profound meaning. Although it is difficult to have time to recite all these du'as, it is possible to recite some of them at some times. Even portions of these du'as may be read.

The du'as have been divided into:

- a) Basic Du'as – du'as that are recommended to be recited often during Salat Layl.
- b) Additional Du'as – even more du'as recited by Ma'sumeen (a) in Salat Layl are included in this section for recitation if time permits.

There is no doubt that these du'as, if recited with understanding and reflection, can greatly enhance our experience of reciting Salat Layl.

May the Almighty help us to recite Salat Layl in the way it should be recited.

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