

## Basic Du'as

### Du'a before beginning Salat Layl

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَتَوَجَّهُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ

نَبِيِّ الرَّحْمَةِ وَآلِهِ

وَأُقَدِّمُهُمْ بَيْنَ يَدَيَّ حَوَائِجِي

فَاجْعَلْنِي بِهِمْ وَجِيهًا

فِي الدُّنْيَا وَ الآخِرَةِ

وَ مِنَ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ

اللَّهُمَّ ارْحَمْنِي بِهِمْ

### English translation of Du'a before beginning Salat Layl

In the name of Allah the Beneficent, the Merciful

O Allah bless Muhammad and his family

O Allah I turn to You through Your Prophet

the Prophet of mercy

and (through) his family

and I place them in front of my needs

so make me

through them,

respected, in the world

and in the hereafter

and from the near ones

O Allah have mercy on me

through them

وَ لَا تُعَذِّبْنِي بِهِمْ

وَ اهْدِنِي بِهِمْ

وَ لَا تُضِلَّنِي بِهِمْ

وَ ارْزُقْنِي بِهِمْ

وَ لَا تَحْرِمْنِي بِهِمْ

وَ اقْضِ لِي حَوَائِجَ الدُّنْيَا وَ الْآخِرَةِ

إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

وَ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عَلِيمٌ

and do not punish me  
through them  
and guide me  
through them  
and do not lead me astray  
through them  
and grant me sustenance  
through them  
and do not deny me  
through them  
and fulfill my needs  
of the world and the hereafter  
Surely You have power over all things  
and (You) are aware of all things

## **Du'a after 8 raka'ats of Nafilah of Layl**

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

اللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ

الْعَلِيُّ الْعَظِيمُ

الْخَالِقُ الرَّازِقُ الْمُحْيِي الْمُمِيتُ

الْبَدِيُّ الْبَدِيعُ

لَكَ الْكَرَمُ وَ لَكَ الْجُودُ

وَ لَكَ الْمَنُّ وَ لَكَ الْأَمْرُ

وَ حُدُكَ لَا شَرِيكَ لَكَ

### English translation of Du'a after 8 raka'ats of Nafilah of Layl

In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful  
O Allah bless Muhammad and his family

O Allah You are the Ever Living, the Eternal  
the Elevated, the Mighty  
the Creator, the Sustainer  
the One who gives life

and the One who causes to die  
the Beginner, the Unique

For You is nobility  
and for You is generosity  
and for You is grace  
and for You is the command

You are One  
there is no partner for You

يَا خَالِقُ يَا رَازِقُ

يَا مُحْيِي يَا مُمِيتُ

يَا بَدِيعُ يَا رَفِيعُ

أَسْأَلُكَ أَنْ تُصَلِّيَ عَلَيَّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

وَأَنْ تَرْحَمَ ذُلَّ بَيْنِ يَدَيْكَ

وَتَضَرُّعِي إِلَيْكَ

وَحُشْتِي مِنَ النَّاسِ

## وَ أَنْسِي بِكَ

O Creator, O Sustainer  
O the One who gives life  
and the One who causes to die  
O the Unique, the Sublime  
I ask you to bless Muhammad and his family  
and to have mercy on my lowliness  
before You  
and my beseeching You  
and my loneliness from people  
and my intimacy with You

### Du'a after Salat al-Shaf'a

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَ آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

إِلَهِي تَعَرَّضَ لَكَ فِي هَذَا اللَّيْلِ الْمُتَعَرِّضُونَ

وَ قَصَدَكَ فِيهِ الْقَاصِدُونَ

وَ أَمَّلَ فَضْلَكَ وَ مَعْرُوفَكَ الطَّالِبُونَ

وَ لَكَ فِي هَذَا اللَّيْلِ نَفَحَاتُ

وَ جَوَائِزُ وَ عَطَايَا وَ مَوَاهِبُ

تَمُنُّ بِهَا عَلَى مَنْ تَشَاءُ مِنْ عِبَادِكَ

وَ تَمْنَعُهَا مَنْ لَمْ تَسْبِقْ لَهُ الْعِنَايَةَ مِنْكَ

### English translation of Du'a after Salat al-Shaf'a

In the name of Allah the Beneficent the Merciful

O Allah bless Muhammad and his family

O Allah, on this night

the seekers have sought You

and the aspirers have aspired for You

and the searchers have hoped

for Your blessings and grace

For You have in this night, hidden bounties

and rewards and presents and gifts

which You bestow upon whom you please

from Your servants

and You deny them to one who has not reached Your regard

وَ هَا أَنَا ذَا عُبَيْدِكَ الْفَقِيرُ إِلَيْكَ

الْمُؤْمِلُ فَضْلِكَ وَ مَعْرُوفِكَ

فَإِنْ كُنْتَ يَا مَوْلَايَ تَفَضَّلْتَ فِي هَذِهِ اللَّيْلَةِ

عَلَى أَحَدٍ مِنْ خَلْقِكَ

وَ عُدْتَ عَلَيْهِ بِعَائِدَةٍ مِنْ عَطْفِكَ

فَصَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَ آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

الطَّيِّبِينَ الطَّاهِرِينَ

الْخَيْرِينَ الْفَاضِلِينَ

وَ جُدْ عَلَيَّ بِطَوْلِكَ وَ مَعْرُوفِكَ

يَا رَبَّ الْعَالَمِينَ

Here I am,  
Your abject servant  
in need of You  
hopeful of Your blessings and grace  
So, O my Master  
if You have bestowed blessings  
on this night  
on anyone of Your creatures  
and turned to him with affection  
then bless Muhammad and his family  
the pure, the purified,  
the virtuous ones

the excellent ones  
and favor me with Your grace and bounty  
O Lord of the worlds

وَ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

خَاتَمِ النَّبِيِّينَ

وَ آلِهِ الطَّاهِرِينَ وَ سَلَّمَ تَسْلِيمًا

إِنَّ اللَّهَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَدْعُوكَ كَمَا أَمَرْتَ

فَاسْتَجِبْ لِي كَمَا وَعَدْتَ

إِنَّكَ لَا تُخْلِفُ الْمِيعَادَ

And send blessings on Muhammad  
the seal of the Prophets  
and his family, the Purified  
and salute them with  
a perfect salutation  
Surely Allah is praiseworthy, Glorious  
O Allah I have supplicated to You

as You have commanded  
then answer me as You have promised  
Surely You do not break Your promises.

## Du'a after Salatul Witr

This du'a is called Du'a al-Hazeen, the sorrowful du'a. It should be recited softly and sorrowfully

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلٰی مُحَمَّدٍ وَّ اٰلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

اُنَاجِيْكَ يَا مُوْجُوْدًا فِيْ كُلِّ مَكَانٍ

لَعَلَّكَ تَسْمَعُ نِدَائِيْ

فَقَدْ عَظُمَ جُرْمِيْ وَ قَلَّ حَيَاتِيْ

مَوْلَايَ يَا مَوْلَايَ

اَيُّ الْاَهْوَالِ اَتَذَكَّرُ وَ اَيُّهَا اَنْسَى

وَ لَوْ لَمْ يَكُنْ اِلَّا الْمَوْتُ لَكَفَى

كَيْفَ وَ مَا بَعْدَ الْمَوْتِ أَعْظَمُ وَ أَذْهَى

### English translation of Du'a after Salatul Witr

In the name of Allah, The Beneficent, the Merciful  
O Allah bless Muhammad and his family  
I whisper unto You  
O one who is present in every place  
so that You may hear my call  
for surely my sin is excessive  
and my shame is less  
My Master, O my Master  
which of the terrifying states shall I remember  
and which of them shall I forget  
for if there was nothing except death  
it would be enough  
then what about after death  
greater and much worse?

مَوْلَايَ يَا مَوْلَايَ حَتَّى مَتَى وَ إِلَى مَتَى

أَقُولُ لَكَ الْعُتْبَى مَرَّةً بَعْدَ أُخْرَى

ثُمَّ لَا تَجِدُ عِنْدِي صِدْقًا وَ لَا وِفَاءً

فِيَا غَوْتَاهُ ثُمَّ وََا غَوْتَاهُ بِكَ يَا اللَّهُ

مِنْ هَوَى قَدْ غَلَبَنِي

وَمِنْ عَدُوِّ قَدْ اسْتَكَلَبَ عَلَيَّ

وَمِنْ دُنْيَا قَدْ تَزَيَّنَتْ لِي

وَمِنْ نَفْسٍ أَمَّارَةٍ بِالسُّوءِ إِلَّا مَا رَحِمَ رَبِّي

مَوْلَايَ يَا مَوْلَايَ

إِنْ كُنْتَ رَحِمْتَ مِثْلِي فَارْحَمْنِي

My master O my Master  
up to when and till when  
will I say, I am to blame,  
again and again,  
but then You do not find any truth or loyalty in me?

I call for help  
and I call for help, O Allah  
from desires which have overpowered me  
and from the enemy which has pounced on me  
and from the world which attracts me  
and from **the soul that leads towards evil except that on which my Lord has mercy (12:53)**

My master O my master  
if You have had mercy on the likes of me  
then have mercy on me

وَإِنْ كُنْتَ قَبَلْتَ مِثْلِي فَاقْبَلْنِي

يَا قَابِلَ السَّحَرَةِ اقْبَلْنِي

يَا مَنْ لَمْ أَزَلْ أَتَعَرَّفُ مِنْهُ الْحُسْنَى

يَا مَنْ يُغَذِّيَنِي بِالنَّعْمِ صَبَاحًا وَ مَسَاءً

إِرْحَمْنِي يَوْمَ آتِيكَ فَرْدًا

شَاخِصًا إِلَيْكَ بِصَرِي مُقَلِّدًا عَمَلِي

قَدْ تَبَرَّأْتُ جَمِيعُ الْخَلْقِ مِنِّي

نَعْمَ وَ أَبِي وَ أُمِّي وَ مَنْ كَانَ لَهُ كَدِّي وَ سَعْيِي

فَإِنْ لَمْ تَرَحْمَنِي فَمَنْ يَرَحْمَنِي

وَ مَنْ يُؤْنِسُ فِي الْقَبْرِ وَحْشَتِي

and if You have accepted from the likes of me  
then accept from me  
O One who accepts the early morning prayer  
accept me,

O One who, I still know only good from Him  
O One who nourishes me with blessings  
morning and evening  
have mercy on me when I come to You  
alone,  
my glance fixed on You  
my actions carried on my neck  
When all of creation  
will withdraw away from me  
yes, even my father and mother  
and those for whom I worked and struggled  
then if You will not have mercy on me  
who will have mercy on me  
who will give me solace  
from the loneliness of the grave

وَمَنْ يُنطِقُ لِسَانِي إِذَا خَلَوْتُ بِعَمَلِي

وَسَأَلْتَنِي عَمَّا أَنْتَ أَعْلَمُ بِهِ مِنِّي

فَإِنْ قُلْتُ نَعَمْ فَأَيْنَ الْمَهْرَبُ مِنْ عَدْلِكَ

وَإِنْ قُلْتُ لَمْ أَفْعَلْ

قُلْتَ أَلَمْ أَكُنِ الشَّاهِدَ عَلَيْكَ

فَعَفُوكَ عَفُوكَ يَا مَوْلَايَ قَبْلَ سَرَابِيلِ الْقَطْرَانِ

عَفُوكَ عَفُوكَ يَا مَوْلَايَ قَبْلَ جَهَنَّمَ وَ النَّيِّرَانَ

عَفُوكَ عَفُوكَ يَا مَوْلَايَ

قَبْلَ أَنْ تُغَلَّ الْأَيْدِي إِلَى الْأَعْنَاقِ

يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ وَ خَيْرَ الْغَافِرِينَ

and who will make me speak  
when I am alone with my deeds  
and when You will ask me  
about what You know better than me?

Then if I say yes (to my sins)  
where will be the escape from Your Justice?  
And if I say I did not commit it  
You will say was I not a witness over you?  
So (I beseech) Your Forgiveness  
Your Pardon  
O my master  
before the wearing of the clothes of Hell  
Your Forgiveness Your Pardon O my Master  
before the Hell and the Fire  
Your Forgiveness Your Forgiveness  
O my Master  
before the hands are tied to the necks  
O the most Merciful  
and the best of Forgivers