

THE NIGHT OF FORGIVENESS (LAYLAT UL-BAR'AH)

As-Salāmu ʻalaykum wa raḥmatu Llāhi. Aʻūdhu biLlāhi mina sh-shaytāni r-rajīm.

Waṣ-ṣalātu wa s-Salāmu 'alá Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-awwalīn wa l-ākhirīn.
Madad yā Rasūla Llāh, madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi Rasūli Llāh, madad yā Mashāyikhinā, dastūr yā
Shaykh 'Abdu Llāh al-Fā'iz ad-Dāghistānī, Shaykh Muḥammad Nāzim al-Ḥaqqānī. Madad.
Ṭarīqatunā ṣ-ṣuḥbah wa l-khayru fi l-jam'iyyah.

Tonight is a holy night, the night of the 15th of Sha'bān. It is the night of kandil. The fasting takes place tomorrow, insha'Allah, but it is possible to fast today and tomorrow. Whoever is not fasting it today may fast tomorrow. What will happen to us within the next year is determined tonight. One's provision (*rizg*), health, welfare, one's life and whether one will survive throughout the year are determined tonight. Therefore between maghrib and isha one should read Surat Yasin three times, [once] for one's life to be good and long, [once] for a good healthy faith, [and once] for one's welfare. There are specified prayers for tonight, [and] if done with a group it is better. If it is not possible to attend the group, then one must read Surat Yasin three times between maghrib and isha prayers.

Allah can change what is written or leave what is written as it is, therefore we should pray for it to be good, [and] if something bad is written may it be changed to good. Allah gives this opportunity to His servants tonight. He can change it for them. He is capable of doing everything. Nothing is difficult for him; He can change things as He wishes. That is why He, Allah 'azza wa jalla, accepts the prayers of those who plea to Him. Therefore this holy night is an important one. With this awareness, we will value this night, will do all that is required, then will pray 100 rak'āt of salah until fajr prayer. This is also to be done.

There is only one hundred-rak'āt prayer done per year. This prayer becomes the means to strengthen their faith. Do not say a hundred rak'āts is too much, Hadrat Rabia Adawiyya, used to pray a thousand rak'āts a night. When there is a hundred rak'āts of prayer people think twice, wondering how they are going to do it. In fact, some Friends of Allah pray all night long. Some others are like Hadrat Rabia Adawiyya, may Allah be pleased with her, she prayed a thousand rak'āts every night.

This is why it is good to pray this hundred rak'āts. It also can be counted as a substitute for missed prayers, or for those who have not missed prayers it becomes the mean for closeness to Allah because the prayer is when one is closest to Allah. If tonight both reading Surat Yasin a number of times [and] these prayers are done insha'Allah, for

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all those who fulfill these in faith, it will be good for them. Allah insha'Allah accepts their worship. May Allah blessed the night.

Blessed nights are good opportunities for us. Allah 'azza wa jalla bestowed upon us these opportunities, [and] caused us to know their value. May Allah bless it. May Allah have us reach those years insha'Allah, with the victory of Islam, [and] with the coming of Mahdi (AS), because Satan and his folk want to wipe out Islam from the face of earth. They cannot do this, because Allah 'azza wa jalla is blocking them. The religion is his. Otherwise, if this matter had been left to people, long ago it would have been finished. With the help of Allah 'azza wa jalla, with the aid of Allah, insha'Allah the whole world will become Muslim. May Allah accept it. May it be blessed.

Wa min Allāhi t-tawfīq, al-Fāti**h**ah

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