

VIRTUES OF THE MONTH

رجبُ المرجب: Rajab-ul-Murajjab

Note: The source of the following is the book <u>Ghuniyat-ut-Taalibeen</u> by Shaikh Hadrat 'Abdul Qadir Jeelaani (Radhi Allaahu 'Anhu). The chains of authorities of the Ahaadeeth quoted below have been omitted for brevity. Please refer to the above book for the narrators of the Ahaadeeth.

Rajab is the month of Allaah عنّوجَك.

In the month of Rajab, the Angels are in the Tasbeeh of Allaah عنَّ وجَل more so than normal.

The shayateen are monitored more so than normal so that they may not harm the Muslims.

Anyone who fasts **one day** in the month of Rajab for the Pleasure of Allaah عنّوجَك hoping that he will receive Jannah, Allaah عنّوجَك will give him Jannah. He will receive the rewards of one thousand years of fasting.

Anyone who fasts **two days** in the month of Rajab, he will receive two Thawaab (rewards). The weight of one of these thawaab is heavier than all the mountains of the earth. (Remember deeds are weighed not counted).

Anyone who fasts **three days** in the month of Rajab, Allaah عنّوجَك will create a trench between him and the Hellfire which will take one year to travel.

Anyone who fasts **four days,** Allaah عنّوجَك will protect him from the major diseases (madness, skin diseases, etc.) and he will be free from the trial of Dajjaal.

Anyone who fasts **five days,** Allaah عنّوجَك will forgive him the Adzaab-ul-Qabr (Punishment of the Grave). His face will be shining like the full moon. He will be sent into Jannah and told he can have anything he desires.

Anyone who fasts **seven days**, Allaah عنّوجَك will close the seven doors of Hellfire and the Hellfire will be made haraam for him.

Anyone who fasts eight days, all the eight doors of Paradise will be opened for him.

Anyone who fasts ten days, Allaah عنوجن will give a rest for him on the Bridge of Siraat after every mile.

Anyone who fasts **twelve days** will be wearing two garlands, each of which will be greater than all the wealth of the world.

عنُّ وجَل Anyone who fasts thirteen days will be under the Shade of the 'Arsh (Throne) of Allaah عنَّ وجَل

Anyone who fasts **fourteen days**, Allaah عنّوجَك will give him something no one has ever seen, something no one has ever imagined.

Anyone who fasts **fifteen days** will be allowed to stand with those who will be at peace. All the Ambiyaa (Prophets [peace be upon them]) will greet him with "Mabrook" (Congratulations). All his bad deeds will be converted to good deeds.

Anyone who fasts **sixteen days** will be among the first to see Allaah عنّ وجَل.

Anyone who fasts **seventeen days**, on the Bridge of Siraat there will be a house built for him to rest after every mile.

Anyone who fasts twenty days will have a place built opposite that of Hadrat Adam 'Alaihisalaam.

Anyone who fasts **twenty one days**, a crier will cry out that Allaah عنّوجَك has forgiven all your sins. After fasting in the day, if he makes even ten Du'aas, they will be accepted.

Anyone who fasts **thirty days** will receive 30 times the rewards previously mentioned. A crier will cry out "O friend of Allaah (عتوجت)!" At the time of death, when the Angel of Death is extracting his soul, Allaah will send for him a drink from Jannah (Paradise) which will ease the harshness of death.

Anyone who fasts in this month, Allaah عنَّ وجَل makes three things waajib on Himself:

- Allaah عنّوجَك will forgive all his sins.
- Allaah عنّوجَك will protect him from committing sins in the future.
- On the Day of Qiyaamah, Allaah عنّوجَك will protect him from all hardships and thirst.

Whoever gives Sadaqah in the month of Rajab, Allaah عنوجَف will place between him and the Hellfire a distance that a raven flies from the time it leaves its nest until it grows old and dies. (A raven lives approximately 500 years.)

There is a palace in Paradise that is reserved only for those who fasted in the month of Rajab.

In the month of Rajab one should leave off all his bad deeds.

Hadeeth Shareef:

When the month of Rajab used to come, Hadrat Sayyidina wa Maulaanaa Muhammad Mustafa used to say "O Allaah, please send Your Barakaah on us in the months of Rajab and Sha'baan and cause us to live until Ramadaan."

Anyone who fasts the first day of Rajab, it will be as if he has fasted the whole month.

Hadeeth Shareef:

Hadrat Sayyidina wa Maulaanaa Muhammad Mustafa مَا مَا مَا اللهُ عَالَيْهُ عَالَيْهُ has said, "Anyone who fasts the 1st day of Rajab, Allaah عنَّ وَجَل will forgive 60 years of sins."

It is waajib for us to perform Qiyaamul Lail (night watch) on 4 nights:

- 1st night of Rajab
- Middle night of Sha'baan (i.e. 15th)
- 27th night of Rajab
- 'Eid-ul-Fitr

There are 5 nights and if anyone consistently keeps up 'lbaadah on these nights and fasts in the day (except the days of 'Eid), Allaah عنّ عَنَّ وَجَلَّل will give him Paradise:

- 1st of Rajab
- 15th of Shabaan
- 10th of Muharram
- 'Eid-ul-Fitr
- 'Eid-ul-Adhaa

If any Mu'min does the 30 Rakaa'ah in this month, he will receive the rewards as if he has fasted one whole month and in his book of deeds will be written as many 'Amaal as the Shaheed in the Battle of Badr:

- 10 Rakaa'ah in the 1st night
- 10 Rakaa'ah in the 15th night
- 10 Rakaa'ah in the 29th/30th night

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Whoever performs these 30 Rakaa'ah, his name will be written down with those who perform all their Salaah for the coming year.

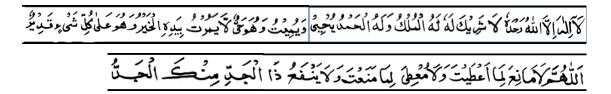
When all 30 Rakaa'ah are finished, there will be many trenches placed between him and the Hellfire and the distance between each trench will be the distance between the Heavens and the earth.

He will also receive for each Rakaa'ah the Thawaab of 1,000 Rakaa'ah. He will receive freedom from the Hellfire and the crossing of the Bridge of Siraat will be made very easy.

For every day's fast in Rajab, he will receive the Thawaab of one year's 'Ibaadah and his station will be increased by 1,000 degrees.

1st Night of Rajab

- 1. Qiyaamul Lail (stay up all night)
- 2. Offer 10 Rakaa'ah Nafl (to be done individually)
- 3. Each Rakaa'ah will consist of the following Soorahs:
 - ➤ 1x Al-Faatihah
 - 3x Al-Ikhlaas
 - 3x Al-Kaafiroon
- 4. Salaam after every 2 Rakaa'ah and say the following Du'aa:



"Laa ilaaha illAllaahu wahdahoo la shareekalah, Lahul mulku wa lahul hamd, Yuhyee wa yumeet, wa huwa Hayyul la yamoot, Biyadihil khair, wa huwa ala kulli shayin qadeer. Allaahumma Laa mani'a limaa a'tait, wa laa mu'tia lima mana'ta, wa laa yanfa'oo dzal jaddi minkal jadd." Translation: "There is no god but Allaah, the One Who has no partners. To Him belongs all His Kingdom and all the Praise, Who created life and death and Who is Alive without death. From His Hands (only) good is done and Who has Power over everything. Our Dearest and Beloved Allaah, no one can stop what You bestow and no one can give what You prevent. There is no one who can profit us except You the August among all." (Then spread your hands over your face.)

1st Friday Night in Rajab

- Between Maghrib and 'Ishaa, offer 12 Rakaa'ah Nafl in units of two (to be done individually).
- 2. Each Rakaa'ah will consist of the following Soorahs:
 - ➤ 1x Al-Faatihah
 - > 3x Al-Qadr
 - ➤ 12x Al-Ikhlaas
- 3. After all 12 Rakaa'ah, say the following Durood 70 times:
 - "Allaahumma salli 'alaa Sayyidina Muhammadinin nabiyyil ummiyyi wa 'alaa aalihi wa sallim."
- 4. Then go into Sajdah and say the following 70 times:
 - "Subboohun Quddoosun Rabbul malaaikati warruh."
- 5. Raise head only (while in position of Qaidah) in the following Du'aa which is said 70 times:
 - "Allaahummaghfir warham tajaawaz 'ammaa ta'alam (Overlook my faults) fa innaka antal Azeezul 'Azam."
- 6. Repeat 2nd Sajdah with *"Subboohun Quddoosun ..."* 70 times. Then ask Allaah عنّوجَك for whatever you desire and InshaAllaah He will grant it.

Fadaail of 'Ibaadah performed on 1st Friday Night of Rajab

Hadeeth Shareef:

Hadrat Sayyidina wa Maulaanaa Muhammad Mustafa مَا مَا اللهُ اللهُ اللهُ has said that after making the final Du'aa, that even if the person has as many sins as the foam on all the oceans, or rain drops, or the leaves on all the trees, or grains of sand in all the deserts, Allaah عنّ وجَل will forgive his sins.

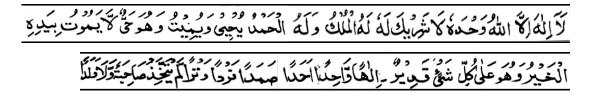
Hadeeth Shareef:

Whoever makes that Salaah, Allaah عنّوجَك will grant him Shafaa'at (intercession) for 700 members of his family.

On the 1st Friday of Rajab when three parts of the night are over, the Malaaika gather at the Ka'abah. Allaah عنّوجَك asks the Malaaika what is their desire and they respond that He should forgive anyone who has fasted this month. Allaah عنّوجَك responds that He has forgiven them.

15th Night of Rajab

- 1. Qiyaamul Lail (stay up all night)
- 2. Offer 10 Rakaa'ah Nafl (as in the 1st night) but use the following Du'aa instead:



"Laa ilaaha illAllaahu wahdahoo la shareekalah. Lahul mulku wa lahul hamd, Yuhyee wa yumeetu, Wa Huwal Hayyul ladzee la yamootu, Biyadihil khair, wa huwa 'alaa kulli shay'in qadeer. Ilaahaun waahidan, Ahadan Samadan, Fardan Watran Lam Yattakhiz Sahibataun wa la walada."

Translation: "There is no god but Allaah, the One Who has no partners. To Him belongs all His Kingdom and all the Praise, Who created life and death and Who is Alive without death. From His Hands (only) good is done and Who has Power over everything. The only God, Unique, Who has no needs He has no wife and no children." (Then spread your hands over your face.)

27th Night of Rajab

- 1. Qiyaamul Lail
- 2. No special prayer

Fadaail of the 27th Night of Rajab

Anyone who does Qiyaamul Lail will receive the Thawaab as if he had done Qiyaamul Lail for 60 months.

Anyone who fasts on the 27th will receive the Thawaab as if he had fasted for 60 months.

Hadeeth Shareef:

Hadrat Abu Huraira has related: "There is a day and a night in the month of Rajab, whoever fasts on that day and does Qiyaamul Lail in the night will receive the Thawaab of someone who has fasted for 100 years and has done Qiyaamul Lail for 100 years. This is a night among the last three nights of Rajab and this is the day on which Allaah فعنوف bestowed Prophethood on Hadrat Sayyidina wa Maulaanaa Muhammad Mustafa المنافعة المنافع

29th/30th Night of Rajab

- 1. No Qiyaamul Lail
- 2. Offer 10 Rakaa'ah (as on 1st night). This can be done at any time in the evening after Maghrib. Use the following Du'aa instead:

كَالِلْهُ إِنَّا اللَّهُ وَحُدَةُ كُلَّشِ يَكَ لَهُ لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَدْدُيُ يُحْيِيهُ وَيُومِيْتُ رَبِيدِ الْخَدِيرُ وَهُوعَلَى كَاللَّهُ وَلَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَدُدُي يُحْيِيهُ وَيُومِيْتُ رَبِيدِ اللَّالِمِ الطَّاهِمِ ثِينَ وَكَا خُولُ وَلاَ فَتَوَ وَالْأَبِاللَّهِ الْعَرِلِيّ الْعَظِيمِ

"Laa ilaaha illAllaahu wahdahoo la shareekalah. Lahul mulku wa lahul hamd, Yuhyee wa yumeet, Biyadihil khair, wa huwa 'alaa kulli shay'in qadeer. Wa SallAllahu 'alaa Sayyidina Muhammadiun wa 'alaa 'aalihit Taahireen, Wa laa Hawla wa laa Quwwata illaa Billaah hil aliyyil 'azeem."

Translation: "There is no god but Allaah, The One Who has no partners. To Him belongs all His Kingdom and all the Praise, Who created life and death and Who is Alive without death. From His Hands (only) good is done and Who has Power over everything. And the blessing of Allaah be upon the Master Muhammad SallAllaahu 'Alaihi wa Sallam and upon his pure progeny and there is no power greater than that of Allaah Subhaanahu wa Ta'aalaa Who is the Greatest in Might."

Then ask for your needs (to be fulfilled). Your Supplication will be accepted and Allaah will create 70 trenches between you and the Hellfire. The distance between each trench will be like it is between Heaven and Earth and written for you will be freedom from the Fire of Hell and from crossing the Bridge of Siraat.

Note: We here in Daar-ul-Ehsaan perform this Salaat every year in pairs of 2 Rakaa'ah doing the Salaam after each pair. This way we do 10 Rakaa'ah in 5 pairs and the supplication after the Salaam of the fifth pair. Allaah عنّوجَك and His Beloved know best. (Ghuniyat-ut-Taalibeen, Tarteeb Shareef, pgs. 756-770).

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