

Comprehensive Supplications

from the Noble Qur'an
&
Authentic Sunnah

The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said:

"Supplication is Worship"

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The Virtue of Supplication

1. Allah, the Highest, says: “And when My servants ask you concerning Me, indeed I am near. I respond to the invocation of the supplicant when he calls upon Me. So let them respond to Me [by obedience] and believe in Me that they may be rightly guided.”
(*Al-Baqarah: 186*)

2. Allah, the Highest, says: “Call upon your **Lord** and He will respond to you. Indeed, those who disdain My worship will enter Hell [rendered] contemptible.” (*Ghafir: 60*)

3. Allah, the Highest, says: “Is He [not best] who responds to the desperate one when he calls upon Him and removes evil and makes you inheritors of the earth? Is there a deity with **Allah**? Little do you remember.” (*An-Naml: 62*)

4. Allah, the Highest, says: “And remember your **Lord** by your tongue and within yourself, humbly and with fear, without loudness in words in the mornings, and the afternoons, and be not of those who are neglectful.”

(*Al-A'raf: 205*)

5. Allah, the Highest, says: “**and invoke Him with fear and hope; Surely, Allah's Mercy is (ever) near unto the good doers.**” (*Al-A'raf: 56*)

6. In a Qudsi Hadith, **Allah**, Glorified and Exalted, says: “**I am as My servant thinks of Me, and I am with him whenever he calls upon Me.**”

7. In another Qudsi Hadith, **Allah**, Blessed and Exalted, says: “**O son of Adam, as long as you call upon Me and place your hope in Me, I will forgive you despite what you have done, and I do not mind.**”

8. The Prophet (**peace and blessings be upon him**) said: “**There is no Muslim who supplicates to Allah with a prayer that does not involve sin or breaking family ties except that Allah grants him one of three: either He hastens its fulfillment for him in this world, or He reserves it for him in the Hereafter, or He averts from him an equivalent evil.**” They said, “O

Messenger of **Allah**, then we should supplicate more!” He replied: “**Allah** is even more (generous).”

9. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: “The best form of worship is supplication.”

10. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: “For **Allah**, there is nothing more noble than supplication.”

11. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: “Whoever does not ask **Allah**, He becomes angry with him.”

12. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: “Call upon **Allah**, for supplication repels destiny.”

13. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: “Indeed, **your Lord**, Blessed and Exalted, is Generous and Shy. He feels shy when His servant raises his hands to Him, to return them empty and disappointed.”

14. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: "When one of you makes a supplication, let him make his wish big, for **Allah** does not consider anything too big to grant."

15. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: "Supplication benefits against what has already descended and what has not yet descended. So, O servants of **Allah**, hold on to supplication."

16. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: "Nothing repels destiny except supplication."

17. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: "Ask **Allah** for His favor, for **Allah** loves to be asked. And the best form of worship is to wait in hope for relief."

18. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: "There is no servant who asks **Allah** for something

except that He gives it to him, as long as he does not hasten."

They asked, "O Messenger of **Allah**, how does one hasten?"

He replied, "He says: 'I have prayed and prayed, but I have not been given anything.'"

19. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: "Call upon **Allah** while you are certain of the response and know that **Allah** does not respond to a supplication from a heedless, inattentive heart."

20. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said: "Whoever is afflicted with poverty and turns to people (for help), his poverty will not be relieved. But whoever turns to **Allah**, **Allah** will send him relief sooner or later."

Comprehensive Supplications from the Noble Qur'an

All praise is due to Allah, and may peace and blessings be upon the Messenger of Allah.

“In the Name of **Allah**, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful. All praise is due to **Allah**, the **Lord** of the world. The Most Gracious, the Most Merciful. Master of the Day of Judgment. You are alone we worship, and You are alone we ask for help. Guide us to the straight path – the path of those upon whom You have bestowed Your grace, not of those who have evoked [Your] anger or of those who are astray.”

(Al-Fatiha)

1. “There is no **deity** except You; exalted are You. Indeed, I was one of the wrongdoers.”

(Al-Anbiya: 87)

2. “Our **Lord**, give us goodness in this world, and goodness in the Hereafter and protect us from the punishment of the Fire.” (*Al-Baqarah: 201*)

3. “Our **Lord**, forgive me and my parents and the believers the Day the Reckoning takes place”

(*Ibrahim: 41*)

4. “Our **Lord**, grant us satisfaction in our spouses and our children and make us an example for the righteous” (*Al-Furqan: 74*)

5. “My **Lord**, enable me to appreciate the blessings You have bestowed upon me and my parents, and to act with righteousness, pleasing You. And improve my children for me. I have sincerely repented to You, and I am one of the Muslims” (*Al-Ahqaf: 15*)

6. “Our **Lord**, grant us mercy from Yourself, and bless our affair with guidance” (*Al-Kahf: 10*)

7. “Our **Lord**, forgive us our offences, and our excesses in our conduct, and strengthen our

foothold, and help us against the disbelieving people” (*Al Imran: 147*)

8. “**My Lord**, grant me from Yourself good offspring. Indeed, you are the Hearer of supplication.”

(*Al Imran: 38*)

9. “**Our Lord**, let not our hearts deviate after You have guided us and grant us from Yourself mercy. Indeed, you are **the Bestower**.” (*Al Imran: 8*)

10. “**My Lord**, put my heart at peace with me. And ease my task for me. And untie the knot of my tongue. So, as they can understand my speech” (*Taha: 25–28*)

11. “**My Lord**, I seek refuge in You from the incitements of the devils, and I seek refuge in You, **My Lord**, lest they be present with me.”

(*Al-Mu'minun: 97–98*)

12. “**My Lord**, indeed I am, for whatever good You would send down to me, in need.” (*Al-Qasas: 24*)

13. “**Our Lord**, we have believed, so forgive us and have mercy upon us, and You are the best of the merciful.” (*Al-Mu'minun: 109*)

14. “O My **Lord**, make me one who maintains his prayers, and (also) from my offspring, our **Lord!** And accept my invocation.” (*Ibrahim: 40*)

15. “Our **Lord**, we have done wrong to ourselves. Unless You forgive us, and have mercy on us, we will be among the losers” (*Al-A'raf: 23*)

16. “**My Lord**, forgive me and my parents and whoever enters my house as a believer and the believing men and believing women. And do not increase the wrongdoers except in destruction.” (*Nuh: 28*)

17. “**My Lord**, increase me in knowledge.” (*Taha: 114*)

18. “**Our Lord**, forgive us and our brothers who preceded us in faith and put not in our hearts any resentment toward those who have believed. **Our Lord**, indeed, you are Kind and Merciful.”

(*Al-Hashr: 10*)

19. “**My Lord**, I seek refuge in You from asking You that of which I have no knowledge of. And unless You forgive me and have mercy upon me, I will be among the losers.” (*Hud: 47*)

20. “**Our Lord**, avert from us the punishment of Hell, for its suffering is continuous. It is indeed a miserable residence and destination”

(*Al-Furqan: 65–66*)

21. “**Our Lord**, indeed we have believed, so forgive us our sins and protect us from the punishment of the Fire.” (*Al Imran: 16*)

22. “**My Lord**, forgive and have mercy, and You are the best of the merciful.” (*Al-Mu’minun: 118*)

23. “**My Lord**, enable me to be grateful for Your favor which You have bestowed upon me and my parents and to do righteousness of which You approve.

And admit me by Your mercy into [the ranks of] Your righteous servants.” (*An-Naml: 19*)

24. **“My Lord**, indeed I have wronged myself, so forgive me.” (*Al-Qasas*: 16)

25. **“Our Lord**, do not place us with the wrongdoing people. And save us by Your mercy from the disbelieving people.” (*Yunus*: 85–86)

26. O **Allah**, “grant us good in this world and good in the Hereafter. We have been guided toward you.”
(*Al-A'raf*: 156)

27. **“My Lord**, do not leave me alone [with no heir], while You are the best of inheritors.” (*Al-Anbiya*: 89)

28. **“My Lord**, have mercy upon them as they brought me up [when I was] a child.” (*Al-Isra*: 24)

29. **“My Lord**, Satan has afflicted me with hardship and pain” (*Sad*: 41)

30. **“My Lord**, do not place me among the wicked people” (*Al-Mu'minun*: 94)

31. “**O Allah**, You are our Protector, so forgive us and have mercy upon us; and You are the best of those who forgive.” (*Al-A'raf: 155*)

32. “**My Lord**, grant me [a child] from among the righteous.” (*As-Saffat: 100*)

33. “**Our Lord**, we have believed, so register us among the witnesses.” (*Al-Ma'idah: 83*)

34. “May My **Lord** guide me to the sound path”
(*Al-Qasas: 22*)

35. “**O Allah**, appoint for us from Yourself a protector and appoint for us from Yourself a helper.”

(*An-Nisa: 75*)

36. “**My Lord**, save me from the wrongdoing people.”

(*Al-Qasas: 21*)

37. “**Our Lord**, complete for us our light and forgive us. You are capable of everything” (*At-Tahreem: 8*)

38. “**Our Lord**, we have believed in what You revealed and have followed the Messenger, so register us among the witnesses.” (*Al Imran: 53*)

39. “**Our Lord**, pour upon us patience, make our feet firm, and give us victory over the disbelieving people.”

(*Al-Baqarah: 250*)

40. “**My Lord**, lead me in through an entry of truth, and lead me out through an exit of truth, and grant me from You a supporting power” (*Al-Isra: 80*)

41. “And our hope is that **Our Lord** will admit us with the righteous people.” (*Al-Ma'idah: 84*)

42. “**My Lord**, great harm has afflicted me, and You are the Most Merciful of the merciful.” (*Al-Anbiya: 83*)

43. “Perhaps I may not be among those whose supplication to **My Lord** is rejected.” (*Maryam: 48*)

44. “**O Allah!** Creator of the heavens and the earth, You are my Protector in this world and in the Hereafter. Let me die as a Muslim and let me join with the righteous.” (*Yusuf: 101*)

45. “**Allah** forbids that I should be so ignorant”
(*Al-Baqarah: 67*)

46. “**My Lord,** land me with a blessed landing, as You are the best of transporters” (*Al-Mu'minun: 29*)

47. “**My Lord!** Forgive me, my brother, and admit us into Your mercy, for You are the Most Merciful of the merciful.” (*Al-A'raf: 151*)

48. “**My Lord,** help me against the people of corruption.” (*Al-'Ankabut: 30*)

49. “**My Lord,** grant me authority and join me with the righteous. And grant me a reputation of honor among later generations. And place me among the inheritors of the Garden of Pleasure.” (*Ash-Shu'ara: 83–85*)

50. “And do not disgrace me on the Day of Resurrection” (*Ash-Shu'ara: 87*)

51. “**Our Lord**, place us not with the wrongdoing people.” (*Al-A'raf: 47*)

52. “O **Allah**, provide for us sustenance, for You are the Best of Providers.” (*Al-Ma'idah: 114*)

53. “**My Lord**, build for me near You a house in Paradise.” (*At-Tahreem: 11*)

54. “We hear and we obey. [We seek] Your forgiveness, **Our Lord**. And to You is the [final] destination.”

(*Al-Baqarah: 285*)

55. “**Our Lord**, do not blame us if we forget or if we make a mistake.”

56. “**Our Lord**, and lay not upon us a burden like that which You laid upon those before us.”

57. “**Our Lord**, and burden us not with that which we cannot bear, and pardon us; and forgive us; and

have mercy upon us. You are our protector, so give us victory over the disbelieving people.”

(Al-Baqarah: 286)

58. “**My Lord**, indeed my bones have weakened, and my head has filled with white. And never have I been in my supplication to You, **My Lord**, unhappy.”

(Maryam: 4)

59. “**Our Lord!** You have not created (all) this without purpose, glory to You! Then give us salvation from the torment of the Fire.” *(Al Imran: 191)*

60. “**Our Lord**, indeed whoever You admit to the Fire - You have disgraced him, and for the wrongdoers there are no helpers. **Our Lord**, indeed we have heard a caller calling for faith, [saying], ‘Believe in **your Lord**,’ and we have believed. **Our Lord**, so forgive us our sins and remove from us our misdeeds and cause us to die with the righteous.” *(Al Imran: 192–193)*

61. “**Our Lord**, grant us what You promised us through Your messengers and do not disgrace us on

the Day of Resurrection. Indeed, You do not fail in [Your] promise.” (*Al Imran: 194*)

62. “I only complain of my suffering and my grief to **Allah**.” (*Yusuf: 86*)

63. “**Our Lord**, remove from us the torment; indeed, we are believers.” (*Ad-Dukhan: 12*)

64. “**Our Lord**, pour upon us patience and let us die as Muslims [in submission to You].” (*Al-A'raf: 126*)

65. “**Our Lord**, You have encompassed all things in mercy and knowledge, so forgive those who have repented and followed Your way and protect them from the punishment of Hellfire.” (*Ghafir: 7*)

66. “**Our Lord**, admit them to Gardens of perpetual residence which You have promised them, and whoever was righteous among their fathers, their spouses, and their offspring. Indeed, it is You who is the Exalted in Might, the Wise.” (*Ghafir: 8*)

67. “And I entrust my affair to **Allah**. Indeed, **Allah** the Observant of His servants” (*Ghafir: 44*)

68. “But **Allah** is the best guardian, and He is the most merciful of the merciful.” (*Yusuf: 64*)

69. “I am overwhelmed, so help me.” (*Al-Qamar: 10*)

70. “Sufficient for me is **Allah**; there is no deity except Him. Upon Him I have relied, and He is the **Lord** of the Great Throne.” (*At-Tawbah: 129*)

71. “**Our Lord**, accept [this] from us. Indeed You are the Hearing, the Knowing.” (*Al-Baqarah: 127*)

72. “And accept our repentance. Indeed, You are the Accepting of repentance, the Merciful.”

(*Al-Baqarah: 128*)

73. “Say, ‘I seek refuge in the **Lord** of daybreak, from the evil of that which He created, and from the evil of darkness when it settles, and from the evil of the blowers in knots, and the evil of an envier when he envies.’” (*Al-Falaq*)

74. “Say, ‘I seek refuge in the **Lord** of mankind, the Sovereign of mankind, the God of mankind, from

the evil of the retreating whisperer-who whispers [evil] into the hearts of mankind - from among the jinn and mankind.” (An-Nas)

Supplications from the Sunnah

All praise is due to Allah, Lord of the worlds, and may peace and blessings be upon the Messenger of Allah

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Be persistent with: O Possessor of Majesty and Honor”:**

1. O Allah, O Possessor of Majesty and Honor

❖ **Asking Allah by His Greatest Name, whenever He is asked by it He gives, and whenever He is called upon by it He answers:**

2. O Allah, I ask You because I bear witness that You are **Allah**; there is no deity except You, the One, the Self-Sufficient Master, who neither begets nor is born, nor is there any equivalent to Him.

(Then let the supplicant ask **Allah** for whatever he wishes.)

❖ **The most frequent supplication of the Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him):**

3. O Allah, Our Lord, grant us goodness in this world and goodness in the Hereafter, and protect us from the punishment of the Fire.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said to 'Aishah (May Allah be content with her) "You should adhere to comprehensive and concise supplications."**

4. O Allah, I ask You for all that is good, immediate and delayed, that I know and that I do not know. And I seek refuge in You from all that is evil, immediate and delayed, that I know and that I do not know.

O Allah, I ask You for the best of what Your servant and prophet has asked You for. And I seek refuge in You from the worst of what Your servant and prophet has sought refuge from.

O **Allah**, I ask You for Paradise and every word or deed that brings me closer to it. And I seek refuge in You from the Fire and every word or deed that brings me closer to it. And I ask You to make every decree that You decree for me good.

5. O **Allah**, set right for me my religion, which is the safeguard of my affairs. And set right for me my worldly life wherein is my livelihood. And set right for me my Hereafter, to which is my return. And make life for me an increase in every good, and make death for me a relief from every evil.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: "When you ask Allah, ask Him for Al-Firdaws Al-A'la (the Highest part of Paradise):**

6. O **Allah**, I ask You for Al-Firdaws Al-A'la. (For it is the middle and highest part of Paradise, and from it the rivers of Paradise flow)

7. O **Allah**, I seek refuge in Your pleasure from Your anger, and in Your forgiveness from Your

punishment. And I seek refuge in You from You. I cannot enumerate your praises; You are as you have praised yourself.

8. O Allah, I ask You for guidance, piety, chastity, and sufficiency.

9. O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the removal of Your blessings, the change of Your protection, the suddenness of Your punishment, and all forms of Your anger.

10. O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the hardship of affliction, from being overtaken by misery, from a bad fate, and the gloating of enemies.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) says: When people hoard gold and silver, treasure these words instead:**

11- O Allah, I ask You for steadfastness in my affairs and determination to stay on the right path. Help me be grateful for Your blessings and worship You in the best way. Grant me a pure

heart and an honest tongue. Give me all the good, you know, and protect me from all the evil, you know. Forgive me for what You know, for You are the Knower of all unseen things.

❖ **The expiation for major and minor acts of associating partners with you:**

12- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from knowingly associating anything with You, and I ask Your forgiveness for what I do unknowingly.

13- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from a heart that does not humble itself, from supplications that go unheard, from a soul that is never satisfied, and from knowledge that brings no benefit. Protect me from these four things.

❖ **A supplication using Allah's Greatest Name—when asked with it, He gives; when called upon with it, He responds:**

14- O Allah, all praise belongs to You. There is no god but You, You are One with no partner.

You are the Most Generous, Creator of the heavens and the earth, **Lord** of Majesty and Honor, Ever-Living and Sustainer of all. I ask You for Paradise and seek refuge in You from the Fire.

(Then the supplicant may ask for whatever goodness they wish from this life and the Hereafter.)

15- O **Allah**, grant me unwavering faith, endless blessings, and the honor of being with our Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him) in the highest level of Paradise—the Eternal Garden.

16- O **Allah**, forgive me for my mistakes, my ignorance, my excesses in my affairs, and all that You know better about me than I know myself. O **Allah**, forgive me for my errors, whether intentional or unintentional, whether in seriousness or jest—all of it is from me.

17- O Allah, Controller of hearts, direct our hearts to remain obedient to You.

- ❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Do you wish to strive in your supplications? Then say this:”**

18- O Allah, help us to remember You, thank You, and worship You in the best way.

- ❖ **The supplication the Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) most frequently recited was:**

19- O Turner of hearts, make my heart steadfast upon Your religion.

- ❖ **The Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) had supplications he never abandoned, and he used to say:**

20- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from worry and sadness. I seek refuge in You from weakness and laziness. I seek refuge in You from miserliness and cowardice. And I seek refuge in You from

being overcome by debt and overpowered by men.

❖ **The Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) never left these supplications in the mornings or evenings:**

21- O Allah, I ask You for pardon and well-being in this world and the next. O Allah, grant me well-being in my faith, my worldly life, my family, and my wealth. O Allah, protect my vulnerabilities and calm my fears. Guard me from in front of me, behind me, on my right, on my left, and from above me. And I seek refuge in Your greatness from being unaware from beneath me.

❖ **The Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) said: “It is a duty, so learn it and teach it to others:**

22- O Allah, I ask You to inspire me to do good deeds, to avoid wrongdoings, and to love the poor. Forgive me, have mercy on me, and accept

my repentance. If you are willing to test people, then take me to you without being afflicted by the trial. I ask You for Your love, the love of those who love You, and the love of every action that brings me closer to Your love.

23- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from miserliness and cowardice. I seek refuge in You from living a miserable old age, from trials that shake the heart, and from the torment of the grave.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Seek refuge in Allah from poverty, destitution, and deprivation...”**

24- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from poverty, destitution, humiliation, and disgrace. And I seek refuge in You from doing wrong to others or others doing wrong to me.

❖ **The Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) often used to say:**

25- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the evil of what I have done and from the evil of what I have yet to do.

❖ **Al-Hasan ibn Ali (may Allah be pleased with them both) said: The Messenger of Allah used to teach us this supplication:**

26- O Allah, guide me among those You have guided. Grant me well-being among those You have granted well-being. Be my Guardian among those you have taken as guardians. Bless me in what You have given. Protect me from the evil of what You have decided. Surely You decide and none can decide against You. Whoever you protect will never be humiliated, and whoever you oppose will never be honored. Blessed are You, our Lord, and Exalted. There is no refuge or escape from You except in You.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) would say these supplications in times of distress:**

27- There is no god but **Allah**, the Greatest, the Most Forbearing. There is no god but **Allah**, **Lord** of the Mighty Throne. There is no god but **Allah**, **Lord** of the heavens, **Lord** of the earth, and **Lord** of the Noble Throne.

28- O **Allah**, I ask You for faith that never wavers, blessings that never end, and the companionship of our Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him) in the highest levels of Paradise—the Gardens of Eternity.

29- O **Allah**, forgive me for my sins, my mistakes, and my intentional wrongdoing. O **Allah**, guide me to what is most righteous in my affairs, and protect me from the evil within myself.

30- **Allah**, I seek refuge in You from the trials of the Fire, the torment of the Fire, the trials of the grave, the torment of the grave, the trials of

wealth, the trials of poverty, and from the deceit of the false messiah.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said:**
“There is no supplication a servant can say that is better than this one:”

31- O Allah, I ask You for well-being in this life and the next.

32- O Allah, wash away my sins with the water of snow and ice. Purify my heart of sins as a white garment is cleansed of dirt. Keep me far from my sins as You have kept the East and West far apart.

33- O Allah, forgive me all my sins—the minor and the major, the first and the last, the public and the private.

34- O Allah, grant me the best of what You granted to Your righteous servants.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) often sought refuge from sin and heavy debt:**

35- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the burden of debt and from falling into sin.

36- My Lord, help me and do not help others against me. Support me and do not support others against me. Plan for me and do not plan against me. Guide me and make guidance easy for me. Grant me victory over those who do wrong to me. Make me grateful to You, constantly remembering You, in awe of You, and always obedient to You. Turn my heart back to You in humility and repentance. Accept my repentance, cleanse my sins, answer my supplications, strengthen my proof, guide my heart, steady my tongue, and remove resentment from my heart.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “No Muslim ever supplicated with this**

supplication for anything except that Allah answered him.”:

37- There is no god but You. Glory be to You! Truly, I have been among the wrongdoers.

38- O Allah! Guide me and make me steadfast.

39- O Allah, I ask You for guidance and steadfastness in all my affairs.

(The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “By guidance, it means showing you the way; and by steadfastness, it means hitting the mark like an arrow reaching its target.”)

40- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from trials—those that are apparent and those that are hidden.

41- O Allah, I ask You for the best of supplications, the best of requests, the best of successes, the best of deeds, the best of rewards, the best of life, and the best of death. Make me steadfast, weigh down my scale of good deeds,

strengthen my faith, raise my rank, accept my supplications, forgive my sins, and grant me the highest levels of Paradise. Ameen.

42- O Allah, I ask You for all that is good—the beginning of it, the end of it, the apparent of it, and the hidden of it—and for the highest ranks of Paradise. Ameen.

43- O Allah, I ask You for the best of what I do, the best of what I seek, the best of what I achieve, the best of what is hidden, and the best of what is apparent. And I ask You for the highest ranks of Paradise. Ameen.

44- O Allah, I ask You to elevate my mention, lighten my burdens, set my affairs right, purify my heart, guard my chastity, forgive my sins, and grant me the highest ranks of Paradise. Ameen.

45- O Allah, I ask You to bless me in myself, my hearing, my sight, my soul, my body, my

character, my family, my life, my death, and my deeds. Accept my good actions, and grant me the highest levels of Paradise. Ameen.

46- O Allah, by Your knowledge of the unseen and Your power over creation, let me live as long as life is good for me, and take me when death is better for me.

47- O Allah, I ask You for awe of You in private and in public. I ask you for the word of truth in times of contentment and anger. I ask you for satisfaction in wealth and poverty. I ask You for endless blessings, for joy that never fades, for satisfaction after Your decree, for the coolness of life after death, for the delight of seeing Your Face, and for the longing to meet You, without harm or misguiding trials. O Allah, beautify us with the adornment of faith, and make us guides who are rightly guided.

48- O Allah, You are Most Forgiving and You love forgiveness, so forgive me.

49- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the harm of my hearing, from the harm of my sight, from the harm of my tongue, from the harm of my heart, and the harm of my desires.

50- O Allah, I seek Your mercy. Do not leave me to myself even for the blink of an eye. Set all of my affairs right. There is no god but You.

51- O Allah, grant me enjoyment in my hearing and my sight until the end of my life. Keep me healthy in my faith and my body. Give me victory over those who wrong me and let me see justice done to them.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said:
Whoever says:**

52- "I seek forgiveness from Allah the Almighty, there is no god but Him, the Ever-Living, the

Self-Subsisting, and I repent to Him,” (will be forgiven—even if they fled from the battlefield)

53- O Allah, protect me from evil within myself and grant me firm resolve to act righteously in all my affairs.

54- O Allah, answer me whenever I call upon You.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: Adhere to comprehensive and concise supplications:**

55- O Allah, I ask You for every good that Muhammad (Peace be upon him) asked You for, and I seek refuge in You from every evil from which Muhammad (Peace be upon him) sought refuge. And whatever You decide for me, make its outcome good and righteous.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Be attentive so that I may praise my Lord, the Almighty.”**

56- O Allah, all praise is due to You in its entirety. O Allah, none can withhold what You give, and none can give what You withhold. None can guide whom You misguide, and none can misguide whom You guide. None can grant what You prevent, and none can prevent what You grant. None can bring near what You have set far, and none can set far what You have brought near. O Allah, pour upon us Your blessings, mercy, grace, and provision. O Allah, I ask You for abundance on the day of hardship and safety on the day of fear. O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the harm of what You give and from the harm of what You withhold.

O Allah, make faith beloved to us and beautify it in our hearts. Make disbelief, sin, and disobedience hateful to us, and make us among those who are rightly guided.

O **Allah**, let us live as Muslims, let us die as Muslims, and join us with the righteous, not disgraced and not led astray.

O **Allah**, fight against the disbelievers who deny Your messengers and block people from Your path. Send down Your punishment upon them. O **Allah**, fight against the disbelievers among the People of the Book. You are the God of truth. Ameen.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said:**
“These supplications will bring you the good of this world and the Hereafter.”

57- O **Allah**, forgive me, have mercy on me, grant me well-being, provide for me, mend what is broken in me, and raise me in rank.

58- O **Allah**, grant my soul its righteousness and purify it, for You are the best to purify it. You are its Protector and Master. O **Allah**, I seek refuge

in You from knowledge that does not benefit from a heart that does not humble itself, from a soul that is never satisfied, and from a supplication that is not answered.

❖ **Ibn Abbas (may Allah be pleased with him) said: The Prophet (Peace be upon him) used to teach them this supplication as he would teach them a chapter from the Qur'an:**

59- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the punishment of Hell, from the punishment of the grave, from the trials of the false messiah, and the trials of life and death.

60- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from corrupt character, evil deeds, misguided desires, harmful trials, and destructive illnesses.

61- O Allah, protect me through Islam while I am standing, protect me through Islam while I am sitting, and protect me through Islam while I am

lying down. Do not let any enemy or envier gloat over me.

62- O Allah, I ask You for every good whose treasures are in Your hands, and I seek refuge in You from every evil whose treasures are also in Your hands.

❖ **Rarely would he (Peace be upon him) leave a gathering without saying these supplications for his companions:**

63- O Allah, grant us such reverence of You that it keeps us away from disobeying You, and grant us obedience to You that will lead us to Paradise. Grant us certainty that will make the hardships of this world easy for us to bear.

64- O Allah, let us enjoy our hearing, our sight, and our strength for as long as we live, and make them a legacy that remains after us. Let us see justice done to those who wrong us, and grant us victory over those who oppose us. Do not make

our greatest concern this worldly life, nor the extent of our knowledge confined to it. And do not give power over us to anyone who will not show us mercy.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Whoever seeks forgiveness for the believing men and women, Allah will record for them a good deed for every believing man and woman.”**

65- O Allah, forgive me and forgive all believing men and women.

66- O Allah, I have wronged myself greatly, and none forgives sins except You. So forgive me with a forgiveness from You and have mercy on me. Truly, You are the All-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.

67- O Allah, just as You have improved my appearance, improve as well my character.

68- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from incapacity and laziness, from cowardice and miserliness, from decrepitude, hardness of heart, heedlessness, poverty, humiliation, and destitution. I seek refuge in You from disbelief, from associating partners with You, from immorality, division, hypocrisy, seeking fame, and showing off. And I seek refuge in You from deafness, dumbness, madness, leprosy, vitiligo, and all evil diseases.

69- O Allah, forgive me for what I have done and what I have yet to do, for what I have hidden and what I have made public, for what I have overstepped, and for all that You know better than I do. You are the One who brings forward and the One who delays. There is no god but You.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Faith wears out in the heart of any one of you just as clothes wear out, so ask Allah to renew faith in your hearts.”**

70- O Allah, renew faith in our hearts.

71- O Allah, make me content with what You have provided for me, bless it for me, and grant me good in all that is yet to come.

72- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from falling to my death, from being crushed, from sorrow, from drowning, from fire, and decrepitude. I seek refuge in You from being struck down by Satan at the time of death. I seek refuge in You from dying in a state of retreat while striving in Your cause, and I seek refuge in You from dying of a poisonous sting.

73- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from being overwhelmed by debt, from being overpowered by enemies, and from the gloating of those who wish me harm.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Send blessings upon me and strive in your supplications, saying:**

74- O Allah, send Your blessings upon Muhammad and the family of Muhammad.”

75- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from a bad neighbor, from a spouse who would bring me premature old age, from a child who would dominate me, from wealth that becomes a source of punishment for me, and from a deceitful friend whose eyes are on me but whose heart is plotting against me. If he sees a good deed, he hides it; but if he sees a fault, he spreads it.

76- O Allah, I ask You for a pure life, a peaceful death, and a return that is neither disgraceful nor shameful.

77- O Allah, forgive me all my sins and mistakes. Revive my spirit, mend my brokenness, and guide me to righteous deeds and noble

character—for no one guides to what is good or wards off what is evil except You.

78- O Allah, I ask You for pardon, well-being, and unwavering certainty in this world and the next.

79- O Allah, increase us and do not diminish us. Honor us and do not disgrace us. Give to us and do not withhold from us. Favor us and do not prefer others over us. Make us content and pleased with ourselves.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “If you are burdened with debt as heavy as Mount Sabeer, Allah will relieve you if you say:**

80- O Allah, suffice me with what You have made lawful over what You have forbidden, and make me independent through Your bounty from all others besides You.”

81- O Allah, do not disgrace me on the Day of Judgment, nor on the Day of hardship—for whoever is disgraced on the Day of hardship has truly been disgraced.

82- O Allah, keep me firm and make me a guide who is rightly guided. Guide me and guide others through me.

83- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the constriction of this world and the constriction on the Day of Judgment.

84- O Allah, unite our hearts, reconcile our differences, guide us to the paths of peace, deliver us from darkness into light, and keep us away from all acts of immorality—both outward and inward. Bless our hearing, our sight, our hearts, our spouses, and our children. Accept our repentance, for You are the Most Forgiving, the Most Merciful. Make us grateful for Your

blessings, praising You for them, accepting them fully, and perfecting them for us.

85- O Allah, grant us a good ending in all our affairs, and protect us from disgrace in this world and punishment in the Hereafter.

86- O Allah, I ask You for beneficial knowledge, pure and wholesome provision, and deeds that are accepted.

87- O Allah, I ask You for those things that draw Your mercy, resolutions that earn Your forgiveness, safety from every sin, gain from every good deed, entry into Paradise, and salvation from the Fire.

88- O Allah, to You I have submitted, in You I have believed, upon You I have relied, to You I have turned, and with Your help I have argued. O Allah, I seek refuge in Your might—there is no god but You—from being led astray. You are the

Ever-Living who never dies, while jinn and humans will all die.

89- O Allah, Lord of Jibreel, Mika'eel, and Israfeel, I seek refuge in You from the heat of the Fire and the punishment of the grave.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Say this in the morning, in the evening, and when you lie down to sleep:”**

90- O Allah, Creator of the heavens and the earth, Knower of the unseen and the seen, Lord and Sovereign of all things. I bear witness that there is no god but You. I seek refuge in You from the evil within myself, from the evil of Satan and his traps, from bringing harm upon myself, or dragging it upon another Muslim.

91- O Allah, rescue the weak and oppressed among the believers.

92- O Allah, forgive me my sins, expand my home for me, and bless me in what You have provided for me.

(The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Do you see, would they ever leave anything behind?”)

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “No one is ever struck by sadness or grief and says:”**

93- O Allah, I am Your servant, son of Your servant, son of Your maidservant. My forelock is in Your hand, your command over me is forever executed, and what You have decided for me is just. I ask You by every name that is Yours, which You have named Yourself with, revealed in Your Book, taught to any of Your creation, or kept hidden in the knowledge of the unseen with You—to make the Qur’an the spring of my heart, the light of my chest, the remover of my sadness, and the reliever of my stress and grief. (Except that Allah will remove his stress and replace his sadness with joy.)

❖ **Sa'd ibn Abi Waqqas reported that the Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) used to teach us these words as he would teach us a chapter from the Qur'an:**

94- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from cowardice, I seek refuge in You from miserliness, I seek refuge in You from being returned to the most wretched stage of life, and I seek refuge in You from the trials of this world and the punishment of the grave.

95- O Allah, I ask You for Your grace and Your mercy, for none can possess them except You.

96- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from an evil day, from an evil night, from an evil hour, and an evil companion.

97- O Allah, I ask You for Paradise. O Allah, protect me from the Fire. (said three times)

98- O Allah, improve my religion, expand my own self, and bless my livelihood.

99- O Allah, I ask You for health alongside faith, faith with good character, success followed by prosperity, mercy from You, well-being, forgiveness from You, and Your satisfaction.

❖ **This was the most frequent supplication of the Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him):**

100- O Allah, forgive me for my mistakes—whether unintentional or deliberate, hidden or public, what I have done knowingly and what I have done unknowingly.

101- O Allah, on the Day of Judgment, make me among those who are above many of Your creation, and grant me an honorable entrance on that Day.

102- O Allah, Lord of Muhammad, forgive me my sins, remove the rage from my heart, and

protect me from the misleading trials if You keep me alive.

103- O Allah, teach me the Book and wisdom, and grant me deep understanding of the religion.

104- O Allah, grant me Your love and the love of those whose love benefits me with You. O Allah, whatever You grant me of what I love, make it a strength for me in doing what You love. And whatever You withhold from me of what I love, make it a means of freedom for me to pursue what You love.

105- O Allah, I ask You for beneficial knowledge, and I seek refuge in You from knowledge that does not benefit.

106- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from an evil neighbor in my permanent dwelling, for the neighbor in the desert can be untrustworthy.

107- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from words that are not heard, deeds that are not raised, and from prayers that bring no benefit.

108- O Allah, I ask You—by Your name, O Allah, the One, the Only, the Eternal Refuge, Who neither begets nor is begotten, and there is none equal to Him—to forgive me my sins. Truly, You are the All-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.

109- O Allah, grant me martyrdom in Your cause.

110- O Allah, place light in my heart, light on my tongue, light in my hearing, light in my sight, light above me, light beneath me, light to my right, light to my left, light in front of me, and light behind me. Place light within me, make my light great, and grant me increasing light. Make me a source of light and increase me in light upon light.

111- O Allah, grant me light. Place light in my nerves, in my flesh, in my blood, in my hair, and my skin.

112- O Guardian of Islam and its people, keep me firmly upon Islam until I meet You with it.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “This is the master of all supplication for forgiveness (Sayyid al-Istighfar):”**

113- O Allah, You are my Lord; there is no god but You. You created me, and I am Your servant. I remain faithful to your covenant and promise as much as I can. I seek refuge in You from the evil of what I have done. I acknowledge Your blessings upon me, and I admit my sins to You, so forgive me, for none forgives sins except You.

114- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from hunger, for it is a terrible companion, and I seek refuge in You from treachery, for it is an evil confidant.

115- O Allah, benefit me with what You have taught me, teach me what will benefit me, and increase me in knowledge. I seek refuge in You from the condition of the people of the Fire.

❖ **Whenever the Prophet (Peace be upon him) supplicated earnestly for someone, he would say: “May Allah send upon you the blessings of righteous people...”**

116- O Allah, send upon us the supplication of some people who are righteous—those who pray at night and fast during the day, who are neither sinful nor corrupt.

117- O Allah, Lord of the seven heavens and Lord of the Mighty Throne, our Lord and the Lord of all things, the Splitter of the grain and the date stone, Revealer of the Torah, the Gospel, and the Qur’an. I seek refuge in You from the evil of everything You hold by its forelock. O Allah, You are the First—there is nothing before

You. You are the Last—there is nothing after you. You are the Manifest—there is nothing above You. You are the Hidden—there is nothing beyond You. Settle our debts for us and enrich us so we are free of poverty.

118- O Allah, forgive us, have mercy on us, be pleased with us, accept our deeds, admit us into Paradise, save us from the Fire, and set all our affairs right.

(The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Have I not gathered everything for you in this supplication?”)

119- O Allah, protect me from Your punishment on the Day You raise Your servants.

120- O Allah, forgive me my sins, purify my heart, and guard my chastity.

121- O Allah, guide my heart and keep my tongue firm.

122- O Allah, Lord of Jibreel, Mika'eel, and Israfeel, Creator of the heavens and the earth, Knower of the unseen and the seen, You judge between Your servants regarding that in which they differ. Guide me, by Your permission, to the truth about that which they differ. Truly, You guide whom You will to the Straight Path.

123- O Allah, let me live as one who is humble and needy, let me die as one who is humble and needy, and gather me among the company of the humble and needy.

124- O Allah, increase my wealth and my children, and bless me in whatever You have given me.

125- O Allah, grant me health in my body. O Allah, grant me health in my hearing. O Allah, grant me health in my sight. There is no god but You.

126- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from disbelief and poverty. O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the torment of the grave. There is no god but You.

127- O Allah, forgive me, for none forgives sins except You.

128- O Allah, increase me in piety, forgive my sins, and make goodness easy for me wherever I may be.

129- O Allah, you are the King. There is no god but You. You are my Lord, and I am Your servant. I have wronged myself and admitted my sins, so forgive me all my sins, for no one forgives sins except You. Guide me to the best of character, for no one guides to the best of it except You, and turn me away from bad character, for no one can turn it away except You. Here I am at Your service; all good is in Your hands, and evil is not attributed to You.

130- O Ever-Living, O Sustainer, by Your mercy I seek relief. Set right all my affairs and do not leave me to myself even for the blink of an eye.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “The most fitting supplication a man can say is this:”**

131- O Allah, you are my Lord and I am Your servant. I have wronged myself and admitted my sin. O Lord, forgive me my sins, for no one forgives sins except You.

132- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from every action that would disgrace me, from every companion who would lead me astray, from every hope that distracts me, from poverty that causes me to forget You, and from wealth that makes me arrogant.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “O Abu Dharr, have you sought refuge in Allah**

from the evil of the devils among humans and jinn?”

133- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from the evil of the devils among humans and jinn.

134- O Allah, conceal my flaws, calm my fears, and settle my debts.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Your Lord is amazed at His servant when he says:”**

135- My Lord, forgive me for my sins. (while knowing that none forgives sins except Me).

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Shall I not teach you words, if you say them, Allah will forgive you even if you are already forgiven? Say:”**

136- There is no god but Allah, the Highest, the Greatest. There is no god but Allah, the All-Wise, the Most Generous. There is no god but Allah. Glory be to Allah, Lord of the seven heavens and

Lord of the Mighty Throne. Praise be to Allah, Lord of the worlds.

❖ **Umm Salamah said: “O Messenger of Allah, teach me words to supplicate with.” He said:**

137- Glorify Allah ten times, praise Him ten times, and proclaim His greatness ten times. Then ask for your need, for He will say: ‘I have granted it, I have granted it.’

138- O Allah, pour goodness upon me in abundance, and do not make my life harsh and difficult.

139- O Allah, let me drink from the spring of Salsabeel in Paradise.

140- O Allah, I ask You for contentment after Your decree, for the coolness of life after death, for the joy of seeing Your noble Face, and for longing to meet You, without harm or misleading trials. I seek refuge in You from wronging others

or being wronged, from attacking or being attacked, and from committing a sin You do not forgive.

141- O Allah, bless my faith, which protects my affairs; my Hereafter, which is my ultimate destination; and my worldly life, in which I live and strive.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said:**
“These are the words of relief and deliverance:”

142- There is no god but Allah, the Most Forbearing, the Most Generous. There is no god but Allah, the Highest, the Greatest. There is no god but Allah, Lord of the seven heavens and Lord of the Mighty Throne.

143- O Allah, were it not for You, we would not have been guided, we would not have given charity, and we would not have prayed. So send

down tranquility upon us and make our feet firm when we meet the enemy.

❖ **The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: “Whoever is afflicted by stress, grief, illness, or hardship and says this:”**

144- O Allah, you are my Lord; You have no partner. (Allah will remove that affliction from him.)

145- O Allah, forgive us. O Allah, forgive us. Forgive us.

146- O Allah, I seek refuge in You from division, hypocrisy, and bad character.

147- O Allah, send Your blessings upon Muhammad, his wives, and his descendants as You sent blessings upon the family of Ibrahim. And bless Muhammad, his wives, and his descendants as You blessed the family of

Ibrahim. Indeed, you are Praiseworthy and Glorious.

Etiquettes of Supplication and Reasons for Its Acceptance

- 1 – Sincerity in making supplication to **Allah** alone.
- 2 – Beginning with praising **Allah** and thanking Him and praying for the Prophet before making your request.
- 3 – Be firm in your supplication, have certainty in its acceptance, and think positively of **Allah**.
- 4 – Be present with your heart in supplication and avoid distraction.
- 5 – Be persistent in your asking, repeat your supplications, and do not give up.
- 6 – Show humility and express your deep need for **Allah**.
- 7 – Ensure that your food, drink, and clothing are pure and lawful.
- 8 – Raise your hands when making supplication.
- 9 – Face Makkah (direction of supplication).
- 10 – Do not rush for an answer; be patient for **Allah**'s response.
- 11 – Repeat your supplication three times.

- 12 – Restore the rights of others and repent from sins.
- 13 – Seeking closeness to **Allah** in supplication through righteous deeds.
- 14 – Calling upon **Allah** in supplication using His names and attributes.
- 15 – Encourage what is good and avoid what is wrong.
- 16 – Making supplication both in times of ease and in times of hardship.
- 17 – Do not make supplications that involve sin or breaking family ties.
- 18 – Asking **Allah** for both the small and the great matters.

Times and Places Where Supplications Are Answered

- 1 – While in prostration.
- 2 – In the last part of the night and at the time of suhoor (pre-dawn).
- 3 – After the obligatory prayers.
- 4 – Between the call for prayer (adhan) and the commencement of prayer (iqamah).
- 5 – At the moment of the call for obligatory prayers.
- 6 – When rain is falling.
- 7 – During the special hour on Friday.
- 8 – When supplicating with the words: “There is no god but You. Glory be to You. Truly, I have been among the wrongdoers.”
- 9 – The supplication of a fasting person while fasting and at the time of breaking the fast.
- 10 – The supplication of a person in desperate need.
- 11 – The supplication of a traveler.

12 – When calling upon **Allah** using His Greatest Name, the name which, when He is asked by it, He answers, and when He is called upon by it, He responds.

13 – When a Muslim prays for their brother or sister in their absence.

14 – The supplication of a parent for their child and against their child.

15 – When Muslims gather in circles of remembrance (dhikr).

16 – The supplication made on the Day of Arafah.

17 – The supplication of the pilgrim performing Hajj or Umrah.

18 – The supplication made when the heart turns fully to **Allah** in deep sincerity.

19 – On the Night of Destiny (Laylat al-Qadr).

20 – Supplication after praising **Allah** and praying for the Prophet.

21 – The supplication of the oppressed.

22 – The supplication of a righteous person for their parents.

23 – At the crowing of a rooster.

24 – Supplication in mosques.

The Wisdom Behind Delayed Answers to the Supplications

One of the trials of a believer is that they may pray and not see their request fulfilled right away. They persist in supplication, intensify their pleas, and yet time passes without seeing a result. At this point, Satan finds an opportunity to whisper doubts into their heart, causing them to think ill of their generous and wise **Lord** and even question His decree. But anyone who experiences this must not let even the slightest doubt settle in their heart about what Satan suggests. The believer should know that a delay in response, even with intense supplication, carries within it profound wisdom and countless hidden blessings. For they are calling upon a generous, merciful, all-hearing, all-seeing **Lord**—One Who never turns away those who seek Him or closes His door to anyone who knocks. Here we will share some of the wisdom and secrets behind delayed answers to supplication, so that you may reflect upon them and

strengthen your certainty and faith, shielding yourself against whispers and false doubts.

(1) A delay in answering supplication can itself be a test that requires patience, just as a quick response can also be a test. **Allah** Almighty says:

“We test you with both good and evil as a trial, and to Us you will all return.” (*Al-Anbiya: 35*)

A test with blessings requires gratitude, while a test with hardship requires patience. So do not grow weary from the length of the trial or become frustrated from frequent supplication. You are being tested by this hardship and are worshipping **Allah** through patience and supplication.

(2) Becoming among those beloved to Allah: Those who call upon their **Lord**, day and night, without seeing any apparent response, yet their hope and trust in Him never waver—these are among the beloved and honored ones with the **Lord** of the worlds. Their steadfast faith in their generous **Lord** elevates them. For when **Allah** loves some people, He tests them,

completing their levels of faith in this world and raising their ranks in the Hereafter. The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: **“The greatness of the reward is proportional to the greatness of the trial. And when Allah loves some people, He tests them. Whoever accepts it will have His pleasure, and whoever resents it will earn His displeasure.”**

(3) A delay in response is often an opportunity for self-reflection: Sometimes the delay is due to something within the supplicant, perhaps questionable food, a distracted heart during supplication, or sins that create a barrier. This delay can lead the person to examine themselves, repent, and turn back to Allah. If the supplication were answered immediately, they might have missed this profound wisdom.

(4) The supplication may already have been answered without the person knowing: As we saw earlier in the virtues of supplication (10), the supplication of a believing servant is never wasted. It is either granted immediately, delayed for a better time,

exchanged for something even greater, used to avert harm, or saved for them in the Hereafter. The results of supplication are guaranteed, so a believer should have trust in their **Lord** and say: “Maybe my supplication was answered in a way I don’t yet see.”

(5) A delay in answering supplications is a reason for the servant to reflect deeply on Allah’s Names and Attributes, which are the most noble of all

knowledge: Among **Allah’s** Names and Attributes are: the All-Knowing, the Wise, the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing, the Most Generous, the Ever-Giving, the Merciful, the Loving, the One Who grants and withholds. He gives to whom He wills out of His wisdom, knowledge, and generosity, and He withholds out of His wisdom, knowledge, and justice. The servant observes the manifestations and rulings of these Names and Attributes in creation, realizing that **Allah** is the Wise, the Sovereign, and the Disposer of affairs. His Names are the Most Beautiful, and His Attributes are the Most Exalted. He does not withhold out of miserliness, nor does He give out of ignorance. If the

servant fails to understand **Allah**'s wisdom and actions, they should attribute the deficiency to themselves and submit to the Wise Sovereign. Reflecting on the meanings, effects, and rulings of His Beautiful Names is among the greatest forms of knowledge and the most important of matters. It elevates the servant to the highest levels of servitude and is one of the greatest means for having supplications answered. It is recommended for the supplicant to call upon **Allah** using the Name that best matches their request, such as saying: "O **Allah**, have mercy on me, for You are the Most Merciful, the Most Compassionate." Or: "Grant me well-being, for You are the Pardoner." Or: "O **Allah**, heal me, for You are the Healer." And so on.

(6) Sometimes the supplication itself is too weak to overcome the trial: Supplication is like a weapon—its effectiveness depends on the one wielding it, not merely on the sharpness of the blade. If the weapon is sound and free of flaws, and the arm that wields it is strong, then it will strike and harm the enemy. But if either is lacking, the effect will also be lacking. If the

supplication is weak, or the supplicant's heart and tongue are not aligned in focus while praying, or if something is preventing a response, then the desired effect—the answer—may not occur.

Supplication and trials interact in three ways:

First: The supplication may be stronger than the trial, so it pushes it back and overcomes it.

Second: The supplication may be weaker than the trial, so the servant experiences the trial, but the supplication softens and lightens its impact.

Third: The supplication and the trial may meet in equal force, each preventing the other from prevailing. (See the virtues of supplication, Hadith no. 7)

(7) A delayed answer to supplication completes the stages of servitude for Allah's close servants (awliya): Allah loves His chosen servants and wills to perfect their ranks in devotion. He tests them with various trials, including delaying their supplications being answered, so that they may ascend the levels of

spiritual excellence and completeness in servitude. Among these forms of servitude are:

a) Waiting for relief: Waiting for **Allah's** relief is one of the greatest and most noble acts of worship. The longer the servant waits for relief, the stronger their trust in their **Lord** grows, bringing them closer to Him, increasing their reliance on and intimacy with Him. The Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: "Ask **Allah** of His favor, for **Allah** loves to be asked. And the best act of worship is waiting for relief."

b) Reaching a state of utter need and dependence on Allah: This is the essence of worship and its highest purpose. True richness lies in recognizing one's absolute need for **Allah** alone. As **Allah** says: "O mankind, you are those in need of **Allah**, while **Allah** is the Free of need, the Praiseworthy." (*Fatir: 15*)

c) Attaining the worship of satisfaction: The worship of satisfaction is the paradise of this world and the garden for the knowers of **Allah**. It leads to the ranks of

the nearest in the highest gardens of bliss. **Allah** says: “**Allah** is satisfied with them, and they are satisfied with Him.” (*Al-Mujadilah: 22*) And He also says: “And the approval from **Allah** is greater.” (*At-Tawbah: 72*) When a believer faces hardship and prays earnestly but sees no sign of an answer, if they examine their hearts and find satisfaction with **Allah**’s justice and no despair of His grace, it will be more likely that the answer is hastened. In that moment, faith becomes complete, Satan is defeated, and the true measure of a man’s faith is revealed as indicated in **Allah**’s words: “Until the Messenger and those who believed with him said, ‘When is the victory of **Allah**?’ Unquestionably, the victory of **Allah** is near.” (*Al-Baqarah: 214*)

d) Enjoying long conversations with Allah: When a servant stands in intimate conversation with his **Lord**, pouring out his needs at His door, his heart is opened during the act of asking and praying. In that moment, he tastes a love for **Allah**, a deeper knowledge of Him, humility before Him, and awe of His greatness and majesty, such that this state becomes more beloved to

him than having his request fulfilled. He longs for this enjoyment to last, an enjoyment unmatched by any other. It is the paradise of this world, leading to the eternal paradise of the Hereafter. The longer the answer is delayed, the longer this conversation continues, increasing the joy and closeness to **Allah**. If the answer came quickly, perhaps he would have missed this blessing and its fruit, which surpasses all else. This wisdom is among the greatest of blessings and a boon that is indicative of quick response for the servant.

e) Brokenness and humility before the Lord of the worlds: **Allah** loves those who come before Him with broken hearts. He aids them, draws them near, and grants them special closeness. This noble state of humility before the Almighty King, the Most Merciful, brings you to **Allah**'s grand door—a door that never closes for those whose hearts are humbled before Him. Brokenness is one of the greatest reasons for supplications to be answered. Sometimes, a delayed answer extends this state of standing at **Allah**'s door, and this is a hidden mercy within the trial. True hardship

is only that distracts you from your **Lord**. But as long as it keeps you standing before Him, in His presence, your beauty, perfection, strength, and ultimate success.

f) Striving against Satan and defying him: Satan is a clear enemy, lying in wait for the servant, running through his veins like blood. He watches for opportunities and works to divert him from the straight path of **Allah**. **Allah** says: “Indeed, he only invites his followers to be among the companions of the Blaze.” (*Fatir: 6*) But when the servant resists him in obedience to **Allah**’s command, defies him, and enrages him through abundant supplication, constant asking, and maintaining good expectations of his Generous **Lord**, he earns immense reward and great virtue. Striving against Satan is one of the noblest acts of servitude and means of drawing closer to **Allah**.

If the servant gained no benefit from the delay of his supplication being answered except this one—striving against Satan—it would be enough reason for him not to be disturbed by the delay.

These are some of the wisdoms that can be concluded from the delay in the answer to supplication. The believer should reflect on them from time to time while praying, to maintain strong hope and good expectations of his Generous **Lord**.