

Select Anthology of Prophetic Invocations

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اللَّهُمَّ إِلَيْكَ أَشْكُو ضَعْفَ قُوَّتِي، وَقِلَّةَ حِيلَتِي، وَهَوَانِي عَلَى النَّاسِ، أَنْتَ أَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِمِينَ، أَنْتَ رَبُّ الْمُسْتَضْعِفِينَ، وَأَنْتَ رَبِّي، إِلَى مَنْ تَكَلِّمَنِي، إِلَى بَعِيدٍ يَتَجَهَّمَنِي، أَمْ إِلَى عَدُوٍّ مَلَكَتُهُ أَمْرِي، إِنْ لَمْ يَكُنْ بِكَ غَضَبٌ عَلَيَّ فَلَا أُبَالِي، غَيْرَ أَنَّ عَافِيَتَكَ هِيَ أَوْسَعُ لِي، أَعُوذُ بِنُورِ وَجْهِكَ الَّذِي أَشْرَقَتْ لَهُ الظُّلُمَاتُ، وَصَلَحَ عَلَيْهِ أَمْرُ الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ مِنْ أَنْ يَحِلَّ عَلَيَّ غَضَبُكَ، أَوْ أَنْ يَنْزِلَ بِي سَخَطُكَ، لَكَ الْعُتْبَى حَتَّى تَرْضَى، وَلَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِكَ.

Allah, unto You do I complain of my weakness, of my helplessness, and of my lowliness before men. O Most Merciful of the merciful, You are the Lord of the weak, and You are my Lord. Into whose hands will You entrust me? Unto some far of stranger who will ill-treat me, or unto some foe whom You have given power over me? If You are not angry with me then I care not, but for Your favoring help – for it is for me the broader way. I seek refuge in the light of Your countenance, whereby all darkness is illumined, and the affairs of this world and the next are rightly ordered, lest You cause your anger to descend upon me, or Your wrath beset me. Yet, it is Yours to reproach me until You are well pleased. There is no power nor might except through You.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي عَبْدُكَ وَابْنُ عَبْدِكَ وَابْنُ أَمَتِكَ، نَاصِيَتِي بِيَدِكَ، مَا ضِيقٌ فِي حُكْمِكَ، عَدْلٌ فِي قَضَاؤِكَ، أَسْأَلُكَ بِكُلِّ اسْمٍ هُوَ لَكَ سَمِيَتْ بِهِ نَفْسُكَ أَوْ أَنْزَلْتَهُ فِي كِتَابِكَ أَوْ عَلَّمْتَهُ أَحَدًا مِنْ خَلْقِكَ أَوْ اسْتَأْذَنْتَ بِهِ فِي عِلْمِ الْغَيْبِ عِنْدَكَ أَنْ تَجْعَلَ الْقُرْآنَ نُورَ صَدْرِي وَرَبِيعَ قَلْبِي وَجَلَاءَ حُزْنِي وَذَهَابَ هَوْنِي.

O Allah, I am Your slave and the son of Your male slave and the son of Your female slave. My forelock is in Your hand, I am subject to Your decree, and Your decision is justice itself. I ask You by every name that is Yours, which You have named Yourself with, or which You have revealed in Your Book, or which You have taught any one of Your Creation, or which You have kept to Yourself in the knowledge of the Unseen with You, that You make the Qur'an the light of my breast, the springtime of my heart, the removal of my sorrow, and the departure of my worries.

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ الْحَلِيمُ الْكَرِيمُ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيمِ، الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ، أَسْأَلُكَ مُوجِبَاتِ رَحْمَتِكَ وَغَرَائِمَ مَغْفِرَتِكَ وَالْغَنِيمَةَ مِنْ كُلِّ بَرٍّ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْ كُلِّ إِثْمٍ، لَا تَدْعُ لِي ذَنْبًا إِلَّا غَفَرْتَهُ وَلَا هَمًّا إِلَّا فَرَجْتَهُ وَلَا حَاجَةً هِيَ لَكَ رِضًا إِلَّا قَضَيْتَهَا، يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ.

There is no god but Allah, the Forbearing, the Most Generous. Glory be to Allah, Lord of the Exalted Throne. Praise be to Allah, Lord of the Worlds. I ask You for that which evokes Your Mercy, for deeds which bring about Your forgiveness, for the benefit of complete piety, and for safety from all error. Do not leave me with any sin unforgiven, any worry not removed by You, or any need that is pleasing to You without fulfilling it, Most Merciful of those who show mercy.” (Tirmidhi, Ibn Maja).

اللَّهُمَّ أَصْلِحْ لِي دِينِي الَّذِي هُوَ عِصْمَةُ أَمْرِي، وَأَصْلِحْ لِي دُنْيَايَ الَّتِي فِيهَا مَعَاشِي، وَأَصْلِحْ لِي آخِرَتِي الَّتِي فِيهَا مَعَادِي، وَاجْعَلْ الْحَيَاةَ زِيَادَةً لِي فِي كُلِّ خَيْرٍ، وَاجْعَلِ الْمَوْتَ رَاحَةً لِي مِنْ كُلِّ شَرٍّ.

O Allah, put right for me my religion, which is the preservation of my affairs; put right for me my worldly life, in which is my existence; put right for me my Hereafter, to which is my return; make life an increase for me in every good; and make death for me a release from every evil (*Muslim*).

اللَّهُمَّ اهْدِنِي لَأَحْسَنِ الْأَعْمَالِ وَأَحْسَنِ الْأَخْلَاقِ، لَا يَهْدِي لِأَحْسَنِهَا إِلَّا أَنْتَ، وَاصْرِفْ عَنِّي سَيِّئَهَا، لَا يَصْرِفُ سَيِّئَهَا إِلَّا أَنْتَ.

O Allah, guide me to the best of deeds and the best of character, for no one guides to the best of it but You; and turn the evil of it away from me, for no one turns it away except You.

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ خَيْرَ عُمْرِي آخِرَهُ، وَخَيْرَ عَمَلِي خَوَاتِمَهُ، وَاجْعَلْ خَيْرَ أَيَّامِي يَوْمَ أَلْقَاكَ.

O Allah, make the best part of my lifespan the last of it, and the best of my deeds the last of them, and make the best of my days the day I meet You.

اللَّهُمَّ أَسْأَلُكَ مِنْ فُجَاءَةِ الْخَيْرِ وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ فُجَاءَةِ الشَّرِّ.

O Allah, I ask of You unexpected good and I seek Your protection from unexpected evil.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ زَوَالِ نِعْمَتِكَ وَتَحَوُّلِ عَافِيَتِكَ وَفُجَاءَةِ نِقْمَتِكَ وَجَمِيعِ سَخَطِكَ.

O Allah, I seek Your protection from the cessation of Your favour, from the transformation of Your pardon, from Your sudden vengeance, and from all things that occasion Your displeasure.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْعَجْزِ وَالْكَسَلِ وَالْجُبْنِ وَالْهَرَمِ وَمِنْ أَنْ أُرَدَّ إِلَى أَرْدَلِ الْعُمُرِ.

O Allah, I seek Your protection from feebleness and laziness, from cowardice and senility and that I be returned to evil old age.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِي ذُنُوبِي وَوَسِّعْ لِي فِي دَارِي وَبَارِكْ لِي فِي رِزْقِي.

O Allah, forgive me my sins, give me expansion in my home, and bless me in my sustenance.

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي سَخَّرَ لَنَا هَذَا وَمَا كُنَّا لَهُ مُقْرِنِينَ وَإِنَّا إِلَى رَبِّنَا لَمُنْقَلِبُونَ، اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ فِي سَفَرِنَا هَذَا الْبِرَّ وَالْتَقْوَى وَمِنَ الْعَمَلِ مَا تَرْضَى، اللَّهُمَّ هَوِّنْ عَلَيْنَا سَفَرَنَا هَذَا وَاطْوِ عَنَّا بُعْدَهُ، اللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ الصَّاحِبُ فِي السَّفَرِ وَالْخَلِيفَةُ فِي الْأَهْلِ، اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ وَعْثَاءِ السَّفَرِ وَكَآبَةِ الْمَنْظَرِ وَسُوءِ الْمُنْقَلَبِ فِي الْمَالِ وَالْأَهْلِ.

Glory be to Him Who has subjugated this to us, for we could not have accomplished it, and truly to our Lord we are returning. O Allah, we ask You for piety and fear of Allah and deeds with which You will be pleased on this journey of ours. O Allah, make this journey easy for us and fold up for us its distance. O Allah, You are the Companion on the journey and the Deputy among the family. O Allah, I seek Your protection from discomfort on the journey and from a gloomy outlook, and from any evil befalling my wealth or family.” When one returns one should say the same and add: Returning, repenting, worshipping our Lord, praising. (*Muslim*)

أَمْسَيْنَا وَأَمْسَى الْمُلْكُ لِلَّهِ وَالْحَمْدُ، وَلَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ، وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ. رَبِّ أَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرَ مَا فِي هَذِهِ اللَّيْلَةِ وَخَيْرَ مَا بَعْدَهَا. وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّ هَذِهِ اللَّيْلَةِ وَشَرِّ مَا بَعْدَهَا، وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْكَسَلِ وَسُوءِ الْكِبَرِ وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ عَذَابِ النَّارِ وَعَذَابِ الْقَبْرِ.

We have seen evening come and the Kingdom belongs to Allah this evening. Praise be to Allah. There is no god but Allah alone without partner. His is the kingdom and His is the praise, and He has power over all things. O my Lord, I ask You for the good that is in this night and the good that comes after it. O my Lord, I ask Your protection from the evil that is in this night and the evil that comes after it. I seek Your protection from laziness, senility and the harm of old age. [Lord] I seek Your protection from punishment in the Fire and punishment in the grave.

اللَّهُمَّ اقسِمْ لَنَا مِنْ خَشْيَتِكَ مَا يَحُولُ بَيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَ مَعَاصِيكَ وَمِنْ طَاعَتِكَ مَا تُبَلِّغُنَا بِهِ جَنَّاتِكَ وَمِنْ الْيَقِينِ مَا تَهْوُونَ بِهِ عَلَيْنَا مَصَائِبَ الدُّنْيَا.

O Allah, apportion to us enough fear and awe of You to prevent us from sinning against You, and enough obedience to You to make us reach Your Garden, and enough certainty to make the difficulties of this world easy for us.

وَلَا تَجْعَلِ الدُّنْيَا أَكْبَرَ هَمِّنَا وَلَا مَبْلَغَ عِلْمِنَا، وَلَا تُسَلِّطْ عَلَيْنَا مَنْ لَا يَرْحَمُنَا.

Do not make the world our major concern or the full extent of our knowledge. And do not give power over us to anyone who will not have mercy on us.