

*Partial Translation of Sahih Muslim, Book 34:*

## ***Pertaining To The Remembrance Of Allah, Supplication, Repentance And Seeking Of Forgiveness (Kitab Al-Dhikr)***

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*Book 34, Number 6473:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said that Allah thus stated: When My servant draws close to Me by the span of a palm, I draw close to him by the space of a cubit, and when he draws close to Me by the space of a cubit, I draw close to him by the space (covered) by two hands, and when he draws close to Me by the space (covered) by two hands, I go in hurry towards him.

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*Book 34, Number 6474:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) was travelling along the path leading to Mecca that he happened to pass by a mountain called Jumdan . He said: Proceed on, it is Jumdan, Mufarradun have gone ahead. They (the Companions of the Prophet) said: Allah's Apostle who, are Mufarradun? He said: They are those males and females who remember Allah much.

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*Book 34, Number 6485:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: None amongst you should make a request for death, and do not call for it before it comes, for when any one of you dies, he ceases (to do good) deeds and the life of a believer is not prolonged but for goodness.

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*Book 34, Number 6488:*

Narrated Aisha:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: He who loves to meet Allah, Allah loves to meet him, and he who dislikes to meet Allah, Allah abhors to meet him. I (Aisha) said: Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) so far as the feeling of aversion against death is concerned, we all have this feeling. Thereupon he (the Prophet) said: It is not that (which you construe), but (this) that when a believer (at the time of death) is given the glad tidings of the mercy of Allah, His Pleasure, and of Paradise, he loves to meet Allah, and Allah also loves to meet him, and when an unbeliever is given the

news of the torment at the Hand of Allah, and hardship to be imposed by Him, he dislikes to meet Allah and Allah also abhors to meet him.

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*Book 34, Number 6492:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) stated: He who loves meeting Allah, Allah loves to meet him; and he who dislikes meeting Allah, Allah abhors meeting him.

I (Shurayh ibn Hani, one of the narrators) came to Aisha and said to her: Mother of the faithful, I heard AbuHurayrah narrate from Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) that which, if it is actually so, is a destruction to us. Thereupon she said: Those are in fact ruined who are ruined at the words of Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him). What are (the words which in your opinion would cause your destruction)? He said that Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) had stated: He who loves to meet Allah, Allah too loves to meet him; he who dislikes meeting Allah, Allah too abhors meeting him;; there is none amongst us who does not hate death.

Thereupon she said: Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) has in fact stated this, but it does not mean what you construe. It implies (the time) when the lustre of the eye fades, there is rattling in the throat, shuddering of the body and convulsion of the fingers (at the time of death). (It is about this time) that it has been said: He who loves to meet Allah, Allah loves to meet him; and he who dislikes meeting Allah, Allah abhors meeting him.

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*Book 34, Number 6499:*

Narrated AbuDharr:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: that Allah, the Exalted and Glorious, stated: 'He who comes with goodness, there are in store for him ten like those and even more than those: 'And he who comes with vice,' it is only for that that he is called to account. I even forgive him (as I like and he who draws close to Me by the span of a palm I draw close to him by the cubit, and he who draws close to Me by the cubit I draw close to him by the space (covered) by two hands, and he who walks towards Me I rush towards him, and he who meets Me in the state that his sins fill the earth, but not associating anything with Me, I would meet Him with the same (vastness) of pardon (on My behalf)." This hadith has been transmitted on the authority of Waki'.

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*Book 34, Number 6501:*

Narrated Anas ibn Malik:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) visited one of the Muslims who had grown as feeble as chicken, in order to inquire (about his health). Allah's Messenger (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: Did you supplicate for anything or beg Him for that? He

said: Yes. I used to utter (these words): Impose upon me earlier in this world the punishment that Thou art going to impose upon me in the Hereafter.

Thereupon Allah's Messenger (peace\_be\_upon\_him) remarked: Hallowed be Allah, you have neither the power nor the forbearance to take upon yourself (the burden of His Punishment). Why did you not say this: O Allah, grant us good in the world, good in the Hereafter, and save us from the torment of the Fire? He (the Holy Prophet) made this supplication (for him) and he was all right.

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*Book 34, Number 6501a:*

Narrated Anas ibn Malik:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) visited a person from amongst the Muslims in order to inquire (about his health) who had grown feeble like the chicken. Allah's Messenger (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: Did you supplicate for anything or beg of Him about that? He said: Yes. I used to utter (these words): Impose punishment upon me earlier in this world, what Thou art going to impose upon me in the Hereafter.

Thereupon Allah's Messenger (peace\_be\_upon\_him): Hallowed be Allah, you have neither the power nor forbearance to take upon yourself (the burden of His Punishment). Why did you not say this: O Allah, grant us good in the world and good in the Hereafter, and save us from the torment of Fire. He (the Prophet) made this supplication (for him) and he was all right.

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*Book 34, Number 6509:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: He who recites in the morning and in the evening (these words): "Hallowed be Allah and all praise is due to Him" one hundred times, he would not bring on the Day of Resurrection anything excellent than this except one who utters these words or utters more than these words.

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*Book 34, Number 6512:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: The uttering of (these words): "Hallowed be Allah; all praise is due to Allah, there is no god but Allah and Allah is the Greatest," is dearer to me than anything over which the sun rises.

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*Book 34, Number 6513:*

Narrated Sa'd:

A desert Arab came to Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) and said to him: Teach me the words which I should (often) utter. He said: "There is no god but Allah, the One, having no partner with Him. Allah is the Greatest of the great and all praise is due to Him. Hallowed be Allah, the Lord of the worlds, there is no Might and Power

but that of Allah, the All-Powerful and the Wise."

He (the desert Arab) said: These all (glorify) my Lord. But what about me?

Thereupon he (the Holy Prophet) said: You should say: "O Allah, grant me pardon, have mercy upon me, direct me to righteousness and provide me with sustenance."

Musa (one of the narrators) said: I think he also said: "Grant me safety." But I cannot say for certain whether he said this or not. Ibn AbuShaybah has not mentioned words of Musa in his narration.

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*Book 34, Number 6514:*

Narrated AbuMalik Ashja'i:

Whenever a person embraced Islam, Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) instructed him to recite: "O Allah, grant me pardon, have mercy upon me, direct me to the path of righteousness and provide me sustenance."

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*Book 34, Number 6517:*

Narrated Sa'd ibn AbuWaqas:

Sa'd had been in the company of Allah's apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) and he said: Is one amongst you powerless to get one thousand virtues every day. Amongst those who had been sitting there, one asked: How one amongst us can get one thousand virtues every day? He said: Say "Hallowed be Allah" one hundred times for (by reciting them) one thousand virtues are recorded (to your credit) and one thousand vices are blotted out.

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*Book 34, Number 6518:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) as saying: He who alleviates the suffering of a brother from the affections of the world, Allah will alleviate his affections from the sufferings of the Day of Resurrection. He who finds relief for one who is hard pressed, Allah will make things easy for him in the Hereafter, and he who conceals (the faults) of a Muslim, Allah would conceal his faults in the world and in the Hereafter. Allah is at the back of a servant so long as the servant is at the back of his brother.

He who treads the path in search of knowledge, Allah will make that path easy, leading to Paradise for him and those persons who assemble in one of the houses of Allah (mosques), recite the Book of Allah and learn and teach the Qur'an (among themselves). There will descend upon them tranquillity, mercy will cover them, the angels will surround them and Allah will mention them in the presence of those near Him. He who is slow-paced in doing good deeds, his (long) descent does not make him go ahead.

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*Book 34, Number 6521:*

Narrated Mu'awiyah:

Mu'awiyah went to a circle in the mosque and said: What makes you sit here? They said: We are sitting here in order to remember Allah. He said: I adjure you by Allah (to tell me whether you are sitting here for this very purpose)? They said: By Allah, we are sitting here for this very purpose. Thereupon, he said: I have not ordered you to take an oath, because of any allegation against you and none of my rank in the eye of Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) is the narrator of so few hadiths as I am.

The fact is that Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) went out to the circle of his companions and said: What makes you sit there? They said: We are sitting here in order to remember Allah and to praise Him because He guided us to the path of Islam and He conferred favours upon us. Thereupon he adjured by Allah and asked if that were the only purpose of their sitting there. They said: By Allah, we are not sitting out here for this very purpose. Thereupon he (the Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: I am not asking you to take an oath because of any allegation against you but for the fact that Gabriel came to me and he informed me that Allah, the Exalted and Glorious, was talking to the angels about your magnificence.

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*Book 34, Number 6522:*

Narrated Al-Agharr al-Muzani:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: There is (at times) some sort of shade upon my heart, and I seek forgiveness from Allah a hundred times a day.

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*Book 34, Number 6525:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: He who seeks repentance (from the Lord ) before the rising of the sun from the west (before the Day of Resurrection), Allah turns to him with Mercy.

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*Book 34, Number 6541:*

Narrated Khawlah bint Hakim Sulamiyyah:

I heard Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) as saying: When anyone lands at a place, and then says: "I seek refuge in the Perfect Word of Allah from the evil of what He has created," nothing would harm him until he marches from that stopping place.

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*Book 34, Number 6542:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

A person came to Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) and said: Allah's Apostle

(peace\_be\_upon\_him) I was stung by a scorpion during the night. Thereupon he said: Had you recited these words in the evening: "I seek refuge in the Perfect Word of Allah from the evil of what He created." it would not have done any harm to you.

*Book 34, Number 6549:*

Narrated Al-Bara' ibn Azib:

Whenever Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) went to bed, he said: O Allah, it is with Thine Name that I live and it is with Thine Name that I die." And when he got up he used to say: "Praise is due to Allah, Who gave us life after our death (sleep) and unto Thee is resurrection."

*Book 34, Number 6550:*

Narrated Abdullah ibn Umar:

Ibn Umar commanded a person that as he went to bed, he should say: "O Allah, Thou created my being and it is for Thee to take it to its ultimate goal. And its death and life is due to Thee, and if Thou givest it life, safeguard it; and if Thou bringst death, grant it pardon. O Allah, I beg of Thee safety."

A person said to him: Did you hear it from Umar? Thereupon he said:(I have heard from one) who is better than Umar, viz from Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him).

*Book 34, Number 6551:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

AbuSalih used to command us (in these words): When any one of you intends to go to sleep, he should lie in bed on his right side and then say: "O Allah, the Lord of the Heaven, the Lord of the Earth and the Lord of the Magnificent Throne; our Lord, and the Lord of everything: the Splitter of the grain of corn and the date-stone (or fruit kernel), the Revealer of the Torah, Injil (Bible) and the Criterion (the Holy Qur'an), I seek refuge in Thee from the evil of everything Thou art to seize by the forelock (thou hast perfect control over it).

O Allah, Thou art the First, there is naught before Thee, and Thou art the Last and there is naught after Thee, Thou art Evident and there is nothing above Thee, Thou art Innermost and there is nothing beyond Thee. Remove the burden of debt from us and relieve us from want."

AbuSalih used to narrate it from AbuHurayrah who narrated it from Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him).

*Book 34, Number 6551a:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

AbuSalih used to command us (in these words): When any one of you intends to go

to sleep, he should lie on the bed on his right side and then say: "O Allah, the Lord of the Heaven and the Lord of the Earth and Lord of the Magnificent Throne, our Lord, and the Lord of everything, the Splitter of the grain of corn and the date-stone (or fruit kernel), the Revealer of Torah and Injil (Bible) and Criterion (the Qur'an), I seek refuge in Thee from the evil of everything Thou art to seize by the forelock (thou hast perfect control over it).

O Allah, Thou art the First, there is naught before Thee, and Thou art the Last and there is naught after Thee, and thou art evident and there is nothing above Thee, and Thou art Innermost and there is nothing beyond Thee. Remove the burden of debt from us and relieve us from want." AbuSalih used to narrate it from AbuHurayrah who narrated it from Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him)

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*Book 34, Number 6556:*

Narrated Anas ibn Malik:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: When you go to bed, say: "Praise is due to Allah Who fed us, provided us drink, sufficed us and provided us with shelter, for many a people there is none to suffice and none to provide shelter."

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*Book 34, Number 6557:*

Narrated Aisha:

Farwah ibn Nawfal Ashja'i said: I asked Aisha in what words did Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) supplicate Allah? She said that he used to utter: "I seek refuge in Thee from the evil of what I did and from the evil of what i did not."

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*Book 34, Number 6562:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

When Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) set out on a journey in the morning, he used to say: "A listener listened to our praising Allah (for) His goodly trial of us. Our Lord! accompany us, guard us and bestow upon us Thy grace. I am seeker of refuge in Allah from the Fire."

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*Book 34, Number 6565:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) used to supplicate (in these words): "O Allah, set right for me my religion which is the safeguard of my affairs. And set right for me the affairs of my world wherein is my living. And set right for me my Hereafter on which depends my after-life. And make the life for me (a source) of abundance for every good and make my death a source of comfort for me protecting me against every evil."

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*Book 34, Number 6566:*

Narrated Abdullah ibn Mas'ud:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) used to supplicate (in these words): "O Allah, I beg of thee the right guidance, safeguard against evil, chastity and freedom from want."

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*Book 34, Number 6568:*

Narrated Zayd ibn Arqam:

I am not going to say anything but only that which Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) used to say. He used to supplicate: "O Allah, I seek refuge in Thee from incapacity, from sloth, from cowardice, from miserliness, decrepitude and from torment of the grave. O Allah, grant to my soul the sense of righteousness and purify it, for Thou art the Best Purifier thereof. Thou art the Protecting friend thereof, and Guardian thereof. O Allah, I seek refuge in Thee from the knowledge which does not benefit, from the heart that does not entertain the fear (of Allah), from the soul that does not feel contented and the supplication that is not responded."

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*Book 34, Number 6569:*

Narrated Abdullah ibn Mas'ud:

When it was evening Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) used to supplicate: "We entered upon evening and the whole Kingdom of Allah also entered upon evening and praise is due to Allah. There is no god but Allah, the One Who has no partner with Him." Hasan said that Zubayd reported to him that he memorised it from Ibrahim in these very words: "His is the Sovereignty and Praise is due to Him, and He is Potent over everything. O Allah, I beg of Thee the good of this night and I seek refuge in Thee from the evil of this night and the evil which follows it. O Allah, I seek refuge in Thee from sloth, from the evil of vanity. O Allah, I seek refuge in Thee from torment in the Hell-Fire and from torment in the grave."

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*Book 34, Number 6573:*

Narrated Ali ibn AbuTalib:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said to him: Say: "O Allah, direct me to the right path and make me adhere to the straight path," and when you make a mention of right guidance, keep in mind the right path and when you consider of the straight (path), keep in mind the straightness of the arrow.

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*Book 34, Number 6574:*

Narrated Asim ibn Kulayb:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said to me: Say: "O Allah, I beg of Thee righteousness and adhering to the straight path."



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*Book 34, Number 6575:*

Narrated Juwayriyyah:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) came out from (her apartment) in the morning as she was busy in observing her dawn prayer in her place of worship. He came back in the forenoon and she was still sitting there. He (the Prophet) said to her: You have been in the same seat since I left you. She said: Yes. Thereupon Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: I recited four words three times after I left you and if these are to be weighed against what you have recited since morning these would outweigh them and (these words) are: "Hallowed be Allah and praise is due to Him according to the number of His creation and according to the pleasure of His Self and according to the weight of His Throne and according to the ink (used in recording) words (for His Praise)."

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*Book 34, Number 6580:*

Narrated AbuHurayrah:

Fatimah came to Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) and asked for a servant and told him of the hardship of household work. He said: You would not be able to get a servant from us. May I not direct you to what is better than the servant for you? Recite SubhanAllah thirty-three times, Alhamdulillah thirty three times and AllahuAkbar thirty four times as you go to bed.

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*Book 34, Number 6586:*

Narrated AbuDharr:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) was asked as to which words were the best. He said: Those for which Allah made a choice for His Angels and His servants (and the words are) "Hallowed be Allah and praise is due to Him."

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*Book 34, Number 6588:*

Narrated AbuDarda:

Allah's Messenger (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: There is no believing servant who supplicates for his brother behind his back (in his absence) that the Angels do not say: The same be for you too.

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*Book 34, Number 6590:*

Narrated AbuDarda':

Safwan (and he was Ibn Abdullah b. Safwan, and he had been married to Umm Darda') reported: I visited AbuDarda's house in Syria. I did not find him there but Umm Darda (was present at the house). She said: Do you intend to perform Hajj during this year? I said: Yes. She Said: Do supplicate Allah for blessing upon us, for

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) used to say: The supplication of a Muslim for his brother at his back (in his absence) is responded so long as he makes a supplication for blessings for his brother and the commissioned Angel says: Amen, and says: May it be for you too!

I went to the bazar and met AbudDarda and he narrated like this from Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him).

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*Book 34, Number 6592:*

Narrated Anas ibn Malik:

Allah's Apostle (peace\_be\_upon\_him) said: Allah is pleased with His servant who says: Alhamdulillah while taking a morsel of food and while drinking.

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