

- Allāh K has taken oath of ten nights in Sūrah Al-Fajr. According to the majority of the commentators of Qur'ān, the nights are those of the (first) ten days of Dhul Hijjah.
- 2. 'Abdullāh Ibn 'Abbās stelated that the Prophet staid, "Good deeds performed on other days are not superior to those performed on these (first ten days of Dhul Hijjah)." The Companions stinquired, "Not even jihād?" He replied, "Not even jihād, except for that person who goes out putting himself and his wealth in danger and does not return with anything." (Al-Bukhārī)
- 3. 'Abdullah Ibn 'Abbās s narrated that Rasūlullāh s said, "On no other days are good deeds more liked by Allāh than on these ten days (i.e. The first ten days of Dhul Hijjah)." The Ṣahābah s asked, "O Rasūlullāh s! Not even jihād in the Way of Allāh?" Rasūlullāh s replied, "Not even jihād in the Way of Allāh, except for that person who goes out with his life and wealth and does not return with anything." (Abū Dāwūd, At-Tirmidhī, Ibn Mājah)

- 4. Abū Hurayrah se related that Rasūlullāh said, "On no days is the worship of Allāh desired more than in the (first) ten days of Dhul Hijjah. The fast of each of these days is equal to the fast of a whole year, and the worship of each of these nights is equal to the worship of Laylatul Qadr." (At-Tirmidhi, Ibn Mājah)
- 5. The mother of the believers, Hafşah reports that Rasūlullāh the used to fast the (first) nine days of Dhul Hijjah. (Abū Dāwūd, An-Nasā'ī, Ahmad)
- 6. 'Abdullah Ibn 'Umar serielated that Rasūlullāh serielated that Rasūlullāh serielated that weighty with Allāh and so liked by Him for good deeds than the first ten days of Dhul Hijjah. So on these days increasingly read Subhānallāh, Lā ilāha illallāh, Alhamdulillāh and Allāhu Akbar." (Ahmad)

## VIRTUES OF THE DAY OF 'ARAFAH (9th Dhul Ḥijjah)

 'Ā'ishah sereports that Rasūlullāh sets free "There is no day in which Allāh sets free more souls from the fire of hell than on the day of 'Arafāt. And on that day Allāh draws near to the earth and by way of exhibiting His Pride remarks to the angels, 'What is the desire of these (servants of mine)?" (Muslim)

- 2. Talhah so reports that Rasūlullāh so said, "Apart from the day of the Battle of Badr there is no day on which the Shaytān is seen to be more humiliated, more rejected, more depressed and more infuriated, than on the day of 'Arafāt, and indeed all this is only because of beholding the abundance of descending mercy (on the day) and Allāh's forgiveness of the great sins of the servants." (Mishkāt)
- 3. Abū Qatādah Al-Anṣārī an arrated that Rasūlullāh so was asked about the fast on the day of 'Arafāt. He said, "It compensates for the (minor) sins of the past and the coming year." (Muslim, At-Tirmidhī, Ibn Mājah)

### NIGHT OF 'ĪD-AL-AĻĻĀ

- 1. The nights of both 'Īds are described in the Ḥadīth as amongst the great and sacred nights in the Muslim calendar. To remain awake on the nights of 'Īd and perform 'ibādah is a source of great virtue and reward.
- 2. Abū 'Umārah so related that 'Ā'ishah
  so reports that Rasūlullāh so said, "Whosoever stays awake and performs 'ibādah (worship) on the nights of the two 'Īds, with hope for abundant reward (from

Allāh (1), his heart will not die on the day (i.e. Qiyāmah) when all hearts will be dead." (At-Targhīb)

 Mu'ādh Ibn Jabal serelates that Rasūlullāh
 said, "Jannat is wājib (incumbent) for those who stay awake with the intention of making 'ibādah on the following nights: 8th, 9th and 10th of Dhul Hijjah, the night of 'Īd-al-Fiţr and the night of the 15th of Sha'bān." (At-Targhīb)

## VIRTUES OF UDHIYAH (QURBANĪ)

Rasūlullāh ﷺ said, "There is nothing dearer to Allāh during the days of Udhiyah than the sacrificing of animals. The sacrificed animal shall come on the Day of Judgement with its horns, hair, and hooves (to be weighed). The sacrifice is accepted by Allāh before the blood reaches the ground. Therefore sacrifice with an open and happy heart." (At-Tirmidhī, Ibn Mājah)

# TAKBIRĀT OF TASHRĪQ

The Takbirāt of Tashrīq are:

اَلله أَكْبَرُ اَلله أَكْبَرُ لاَإِلهَ إِلاَّالله ع واللهُ أَكْبَرُ اللهُ أَكْبَرُ وَاللهُ الْحَمْدُ

Allāhu Akbar, Allāhu Akbar, Lā ilāha illallāhu wallāhu Akbar, Allāhu Akbar, Walil lāhil <u>ḥ</u>amd.

"Allāh is the Greatest, Allāh is the Greatest. There is no deity besides Allāh and Allāh is the Greatest. Allāh is the Greatest and all praises are for Allāh only."

It is wājib for every adult Muslim to recite these Takbirāt of Tashrīq audibly once after every fard salāh from the Fajr of 9th Dhul Hijjah to the 'Asr of 13th Dhul Hijjah (i.e. total of 23 salāh).

- Mas'alah: Women should not say it loudly but softly.
- Mas'alah: Takbīr should be recited immediately after concluding the fard prayer.



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