

The scholars (Shaykh al-Mufid, al-Shahīd, and Muḥammad ibn al-Mashhadī) have said the following:

You may then direct to the tomb of Abū-Ja`far Muḥammad ibn `Alī al-Jawād (`a) whose tomb is in the back of the tomb of his grandfather (i.e. Imam al-Kāzīm). When you stop near the tomb, you may say the following words:

Peace be upon you, O intimate servant of Allah.	alssalāmu `alayka yā waliyya allāhi	اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ يَا وَلِیَّ اَللّٰهِ
Peace be upon you, O Allah's argument.	alssalāmu `alayka yā ḥujjata allāhi	اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ يَا حُجَّةَ اَللّٰهِ
Peace be upon you, O Allah's light in the darkness of the earth.	alssalāmu `alayka yā nūra allāhi fī ḡulumāti al-arḍi	اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ يَا نُورَ اَللّٰهِ فِي ظُلُمَاتِ الْاَرْضِ
Peace be upon you, O son of Allah's Messenger.	alssalāmu `alayka yabna rasūli allāhi	اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ يَا بَنَ رَسُوْلِ اَللّٰهِ
Peace be upon you and upon your fathers.	alssalāmu `alayka wa `alā ābā'ika	اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ وَعَلَىٰ اَبَائِكَ
Peace be upon you and upon your descendants.	alssalāmu `alayka wa `alā abnā'ika	اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ وَعَلَىٰ اَبْنَائِكَ
Peace be upon you and upon your loyalists.	alssalāmu `alayka wa `alā awliyā'ika	اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ وَعَلَىٰ اَوْلِيَّائِكَ
I bear witness that you performed the prayers,	ashhadu annaka qad aqamta alṣṣalāta	اَشْهَدُ اَنَّكَ قَدْ اَقَمْتَ الصَّلَاةَ
defrayed the poor-rate,	wa ātayta alzzakāta	وَاَتَيْتَ الزَّكَاةَ
enjoined the right,	wa amarta bilma`rūfi	وَأَمَرْتَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ
forbade the wrong,	wa nahayta `an almunkari	وَنَهَيْتَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ
recited the Book as it should be recited,	wa talawta alkitāba ḥaqqā tilāwatihi	وَتَلَوْتَ الْكِتَابَ حَقَّ تِلَاوَتِهِ
strove for Allah as exactly as striving should be,	wa jāhadta fī allāhi ḥaqqā jihādihi	وَجَاهَدْتَ فِي اَللّٰهِ حَقَّ جِهَادِهِ
and endured harm for His sake until death came upon you.	wa ṣabarta `alā al-adhā fī janbihi ḥattā atāka alyaqīnu	وَصَبَرْتَ عَلَى الْاَذَىٰ فِي جَنْبِهِ حَتَّىٰ اَتَاكَ الْيَقِيْنُ
I have come to you, visiting you,	ataytuka zā'iran	اَتَيْتُكَ زَائِرًا
recognizing your right,	`ārifan biḥaqqika	عَارِفًا بِحَقِّكَ
declaring loyalty to your loyalists,	muwāliyan li'awliyā'ika	مُوَالِيًا لِاَوْلِيَّائِكَ
and incurring the animosity of your enemies;	mu`ādiyan li'adā'ika	مُعَادِيًا لِاَعْدَائِكَ
so, (please) intercede for me with Your Lord.	fashfa` lī `inda rabbika	فَاَشْفَعْ لِي عِنْدَ رَبِّكَ

You may then kiss the tomb and put your both cheeks on it. You may then offer the two-unit prayer of ziyārah after which you may offer any other prayers. You may then prostrate yourself and say the following words:

(Please) have mercy upon him who had misbehaved and committed sins,	irḥam man asā'a waqatarafa	إِرْحَمْ مَنْ أَسَاءَ وَأَقْتَرَفَ
but he then submitted and confessed.	wastakāna wa`tarafa	وَأَسْتَكَانَ وَأَعْتَرَفَ

You may then place your right cheek on the ground and say the following words:

If I am the worst servant (of You),	in kuntu bi'sa al`abdu	إِنْ كُنْتُ بِئْسَ الْعَبْدُ
then You are the All-excellent Lord.	fa'anta ni`ma alrrabbu	فَأَنْتَ نِعْمَ الرَّبُّ

You may then place your left cheek on the ground and say the following words:

Your servant's sin has been very flagrant,	`azuma aldhhdhanbu min `abdika	عَظُمَ الذَّنْبُ مِنْ عَبْدِكَ
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then let Your pardon be very excellent.

falyahsun al`afwu min `indika

فَلْيَحْسُنِ الْعَفْوَ مِنْ عِنْدِكَ

O All-generous!

yā karīmu

يَا كَرِيمُ

You may then return to the position of prostration and repeat the following word one hundred times:

Thanks.

shukran

شُكْرًا

You may then leave.

ANOTHER FORM OF ZIYĀRAH OF IMAM AL-JAWĀD

In his book of *al-Mazār*, Sayyid Ibn Tāwūs says:

After you visit Imam Mūsā al-Kāzīm (`a), you may stop at the tomb of Imam al-Jawād (`a), kiss it, and say the following words:

Peace be upon you, O Abū-Ja`far

alssalāmu `alayka yā abā ja`farin

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا اَبَا جَعْفَرٍ

Muḥammad the son of `Alī,

muḥammadu bna `aliyyin

مُحَمَّدُ بْنُ عَلِيٍّ

the righteous, pious,

albarru alṭṭaqiyyu

اَلْبَرُّ اَلتَّقِيُّ

and faithful leader.

al-imāmu alwafiyyu

اَلْإِمَامُ اَلْوَفِيُّ

Peace be upon you, O pleased and pure.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā alrraḍiyyu
alzzakiyyu

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الرِّضِيُّ اَلزَّكِيُّ

Peace be upon you, O Allah's intimate servant.

alssalāmu `alayka yā waliyya allāhi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَلِيَّ اَللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O confidentially talked by Allah.

alssalāmu `alayka yā najiyya allāhi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَجِيَّ اَللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Allah's emissary.

alssalāmu `alayka yā safīra allāhi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا سَفِيرَ اَللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Allah's secret.

alssalāmu `alayka yā sirra allāhi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا سِرَّ اَللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Allah's brightness.

alssalāmu `alayka yā ḍiyā'a allāhi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا ضِيَاءَ اَللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Allah's brilliance.

alssalāmu `alayka yā sanā'a allāhi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا سَنَاءَ اَللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Allah's Word.

alssalāmu `alayka yā kalimata allāhi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا كَلِمَةَ اَللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Allah's mercy.

alssalāmu `alayka yā raḥmata allāhi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَحْمَةَ اَللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O shining light.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā alnnūru
alssāti`u

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلنُّورُ اَلسَّاطِعُ

Peace be upon you, O rising full moon.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā albadru
alṭṭāli`u

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلْبَدْرُ اَلطَّالِعُ

Peace be upon you, O pure who is the descendant of the pure ones.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā alṭṭayyibu
min alṭṭayyibīna

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلطَّيِّبُ مِنَ اَلطَّيِّبِينَ

Peace be upon you, O immaculate who is the descendant of the the immaculate ones.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā alṭṭāhiru
min almuṭahharīna

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلطَّاهِرُ مِنَ اَلْمُطَهَّرِينَ

Peace be upon you, O greatest sign.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā al-āyatu
al`uẓmā

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلْآيَةُ اَلْعَظْمَى

Peace be upon you, O grandest argument.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā alḥujjatu
alkubrā

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلْحُجَّةُ اَلْكُبْرَى

Peace be upon you, O purified from slips.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā
almuṭahharu min alzzallāti

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلْمُطَهَّرُ مِنَ اَلزَّلَّاتِ

Peace be upon you, O deemed above unforgivable failings.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā
almunazzahu `an almu`ḍilāti

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلْمَنْزُوعُ عَنِ اَلْمَعْصِيَّاتِ

Peace be upon you, O raised high against imperfect traits.

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā al`aliyyu
`an naqṣi al-awṣāfi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلْعَلِيُّ عَنْ نَقْصِ اَلْأَوْصَافِ

Peace be upon you, O pleased in the

alssalāmu `alayka ayyuhā alrraḍiyyu
`inda al-ashrāfi

اَلْسَلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا اَلرِّضِيُّ عِنْدَ اَلْأَشْرَافِ

sight of the honorable ones.

Peace be upon you, O pillar of the religion.

I bear witness that you are the intimate servant of Allah,

the argument of Him in His lands,

the side of Allah, the best in the view of Allah,

the store of the knowledge of Allah and the knowledge of the Prophets,

the cornerstone of faith, and the interpreter of the Qur'an.

I also bear witness that whoever follows you has been on the right and true guidance

but whoever denies you and incurs your animosity

has been on deviation and perdition.

I repudiate these in the presence of Allah and you in this world and in the Hereafter.

Peace be upon you as long as I am existent and as long as there are day and night.

alssalāmu `alayka yā `amūda alddīni

ashhadu annaka waliyyu allāhi wa ḥujjatuhū fī arḍihī

wa annaka janbu allāhi

wa khiyaratu allāhi

wa mustawda `u `ilmi allāhi wa `ilmi al-anbiyā'i

wa ruknu al-īmāni wa tarjumānu alqur'āni

wa ashhadu anna man ittaba `aka `alā alḥaqqi walhudā

wa anna man ankaraka wa naṣaba laka al`adāwata

`alā alddalālāti walrradā

abra'u ilā allāhi wa ilayka minhum fī alddunyā wal-ākhirati

wa alssalāmu `alayka mā baqītu wa baqiya allaylu walnnahāru

اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ يَا عَمُودَ الدِّیْنِ

اَشْهَدُ اَنَّكَ وَلِیُّ اَللّٰهِ

وَحُجَّتُهُ فِی اَرْضِهِ

وَاَنَّكَ جَنْبُ اَللّٰهِ وَخَیْرَةُ اَللّٰهِ

وَمُسْتَوْدَعُ عِلْمِ اَللّٰهِ وَعِلْمِ الْاَنْبِیَاءِ

وَرَكْنُ الْاِیْمَانِ وَتَرْجُمَانُ الْقُرْآنِ

وَأَشْهَدُ اَنَّ مَنْ اَتَّبَعَكَ عَلَیْ الْحَقِّ وَالْهُدَىٰ

وَاَنَّ مَنْ اَنْكَرَكَ وَنَصَبَ لَكَ الْعَدَاوَةَ

عَلَى الضَّلَالَةِ وَالرَّدَىٰ

اَبْرَأُ اِلَى اَللّٰهِ وَإِلَیْكَ مِنْهُمْ فِی الدُّنْیَا وَالْآخِرَةِ

وَالْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ مَا بَقِیتُ وَبَقِیَ اللَّیْلُ وَالنَّهَارُ

ANOTHER FORM OF ZIYĀRAH OF IMAM AL-JAWĀD

In *man-lā-yahḍuruḥu'l-faqīh*, Shaykh al-Ṣadūq has reported the following:

When you intend to visit Imam al-Jawād (`a), you may bathe yourself and put on two clean (and ceremonially pure) pieces of clothes. You may then say the following words:

O Allah, (please) send blessings upon Muḥammad the son of `Alī,

the pious, bright,

pleasing, and pleased Imam

and Your argument against all those who are on the earth

and those who are beneath the ground

with such blessings that are plentiful,

ever-increasing, pure, blessed,

continuous, consecutive, and uninterrupted

and with the most excellent blessings that You have ever conferred upon any of Your intimate servants.

And peace be upon you, O Allah's most intimate servant.

Peace be upon you, O Allah's brightness.

Peace be upon you, O Allah's argument.

allāhumma ṣalli `alā muḥammadi abni `aliyyin

al-imāmi alṭtaqiyyi alnnaqiyyi

alrraḍiyyi almarḍiyyi

wa ḥujjatika `alā man fawqa al-arḍi

wa man taḥta alththarā

ṣalātan kathīratan

nāmiyatan zākiyatan mubārakatan

mutawāṣilatan mutarādifatan mutawātiratan

ka'afḍali mā ṣallayta `alā aḥadin min awliyā'ika

wa alssalāmu `alayka yā waliyya allāhi

alssalāmu `alayka yā nūra allāhi

alssalāmu `alayka yā ḥujjata allāhi

اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَیْ مُحَمَّدٍ بَنِی عَلِیٍّ

اَلْاِمَامِ اَلتَّقِیِّ اَلنَّقِیِّ

اَلرَّضِیِّ اَلْمَرْضِیِّ

وَحُجَّتِكَ عَلَیْ مَنْ فَوْقَ الْاَرْضِ

وَمَنْ تَحْتَ الثَّرَىٰ

صَلَاةً كَثِیْرَةً

نَامِیَةً زَاكِیَةً مُبَارَكَةً

مُتَوَاصِلَةً مُتَرَادِفَةً مُتَوَاتِرَةً

كَافْضَلِ مَا صَلَّیْتَ عَلَیْ اَحَدٍ مِنْ اَوْلِیَّاكَ

وَالْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ يَا وَلِیَّ اَللّٰهِ

اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ يَا نُوْرَ اَللّٰهِ

اَلْسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ يَا حُجَّةَ اَللّٰهِ

Peace be upon you, O leader of the believers,
inheritor of the knowledge of the Prophets,
and descendant of the Prophets' successors.

alssalāmu `alayka yā imāma
almu'minīna

wa wāritha `ilmi alnnabiyyīna

wa sulālata alwaṣiyyīna

Peace be upon you, O Allah's light in the darkness of the earth.

alssalāmu `alayka yā nūra allāhi fī
ẓulumāti al-arḍi

I have come to you, visiting you,
recognizing your right,

ataytuka zā'iran

`ārifan biḥaqqika

incurring the animosity of your enemies,

mu`ādiyan li'a`dā'ika

and showing loyalty to your loyalists.

muwāliyan li'awliyā'ika

So, (please) intercede for me with your Lord.

fashfa` lī `inda rabbika

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا إِمَامَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

وَوَارِثَ عِلْمِ النَّبِيِّينَ

وَسُلَالَةَ الْوَصِيِّينَ

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نُورَ اللَّهِ فِي ظُلُمَاتِ الْأَرْضِ

أَتَيْتُكَ زَائِرًا

عَارِفًا بِحَقِّكَ

مُعَادِيًا لِأَعْدَائِكَ

مُؤَالِيًا لِأَوْلِيَائِكَ

فَأَشْفَعُ لِي عِنْدَ رَبِّكَ

You may then pray Almighty Allah to grant you your personal needs.

You may then offer two prayers with four units under the dome that is over the tomb of Imam al-Jawād (`a) to the side of his head; a prayer for visiting Imam al-Kāẓim (`a) and another prayer for visiting Imam al-Jawād (`a).

Do not offer a prayer to the side of Imam al-Kāẓim's head, because this side is facing the graves of the people of Quraysh, which is impermissible to be taken as direction of prayer (i.e. kiblah).

As understood from the words of Shaykh al-Ṣadūq, the tomb of Imam al-Kāẓim (`a) was separated from the tomb of Imam al-Jawād (`a) by an independent dome and gate. So, visitors used to leave this dome to come under the dome of Imam al-Jawād (`a), which was thereby an independent building.

INVOCATION OF BLESSINGS UPON IMAM AL-JAWĀD

Invoking Almighty Allah's blessings on Imam al-Jawād (`a), you may say the following words:

O Allah, (please) send blessings upon Muḥammad and his Household,

allāhumma ṣalli `alā muḥammadin
wa ahli baytiḥi

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَأَهْلِ بَيْتِهِ

send blessings upon Muḥammad the son of `Alī,

wa ṣalli `alā muḥammadi bni `aliyyin

وَصَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ عَلِيٍّ

the pure, the pious,

alzzakiyyi alṭṭaqiyyi

الزَّكِيِّ التَّقِيِّ

the righteous, the faithful,

walbarri alwafiyyi

وَالْبَرِّ الْوَفِيِّ

the refined, the bright,

walmuhadhdhabi alnnaqiyyi

وَالْمُهَذَّبِ النَّفِيِّ

the guide of the nation,

hādī al-ummati

هَادِي الْأُمَّةِ

the inheritor of the Imams,

wa wārithi al-a'immati

وَوَارِثِ الْأَئِمَّةِ

the hoarder of mercy,

wa khāzini alrraḥmati

وَحَازِنِ الرَّحْمَةِ

the spring of wisdom,

wa yanbū`i alḥikmati

وَيَنْبُوعِ الْحِكْمَةِ

the leader of blessing,

wa qā'idi albarakati

وَقَائِدِ الْبَرَكَاتِ

the match of the Qur'ān in obedience,

wa `adīli alqur'āni fī alṭṭā`ati

وَعَدِيلِ الْقُرْآنِ فِي الطَّاعَةِ

the distinctive among the Successors in sincerity and worship,

wa wāḥidi al-awṣiyā'i fī al-ikhlāṣi
wal`ibādati

وَوَاحِدِ الْأَوْصِيَاءِ فِي الْإِخْلَاصِ وَالْعِبَادَةِ

Your premier argument,

wa ḥujjatika al`ulyā

وَحُجَّتِكَ الْأَعْلَى

Your highest example,

wa mathalika al-a`lā

وَمَثَلِكَ الْأَعْلَى

Your most excellent Word,	wa kalimatika alḥusnā	وَكَلِمَتِكَ الْحُسْنَىٰ
the caller to You,	alddā`ī ilayka	الدَّاعِي إِلَيْكَ
and the director towards You,	walddālli `alayka	وَالدَّالُّ عَلَيْكَ
whom You have appointed as signpost for Your servants,	alladhī naṣabtahū `alaman li`ibādika	الَّذِي نَصَبْتَهُ عَلَمًا لِّعِبَادِكَ
interpreter of Your Book,	wa mutarjiman likitābika	وَمُتَرْجِمًا لِّكِتَابِكَ
expounder of Your commands,	wa ṣādi`an bi'amrika	وَصَادِعًا بِأَمْرِكَ
supporter of Your religion,	wa nāṣiran lidīnika	وَنَاصِرًا لِّدِينِكَ
argument against Your creatures,	wa ḥujjatan `alā khalqika	وَحُجَّةً عَلَىٰ خَلْقِكَ
radiance through whom darkness is penetrated,	wa nūran takhruqu bihī alẓẓulama	وَنُورًا تَخْرُقُ بِهِ الظُّلُمَ
excellent example through whom true guidance is hit,	wa qudwatan tudraku bihā alhidāyatu	وَقُدْوَةً تُدْرِكُ بِهَا الْهِدَايَةَ
and intercessor through whom Paradise is won.	wa shafī`an tunālu bihī aljannatu	وَشَفِيعًا تُنَالُ بِهِ الْجَنَّةَ
O Allah, just as he took his share of reverence for You	allāhumma wa kamā akhadha fī khushū`ihī laka ḥaẓẓahū	اللَّهُمَّ وَكَأَمَّا أَخَذَ فِي حُشُوعِهِ لَكَ حَظَّهُ
and received completely his portion of fear of You,	wastawfā min khashyatika naṣībahū	وَأَسْتَوْفَىٰ مِنْ خَشْيَتِكَ نَصِيبَهُ
so (please) bless him with many folds of blessings that You have ever poured down on an intimate servant of You	faṣalli `alayhi aḍ`āfa mā ṣallayta `alā waliyyin	فَصَلِّ عَلَيْهِ أَضْعَافَ مَا صَلَّيْتَ عَلَىٰ وَلِيِّ
whose obedience to You has been approved of by You	irtaḍayta ṭā`atahū	أَرْتَضَيْتَ طَاعَتَهُ
and whose servitude has been admitted by You.	wa qabilta khidmatahū	وَقَبِلْتَ خِدْمَتَهُ
Convey to him greetings and salutations from us,	wa ballighhu minnā taḥiyyatan wa salāman	وَبَلِّغْهُ مِنَّا تَحِيَّةً وَسَلَامًا
and give us - from You on account of our loyalty to him - favors, kindness,	wa ātinā fī muwālātihi min ladunka faḍlan wa iḥsānan	وَاتِنَا فِي مَوَالَاتِهِ مِنْ لَدُنْكَ فَضْلًا وَإِحْسَانًا
forgiveness, and pleasure.	wa maghfiratan wa riḍwānan	وَمَغْفِرَةً وَرِضْوَانًا
You are verily the Lord of eternal favoring	innaka dhūlmanni alqadīmi	إِنَّكَ ذُو الْمَنِّ الْقَدِيمِ
and nice pardoning.	walṣṣafḥi aljamīli	وَالصَّفْحِ الْجَمِيلِ

You may then offer the two-unit prayer of ziyārah. After accomplishment, you may say the supplication, which begins with this statement:

O Allah, You are the Sustainer and I am the sustained...	allāhumma anta alrrabbu wa anā almarbūbu...	اللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ الرَّبُّ وَأَنَا الْمَرْبُوبُ...
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You may then pray Almighty Allah for your personal requests and they shall be granted, Allah willing.