

It is highly recommended to recite the Adhan & Iqamah before daily wajib prayers .

When you intend to perform the prayer, you may say the following:

O Allah, I submit Muhammad,	allāhumma innī uqaddimu ilayka muḥammadan	اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَقْدَمُ إِلَيْكَ مُحَمَّدًا
may Allah bless him and his Household,	ṣallā allāhu `alayhi wa ālihī	صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ
to You before mentioning my needs,	bayna yaday ḥājatī	بَيْنَ يَدَي حَاجَتِي
and I turn to You in his name;	wa atawajjahū bihī ilayka	وَأَتَوَجَّهُ بِهِ إِلَيْكَ
so, (please) make me of high regard with You	faj`alnī bihī wajīhan `indaka	فَاجْعَلْنِي بِهِ وَجِيهًا عِنْدَكَ
in this world and the Hereafter,	fī alddunyā wal-ākhirati	فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ
and of those drawn near to You,	wa min almuqarrabīna	وَمِنَ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ
and (please) decide, in his name, my prayer to be admitted,	waj`al ṣalātī bihī maqbūlatan	وَأَجْعَلْ صَلَاتِي بِهِ مَقْبُولَةً
my sin to be forgiven,	wa dhanbī bihī maghfūran	وَذَنْبِي بِهِ مَغْفُورًا
and my supplication to be responded.	wa du`ā`ī bihī mustajāban	وَدُعَائِي بِهِ مُسْتَجَابًا
You are verily the All-forgiving, the All-merciful.	innaka anta alghafūru alrraḥīmu	إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

You may then recite the Azan the call to prayer (i.e. adhān) & Before Iqamah do a prostration & in the sitting position, saying the following:

O Allah, (please) make my heart dutiful,	allāhumma ij`al qalbī bārran	اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ قَلْبِي بَارًا
my livelihood delightful,	wa `ayshī qārran	وَعَيْشِي قَارًا
my sustenance profuse,	wa rizqī dārran	وَرِزْقِي دَارًا
and make for me at the tomb of Your Messenger,	waj`al lī `inda qabri rasūlika	وَأَجْعَلْ لِي عِنْدَ قَبْرِ رَسُولِكَ
may Allah bless him and his Household,	ṣallā allāhu `alayhi wa ālihī	صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ
an abode and a dwelling.	mustaqarran wa qarāran	مُسْتَقَرًّا وَقَرَارًا

You may now prayfor any thing you wish and beseech Him to grant you whatever you need, because the dua between the adhān and Iqāmah will not be rejected.

After the Iqāmah, you may say the following:

O Allah, to You have I turned my face,	allāhumma ilayka tawajjahtu	اللَّهُمَّ إِلَيْكَ تَوَجَّهْتُ
Your pleasure have I sought,	wa marḍātaka ṭalabtu	وَمَرْضَاتِكَ طَلَبْتُ

for Your reward have I desired,	wa thawābaka ibtaghaytu	وَتَوَابِكَ أَتَبَّغَيْتُ
in You do I believe,	wa bika āmantu	وَبِكَ آمَنْتُ
and on You do I rely.	wa `alayka tawakkaltu	وَعَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْتُ
O Allah, (please) send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,	allāhumma ṣalli `alā muḥammadin wa āli muḥammadin	اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ
open the ears of my hearts to remembering You,	waftaḥ masāmi`a qalbī lidhikrika	وَأَفْتَحْ مَسَامِعَ قَلْبِي لِذِكْرِكَ
make me stand firmly on the religion of You and Your Prophet,	wa thabbitnī `alā dīnika wa dīni nabīyyika	وَتَبَيَّنِي عَلَى دِينِكَ وَدِينِ نَبِيِّكَ
make not my hearts to deviate after You have guided me aright,	wa lā tuzigh qalbī ba`da idh hadaytanī	وَلَا تُزِغْ قَلْبِي بَعْدَ إِذْ هَدَيْتَنِي
and grant me from You mercy.	wa hab lī min ladunka raḥmatan	وَهَبْ لِي مِنْ لَدُنْكَ رَحْمَةً
Surely, You are the most liberal Giver.	innaka anta alwāhhābu	إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْوَهَّابُ

How great it is if somebody utters these words, synchronizes his heart with his tongue, and gives his words a practical shape in its truest sense, really turns his heart towards Allah, and removes all other thoughts from his mind. Yes! How good indeed is the servant who, at any given moment of his life, does not do anything or commit any deed against the wishes of his Master and Lord and even goes to the extent of dying in His cause. If at all he does commit some sin or transgression, he immediately begs Him for forgiveness and seeks His refuge. May Allah make us, and all the friends of the Ahle Bait (a.s.), from those who submit to His wishes and may He not turn His attention away from us even for a moment.

It is recommended that "**before Takbiratul Ebrahim** with Niyat of 'Rija'" a person should say this: *O Lord Who are Beneficent! This sinful has come before You and You have ordered the charitable to show indulgence to the sinners. You are Beneficent, and I am a sinner. Bestow Your blessings on Muhammad and his progeny, and pardon my evil acts of which You are aware.*

Ya muhsinu qad atakal musiu wa qad amartal muhsina an yatajawaza 'anil musiei antal Muhsinu wa anal Musio bihaqqi Muhammadin wa Ali Muhammadin salli 'ala Muhammadin wa Ali Muhammadin wa tajawaz 'an qabihi ma ta'lamu minni..

One should prepare for he prayers bringing all attention to bear upon them considering ones lowly position and the greatness and glory of ones lord and that one is standing to pray to HIM and to address HIM. Then Avoiding all distractions one must stand in solemnity and humility keeping ones hands on ones thighs above the knees and one's feet about three fingers to a span of the hand apart and ones sight fixed on the place of prostration.

You may now prepare yourself for performing the prayer. You must have heart presence and pay attention to your prayer, by considering the humiliation of your situation and the all-greatness and majesty of your Lord to whom you are talking in your prayer. Behave as is you can see Him in front of you and be ashamed of talking to Him with your tongue while your heart is preoccupied by another thing. You may then stand up with respect and

reverence, putting your two hands on your thighs opposite to your knees. Separate between your two feet in an amount of three fingers up to one span. Cast your sight on the place of your prostration. You may then intend to perform this Prayer for seeking nearness to Allah the Exalted. Then, say the Takbīrat al-Ihrām statement (saying: *allāhu-akbar* 'Allah is the Greatest'; the introductory statement to prayer). It is recommended to add statements of Takbīr (i.e. professing Almighty Allah being the greatest) to it, at each one of which, you may raise your hands to reach the level of the lower part of your ear, turning the palms of your hand towards the kiblah direction. Try to make all your fingers, except the thumb, stick to one another, but not open. You may now say the supplications of the Takbīr statements, which are as follows:

**After the third Takbīr** statement, you may say the following:

O Allah, You are verily the King and the Manifest Truth.	allāhumma anta almaliku alḥaqqu almubīnu	اللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ الْمَلِكُ الْحَقُّ الْمُبِينُ
There is no god save You. All glory be to You.	lā ilāha illā anta subḥānaka	لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ سُبْحَانَكَ
I have wronged myself;	innī ḡalamtu nafsī	إِنِّي ظَلَمْتُ نَفْسِي
so, (please) forgive my sin.	faghfir lī dhanbī	فَاغْفِرْ لِي ذَنْبِي
Verily, none can forgive sins save You.	innahū lā yaghfiru aldhhdhunūba illā anta	إِنَّهُ لَا يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ

**After the fifth Takbīr statement**, you may say the following:

Here I am responding to You and here I am trying to please You.	labbayka wa sa`dayka	لَبَّيْكَ وَسَعْدَيْكَ
All goodness is at Your Hand.	walkhayru fī yadayka	وَالْخَيْرُ فِي يَدَيْكَ
Evil is never ascribed to You.	walshsharru laysa ilayka	وَالشَّرُّ لَيْسَ إِلَيْكَ
A true guided is he whom You guide.	walmahdiyyu man hadayta	وَالْمَهْدِيُّ مَنْ هَدَيْتَ
I, Your servant and the son of Your two servants,	`abduka wabnu `abdayka	عَبْدُكَ وَأَبْنُ عَبْدَيْكَ
am standing in submission before You,	dhalīlun bayna yadayka	ذَلِيلٌ بَيْنَ يَدَيْكَ
and I am from You, through You, to You, and for You.	minka wa bika wa laka wa ilayka	مِنْكَ وَبِكَ وَلَكَ وَإِلَيْكَ
There is neither haven nor shelter	lā malja'a wa lā manjā	لَا مَلْجَأَ وَلَا مَنْجَى
nor escape from You except with You.	wa lā mafarra minka illā ilayka	وَلَا مَفْرَأَ مِنْكَ إِلَّا إِلَيْكَ
All glory be to You; I am seeking Your kindness.	subḥānaka wa ḥanānayka	سُبْحَانَكَ وَحَنَانَيْكَ
Blessed You are and Exalted You are.	tabārakta wa ta`ālayta	تَبَارَكْتَ وَتَعَالَيْتَ
All glory be to You, O Lord of the Sacred House.	subḥānaka rabba albayti alḥarāmi	سُبْحَانَكَ رَبَّ الْبَيْتِ الْحَرَامِ

After the seventh Takbīr statement, you may say the following: [image](#)

I have turned myself to Him Who originated the heavens and the earth,	wajjahtu wajhiya lilladhī faṭara alssamāwāti wal-arḍa
the Knower of the unseen and the witnessed,	`ālimi alghaybi walshshahādati
[and I am] upright and Muslim	ḥanīfan musliman
and I am not of the polytheists.	wa mā ana min almushrikīna
Surely, my prayer, my sacrifice, my life, and my death	inna ṣalātī wa nusukī wa maḥyāya wa mamātī
are (all) for Allah, the Lord of the worlds.	lillāhi rabbi al`ālamīna
No associate has He;	lā sharīka lahū
and this am I commanded,	wa bidhālika umirtu
and I am of those who submit.	wa ana min almuslimīna

وَجَّهْتُ وَجْهِيَ لِلَّذِي فَطَرَ  
السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ  
عَالِمِ الْغَيْبِ وَالشَّهَادَةِ  
حَنِيفًا مُسْلِمًا  
وَمَا أَنَا مِنَ الْمُشْرِكِينَ  
إِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي  
وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي  
لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ  
لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ  
وَبِذَلِكَ أُمِرْتُ  
وَأَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

**Before you begin with the recitation (qirā'ah:** reciting certain Qur'ānic chapters in the prayers), you may say the statement of seeking protection (*isti`ādhah*) in a low tone:

I pray Allah's protection from Satan, the accursed.	a`ūdhu billāhi min alshshayṭāni alrajīmi
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أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ  
الرَّجِيمِ

**Before commencing a ritual prayer,** the following prayer may be said:

O Allah, I turn my face towards You in the name of Muḥammad and Muḥammad's Household,	allāhumma innī atawajjahū ilayka bimuḥammadin wa āli muḥammadin
present them before You before I begin my prayers,	wa uqaddimuhum bayna yaday ṣalawātī
and seek nearness to You in their names.	wa ataqqarrabu bihim ilayka
So, in their names, (please) make me of high regard with You	faj`alnī bihim wajīhan
in this world and the Hereafter	fī alddunyā wal-ākhirati
and of those drawn near to You.	wa min almuqarrabīna
You have endued me with the great favor of making me know	mananta `alayya bima`rifatihim

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي تَوَجَّهْتُ إِلَيْكَ بِمُحَمَّدٍ  
وَأَلِ مُحَمَّدٍ  
وَاقْدِمُهُمْ بَيْنَ يَدَيِ صَلَوَاتِي  
وَتَقَرَّبْ بِهِمْ إِلَيْكَ  
فَأَجْعَلْنِي بِهِمْ وَجِيهًا  
فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ  
وَمِنَ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ  
مَنْنْتَ عَلَيَّ بِمَعْرِفَتِهِمْ

them;

so, (please) seal my life with obedience to them,

recognition of them, and loyalty to them,

because this is the true happiness.

Therefore, (please) seal my life with these things,

for You have power over all things.

fakhtim lī biṭā`atihim

wa ma`rifatihim wa wilāyatihim

fa'innahā alssa`ādatu

wakhtim lī bihā

fa'innaka `alā kulli shay'in qadīrun

فَأَخْتِمْ لِي بِطَاعَتِهِمْ

وَمَعْرِفَتِهِمْ وَوِلَايَتِهِمْ

فَإِنَّهَا السَّعَادَةُ

وَأَخْتِمْ لِي بِهَا

فَإِنَّكَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Upon accomplishment of the prayer, the following prayer may be said:

O Allah, (please) make me with Muḥammad and Muḥammad's Household

in every item of wellbeing and tribulation

and make me with Muḥammad and Muḥammad's Household

in every place of returning and place of rest.

O Allah, (please) make me live their lives

and die their death,

include me with them in all situations,

and do not depart me from them.

Verily, You have power over all things.

allāhumma ij`alnī ma`a muḥammadin wa āli muḥammadin

fī kulli `āfiyatin wa balā'in

waj`alnī ma`a muḥammadin wa āli muḥammadin

fī kulli mathwan wa munqalabin

allāhumma ij`al maḥyāya maḥyāhum

wa mamātī mamātahum

waj`alnī ma`ahum fī almawāṭini kullihā

wa lā tufarriq baynī wa baynahum

innaka `alā kulli shay'in qadīrun

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْنِي مَعَ مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

فِي كُلِّ عَافِيَةٍ وَبَلَاءٍ

وَاجْعَلْنِي مَعَ مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

فِي كُلِّ مَثْوًى وَمُنْقَلَبٍ

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ مَحْيَايَ مَحْيَاهُمْ

وَمَمَاتِي مَمَاتِهِمْ

وَاجْعَلْنِي مَعَهُمْ فِي الْمَوَاطِنِ كُلِّهَا

وَلَا تُفَرِّقْ بَيْنِي وَبَيْنَهُمْ

إِنَّكَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Ṣafwān al-Jammāl is reported to have said: I was once with Imam al-Ṣādiq ( `a). He directed his face towards the kiblah direction (for performing a prayer) and said the following prayer before he uttered the *takbīrah al-iḥrām* statement (i.e. the commencing statement of the ritual prayers):

O Allah, (please) do not make me despair of Your soothing mercy,

do not make me lose hope of Your mercy,

and do not make me feel secure against Your plans,

for none feels secure against Allah's plans except the losing people.

allāhumma lā tu'yisnī min rawḥika

wa lā tuqanniṭnī min raḥmatika

wa lā tu'minnī makraka

fa'innahū lā ya'manu makra allāhi illā alqawmu alkhāsirūna

اللَّهُمَّ لَا تُؤْيِسْنِي مِنْ رَوْحِكَ

وَلَا تُقَنَّطِنِي مِنْ رَحْمَتِكَ

وَلَا تُؤْمِنِّي مَكْرَكَ

فَإِنَّهُ لَا يَأْمَنُ مَكْرَ اللَّهِ إِلَّا

الْقَوْمُ الْخَاسِرُونَ