

Chapter 1 Deeds for the Month of Muharram

Section 1 Deeds for the First Night of the Month of Muharram

Beware that sympathy with the Divine Leader of the Time and the companions of goodness at times of pleasure and grief are of the main means of the good, loyal, and sincere to the principle of Mastery. Most congregations of the enemies to kill the grandson of the Master of the Prophets (MGB) had formed in these ten days. They attacked him and violated the sanctity of the Almighty God who is the Ruler of this world and the Hereafter. They violated the sacredness of God's Prophet (MGB) who is the owner of their apparent and hidden blessings. They violated the sacredness of Islam and the Muslims, made them sad and ruined the affairs of this world and the next. It is best for the signs of great grief to appear in our faces and motions from the first night of this month. Our intention should be expression of love towards God's Friends, and hatred for His enemies. Its details are apparent by the intellect and are given in detail in the narrations. Amongst the narrations from the Divine Leaders that are also supported by the intellect we can report the following narrated through a chain of documents by Sheikh Abu Ja'far Muhammad ibn Babuyih in his book *Amaliah* through a chain of documents to Ibrahim ibn Abi Mahmood that Al-Reza (MGB) said, "Indeed the month of Muharram is the month in which the people of the Era of Ignorance forbade fighting during it, but allowed the shedding of our blood. They destroyed our honor during it and in it they insulted our progeny and women. They burnt our tents, looted our property, and violated the sanctity of God's Prophet (MGB) regarding us. They injured our eyelids on the day of Ashura, they had our tears shed, and they belittled our dearest ones in the land of grief and calamities¹! They inherited grief and calamities for us until the day of the end of this world. Those who cry should cry for Al-Hussein (MGB) since major sins are wiped out due to crying for him." Then he said, "When Muharram came, you could not see my father (MGB) laugh. He was depressed for the first ten days. The tenth day was like his day of calamity, grief and crying." He (MGB) added, "That was the day in which Al-Hussein (MGB) was murdered."

¹ Karbala

Also Muhammad ibn Ali ibn Babuyih - may the Almighty God be pleased with him - has quoted this narration in the book *Al-Amali* through a chain of documents on the authority of Al-Ryan ibn Shobaib, "I went to see Al-Reza (MGB) on the first day of the month of Muharram. He (MGB) told me, 'O' Ibn Shobaib! Are you fasting?' I replied, 'No.' Then he (MGB) said, 'This is the day on which Zakariya (MGB) prayed to his Lord - the Honorable the Exalted, saying: "*O' my Lord! Grant unto me from You a progeny that is pure: for You are He that heareth prayer!*"¹ Then God fulfilled his prayer and ordered the angels 'While he was standing in prayer in the chamber'² to call him and say, "*O' Zakariya! ... (Allah) doth give thee glad tidings of Yahya...*"³ God would fulfill the supplications of whoever fasts on this day and prays to the Honorable the Exalted God as He fulfilled the prayers of Zakariya (MGB)."

Then he added, "O' Ibn Shobaib! The month of Muharram is so sacred that even in the past the people of the Era of Ignorance avoided fighting and oppression during it due to its sanctity. However, the people of this nation do not respect the sanctity of this month and the sanctity of their Prophet (MGB) since they Your killed his offspring, attacked his daughter such that she miscarried. God would never forgive them. O' Ibn Shobaib! If you cry, cry for Al-Hussein ibn Ali ibn Abi Talib (MGB) as he (MGB) was killed like a sheep. Eighteen members of his Progeny(MGB) who had no parallel on the whole earth were killed with him. As indeed the heavens and the earths cried for his being murdered. Indeed four-thousand angels were sent down to the earth to help him. They found him killed. Then they shall stay at his grave in a disorderly and dusty state until the Riser (MGB)⁴ comes. They will be among his helpers with the slogan, "Rush to take revenge for Al-Hussein's blood!" O' Ibn Shobaib! My father (MGB) narrated on the authority of his father (MGB), on the authority of his grandfather (MGB) that when my forefather Al-Hussein (MGB) was murdered, red dust and water poured down from the sky. O' Ibn Shobaib! If you cry for Al-Hussein (MGB) until tears flow down your cheeks God would forgive you all the sins that you have committed, whether minor or major, little or a lot. O' Ibn Shobaib! If you wish to meet the Honorable the Exalted God and be free of sins, then go to visit the shrine of Al-Hussein (MGB). O' Ibn Shobaib! If you wish to reside in the room next to the Prophet (MGB) in Paradise, rush to take revenge for Al-Hussein's blood and condemn and curse

¹ The Holy Qur'an: Al-i-Imran 3:38.

² The Holy Qur'an: Al-i-Imran 3:39

³ The Holy Qur'an: Al-i-Imran 3:39

⁴ Imam Mehdi (MGB)

the killers of Al-Hussein (MGB). O' Ibn Shobaib! If you wish to get a reward similar to that of those who were martyred along with him (MGB), then say, " I wish I had been with them and had attained a great salvation!" O' Ibn Shobaib! If you wish to be in the highest ranks in Paradise along with us, then be sad for our sadness, and be happy for our happiness. I advise you to obey our Mastery and follow us since if one follows a stone, God would resurrect him with it on the Resurrection Day."

الباب الأول: فيما نذكره مما يتعلق بشهر المحرم وما فيه من حال معظم وفيه فصول.

فصل (١) فيما نذكره من عمل اول ليلة المحرم

اعلم ان المواساة لأئمة الزمان واصحاب الاحسان في السرور والاحزان، من مهمات اهل الصفاء وذوي الوفاء والمخلصين في الولاء، وفي هذا العشر كان اكثر اجتماع الاعداء على قتل ذرية سيد الانبياء صلوات الله عليه وآله، والتهجم بذلك على كسر حرمة الله جل جلاله مالك الدنيا والآخرة، وكسر حرمة رسوله عليه السلام صاحب النعم الباطنة والظاهرة، وكسر حرمة الاسلام والمسلمين ولبس اثواب الحزن على فساد امور الدنيا والدين. فينبغي من اول ليلة من هذا الشهر ان يظهر على الوجوه والحركات والسكنات شعار آداب اهل المصائب المعظمت في كلما يتقلب الانسان فيه، وان يقصد الانسان بذلك اظهار موالات اولياء الله ومعاداة اعدائه وتفصيل ذلك موجود في العقول ومشروح في المنقول.

أقول: فمن الاحاديث عن ائمة المعقول الذي يصدق فيها المنقول للمعقول ما روينا بعدة طرق الى الشيخ أبي جعفر محمد بن علي بن بابويه من اماليه باسناده عن ابراهيم بن أبي محمود قال: قال الرضا عليه السلام: ان المحرم شهر كان اهل الجاهلية يحرمون فيه القتال، فاستحلت فيه دماؤنا وهتكت فيه حرمتنا وسبي فيه ذرارينا ونساؤنا، واضرمت النيران في مضاربنا، وانتهب ما فيها من ثقلنا، ولم ترع لرسول الله صلى الله عليه وآله حرمة في أمرنا. ان يوم الحسين اقرح جفوننا واسبل دموعنا واذل عزيزنا، بارض كرب وبلاء، واورثتنا الكرب والبلاء الى يوم الانقضاء، فعلى مثل الحسين فليكن الباكون، فان البكاء عليه يحط الذنوب العظام. ثم قال: كان أبي صلوات الله عليه إذا دخل شهر المحرم لا يرى ضاحكا وكانت الكآبة تغلب عليه حتى يمضي منه عشرة ايام، فإذا كان يوم العاشر كان ذلك اليوم يوم

مصيبته وحزنه وبكائه، ويقول: هو اليوم الذي قتل فيه الحسين عليه السلام.

ومن المنقول من امالي محمد بن علي بن بابويه رضوان الله جل جلاله عليه ما رويناہ ايضا باسنادہ الى الريان بن شبيب قال: دخلت على الرضا عليه السلام في اول يوم من المحرم، فقال لي: يا بن شبيب أصاتم انت؟ فقلت لا، فقال: ان هذا اليوم هو الذي دعا فيه زكريا عليه السلام ربه عز وجل، فقال: (رب هب لي من لدنك ذرية طيبة انك سميع الدعاء)¹ فاستجاب الله له وأمر ملائكته فنادت: زكريا، وهو قام يصلي في المحراب: (ان الله يبشرك بيحيى مصدقا)، فمن صام هذا اليوم ثم دعا الله عز وجل استجاب له كما استجاب لزكريا عليه السلام.

ثم قال: يا بن شبيب ان المحرم هو الشهر الذي كان اهل الجاهلية فيما مضى يحرمون فيه الظلم والقتال لحرمة، فما عرفت هذه الامة حرمة شهرها ولا حرمة نبيها صلوات الله عليه وآله، لقد قتلوا في هذا الشهر ذريته وسبوا نسائه وانتهبوا ثقله، فلا غفر الله ذلك لهم ابدا. يا بن شبيب ان كنت باكيا فابك للحسين بن علي بن أبي طالب عليهم السلام فانه ذبح كما يذبح الكبش، وقتل معه من اهل بيته ثمانية عشر رجلا مالهم في الأرض مشبهون، ولقد بكت السماوات والارضون لقتله، ولقد نزل الى الارض من الملائكة اربعة آلاف لينصروه، فوجدوه قد قتل، فهم عند قبره شعث غير الى ان يقوم القائم، فيكونون من انصاره وشعارهم: يا آل ثارات الحسين. يا بن شبيب لقد حدثني أبي، عن أبيه، عن جده عليهم السلام انه لما قتل جدي الحسين عليه السلام امطرت السماء دما وترابا أحمر، يا بن شبيب ان بكيت على الحسين عليه السلام حتى يصير دموعك على خديك غفر الله لك كل ذنب اذنبته، صغيرا كان أو كبيرا، قليلا كان أو كثيرا، يا بن شبيب ان سرك ان تلقى الله عز وجل ولا ذنب عليك فزر الحسين عليه السلام. يا بن شبيب ان سرك ان تسكن الغرف المبنية في الجنة مع النبي وآله صلوات الله عليهم، فصار يا لثارات. فالعن قتلة الحسين عليه السلام، يا بن شبيب ان سرك ان يكون لك من الثواب مثل ما لمن استشهد مع الحسين فقل متى ذكرته: يا ليتني كنت معهم فأفوز فوزا عظيما، يا بن شبيب ان سرك ان تكون معنا في الدرجات العلى من الجنان، فاحزن لحزننا وافرح لفرحنا عليك بولايتنا، فلو ان رجلا تولى حجرا لحشره الله معه يوم القيامة.

The following is found in the second volume of the History of Neishaboar authored by Al-Hakim in the section on the biography of Al-Hussein ibn Bashir

al-Qasim. Al-Hakim said, "Putting dark makeup on the eyelids on the day of Ashura has not been narrated on the authority of the Prophet (MGB). It is an innovation that started after the martyrdom of Al-Hussein (MGB)."

And the deeds for this night being the first night of Muharram include supplications, prayers or acts of worship. We shall mention them as guided by the Almighty God who is the Opener of the Gates of Blessings and Prosperity. The following supplications for seeing the crescent of the moon are found in Al-Mukhtasar min al-Muntakhab. Exalt the Sublime God and say: "God is the Great! God is the Great! God is the Great! God is my Lord and your Lord! God is the Lord of the worlds. There are no Gods but God. Praise be to God, Who created me, created you, destined Your Path and established you as a sign for the people of the world. God takes pride in you near the angels. O' my God! Please let this month be a period of peace, faith, safety and total submission to Your will for us plus happiness, pleasure and joy. Please establish us firmly in Your obedience and make us walk apace swiftly to that which You like and approve. O' my God! Please bless us in this month. And please bless us with its generous goodness and abundance, its blessedness, assistance and salvation. and safeguard us from any evil, misfortune and mischief during this month. By Your Mercy! O' the Most Compassionate, Most Merciful."

أقول: ورأيت في الجزء الثاني من تاريخ نيشابور للحاكم في ترجمة الحسين بن بشير بن القاسم، قال الحاكم: ان الاكتحال يوم عاشوراء لم يرو عن النبي صلى الله عليه وآله فيه اثر، وهي بدعة ابتدعتها قتلة الحسين بن علي بن أبي طالب عليهما السلام.

واما عمل هذه الليلة، وهي اول ليلة من المحرم من دعوات أو صلوات أو عبادات، فانا ذاكرون من ذلك ما يهدينا إليه الله جل جلاله، فاتح ابواب العنايات والسعادات.

فمن ذلك ما ذكره صاحب كتاب المختصر من المنتخب، فقال: الدعاء إذا رأيت الهلال كبر الله تعالى، فقل: الله اكبر الله اكبر الله اكبر، ربي وربك الله، الله لا اله الا هو رب العالمين، الحمد لله الذي خلقني وخلقك وقدر منازلك وجعلك آية للعالمين، يباهي الله بك الملائكة. اللهم اهله علينا بالامن والايمان، والسلامة والاسلام، والغبطة والسرور والبهجة، وثبتنا على طاعتك والمسارة فيما يرضيك اللهم بارك لنا في شهرنا هذا، وارزقنا خيره وبركته، ويمنه وعونه وفوزه، واصرف عنا شره وبلاءه وفتنته، وبرحمتك يا أرحم الراحمين.

Section 2 Supplications for Seeing the Moon for the Month of Muharram and its First Day

Say, "O' my God! You are Allah! There is no God but You! I ask You through Yourself, Your Words, all Your Beautiful Names, Your Prophets, Your Messengers, Your Guardians, Your nearby-stationed angels and all Your Servants in the ranks of the righteous. O' God! O' Beneficent to the believers! Please do not deprive me of Your Mercy which encompasses all things. O' God! O' Compassionate to the believers! O' the One! O' the Living! O' the First! O' the Last! O' Outward! O' Inward! O' King! O' Rich! O' the All-Encompassing! O' the All-Hearing, O' the All-Knowing! O' the Sublime! O' Witness! O' the All-Near! O' the Responder! The Praiseworthy! O' the Most Glorious One! O' Exalted in Might! O' Irresistible! O' Creator! O' the Kind! O' He who bestows bounties! O' the Worshipped! O' the Eternal! O' the Enduring! O' the Living! O' *the Self-Subsisting!* O' the One! O' the Odd O' the One! O' Eternal, Absolute! O' Resurrector! O' Inheritor! O' the All-Hearing, O' the All-Knowing! O' Knower of subtleties! O' the All Aware! O' Munificent! O' the Noble! O' the Able! O' The Affluent! O' the Subduer! O' the Compassionate! O' the Merciful! O' the Constrictor! O' the Expander! O' the Forbearing! O' the All-Generous! O' Pardoner! O' the Compassionate! O' the All-Forgiving! Here I am right in front of You and under Your Reign! I am inclined towards you in spite of my many wrong-doings and sins. Were it not due to Your Mercy, Your Favor and Your Kindness I would have been of the ruined ones. O' He who is aware of my poverty. Please look at me with favor and extend Your Mercy upon me. O' my God! Indeed I ask You by the totality of Your Names – those I know and those I do not know - and by Your Right over Your creatures!

I ask You by Your having existed forever before, being Eternal, Your Abode, Your being Everlasting, Your Magnificence, Your Omnipotence, Your Grandeur, Your Loftiness and Your Will! I ask You to bestow Your Blessings on Muhammad and his Progeny(MGB) have Mercy on me, and sanctify me by Your Benevolence and Your Pleasure. I ask You to protect me from all which You admonished against and help me succeed in doing what pleases You with me, and make me do whatever You have ordered me to do and pleases You. O' my God! My heart is filled with the tranquility of Your Glory, and the glory of Your Grandeur and Magnificence. O' the Best of the Owners! Assist me against all Your enemies and mine. O' the best Sustainer of our needs. O' He who changes the periods. O' He who changes the seasons. O' He who merges the night into the day, and merges the day into the night. O' He who runs the governments, the affairs and the routine things. You are the Eternal One who

have existed forever and You are the Owner who shall exist forever. Glory be to You! Praise belongs to You accompanied by Your Praise and Power. Praise that is Perpetual with Your Perpetuity, and is illuminated by Your Magnificence. You are my God! You are the Guardian of those who praise! You are the Master of those who are grateful. O' He who gives without any measure. O' He whose blessings cannot be repaid. And He who cannot be thanked enough and Whose Dominion does not diminish.

O' He Whose days cannot be counted. Please join my days to Your Days having forgiven me and having made my flesh, blood, and all that You have bestowed upon me like my creation, life, strength and power immune from the Fire. O' the Protector of those seeking Your protection. O' the Most Compassionate, Most Merciful. "In the name of God, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful. I rely upon Him who is Everlasting and shall not perish! *"Praise be to God!, the Cherisher and Sustainer of the worlds; Most Compassionate, Most Merciful; Master of the Day of Judgment. You do we worship, and Your aid we seek."*¹

I seek Your Help for myself, my religion, my hearing, my sight, my body, all my organs, my parents, family, wealth and children, all under my custody, and others under my rein against all fears, dangers of all Your Creatures whether on the land or at sea. God is the Great! God is the Great! He is Honorable! He is Exalted! He fends off what I fear and threatens me. Anyone seeking God's Protection is honored. Glorious and sublime is God's Praise. And there is no God but God! O' my God! Please establish me in a place near Yourself that cannot be penetrated and under Your own support that cannot be violated or debased and Under Your Covenant that cannot be violated. Please put me in Your Fence that cannot be penetrated. Anyone seeking protection from God is protected. There is no Change or Power except with God the Sublime, the Supreme. O' my God! O' He who is needless of all things while nothing is needless of Him! O' He who nothing suffices like He does! Please take care of me such that nothing hurts me being with You. Please remove grief and sadness from me. There is no Change or Power except with God - the Sublime, the Supreme. O' God! O' the All-Generous. O' my God! I shall fend off my enemies and all who wish me harm by Your assistance. I take refuge in You from their evil! I seek Your help against them! Please help me against their evil with whatever You wish, however You wish, wherever You wish, and whenever You wish. "... but Allah will suffice thee as against them, and He is the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing."² "We will certainly strengthen thy arm through thy

¹ The Holy Qur'an: Al-Fatiha 1:2-5.

² The Holy Qur'an: Baqara 2:137.

brother, and invest you both with authority, so they shall not be able to touch you: with Our Sign shall ye triumph,- you two as well as those who follow you."¹ "... *We are Messengers from thy Lord! By no means shall they reach thee!...*"² "*Fear not: for I am with you: I hear and see (everything).*"³ "*I seek refuge from thee to ((Allah)) Most Gracious: (come not near) if thou dost fear Allah.*"⁴ "*Be ye driven into it (with ignominy)! And speak ye not to Me!*"⁵ I made it to the morning and the evening by God's Honor! There is none like Him. I take refuge in God's Perfect Words all of which are Reserved. I take refuge in God's Good Names in which refuge is taken. I take refuge in the Lord of Moses and Aaron! The Lord of Jesus and Abraham who was loyal. I take refuge from the evils of rebels from the genies or men, from the evils of all the followers of Satan, from the evils of all oppressors!

I take the ears of all rebels, oppressors, tyrants, enemies and jealous ones from the genies and men off of me, my children, wife and property and all under my custody. I take the ears, the eyes, the power, the hands, the feet, the tongue, the hair, the skin and all their parts by God's Ear and took their eyes by God's Eyes, and I took their strength by God's Power and God's Plots.

They no longer have any authority over me, and have no way to influence me by the cover of God and the Prophet (MGB) that protected them from the wrath of the Pharaohs of their time. God protected them with Gabriel on the right, Michael on the left, and Muhammad (MGB) between you and us. God the Almighty is Superior to you, and He circumvents you from the front and the back. He controls you, your hearing, your sight, your heart, your tongues, your strength, your hands, and your feet, and He has made a barrier between your evils and us. "*We have put yokes round their necks right up to their chins, so that their heads are forced up (and they cannot see). And We have put a bar in front of them and a bar behind them, and further, We have covered them up; so that they cannot see.*"⁶ May their faces turn ugly and they become deaf, dumb and blind! "Ta-Ha" and "Ha-Mim" - They cannot see. O' my God! O' He whose coverage does not collapse. O' He whose Eyes do not fall asleep! Please give me coverage with Your cover that does not collapse and protect me from all calamities by Your Eyes which do not fall asleep. God is sufficient for me over

¹ The Holy Qur'an: The Stories 28:35.

² The Holy Qur'an: Hud 11:81.

³ The Holy Qur'an: Ta-Ha 20:46.

⁴ The Holy Qur'an: Mary 19:18.

⁵ The Holy Qur'an: Believers 23:108.

⁶ The Holy Qur'an: Ya-Sin 36:8-9.

all His creatures. God – who is needless of all things but nothing is needless of Him – is sufficient for me. The Creator is sufficient for me instead of the creatures. The Provider is sufficient for me instead of those who are provided for. The Lord is sufficient for me instead of those who have lords. The One who Favors is sufficient for me rather than those who receive favors. God the Near the Fulfiller is sufficient for me. God is sufficient for me instead of everyone else. God is sufficient for me. He is One. There are no partners for Him. God is sufficient for me. He is enough. God hears the prayer of the supplicant. There is no destination beyond God. There is no place to run away to from God! And there is no running away from Him! “*(Allah) sufficeth me: there is no God but He: On Him is my trust,- He the Lord of the Throne (of Glory) Supreme!*”¹ O' my God! Please establish me in a place near Yourself that cannot be penetrated. Place me under Your own Support that cannot be violated and under Your Covenant that cannot be violated. And protect me by Your Eyes which do not fall asleep. Provide me with Your Support that does not collapse! And admit me into Your Might that cannot be oppressed. O' Compassionate! Have mercy on me by Your Mercy. O' God! Please do not destroy me. And You are my hope O' Compassionate O' Merciful! “*My (own) affair I commit to God!. For Allah (ever) watches over His Servants.*”² There is no change nor any strength except by God – the Sublime, the Supreme. What God wills happens. I take refuge in God's Honor, the Glory of His Face, the portion of God's Knowledge kept of the Tablet, and what is veiled from the light of the Splendor of God. O' my God! I am weak, with a large family, and poor who is seeking the fulfillment of his needs by You. O' my God! I, therefore, ask You, through Your Name - the Only! The One! the Absolute! the Eternal, Absolute! The Great! The Most Exalted! You have filled the pillars of all things with protection and knowledge.

I ask You to bestow Your Blessing on Muhammad and his Progeny(MGB) and establish this first day, the beginning of this month and the beginning of this year for my improvement, the middle of this day, the middle day of this month and the middle day of this year as my prosperity and the end of this day, the end of this month and the end of this year as my success. I return to You as You are the Ever-Relenting, the Merciful! O' My God! Please show me the blessedness of this month and this year plus its goodness and its blessings. Please bless me with the best thereof and remove all its evil from me. Please bless me with physical health, peace, well-being, strength, relief, safety, virtuousness, prosperity, gentleness and security during it. Please grant me success in doing

¹ The Holy Qur'an: Al-Tauba 9:129.

² The Holy Qur'an: Qafir 40:44.

what would please You with me during it.

Please let me reach what I hope for, ease my troubles during it, and make it easy for me to attain my aspirations. Let me quickly get what I want. Please relieve my sorrow and remove my troubles and have my debts repaid during it. Please grant me victory over my enemies and those who envy me during it. Help me regarding their affairs. By Your Mercy! O' the Most Compassionate, Most Merciful. "...*There is no God but You: glory to You: I was indeed wrong!*"¹ And may God bestow blessings on the Prophet Muhammad and his Progeny(MGB). And may His peace be on them plentifully. O' my God! O' my Lord! O' my Master! O' my Guardian! Please save me from destruction. Please remove sins from me and keep me safe from what is not proper and is not good for me.

O' my God! Please do not let any sins left for me that You do not forgive, no grief that You do not alleviate, no faults that You do not cover, no sustenance that You do not expand, no hardship that You do not ease, no evils that You do not remove, no fear that You do not provide security from, no fright that You do not calm, no ailment that You do not heal, no need that You do not provide for with ease and well-being for me provided by You. O' my God! I did wrong, but You did good! I made mistakes, but You favored me. This was all due to my trust in Your Forgiveness and my hoping for Your Mercy.

O' my God! I ask You for the sake of this prayer, and by the fact of this hope to remove calamities from me and show me a way out of them and a relief by Your Power and Nobility. O' my God! You are well aware of our sins. Please forgive them. You are well aware of our affairs. Please ease them. You are well aware of our debts. Please redeem them. You are well aware of our needs. Please fulfill them by Your Power and Nobility as You have power over all things. "*If there were a Qur'an with which mountains were moved, or the earth were cloven asunder, or the dead were made to speak, (this would be the one!) But, truly, the command is with Allah in all things!...*"² There is no change nor any strength except by God – the Sublime, the Supreme. What God wills happens. "*In the Name of God, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful*" to myself, my religion, my hearing, my sight and all my body parts and all that the earth carries of me. "*In the Name of God, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful*" to my parents from the Fire. "*In the Name of God, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful*" to my family, wealth and children. "*In the Name of God, Most*

¹ The Holy Qur'an: Al-Anbiya 21:87.

² The Holy Qur'an: Thunder 13:31.

Compassionate, Most Merciful” to all who assist me in performing His orders. *“In the Name of God, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful”* for all things granted to me by my Lord *“In the Name of God, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful”* I have started this month and this tradition while I have placed my trust in God. There is no change nor any strength except by God – the Sublime, the Supreme! What God wills happens. God is Great! Plenty of praise be to God! Glory be to God in the morning and the evening. *“Glory be to Your Lord, the Lord of Honour and Power! (He is free) from what they ascribe (to Him)! And Peace on the apostles! And Praise to God!, the Lord and Cherisher of the Worlds. “¹“So (give) glory to God!, when ye reach eventide and when ye rise in the morning; Yea, to Him be praise, in the heavens and on earth; and in the late afternoon and when the day begins to decline. It is He Who brings out the living from the dead, and brings out the dead from the living, and Who gives life to the earth after it is dead: and thus shall ye be brought out (from the dead).”² “In the Name of God, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful. O' my God! I take refuge in You from the evils of this day, the evil of this month, the evils of this year and the evils of what comes later!*

I take refuge in You from the evils of my enemies who may go to extremes or rebel against me! I say the following for me from the front of me, from the back of me, from my right side and from my left side, from above me and from below me: *“In the Name of God, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful. Say: He is Allah, the One and Only Allah, the Eternal, Absolute; He begetteth not, nor is He begotten; And there is none like unto Him.”³* He circumvents me, my wealth, my parents, children, spouse and all who assist me in performing His Decrees. He encompasses everything that is mine, and everything that is with me. I rely upon Him who is the Everlasting and shall not perish! I seek protection in God’s most trustworthy strong-hold that never breaks. God is All-Hearing, All-Knowing. O' my God! Please put well-being and expansion of sustenance for me during this year and after it out of your own determination. O' my God! Please provide sufficient means for my worldly and afterlife affairs and protect me from making mistakes. O' God! Please bless me with the best of this world and the Hereafter.

“Say: Who can keep you safe by night and by day from”⁴ the beasts, thieves, snakes, scorpions, genies, men, wild animals, birds, and vermins during the day

¹ The Holy Qur'an: As-Saffat 37:180-182.

² The Holy Qur'an: Al-Rum 30:17-19.

³ The Holy Qur'an: Al-Ikhlās 112:1-4.

⁴ The Holy Qur'an: The Prophets 21:42.

and at night? God says, *"We have put yokes round their necks right up to their chins, so that their heads are forced up (and they cannot see). And We have put a bar in front of them and a bar behind them, and further, We have covered them up; so that they cannot see."*¹ O' my God! I take refuge in the totality of Your Perfect Words and strong verses from Your Wrath, and from the evils of Your Chastisement, the evils of Your Servants and the suggestions of the Evil Ones. I take refuge in You O' my Lord! Lest they should come near me. There is no change nor any strength except by God – the Sublime, the Supreme. What God wills happens.

O' my God! I take refuge in Your Knowledge, and seek help from You by Your Power and ask You through Your supreme Bounties as indeed You have knowledge and can destine, but I can not destine. In Your hand is the key to all good. And You are the Knower of all that is hidden. O' my God! If what I ask or is asked for me is good for my religion, my life and the end of my affairs, please grant it to me with ease and bless it for me and remove its troubles from me during it. But if something else is good for me, please give me what is best for my body and the well-being in this world and the Hereafter. Please direct me towards what is good no matter where I am and in which direction I go by Your Mercy. O' my God! Please honor me as You honor those who say these prayers. I insert the following before my forgetting and rush: "In the Name of God, Most Compassionate, Most Merciful. There is no change nor any strength except by God –the Sublime, the Supreme and whatever God wills happens." O' my God! Your Will that is dominant decides what happens and what does not happen regarding anything I said or any bets I made. O' my God! Please do not question me regarding anything I said or any bets I made today, in this month or this year. Please make an exception and give me a waiver. Please do not question me regarding my evil deeds and do not impose harsh works on me. O' my God! Please wish bad for whoever wishes me bad on this day, month or year and plot against whoever plots against me. Please fend me off of those who threaten me and put out the fire of those who try to burn me. O' my God! Please safeguard me against the plots of the plotters, blind the magicians, protect me from this with tranquility, bless me with Your impregnable protective Covering, and equip me with the piety with which You equipped the pious people. O' my God! Please let my supplications for You be sincere. Let me ask for what is near You and do not let me ask anyone but You. O' my God! O' Lord! Please save me from sicknesses, anxieties, sorrow, grief, diseases and ailments. Please remove evil and corruption from me, misery and misfortune, troubles and pains,

¹ The Holy QURan: Ya-Sin 36:8-9.

since You hear prayers, You are Near and You are the Fulfiller! O' God! Please melt my enemies, and all the affairs that have become hard for me as You melted the iron for David (MGB)! O' my God! Please debase them for me as You debased the quadrupeds for Adam (MGB). O' my God! Please bring them under my total control as You brought the birds under the control of Solomon (MGB). O' my God! Please induce love from Yourself on me just as You induced it on Moses (MGB) – the son of Imran (MGB). Please improve my position, hearing, sight and strength, and return Your Blessings to me. Grant my requests, my desires and improve my temper. Make me such that my enemies fear my awesomeness and induce kindness, mercy and fear in the hearts of my enemies and subdue them to me with Your Power and Nobility. O' my God! O' He who sufficed for Moses (MGB) regarding Pharaoh. O' He who sufficed for Muhammad (MGB) regarding the parties. O' He who sufficed for Abraham (MGB) regarding Nimrod's fire. Please bestow Your Blessings on Muhammad and his Progeny(MGB). O' my God! Please safeguard me from all that are frightening and dangerous by Your Mercy. O' Compassionate! O' Merciful! O' my God! O' He who guides the lost ones! O' He who dispels sorrow from the grief-stricken. O' He who relieves the grief of those who grieve and repays the debt of those who are in debt. O' Lord of the Worlds! Please remove my sorrow, worries and grief. Please repay my debt and that of all who are in debt. Grant my requests and desires. Please provide a good start and a good ending for me by Your own Means. O' my God! O' my hope, O' my supporter! Please do not cut off my hopes from You. Please improve my affairs and open the ways of access to my sustenance through means I count on and means I do not count on: And through means I know about and means I do not know about, through means I hope for and means I do not hope for. O' God! Please bless me with health, well-being and blessings in all which You provide for me. Please choose good along with well-being in all the affairs that you bless me with. Be a guardian, a protector, and a helper for me, and let me understand the proof! O' my God! If there is any male or female from Your Creatures whom I have oppressed whether concerning his/her wealth, hearing, sight or strength and cannot now recompense him/her, or ask him/her to forgive me. Then O' my God! I ask You to make him/her pleased with me as You will! Then grant me mercy from Your own Presence - O' Grantor of gifts and good! O' my God! Please do not take me out of this world without a good afterlife for me and with no sins left that You have not forgiven due to Your Benevolence. By Your Mercy! O' the Most Compassionate, Most Merciful. O' my God! Indeed I ask You for stability in my affairs, and perseverance in growth. O' Lord! And O' my God! I ask You to grant me the opportunity to thank You for Your Blessings

and to worship You in the best possible form. And O' my God! I ask You for a peaceful heart, an honest tongue, beneficial certitude, ample and quick sustenance, mercy with which I may attain the honor of Your Benevolence in this world and the Hereafter. O' the Most Compassionate, Most Merciful! O' my God! I ask You for well-being followed by well being, perfect well-being sufficient for this world and the Hereafter. O' my God! O' my Master! O' my Guardian! I ask You to be my reliance, support, trust and savings and to not disappoint my hopes. Do not disappoint my aspirations. And please do not cut off my hopes, do not let me suffer from hard calamities, do not let me have a bad destiny, and do not subject me to my enemy's ridicule. O' my God! Please be pleased with me by Your Pleasure. And safeguard me from all Your Calamities. O' my God! I ask You – O' God! O' Greatest of all the great ones! O' He who has no partners or associates! O' the Creator of the sun and the bright moon. O' He who provides for small children. O' the One who enriches the poverty-stricken, poor. O' Helper of troubled needy! O' He who mends broken bones! O' He who breaks every haughty oppressor! O' He who revives my bones when they have turned into dust! O' He for whom there is no equal or comparable one! O' my God! I ask You to Bestow Blessings upon Muhammad and His Progeny (MGB). And O' my God! I ask You by all with which I call You using these supplications, by all Your Names, by the juncture of the Might of Your Throne, by the ultimate Mercy from Your Book, by Your Sublime Majesty, and I ask You by You as nothing is more exalted than You are - that You forgive us and have mercy upon us verily we are in need of Your Mercy. O' the Most Compassionate, Most Merciful! O' my God! Please forgive the believing men and women, the Muslim men and women whether dead or alive. Please unite us with them in good. O' my God! Please suffice for me the affairs that no one but You can suffice and fulfill all my needs. Please improve my affairs and ease all that I like with ease and well-being for me provided by You. O' the Most Compassionate, Most Merciful! There is no change nor any strength except by God – the Sublime, the Supreme. What God wills happens. And may God bestow blessings on the Prophet Muhammad and his Progeny (MGB) - and plenty of peace. What God wills happens. What God wills - There is no change nor any strength save in God. What God wills - I rely upon God. What God wills – I entrust my affairs to God. What God wills - God is sufficient for me. He is enough."

فصل (٢) الدعاء عند استهلال المحرم وأول يوم منه،

تقول: اللهم أنت الله لا اله إلا أنت أسألك بك وبكلماتك وأسمائك الحسنى كلها وأنبيائك