Supplication of Amirul Momineen Ali (a.s.) for sustenance

(Make the man wear it). From Amirul Momineen Ali bin Abi Talib, Allah’s blessings be upon him said: One who is having problems regarding his livelihood and the ways of earning are closed on him, he should write the following on deer skin or a piece of leather and hang it or put it in some clothes that he wears. Then he will not take it off but that Allah will widen his sustenance and open for him doors of earnings from where he has least expected and it is as follows:

Allaahumma laa t’aaqata lifulaanIbnI fulaaniM bil juhdi wa laa s’abra lahu a’lal balaa-i wa laa quwwwata lahu a’lal faqri wal faaqati allaahumma fas’alli a’lal muh’ammadinw wa aali muh’ammad. Wa laa tah’z’ur a’laa fulaanibnI fulaaniR rizqAka wa laa tuqattira a’laihi sia’ta maA i’ndaka wa laa tah’rimhu faz”laka wa laa tah’simhu min jazeeli qIsamika wa laa t’Akilhu ilaah khalqiqa wa laa ilaah nafsihi…

O Allah so and so, son of so and so, has no strength to struggle and no patience to bear the hardships and no power for him in poverty and hunger. O Allah then bless Muhammad and the progeny of Muhammad and do not hinder upon so and so, son of so and so, Your sustenance and do not decrease for him the widening of sustenance that is with You and do not deprive him of Your Grace and do not prevent from his share of sustenance and do not entrust him to Your creatures and neither to his ownself…
Rizq Duas From the Book Tohfatul Hashmiya Pg 2

fa ya’-jaza a’nhaa wa yaz”-u’fu a’nil qiyaami feemaa yus’lih’uhu wa yus’lih’u maa qAblahu bal tanfaridu bllamMi shA’tihi wa tuwallee kifaayatihi wanz’ur ilaihi fee jameei’ umoorihi innaka in wakaltahu ilaa khalqika lam yanfao’o’hu wa in aljaa-tahu ilaa aqribaaii h’aramoohu wa in aa’t’ooohu qaleetan nakIdanw wa in manao’o’hu manao’o’hu katheeranw wa im bahiliu bahiliu fahum lil bukhli ahII.

Allaahumma aghni fulaanabna fulaanim min faz”lika wa laa tukhlihi minhu fa-innahu muz”t’arrun ilaa khileeqina wa in aljaa-tahu ilaa yus’lih’u maa fee yadaika wa anta ghaneyyun a’nu wa anta bihi khabeeruM a’leemu…

So that he becomes helpless and is weak to rise up in that in which lies his betterment and what was before him. But single him out for straightening his muddled affairs and take the responsibility of the fulfillment of his needs and keep an eye on all his affairs. Indeed You, if you entrust him to Your creatures he will not benefit and if you leave him upon his relatives he would be deprived. And if they give him they would give little and less. And if they prevent from him they will restrain much. And if they are miserly they would be miserly, for they are the miserly ones. O Allah, make so and so, son of so and so, needless by Your Grace and do not keep him bereft of it. For he is distrested towards You, needful of what is with You and You are needless of him. And You are informed and knowing about him.

And whoever trusts in Allah, He is sufficient for him, surely Allah attains His purpose, Allah indeed has appointed a measure for everything. Surely with difficulty is ease. And whoever is careful of (his duty to) Allah, He will make for him an outlet, and give him sustenance from whence he thinks not. [11]

From Ali (a.s.): One who begins his day and does not utters these words, it is feared that his sustenance would be destroyed.
Rizq Duas From the Book Tohfatul Hashmiya Pg 3

Alh’amdulillaahilladhee a’rrafanee nafsahu, wa lam yataruknee a’meeyal qalb. Alh’amdulillaahilladhee ja-a’lanee min ummati muh’ammadin s’allallaahu a’laihi wa aalih. Alh’amdulillaahilladhee ja-a’la rizqee fee yadih. Wa lam yaj-a’lu fee aidinnaas. Alh’amdulillaahilladhee satara a’uratee wa lam yafz”ah’nee bainan naas.

Praise be to Allah, the One Who has introduced me His self, and did not leave me blind by the heart. Praise be to Allah Who made me from the nation of Muhammad, may Allah bless him and his family. Praise be to Allah Who kept my sustenance in His hands and did not put it in the control of people. Praise be to Allah Who concealed my defects and did not expose me among the people.

Also recite the following for increase of sustenance:

O Allah, give me from Your wide Grace, and the permissible and the pure, a sustenance that is permissible and pure, sufficient for the world and the Hereafter, in continuous outpour, pleasing to eat and drink without undue struggle and without being under an obligation of one of Your creatures. Except that You widen it by Your wide favor; for indeed You have said: “And ask Allah through His Grace”. Then from Your Grace I ask. And I ask you through Your bestowal and I ask You from Your hands that are full of bounties.

Supplication of the chief of those who prostrate, the Imam Zainul Abideen (a.s.), when his sustenance became less

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O Lord, verily You tried us in our means of support when we failed to trust You, in the length of our lives with far-reaching hopes till we sought for Your sustenance from recipients of sustenance and our expectations made us covert the age of those having longevity. Therefore, bless Muhammad and his descendants. Grant us a sincere faith whereby to deliver us from the toil of earning a living. Inspire us with pure confidence whereby to protect us from the hardships of fatigue. Let what You have explained of Your promises in Your revelation, reinforced with Your oath, in Your Book, be a perfect check to our anxiety about livelihood which You have undertaken to provide. Restrain us from undertaking to secure that, a sufficiency of which You have guaranteed. For You have said – Your saying is right and most true – sworn – Your oath is most righteous and faithful – (Saying), “And in the sky is your subsistence and what you have been promised,” and You have added, “And by the Lord then of heaven and earth, it is as true as that you speak.”

Prayer of Amirul Momineen (a.s.) for repayment of debts

Allaahumma yaa faarijal hammi wa munaffisal ghammi wa muzh’ibal ah’zaani wa mujeeba da’watil muz”t’arreen. Yaa rah’maanad dunyaa wal aakhirati wa rah’eemahumaa anta rajaa-ee wa rah’maana kulli shai-in farh’annee rah’matan taghneenee bihaa a’nr rah’matim min siwaaka wa taqz”ee bihaa a’nnid daina kullah.

O Allah! O the averter of sorrows. O the dispeller of grief! O the one to ward off the sorrow and O the one to accept the prayers of uneasy people. O the Beneficent in this world and the Hereafter. You are my only hope, and O the one to show mercy on
everything, have mercy on me. Shower such a mercy on me which excels every other mercy and free me from all the debts.\(^3\)

Prayer for acquiring sustenance

A person came to the Prophet (s.a.w.s.) and said: O Messenger of Allah (s.a.w.s.), I am having a family and these are debts upon me and my condition has become severe. So teach me a supplication to pray to Allah, the Mighty and Sublime, by it so that He gives me to repay my debts and maintain my family. The Messenger of Allah (s.a.w.s.) said: O Abdullah, perform the ritual ablution perfectly and pray 2 rakats of prayer and complete the bowings and prostrations, then say:

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O Glorious, O the One, O Noble, I turn towards You through Muhammad, Your Prophet, the prophet of mercy. May Allah bless him and his family. O Muhammad, O Messenger of Allah (s.a.w.s.), indeed I turn through you to Allah, My Lord and your Lord and the Lord of everything and I ask You O Allah that you bless Muhammad and his Ahle Bayt and I ask You for a noble bestowal from Your bestowals and an easy victory and a wide sustenance, so that I can reform my muddled affairs and repay my loans and maintain by it, my family.\(^4\)

For increase in sustenance and sufficiency in important matters

Among the formulae for increase in sustenance and sufficing for important affairs is the reading of the following verses:

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Recite Salawat on the Prophet (s.a.w.s.) three times before and after reciting the above verses. Perform this ritual every Wednesday.

Verse of sustenance

From the proven supplications of Shaykh Mufid for seeking sustenance is reciting seven times:

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Also recite the following seven times: \[7\]

For sustenance and repayment of debts

Maaz complained to the Prophet (s.a.w.s.) when he was under a debt. He (the Prophet) said: Do you want that Allah should liquidate your debts? He said: Yes, O Messenger of Allah (s.a.w.s.). He (the Prophet) said:
Qul illaahumma maalikal mulki tu-til mulka man tashaa-u wa tanziu’l mulka mimman tashaa-u wa tu-i’zzu man tashaa-u wa tudhillu man tashaa-u biyadikal khairu innaka a’laa kulli shai-in qadeer. Toolijul Laila finnahaari wa toolijun nahaara fil laili wa tukhrijul h’ayya minal mayyiti wa tukhrijul mayyita minal h’ayy. Wa tarzuqu man tashaa-u bighairi h’isaab. Rah’maanad dunyaa wal aakhirati wa rah’eemahumaa tu’t’ee minhumaa maa tashaa-u wa tamnau’ minhumaa maa tashaa-u iqz”ee a’nnee dainee.

Say: O Allah, Master of the Kingdom! Thou givest the kingdom to whomsoever Thou pleasest and takest away the kingdom from whomsoever Thou pleasest, and Thou exaltest whom Thou pleasest and abasest whom Thou pleasest; in Thine hand is the good; surely, Thou hast power over all things. Thou makest the night to pass into the day and Thou makest the day to pass into the night, and Thou bringest forth the living from the dead and Thou bringest forth the dead from the living, and Thou givest sustenance to whom Thou pleasest without measure. The Beneficent of the world and the hereafter and their Merciful, You bestow from the two what You like and prevent from the two what You like, repay for me my debt.

Then even if your debts equal the whole world full of gold, Allah would cause it to be liquidated.

For repayment of debt and removal of poverty

From Sahl Sadi that he said: A person came to the Prophet (s.a.w.s.) and complained of poverty and straitening of sustenance. The Messenger of Allah (s.a.w.s.) told him:

When you enter your house, say Salam (salute) whether there is someone therein or there is none. The recite “Qul huwallaaho Ahad (Surah Tawheed)”, once. The man did as advised and Allah gave him so much that he even passed some of it to his neighbors.[8]

From ar-Reza (a.s.) from his forefathers from Ali (a.s.) that he said: The Messenger of Allah (s.a.w.s.) said: One who recites the following a hundred times everyday will acquire wealth by it, and poverty will be removed and the door of poverty will be closed while the door of Paradise shall be opened for him:

Laa ilaaha illallaahul malikul h’aqqu mubeen.

There is no god except Allah, the True and Manifest Ruler.
It is said in traditions to recite the above thirty times for removing poverty and getting prosperity.[9]

For seeking sustenance

Allamah Amili (r.a.) says: We have found in some books of supplication that one who writes these verses on the last Friday of the month of Ramadan and keeps it in his purse or his money box, Allah the High, will cause increase and the two will not be empty of it till he keeps it.

For sustenance

Write:

Bismillaahir rah’maanir rah’eem. Fataqbbalahaa rabbuhaa biqaboolin h’asaninw wa ambatahaa nabaatan h’asananw wa kaffalahaa zakareeyaa. Kullamaa dakhala a’laaawah zakareeyyal mih’raaba wajada i’ndahaa rizqaa. Qala yaa maryamu annaa laki haadhaa qaalaat i’ndillaaahi innallaaha yarzuqu mayn yashaa-u bighairi h’isaab. s’adaq allaahul a’z’eem.

In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful. So her Lord accepted her with a good acceptance and made her grow up a good growing, and gave her into the charge of Zakaria; whenever Zakaria entered the sanctuary to (see) her, he found with her food. He said: O Maryam! whence comes this to you? She said: It is from Allah. Surely Allah gives to whom He pleases without measure. Allah the Mighty, has said the truth.

Another supplication for sustenance

In the History of Ali bin Anjab, known as Ibne Sayyi, he says: One who follows this supplication, his sustenance would become easy and their ways would become easy for him.
O Allah, O the cause of one for whom there is no cause, O cause of all that have cause. O cause of causes in that where there is no cause. Bless Muhammad and the progeny of Muhammad. Make me needless through Your permissible from Your prohibited. And through Your obedience from Your disobedience and by Your Grace from others than You. O the Living, O the Everlasting. [11]

Another Supplication

Allahumma inna nas-aluka min faz’lika maa yaleequ bifaz’lika kama yaleequ bifaz’lik. Wa ziyaadatam min faz’lika bifaz’lik yaa dhal faz’li urzuqnee rizqanw wasia’yn yaa kareem.

O Allah, we ask You from Your Grace that which befits Your Grace, like it befits Your Grace. And more than Your Grace by Your Grace. O one with Grace, give me a wide sustenance, O Munificent. [12]

[12] As-Sahifa as-Sajjadiya al-Kamilah, Al-Imam Zainul Abideen (a.s.) Pg. 136, Manshuratil A’lami
As-Sahifa Alawiya, Pg.152, India
Makarim al-Akhlaq, Ash-Shaykh Tabarsi, Pg. 337
Surah Talaq 65:2-3
Surah Shura 42:19
Mujarribat al-Imamiya, Pg. 159
Tibb al-Aaimma, As-Sayyid Shubbar, Pg. 524


[12] *Al-Mukhla*, al-Bahai, Pg. 186