

وَمِنْ مَاءٍ مَهِيْنٍ ابْتَدَأْتَنَا

and began us from a mean water; <sup>[148]</sup>

فَلَا حَوْلَ لَنَا إِلَّا بِقُوَّتِكَ

we have no force except through Thy strength

وَلَا قُوَّةَ لَنَا إِلَّا بِعَوْنِكَ

and no strength except through Thy help.

فَايْدُنَا بِتَوْفِيقِكَ

So confirm us by giving us success,

وَسَدِّدْنَا بِتَسْدِيدِكَ

point us the right way by Thy pointing,

وَأَعْمِ أَبْصَارَ قُلُوبِنَا عَمَّا خَالَفَ مَحَبَّتَكَ

blind the eyes of our hearts toward everything opposed to Thy love,

وَلَا تَجْعَلْ لَشَيْءٍ مِّنْ جَوَارِحِنَا نَفُودًا فِي مَعْصِيَتِكَ

and set not in any of our limbs passage to disobeying Thee!

اللَّهُمَّ فَصَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِهِ وَاجْعَلْ

O Allah, bless Muhammad and his Household and assign

هَمَسَاتِ قُلُوبِنَا

the whisperings of our hearts,

وَحَرَكَاتِ أَعْضَائِنَا

the movements of our members,

وَلَبَّحَاتِ أَعْيُنِنَا

the glances of our eyes,

وَلَهَجَاتِ أَلْسِنَتِنَا

and the idioms of our tongues,

فِي مُوجِبَاتِ ثَوَابِكَ

to that which makes incumbent Thy reward,

حَتَّى لَا تَفُوتَنَا حَسَنَةٌ نَسْتَحِقُّ بِهَا جَزَاءَكَ

lest a good deed slip by us, through which we might deserve Thy repayment,

وَلَا تَبْقَى لَنَا سَيِّئَةٌ نَسْتَوْجِبُ بِهَا عِقَابَكَ

or an evil deed remain with us, by which we might merit Thy punishment!

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِهِ

O Allah, bless Muhammad and his Household,

وَصَيِّرْنَا إِلَى مَحَبُّوبِكَ مِنَ التَّوْبَةِ

make us go to the repentance that Thou lovest

وَأَزِلْنَا عَنِ مَكْرُوهِكَ مِنَ الْإِصْرَارِ

and make us leave the persistence that Thou hatest!

اللَّهُمَّ وَمَتَى وَقَفْنَا بَيْنَ نَقْصَيْنِ فِي دِينٍ أَوْ دُنْيَا

O Allah, when we halt before two decreases, in religion or in this world,

فَأَوْقِعِ النَّقْصَ بِأَسْرَعِهِمَا فَنَاءً

let the decrease fall upon that which passes quickly

وَاجْعَلِ التَّوْبَةَ فِي أطولِهَا بَقَاءً

and relent in that which lasts the longer!

وَإِذَا هَمَبْنَا بِهِتَيْنِ يُرْضِيكَ أَحَدُهُمَا عَنَّا وَيُسْخِطُكَ الْآخَرَ عَلَيْنَا

When we set out after two concerns, one of which makes Thee pleased with us and the other of which displeases Thee,

فَبِلِّبِنَا إِلَى مَا يُرْضِيكَ عَنَّا

incline us toward that which makes Thee pleased

وَأَوْهِنْ قُوَّتَنَا عَمَّا يُسْخِطُكَ عَلَيْنَا

and weaken our strength in that which displeases Thee!

وَلَا تَخَلِّ فِي ذَلِكِ بَيْنَ نَفُوسِنَا وَاخْتِيَارِهَا فَإِنَّهَا

Leave not our souls alone to choose in that,

مُخْتَارَةً لِلْبَاطِلِ إِلَّا مَا وَفَّقْتَ

for they choose falsehood except inasmuch as Thou givest success,

أَمَّا رَأَى بِالسُّوءِ إِلَّا مَا رَحِمْتَ

and they command to evil except inasmuch as Thou hast mercy! <sup>[146]</sup>

اللَّهُمَّ وَإِنَّكَ

O Allah, thou

مِنَ الضُّعْفِ خَلَقْتَنَا

created us from frailty, <sup>[147]</sup>

وَعَلَى الوَهْنِ بَنَيْتَنَا

built us up from feebleness,