

The Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم used to say, "Sha'baan is my month; hence, Paradise will be incumbently decided for him who observe fasting on one day of my month."

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Merits of Sha'ban Month

General Invocations for Month of Sha'ban

Salwaat Sha'baniyah

Munajaat Sha'baniyah

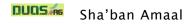
Salaah for every Thursday Night in Sha'ban

1st, 2nd and 3rd of Sha'ban

3rd Sha'ban — Birth of Imam
Husain — Supplication to be recited
on this day.

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Night of 15th Sha'ban

Merits of this night

General Acts for the night of 15th Sha'ban

Ziyarah of Imam Husain عليه السلام Specific to Night of 15th Sha'ban

Salaah and Supplication to be recited after Isha Salaah

Supplication as a Form of Ziyarah of Imam Zaman (atfs)

Ziyarah Istegatha Imam Zaman عليه السلام

Ziyarah Aale Yasin

Ariza to be Written to 12th Imam عليه السلام and its Translation

Dua Kumail

Salwaat Sha'baniyah



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Dua in Prostration of Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم

Dua Nudba

Salaah Istegatha Imam Zaman عليه السلام

Salaahs specific to the Night of 15th Sha'ban

Salaah Ja'far Tayyar

Day of 15th Sha'ban

Birth of Imam Mahdi عجل الله تعالى فرجه الشريف – Recite Ziyarah Aale Yasin

Last 3 Days of Sha'ban





Supplication for Last Night of Sha'ban

It is recommended to repeat as much as possible the invocation of blessings (salwaat) upon the Holy Prophet and his Household.

It is also recommended to **observe fasting on Thursdays** in Sha`ban. In this respect, a hadith reads that the skies decorate themselves each Thursday in Sha`ban and the angels pray Almighty Allah, saying, "O our God, (please do) forgive those who observe fasting on this day and respond to their prayers."

The Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم is also reported as saying, "If one observes fasting each Monday and Thursday in Sha`ban, Almighty Allah will grant

forty of his needs—twenty appertained to the worldly life and twenty to the Hereafter."

According to narrations, the best words that are advisably said in Sha`ban are the implorations for the forgiveness of Almighty Allah (i.e. *istighfar*). Hence, to implore for Almighty Allah's forgiveness seventy times a day in Sha`ban is equal to imploring for His forgiveness seventy thousand times a day in the other months.

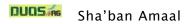
It is recommended to give alms in this month even if it is as small as a half date. Almsgiving in this month brings about rescue from Hellfire.

In this respect, it has been narrated that when Imam al-Sadiq عليه السلام was asked about the merits of observing fasting in Rajab, he answered, "Why do you not ask about the merits of observing fasting in Sha`ban?"

"What is then the reward of one who observes fasting on one day in Sha`ban?" asked the narrator. The Imam عليه السلام answered, "The reward will be Paradise. I swear it by Allah."

The narrator then asked again, "What are the best deeds that should be done in Sha`ban." The Imam عليه السلام answered, "Almsgiving and imploring for forgiveness are the best deeds in

Sha`ban. Verily, if anyone of you gives alms in Sha`ban, Almighty Allah will breed that alms in the very same way as you breed your small camels. Hence, this alms will be as huge as Mount Uhud on the Resurrection Day."



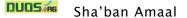
General Invocations for the Month of Sha'ban

It is recommended to say the following imploration for forgiveness 70 times each day in Sha`ban:

I implore for the forgiveness of Allah and I pray Him for approval of my repentance.

It is recommended to recite the following imploration for forgiveness 70 times each day in Sha`ban:





I implore for the forgiveness of Allah. There is no god save Whom,

the All-beneficent, the All-merciful,

the Ever-living, the Everlasting,

and to Him I turn repentant.

It is recommended to repeat the following litany 1000 times in Sha`ban:

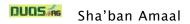
The reward of one who repeats this litany in Sha`ban is that one is awarded the reward of serving (Almighty Allah) for 1000 years.

There is no god save Allah

and we serve none save Him,

being sincere to Him in obedience,

though the unbelievers are averse.

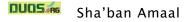


Salwaat Sha'baaniyah

It is recommended to say the following form of invocation of blessings upon the Holy Prophet and his Household that is reported from Imam `Ali ibn al-Husain al-Sajjad عليه السلام (i.e. Imam Zayn al-`Abidin) each midday (Zuhr) in Sha`ban and on the fifteenth night of it:

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O Allah, (please do) send blessings to Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad;



the tree of Prophethood,

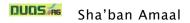
the trustees of the (Divine) Mission,

the frequently visited by the angels,

the core of knowledge,

and the Household of the Divine Revelation.

O Allah, (please do) send blessings to Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,



ٱلْفُلْكِ ٱلْجَارِيَةِ فِي ٱللَّجَجِ ٱلْغَامِرَةِ

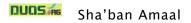
the sailing ships through the abysmal waves.

He who embarks on will be saved

but he who abandons will be drowned.

He who precedes them will miss the Right Path

and he who misses them will lose,



but he who adheres to them will win.

O Allah, (please do) send blessings to Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,

the impregnable shelter,

the supporters of the helpless, distressed ones,

the haven of the fugitives,

and the asylum of those who seek refuge.

O Allah, (please do) send blessings to Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad

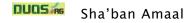
so many blessings that please them

and settle all (our) duties towards

Muhammad and the Household of

Muhammad,

by Your might and power, O Lord of the worlds!



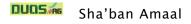
ٱللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدِ

O Allah, (please do) send blessings to Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,

the pure, pious, and righteous

whose rights have been made incumbent upon us by You

and the obedience to whom and whose (divinely ordained) leadership have been (also) deemed obligatory upon us by You.



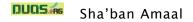
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O Allah, (please do) send blessings to Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,

وَٱعْمُرْ قَلْبِي بِطَاعَتِكَ

and fill my heart with obedience to You,

do not disgrace me due to my acts of disobedience to You,



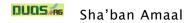
and grant me the feeling of sympathy towards those whom You have decided to straighten their sustenance

by means of Your favors that You have decided to make expansive for me

and by means of that with which You have covered me out of Your fairness.

Make me live under Your shade.

This is the month of Your Prophet and the Master of Your Messengers.

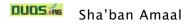


شَعْبَانُ ٱلَّذِي حَفَفْتَهُ مِنْكَ بِٱلرَّحْمَةِ وَالرَّضْوَانِ وَٱلرِّضْوَانِ

It is Sha`ban, which You have encompassed with Your mercy and pleasure

and on which the Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him and his Household,

used to observe fasting painstakingly and used to spend it with acts of worship



فِي لَيَالِيهِ وَايَّامِهِ

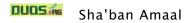
on all of its days and nights

on account of Your honoring and dignifying this month,

up to his death.

O Allah, (please do) help us follow the example of him (i.e. the Holy Prophet as regards the honoring of this month)

and help us attain his intercession for us.



اَللَّهُمَّ وَآجْعَلْهُ لِي شَفِيعاً مُشَفَّعاً

O Allah, (please do) decide him as my interceder (before You) whose intercession for me is acceptable

and as my clear path toward You,

and make me follow him

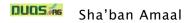
until I meet You on the Resurrection Day enjoying Your pleasure with me

and Your overlooking my sins

قَدْ اوْجَبْتَ لِي مِنْكَ ٱلرَّحْمَةَ وَٱلرِّضْوَانَ

and thus You will confer upon me with Your mercy and pleasure

and allow me to reside in the Eternal Abode and the Place of the Righteous.



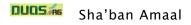
Munajat Sha'baniyah

It is recommended to say the following confidential prayer (munajat) that has been narrated by Ibn Khalawayh who commented on it, saying, "This is the confidential prayer of Imam `Ali Amir al-Mu'minin عليه السلام and the Holy Imams who used to say it in the month of Sha`ban."

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ٱللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

O Allah, (please do) send blessings to Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,



وَٱسْمَعْ دُعَائِي إِذَا دَعَوْتُكَ

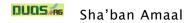
listen to my prayer whenever I pray You,

listen to my call whenever I call upon you,

and accept from me whenever I confidentially whisper to You,

for here I am fleeing into You,

standing before You, showing submission to You,



مُتَضَرِّعاً إِلَيْكَ

imploring You,

رَاجِياً لِمَا لَدَيْكَ ثَوَابِي

and hoping for the reward that You have.

وَتَعْلَمُ مَا فِي نَفْسِي

You do know what is in my inner self,

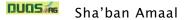
وَتَخْبُرُ حَاجَتِي

recognize my needs,

وَتَعْرِفُ ضَمِيرِي

recognize my hidden affairs,

وَلاَ يَخْفَى عَلَيْكَ امْرُ مُنْقَلَبِي وَمَثْوَايَ



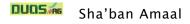
and all my moves and stillness are known by You.

So are all the utterance which I want to begin with,

all the requests that I want to express,

and all the expectation that I hope for my future.

All that which You, O my Master, have decided for me



فِيمَا يَكُونُ مِنِّي إِلَىٰ آخِرِ عُمْرِي

up to the end of my life,

including my secret and open matters, shall be experienced by me.

And it is in Your Hand, not anybody else's, are all increase and decrease,

and all my benefits and harms that come upon me.

O my God, if You deprive me (of Your sustenance), then who else can ever provide me with sustenance?

If You disappoint me, then who else can ever back me?

O my God, I do seek Your protection against Your wrath and against the befalling of Your ire upon me.

O my God, if I do not deserve Your mercy,



فَانْتَ اهْلُ أَنْ تَجُودَ عَلَى َّ بِفَضْل سَعَتكَ

You are still expected to confer upon me with Your expansive favor.

O my God, I now imagine how I will stand before You,

shaded by my good idea about You on account of my trust in You,

and You will decide for me that which befit You and You will include me with Your forgiveness.



إِلهِي إِنْ عَفَوْتَ فَمَنْ اوْلَىٰ مِنْكَ بِذَٰلِكَ

O my God, if you pardon me, then who else is worthier than You are in pardoning.

If my time of death is approaching while my deeds are still too short to approach me to You.

I am then considering my confession of being guilty to be my means towards You.



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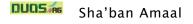


O my God, I have wronged myself when I allowed myself to behave unrestrainedly;

therefore, woe will betide me if You do not forgive.

O my God, You have never ceased Your favors from me all over my lifetime;

so, (please) do not stop Your favors from covering me after my death.



بَعْدَ مَمَاتِي

O my God, how can I despair of Your nice custody over me after my death

while You have not shown me but the good throughout my lifetime?

O my God, (please) manage my affairs in the very way that befits You,

and confer upon me—a sinful who is covered by his ignorance—with Your favors.

O my God, You have concealed my sins in my worldly life,

but I need Your concealment more urgently in the Next Life.



You have thus not disclosed my sins before any of Your righteous servants;

therefore, (please) do not expose me on the Resurrection Day before all the witnesses.

O my God, it is Your magnanimity that expanded my hope,

and surely Your pardon is more preferable than my deeds.

عبادك

O my God, so (please) delight me when I meet You on the day when You shall judge between Your servants.

O my God, I submit to You the apology of one who cannot dispense with the acceptance of his excuse;

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so, (please) accept my excuse, O most Magnanimous of all those before whom the guilty make an apology.

O my God, (please) do not reject my request,

do not fail my big hope for You,

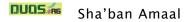
and do not disappoint my desire and expectation for You.

O my God, had You wanted to humiliate me, You would not have guided me (to You).

Had You decided to disclose me, You would not have saved me.

O my God, I do not expect You to reject my request that I spent my whole lifetime asking for it from You.

O my God, all praise be to You, forever, forever, perpetually, everlastingly,



يَزِيدُ وَلاَ يَبِيدُ كَمَا تُحِبُّ وَتَرْضَى

increasingly, and unperishably, as exactly as You like and please.

O my God, if You punish me for my offense, I shall demand with Your pardon,

if You punish me for my sins, I shall demand with Your forgiveness,

and if You decide to send me to Hell, I shall declare to its inhabitants that I love You.

إِلهِي إِنْ كَانَ صَغُرَ فِي جَنْبِ طَاعَتِكَ عَمَلِي

O my God, if my deed is too little when compared to the true obedience to You,

then my hope for You is too big when compared to my prospect from You.

O my God, how can it be that I return from You with disappointment and deprivation

بِٱلنَّجَاةِ مَرْحُوماً

while I expect, depending upon Your magnanimity, that You will endow me with safety and mercy?

O my God, I have spent my whole lifetime with the vigor of being negligent to You

and I have spent my whole youth with the inebriety of being far away from You.

O my God, I have not thus woken up to myself during the period when I seductively felt safe from Your punishment

and when I was taking the path that ends with Your ire.

O my God, nevertheless, I am—Your servant and the son of Your servant—now standing before You

and begging You in the name of Your generosity.

إِلْهِي انَا عَبْدٌ اتَنَصَّلُ إِلَيْكَ مِمَّا كُنْتُ اللَّهِي انَا عَبْدٌ اتَنَصَّلُ إِلَيْكَ مِمَّا كُنْتُ اوَاجِهْكَ بِهِ

O my God, I am, being Your servant, disowning all that with which I used to face You;

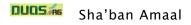
مِنْ قِلَّةِ ٱسْتِحْيَائِي مِنْ نَظَرِكَ

namely, my shameless inconsideration of You,

وَاطْلُبُ ٱلْعَفْوَ مِنْكَ إِذ ِ ٱلْعَفْوُ نَعْتُ لِكَرَمِكَ

and I am hereby appealing for Your pardon since pardon is one feature of Your generosity.

إِلْهِي لَمْ يَكُنْ لِي حَوْلٌ فَانْتَقِلَ بِهِ عَنْ



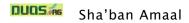
معصيتك

O my God, I had no strength by which I would rid myself of the acts of disobedience to You

except after You aroused me to love You.

Hence, I have become as exactly as You want me to be.

I have thus thanked You, for You have included me with Your generosity



and You have purified my heart from the filths of being inattentive to You.

O my God, (please) look at me in the same way as You have looked at one whom You called and he has responded to You

and whom You have conferred with Your aid and he thus has obeyed You.

O He Who is too close to depart from one who is inadvertent to Him!

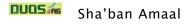
O He Who is too magnanimous to deprive one who hopes for His reward!

O my God, (please) grant me a heart whose longing for You will approach it to You,

a tongue whose truthfulness is directed to You,

and a sight whose righteousness advances towards You.

O my God, he who recognizes You shall never be anonymous,



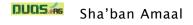
وَمَنْ لاَذَ بِكَ غَيْرُ مَخْذُولِ

he who seeks Your shelter shall never be disappointed,

and he whom is attended by You shall never be boring.

O my God, he who abides by Your Path shall be enlightened,

and he who resorts to You shall be succored.



مِنْ رَحْمَتك

I am thus having recourse to You, O my God! So, (please) do not disappoint me as regards Your having mercy upon me

and do not divest me of Your kindness.

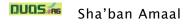
O my God, grant me, among those who show servitude to You,

the position of one who (incessantly) longs for more love for You.

O my God, (please) inspire me with passionate love for ceaseless reference to You,

and (please) devote all my pursuit to my attaining the delight of the success that is achieved through Your Names and the amount of Your Holiness.

O my God, I beseech You in Your name to put me in the position of those who are obedient to You



وَٱلْمَثْوَىٰ ٱلصَّالِحِ مِنْ مَرْضَاتِكَ

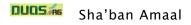
and in an honorable standing of Your pleasure,

for I, verily, have no power to rescue

or to benefit myself.

O my God, I am Your servant—the feeble and sinful—

and Your slave—the penitent.



فَلاَ تَجْعَلْني ممَّنْ صَرَفْتَ عَنْهُ وَجْهَكَ

So, (please) do not include me with those against whom You have turned Your face

or those whom are deprived of Your pardon because of their inattentiveness to You.

O my God, (please) grant me absolute devotion to You

and illuminate the sights of our hearts with the light of observing of You

so that the sights of the hearts will penetrate the Screens of Light

and arrive at the Core of Magnificence,

and that our souls hang to the Majesty of Your Holiness.

O my God, (please) make me of those who responded to You when You called at them,

those who were shocked for Your Majesty when You observed them

فَنَاجَيْتَهُ سرّاً وَعَملَ لَكَ جَهْراً

and You have thus taken into their confidence and they acted for You openly.

O my God, I have shaded neither despair nor gloom over my good idea about You

and I have never lost hope in Your excellent magnanimity.

O my God, if my sins have overthrown me in Your sight,

then please pardon me for my excellent trust in You.

O my God, if my wrongdoings have caused me to lose Your honorable kindness,

then my belief in You has called my attention to the generosity of Your sympathy.



إِلهِي إِنْ انَامَتْنِيَ ٱلْغَفْلَةُ عَنِ ٱلإِسْتِعْدَادِ لِلقَائِكَ لِلقَائِكَ

O my God, if my inadvertence has screened me against readying myself for meeting You,

then my recognition of the generosity of Your bounties has awakened me.

O my God, if Your grave chastisement has drawn me to Hellfire,

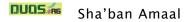


then Your opulent reward has drawn me to Paradise.

O my God, You alone do I pray and You alone do I implore and desire.

I beseech You to bless Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad

and to include me with those who always mention You,



who never breach their covenant to You,

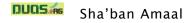
who never fail to thank You,

and who never belittle Your Affairs.

O my God, (please do) take in me with the most brilliant Light of Your Dignity

so that I will recognize You

and I will leave everybody else,



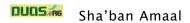
وَمِنْكَ خَائِفاً مُراقِباً

and that I will be fearful of and careful with You.

O Lord of Majesty and Honor!

May Allah send blessings to Muhammad, His Messenger, and upon his Household the Infallible,

and exalt them very much.



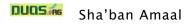
Salaah for Every Thursday Night in Sha'ban

It is recommended to offer a two unit prayer each Thursday in Sha`ban.

In each unit, it is recommended to recite Surah *al-Fatihah* once and repeat Surah *al-Tawhid* one hundred times.

After accomplishment, one should invoke God's blessings upon the Holy Prophet and his Household 100 times.

This rite achieves the granting of all worldly and religious needs.



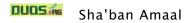
1st, 2nd and 3rd Sha'ban

On the Night of 1st Sha'ban recite a 12 unit prayer in each unit of which Surah *al-Fatihah* is recited once and Surah *al-Tawhid* repeated 11 times.

A great reward is gained from fasting on the first day of Sha`ban. Imam Ja`far al-Sadiq عليه السلام is reported as saying, "Paradise will be incumbently decided for one who observes fasting on the first day of Sha`ban."

Likewise, Sayyid Ibn Tawus has narrated on the authority of the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم that an abundant

reward will be conferred to one who observes fasting on three days in Sha`ban at the nights of which a 2 unit prayer is offered. In each unit of this prayer, one should recite Surah *al-Fatihah* once and Surah *al-Tawhid* 11 times.

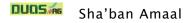


Dua for Day of 3rd Sha'ban

About this blessed day, Shaykh al-Tusi says in *Misawsbah al-Mutahajjid*: Imam al-Husain ibn `Ali عليه السلام was born on the third of Sha'ban. Abu'l-Qasim ibn 'Ala' al-Hamadani, the representative of Imam al-Hasan al-'Askari عليه السلام, received a document saying that our master, Imam al-Husain ibn `Ali عليه السلام, was born on the third of Sha'ban; therefore, you should observe fasting on this day and say the following supplicatory prayer:

<u>mp3</u>

اَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي اسْالُكَ بِحَقِّ الْمَوْلُودِ فِي هٰذَا



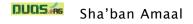
ٱلْيَوْمِ

O Allah, I beseech You in the name of the one born on this day,

the promised with martyrdom before the beginning of his lifetime and before his birth,

the heavens and all their inhabitants wept for him;

and so did the earth and those living one it



وَلَمَّا يَطَا لاَبِتَيْهَا

before his feet stepped on it,

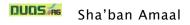
the mourned slain one,

the master of the Family (of Prophethood),

the one who shall be backed with victory on the Day of Return,

the one whom has been awarded the favor of the Imams' being from his offspring as recompense of his being slain,





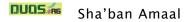
وَٱلشِّفَاءَ فِي تُرْبَتِهِ

the one awarded the favor of the soil of his grave carrying cure,

the one awarded the favor that he will be triumphing when he will be returned

and the Prophet's Successors from his offspring will be returned

after the advent of their Rising Imam and after his occultation



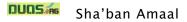
so that they shall take revenge,

retaliate,

please the Omnipotent Lord,

and be the best supporters.

May Allah's blessings be perpetually upon them whenever night and day succeed each other.



ٱللَّهُمَّ فَبِحَقِّهِمْ إِلَيْكَ اتَوسَّلُ

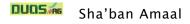
O Allah, I thus beg You in the name of them

and implore You with the imploration of a sinful one who confesses of his sin,

and who has done evil to himself

due to his violations—the past and the present.

He thus beseeches You for Your protection up to the place of his grave.



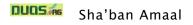
اَللَّهُمَّ فَصَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدِ وَعِتْرَتِهِ

O Allah, (please) send blessings to Muhammad and his Offspring,

include us with his group (on the Resurrection Day),

and allow us to dwell in the House of Honor with him

and in the abode of residence.



بِزُلْفَتِهِ

O Allah, as You have conferred upon us with the honor of our recognition of him, so (please) confer upon us with the honor of being near to him,

bestow upon us with the bliss of accompanying him and enjoying a close rank to him,

and include us with those who submit to him totally

and those who invoke Your blessings upon him whenever they mention him,

وَعَلَى جَمِيعِ اوْصِيَائِهِ وَاهْلِ اصْفِيَائِهِ

and upon all his Successors and Selected Ones,

ٱلْمَمْدُودِينَ مِنْكَ بِٱلْعَدَدِ ٱلإِثْنَيْ عَشَرَ

whom are defined by You as twelve persons,

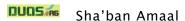
ٱلنُّجُومِ ٱلزُّهَرِ

being the luminous stars,

وَٱلْحُجَجِ عَلَىٰ جَمِيعِ ٱلْبَشَرِ

and the Arguments against all humankind.

ٱللَّهُمَّ وَهَبْ لَنَا فِي هٰذَا ٱلْيَوْمِ خَيْرَ مَوْهِبَةٍ



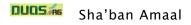
O Allah, and (please) grant us on this day the best of grants,

make all our prayers on this day responded,

just as You gifted al-Husain to Muhammad, his grandfather,

just as the angel Futrus sought refuge with his (i.e. al-Husain) cradle,

we are thus seeking refuge with his tomb after him (i.e. his martyrdom),

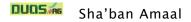


نَشْهَدُ تُرْبَتَهُ وَنَنْتَظِرُ اوْبَتَهُ

as we are witnessing the soil of him and expecting his return.

Respond to us, O Lord of the worlds.

After that, you may say *Du`a' al-Husain* (Supplicatory prayer of Imam al-Husain عليه السلام), which is the last supplicatory prayer he said when his enemies surrounded him in large numbers on the Day of `Ashura (the tenth of Muharram):



O Allah, You are verily the Elevated in position,

the Magnificent in omnipotence,

the Mighty in prowess,

the Self-Sufficient from the creatures,

the Ample in pride,

the Powerful over all that which You want,

قَرِيبُ ٱلرَّحْمَةِ

the Close in mercy,

صَادِقُ ٱلْوَعْدِ

the Truthful in promise,

سَابِغُ ٱلنَّعْمَةِ

the Opulent in favors,

حَسَنُ ٱلْبَلاء

the Sympathetic in ordeals,

قَرِيبٌ إِذَا دُعِيتَ

the Nigh when Your are prayed,

مُحِيطٌ بِمَا خَلَقْتَ

the All-encompassing of all that which You have created,

the Accepter of the repentance of him who repents to You,

the Powerful to do whatever You want,

the Taker in all that which You decide,

the Thankful for those who thank You,

and the Rememberer of those who mention You.

ادْعُوكَ مُحْتَاجاً

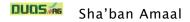
I pray You for I need You,

I desire for You for I am in want of You,

I resort to You for I am terrified,

I weep before You for I am distressed,

I seek Your aid for I am weak,



وَاتَوَكَّلُ عَلَيْكَ كَافياً

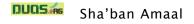
and I depend upon You for I trust in none save You.

(Please do) decide between our people and us with the truth,

for they have deceived us, cheated us,

disappointed us, betrayed us, and killed us.

We are the progeny of Your Prophet



وَوَلَدُ حَبِيبِكَ

and the sons of Your beloved one;

namely, Muhammad the son of `Abdullah,

whom You have chosen for the Divine Mission

and for keeping Your Revelation.

So, (please) prepare a way out and a relief for us,



بِرَحْمَتِكَ يَا ارْحَمَ ٱلرَّاحِمِينَ

out of Your mercy, O most Merciful of all those who show mercy!

Ziyarah of Imam Ali Zayn ul Abideen عليه السلام

السلام عليك يا سيد الساجدين

Peace be on you, O leader of Those who prostrate!

السلام عليك يا زين العابدين

Peace be on you, O prestige of Worshipping ones!

السلام عليك يا حليف الحسرات

Peace be on you, O participant Of unhappiness and sadness!

السلام عليك يا ذا الثفنات

Peace be on you, O the Imam, Who got sores on spots which Touched during Sajda!

السلام عليك يا صاحب العبرات

Peace be on you, O one who Wept and mourned!

السلام عليك يا أسير الكربات

Peace be on you, one who was Captive of hardships!

Peace be on you, O one from The great worshippers!

السلام عليك يا ابن خامس أهل الكساء أصحاب Peace be on you, O the son of The fifth of the people of the Cloak (Husayn)

السلام عليك يا ابن سيد الشهداء

Peace be on you, O son of the Leader of the martyrs!

السلام عليك يا عماد الأتقياء

Peace be on you, O support of Pious ones!

السلام عليك ورحمة الله وبركاته

Peace be on you, and Allah's Blessings and bounties on you!



Salaah for Night of 13th, 14th and 15th Sha'ban

It is recommended to offer a certain prayer on each of the White Nights (i.e. the thirteenth, fourteenth, and fifteenth nights of each Arabic month) in Rajab, Sha`ban, and Ramadan.

On the 13th Night, recite a 2 Raka' Salaah, in each unit after Sura Fatihah recite Sura Yasin, Sura Mulk and Sura Tawheed once each.

On the 14th Night recite a 4 Raka' and on the 15th Night recite a 6 Raka' Salaah with the same method as mentioned above.

Imam Ja`far al-Sadiq عليه السلام is reported

as saying, "Whoever offers these prayers, will be awarded the merits of these three months (namely, Rajab, Sha`ban, and Ramadan) and will have all his sins forgiven, except polytheism.



Merits of the Night of 15th Sha'ban

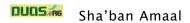
This night is extraordinarily honorable.

Imam Ja`far al-Sadiq عليه السلام has narrated that when Imam Muhammad al-Baqir عليه السلام was asked about the merits of the fifteenth night of Sha'ban, he answered, "It is the most favorable night after the Qadr Night. At this night, Almighty Allah bestows upon servants with His favors and grants them His pardon out of His conferral of benefits to them. Therefore, you should exert all efforts to seek nearness to Him at this night, because He—the Majestic and Honorable—has decided not to reject any asker as long as he does not ask for an act

of disobedience to Him. Almighty Allah has chosen this night for us, the Ahl al-Bayt, just as He has chosen the Qadr Night for our Prophet—peace be upon him and his Household. You should thus pray and thank Him diligently."

Imam `Ali ibn al-Husain Zayn al`Abidin عليه السلام used to spend this whole
night with acts of worship, prayers,
supplications, invocations, and
implorations for forgiveness.

A tradition confirm that as for one who spends this whole night with acts of worship, his heart will not die when other hearts die.



General Acts for the Night of 15th Sha'ban

It is highly recommended to bathe oneself at this night, for this act decreases the punishment for one's sins.

It is recommended to mention Almighty Allah by the following litany one hundred times so that one's past acts of disobedience to Him will be forgiven and one's worldly and religious needs will be granted:



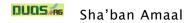
All glory be to Allah, all praise be to Allah, there is no god save Allah, and Allah is the Greatest.



Ziyarah of Imam Husain عليه السلام for Night of 15th Sha'ban

It is highly recommended to visit the tomb of Imam al-Husain عليه السلام. In fact, this is the most favorable act at this night. It also brings about forgiveness of one's sins. If you desire that 124,000 Prophets shake hands with you, you may visit the holy tomb of Imam al-Husain عليه السلام at this night. The least act of Ziyarah is to go up an elevated place, look to the right and the left, raise the head towards the heavens, and say these statements:

السَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ يَا ابَا عَبْدِ ٱللَّه



Peace be upon you, O Aba-`Abdullah!

Peace and Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you.

One who performs this form of Ziyarah is expected to win the reward of one Hajj and one `Umrah.

There are two forms of visiting the holy tomb of Imam al-Husain عليه السلام on the fifteenth of Sha`ban. The first form is the same as the one previously cited for the Ziyarah on the first of Rajab, and the second is as follows:

In his book of 'al-Balad al-Amin', Shaykh al-Kaf`amiy has reported Imam DUQ5 RE

al-Sadiq عليه السلام as saying that one may stop at the holy tomb of Imam al-Husain and say the following:

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All praise be to Allah; the Most High, the All-great.

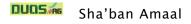
Peace be upon you; O the righteous, pure servant (of Allah).

I entrust with you a testimony of mine that takes me near you on the day of your intercession (for some people).

I bear witness that although you were slain, you have not died;

Rather the hearts of your adherents (Shi`ah) are living on the hope of your being alive;

And by the light of your illumination have those seeking you been guided (to the right path).



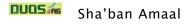
يُطْفَأُ أَبِداً،

And I bear witness that you are verily the Light of Allah that has not and shall never be extinguished.

And you are verily the Face of Allah that has not and shall never be perishing.

And I bear witness that this soil is yours,

And this holy precinct is yours.



وَهذا الْمَصْرَعَ مَصْرَعُ بَدَنكَ

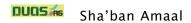
And this death is the death of your body only,

While you have never been humiliated since Allah is the One Who is pouring honor upon you

And you have never been defeated since Allah is the One Who is supporting you.

I would like you to keep this testimony of mine with you up to the day when my soul will be grasped in the presence of you.

Peace and Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you.



Salaah and Supplication after Isha Salaah

Shaykh al-Tusi, in *Misbah al-Mutahajjid*, has narrated a tradition about the merits of the night of mid-Sha`ban entailing that Abu-Yahya asked Imam Ja`far al-Sadiq about the best of supplicatory prayers to be said at this night. The Imam عليه السلام instructed him, saying:

After you accomplish the obligatory 'Isha' Prayer, you may offer a two unit prayer in the first unit of which you should recite Surah *al-Fatihah* and Surah *al-Kafirun* and in the second Surah *al-Fatihah* and Surah *al-Tawhid*.

When you accomplish the prayer, you may repeat (the phrase of) *subhanallah* thirty-three times, (the phrase of) *alhamdulillah* thirty-three times, and (the phrase of) *allahu-akbar* thirty-four times.

You may then say the following supplicatory prayer:

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O He to Whom the servants (of Him) resort in urgencies

and to Whom the creatures turn in ordeals!

O He Who knows the open and the hidden matters!

O He from Whom neither the ideas of illusions nor the initiatives of delusions can be concealed!

O Lord of creatures and beings!

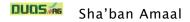
O He Who grasps the kingdoms of the earth and the heavens!

You are verily Allah; there is no god save You!

I thus try to connect with you in the name of 'There is no god save You;'

so, O He save Whom there is no god,

(please) include me at this night with those at whom You have looked and thus You have mercy upon them,

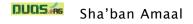


with those whose prayers have been heard by You and thus You have responded to them,

and with those whose true repentance has been admitted by You and thus You have accepted it

and overlooked their past sins and enormous offenses.

verily, I am seeking Your shelter against my sins



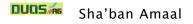
وَلَجَاتُ إِلَيْكَ فِي سَتْرِ عُيُوبِي

and resorting to You so that You may conceal my defects.

O Allah, (please) bestow generously upon me with Your generosity and Favor,

condone my misdeeds out of Your forbearance and pardon,

and encompass me, at this night, with Your opulent honoring,



أَجْتَبَيْتَهُمْ لِطَاعَتِكَ

and include me at this night with Your intimate servants whom You have selected for obeying You,

whom You have chosen for worshipping You,

and whom You have made Your elite and select people.

O Allah, (please) make me of those whose efforts are of a happy end



وَتَوَفَّرَ مِنَ ٱلْخَيْرَاتِ حَظُّهُ

and those whose shares of good things are big,

make me of those who enjoy blissful life as they have been safe (from sins),

and those who have been awarded excellently as they have won,

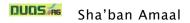
rescue me from the evil consequences of what I have committed,

save me from doing more acts of disobedience to You,

and make me love the acts of obedience to You and whatever draws me nearer to You and approaches me towards You.

O my Master, a fugitive resorts to none save You,

a needy begs none save You,



and only on Your generosity does a repentant and contrite depends.

You have disciplined Your servants by means of generosity, and You are verily the most Generous of all those who are generous.

You have instructed Your servants to pardon, and You are verily the All-forgiving, the All-merciful.



اَللَّهُمَّ فَلاَ تَحْرِمْنِي مَا رَجَوْتُ مِنْ كَرَمِكَ

O Allah, (please) do not deprive me of Your generosity for which I hope,

do not make me despair of Your opulent bounties,

do not disappoint me of Your abundant sustenance that You decide, this night, for those who are obedient to You,



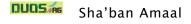
and include me with Your protection against Your evil creatures.

O my Lord, if I do not deserve so,

then You are worth acting generously to me, pardoning, and forgiving me.

(Please) bestow upon me magnanimously according to that which befits You, not according to what I deserve.

Verily, I carry an excellent opinion about You,



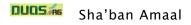
وَتَحَقَّقَ رَجَائي لَكَ

I do hope for You,

and my self is hanged to the rope of Your generosity,

for You are verily the most Merciful of all those who show mercy

and the most Generous of all those who are generous.



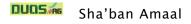
قسَمك

O Allah, (please) confer upon me exclusively with an abundant share of what You decide, out of Your generosity.

I seek refuge with Your pardon against Your chastisement.

(Please) forgive me the sin that prevents me from enjoying high morals

and suppresses my sustenance,



حَتَّىٰ اقُومَ بِصَالِحِ رِضَاكَ

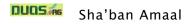
so that I will accomplish what excellently achieves Your satisfaction,

I will enjoy Your profuse granting,

and I will be delighted by Your abundant bounties.

I am having recourse to Your sanctity,

asking for Your generosity,



وَٱسْتَعَذْتُ بِعَفْوِكَ مِنْ عُقُوبَتِكَ

and taking shelter in Your pardon against Your punishment

and in Your forbearance against Your ire.

So, (please) bestow upon me generously with that which I have asked from You

and confer upon me with that which I have begged from You.

I beseech You in Your name, since there is

nothing great that You are.

You may prostrate yourself and repeat the following supplicatory phrase twenty times:

And then repeat the following phrase seven times:

And then repeat the following phrase seven times:



And then repeat the following phrase ten times:

Only that
which Allah
wants (will

come to
pass).

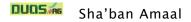
And then repeat the following phrase ten times:

There is no الْأَقُوةَ إِلاَّ power save with Allah.

You may then invoke Almighty Allah's blessings upon the Holy Prophet and beseech Him to grant your requests.

The Imam عليه السلام then said; By Allah I

swear, even if you pray for things that are as many as raindrops, Almighty Allah, out of His generosity and favors, will grant them all.



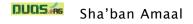
Dua which stands as a form of Ziyarah for the

عجل الله تعالى فرجه الشريف 12th Imam

It is recommended to say the following supplicatory prayer, which stands for a form of Ziyarah for Imam al-Mahdi عليه السلام. This supplicatory prayer has been mentioned by both Sayyid Ibn Tawus and Shaykh al-Tusi:

<u>mp3</u>

O Allah, I beseech You in the name of this night, in the name of him whom was born at it,



وَحُجَّتكَ وَمَوْعُودِهَا

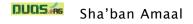
in the name of Your Argument, and in the name of Your promise in it;

the night that You have added a new merit to its many merits.

So, Your Word has been accomplished truly and fairly.

No one can change Your words

or obscure Your signs.



نُورُكَ ٱلْمُتَالِّقُ

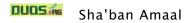
(He is) Your glowing Light,

Your bring splendor,

the luminous sign in the obscurity of darkness,

the absent, and the concealed.

Lofty is his birth and noble is his lineage.



The angels are his witnesses

and Allah is his Supporter and Backer

when his time comes and the angels shall be his sponsors.

He shall act as the sword of Allah that shall never miss the target,

His light that shall never be extinguished,



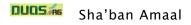
and the forbearing person who shall never deviate the truth.

He is the motive and reason of the course of events,

the one for whom the laws of ages have been made,

and one of the men in authority

who receive that which is revealed on the Grand Night,



وَاصْحَابُ ٱلْحَشْرِ وَٱلنَّشْرِ

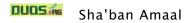
and the managers of the Resurrection and the Account.

They are the interpreters of His revelations

and in charge of what is deemed lawful and what is deemed unlawful by Him.

O Allah, send blessings to their seal and their Riser

whom is hidden from their world.



ٱللَّهُمَّ وَادْرِكْ بِنَا ايَّامَهُ

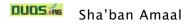
O Allah, (please) make us causes for the coming of him

and causes for his advent and reappearance.

(Please) include us with his supporters,

join our vengeance to his vengeance,

and decide us to be among his assistants and elite ones.



وَاحْيِنَا فِي دَوْلَتِهِ نَاعِمِينَ

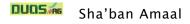
Make us live in bliss in his reign,

win the ecstasy of his companionship,

among those who carry out our duty toward him,

and save us from evil.

O most Merciful of all those who show mercy!



وَٱلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ ٱلْعَالَمِينَ

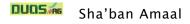
All praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds.

His blessings be upon our master, Muhammad,

the seal of the Prophets and the Messengers,

upon his Household the veracious,

and upon his offspring, the spokespersons of the truth.



وَٱلْعَنْ جَمِيعَ ٱلظَّالِمِينَ

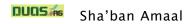
Curse all the wrongdoers

وَأَحْكُمْ بَيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَهُمْ

and judge between them and us.

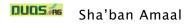
يًا احْكُم ٱلْحَاكِمِينَ

O Most Just of all



Ziyarah Istegatha of Imam Zaman عجل الله تعالى فرجه الشريف

In his book of al-Kalim al-Tayyib, Sayyid 'Ali Khan says, "The following is a form of seeking aid from The Argument of Allah and the Patron of the Age (Imam al-Mahdi) عليه السلام: Wherever you are, you may offer a two-unit prayer, reading Surah al-Fatihah and any other one in each unit. Yet, it is advisable to read Surah al-Fath (No. 48) in the first unit and Surah al-Nasr (No. 110) in the second. You may then stand up, facing the kiblah direction under the sky and then say the following:



سَلاَمُ ٱللَّهِ ٱلْكَامِلُ ٱلتَّامُّ

Peace of Allah—perfect, complete,

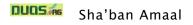
comprehensive, and thorough;

and His endless benedictions

and His everlasting, perfect blessings

be upon the Argument of Allah,

His representative in His lands and realm,



وَخَليفَته عَلَىٰ خَلْقه وَعبَاده

His viceroy among His creatures and servants,

وَسُلالَةِ ٱلنُّبُوَّةِ

the offspring of Prophethood,

وَبَقِيَّةِ ٱلْعِتْرَةِ وَٱلصَّفْوَةِ

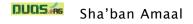
the completion of the (Holy) Progeny and the Choice Ones,

صَاحِبِ ٱلزَّمَانِ

the Patron of the Age,

وَمُظْهِرِ ٱلإِيـمَانِ

the demonstrator of the (true) faith,



وَمُلَقِّنِ احْكَامِ ٱلْقُرْآنِ

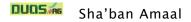
the teacher of the laws of the Qur'an,

the purger of the earth,

the spreader of justice all over the earth,

the Argument (al-Hujjah), the Riser (al-Qa'im), the Well-guided (al-Mahdi),

the Leader, the Awaited, the Pleased,



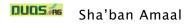
the descendant of the Infallible Imams,

the Successor, the son of the Pleased Successors (of the Prophets),

the Guide, the Immaculate,

and the son of the Imams—the guides and immaculate.

Peace be upon you, O grantor of dignity to the oppressed and faithful ones.



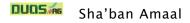
السَّلامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا مُذِلَّ ٱلْكَافِرِينَ ٱلْمُتَكَبِّرِينَ ٱلظَّالِمِينَ ٱلْمُتَكَبِّرِينَ ٱلظَّالِمِينَ

Peace be upon you, O humiliator of the arrogant and oppressing unbelievers.

Peace be upon you, O my master, the Patron of the Age.

Peace be upon you, O son of Allah's Messenger.

Peace be upon you, O son of the Commander of the Believers.



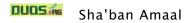
السّلامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بْنَ فَاطَمَةَ ٱلزَّهْرَاء

Peace be upon you, O son of Fatimah the Luminous

and the Doyenne of the women of the world.

Peace be upon you, O son of the Imams—the arguments (of Allah) and Immaculate

and the leader of all creatures.



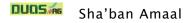
Peace be upon you, O my master

addressed by him who is loyal to your (divinely commissioned) leadership.

I bear witness that you are the well-guided Imam in word and deed,

it is you who shall fill the earth with justice and impartiality

after it will be filled with wrong and partiality.



فَعَجَّلَ ٱللَّهُ فَرَجَكَ

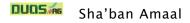
So, may Allah hasten your reappearance,

make easy your advent,

make nearer the time of your coming,

increase the number of your supporters and backers,

and fulfill for you all that which He has promised you.



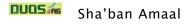
فَهُوَ اصْدَقُ ٱلْقَائلينَ:

He is surely the most truthful of all those who can speak (and He has said):

"We desired to bestow a favor upon those who were deemed weak in the land,

make them the Imams, and make them the heirs."

O my master! O Patron of the Age!



يَا بْنَ رَسُولِ ٱللَّهِ

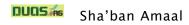
O son of Allah's Messenger!

My request is...

Mention your need and then go on saying:

So, intercede for me so that it will be settled,

for I am turning my face towards you for settling my request,



لِعِلْمِي انَّ لَكَ عِنْدَ ٱللَّهِ شَفَاعَةً مَقْبُولَةً

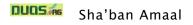
since I know for sure that you enjoy with Allah admissible word of intercession,

وَمَقَاماً مَحْمُوداً

and praiseworthy standing.

So, I ask you in the name of Him Who granted you (i.e. the Ahl al-Bayt) exclusively the right of representing Him,

and admitted you all to keep His secrets,



وَبَيْنَهُ

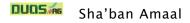
and I ask you in the name of the standing that you exclusively enjoy with Allah,

to ask Allah, the Exalted, to render successful my request,

to answer my prayer,

and to relieve my grief.

You may then ask for whatever you want, and it will be settled for you, by Allah's permission.



Ziyarah Aale Yasin

<u>mp3</u>

Peace be upon the Household of Yasin.

Peace be upon you, O caller to Allah and interpreter of His Verses.

Peace be upon you, O door to Allah and applier of His religion.

Peace be upon you, O viceroy of Allah and backer of His right.

اَلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ يَا حُجَّةَ اللَّهِ وَدَلِيلَ إِرَادَتِهِ

Peace be upon you, O Argument of Allah and sign of His volition.

Peace be upon you, O reciter of the Book of Allah and its interpreter.

Peace be upon you at the hours of Your night and the two ends of Your day.

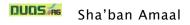
Peace be upon you, O herald of Allah on His lands.

Peace be upon you, O covenant of Allah that He has made and confirmed.

Peace be upon you, O Promise of Allah that He has assured.

Peace be upon you, O appointed pennon,

poured knowledge,



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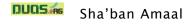
aid, and expansive mercy.

This is verily a promise that shall never be belied.

Peace be upon you whenever you rise (to undertake the mission).

Peace be upon you whenever you sit.

Peace be upon you whenever you recite and elucidate.



ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ حِينَ تُصَلِّى وَتَقْنُتُ

Peace be upon you whenever you offer prayer and supplicate.

Peace be upon you whenever you genuflect and prostrate (yourself for Allah).

Peace be upon you whenever you profess Allah's Godhead and profess His All-greatness.

Peace be upon you whenever you praise Allah and implore for His forgiveness.



ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ حِينَ تُصْبِحُ وَتُمْسِي

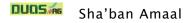
Peace be upon you whenever you begin and end your day.

Peace be upon you in the night when it draws a veil

and the day when it shines in brightness.

Peace be upon you, O entrusted leader.

Peace be upon you, O favored and expected.



اَلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ بِجَوامِعِ ٱلسَّلاَمِ

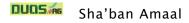
Peace be upon you to the ultimate meaning of peace.

I solicit you, O my master,

to testify to me that I bear witness that there is no god but Allah;

One and Only Lord and having no associate,

and that Muhammad is His servant and messenger.



لاَ حَبِيبَ إِلاَّ هُوَ وَأَهْلُهُ

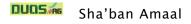
There is no one more beloved by Allah than him and his household.

And I solicit you, O my master, to testify to me that I bear witness

that `Ali the Commander of the Faithful is His argument,

al-Hasan is His argument,

al-Husainis His argument,



وَعَلِيَّ بْنَ ٱلْحُسَيْنِ حُجَّتُهُ

`Ali the son of al-Husainis His argument,

Muhammad the son of `Ali is His argument,

Ja`far the son of Muhammad is His argument,

Musa the son of Ja`far is His argument,

`Ali the son of Musa is His argument,



Muhammad the son of `Ali is His argument,

`Ali the son of Muhammad is His argument,

and al-Hasan the son of `Ali is His argument.

I also bear witness that you are verily the argument of Allah.

You all are the first and the last.



And (I bear witness) that your (promised)
Return is undoubtedly true

"On the day when its belief avails not a soul

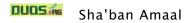
which theretofore believed not,

nor in its belief earned good by works,"

death is true,

and Nakir and Nakir are true.





وَائَشْهَدُ ائَ ٱلنَّشْرَ حَقُّ

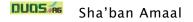
And I bear witness that the Raising for death is true,

the Resurrection is true,

the Discriminating Bridge is true,

the Watchtower is true,

the Balance (of deeds) is true,



the Gathering is true,

the Reckoning is true,

Paradise and Hell are true,

and the promise of Paradise and the threat with Hell are true.

O My master! Certainly wretched is he who opposes you

and certainly happy is he who obeys you.



فَأَشْهَدْ عَلَىٰ مَا أَشْهَدْتُكَ عَلَيْه

So, testify to me all that which I have besought you to testify.

I am verily an ally of you

and denouncing your enemy.

The truth is only that which you accept,

the wrong is only that which you disallow,



the good is only that which you enjoin,

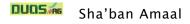
and the evil is only that which you forbid.

My soul is thus believing in Allah;

One and Only Lord and having no associate,

and also in His Messenger, in the Commander of the Faithful,

and in you all, O my master, from the beginning to the end.



وَنُصْرَتِي مُعَدَّةٌ لَكُمْ

I have prepared myself to back you

and my love is sincerely dedicated to you.

آمِينَ آمِينَ

Respond! Respond!



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عريضه به خدمت حضرت بقية الله الاعظم امام زمان (عجل الله تعالى نرجه)



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كَتَبْتُ يا مَوْلايَ صَلَواتُ اللهِ عَلَيْكَ مُسْتَغِيثاً، وَشَكُوْتُ ما نَرَلَ بِي مُسْتَجِيراً بِاللهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ، ثُمَّ بِكَ مِنْ أَمْرٍ قَدْ دَهَمَنِي وَأَشْغَلَ قَلْبِي وَأَشْغَلَ قَلْبِي وَأَشْغَلَ قَلْبِي وَأَشْغَلَ قَلْبِي وَأَشْغَلَ قَلْبِي وَأَشْعَلَ قَلْبِي وَأَشْعَلَ قَلْبِي وَأَشْعَلَ قَلْبِي وَأَشْعَلَ قَلْبِي وَعَلَيْنِي عِنْدَ تَرَآئِي إِقْبالِهِ إِلَيَّ الحَمِيمُ، وَعَجَزَتْ عَنْ دِفاعِهِ حِيلَتِي وَخانَنِي فِي تَحَمُّلِهِ وَرُودِهِ الْخَلِيلُ، وَتَبَرَّةَ مِنِّي عِنْدَ تَرَآئِي إِقْبالِهِ إِلَيْ الحَمِيمُ، وَعَجَزَتْ عَنْ دِفاعِهِ حِيلَتِي وَخانَنِي فِي تَحَمُّلِهِ صَبْرِي وَقُوتِي، فَلَجَأْتُ فِيهِ إِلَيْكَ وَتَوكَّلْتُ فِي الْمَسْتَلَةِ شِهِ جَلَّ ثَنَاؤَهُ عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَيْكَ فِي دِفاعِهِ عَنِي عِلْما مَثْرِي وَقُوتِي، فَلَجَأْتُ فِيهِ إِلَيْكَ وَتَوكَّلْتُ فِي الْمُسْتَلَةِ شِهِ جَلَّ ثَنَاؤَهُ عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَيْكَ فِي دِفاعِهِ عَنِي عِلْما وَمَالِكِ الْأَمُورِ، واثِقاً بِكَ فِي الْمُسازَعَةِ فِي الشَّفاعَةِ إِلَيْهِ جَلَّ بَتَكُونِ طَيِّي بِمَكَائِكَ مِنَ اللهِ رَبِّ الْعالَمِينَ، وَلِيّ التَّدبِيرِ وَمالِكِ الْأَمُورِ، واثِقاً بِكَ فِي الْمُسازَعَةِ فِي الشَّفاعَةِ إِلَيْهِ جَلَّ ثَنَاؤُهُ فِي أَمْرِي، مُتَيَقِنَا لإِجابَتِهِ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعالَىٰ إِيّاكَ بِإِعْطَآءِ سُوْلِي، وَأَنْتَ يا مَوْلايَ! جَدِيرٌ بِتَحْقِيقِ طَيِّي وَتَصْدِيقِ أَمْلِي فِيكَ فِي أَمْرِكَ أَوْكَذَا (به جاى كذا وكذا حاجات حود را بنويسد)

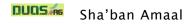
فِيما لا طاقة لِي بِحَمْلِهِ وَلا صَبْرَ لِي عَلَيْهِ، وَإِنْ كُنْتُ مُسْتَحِقّاً لَهُ وَلِأَضْعافِهِ بِقَبِيحِ أَفْعالِي وَتَسَفْرِيطِي فِسي الْواجِباتِ الَّتِي شِهْ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ، فَأَغِنْنِي يا مَوْلايَ صَلَواتُ اللهِ عَلَيْكَ عِنْدَ اللَّهْفِ، وَقَدِّمِ الْمَسْتَلَةَ شِهْ عَزَّ وَجلَّ فِي أَمْرى قَبْلَ خُلُول التَّلَفِ وَشَمَاتَةِ الْأَعْدآءِ، فَبِكَ بَسَطَتِ النِّعْمَةُ عَلَيَّ، وَاسْأَلِ اللهَ جَلَّ جَلالُهُ لِي نَصْراً عَزيزاً

وَفَتْحاً قَرِيباً فِيهِ بُلُوعُ الآمالِ، وَخَيْرُ الْمَبادِي، وَخَواتِيمُ الْأَعْمالِ، وَالْأَمْنُ مِنَ الْمَخاوِفِ كُلِّها فِي كُلِّ حالٍ. إِنَّهُ جَلَّ ثَناوَهُ لِما يَشاءً فَعَالُ، وَهُوَ حَسْبِي وَنِعْمَ الْوَكِيلُ فِي الْمَبْدَءِ وَالْمَآلِ.

آنگاه كنار نهر آب يا چاه بايسند و يكى از نايبان حضرت (عثمان بن سعيد عمروى، محمّد بن عثمان عمروى، حسين بن روح نوبختى، على بن محمّد سمرى) را در نظر آورده و صدا نمايد و بگويد: سَلامُ عَلَيْكَ! أَشْهَدُ أَنَّ وَفَاتَكَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللهِ، وَأَنَّكَ حَيُّ عِنْدَ اللهِ تَعالَىٰ مَرْزُوقَ، وَقَدْ خَاطَبْتُكَ فِي حَياتِكَ الَّتِي لَكَ عِسْدَ اللهِ عَسَّ وَفَاتَكَ فِي حَياتِكَ الَّتِي لَكَ عِسْدَ اللهِ عَـرُّ وَعَدْ خَاطَبْتُكَ فِي حَياتِكَ الَّتِي لَكَ عِسْدَ اللهِ عَـرُّ وَعَدْ خَاطَبْتُكَ فِي حَياتِكَ الَّتِي لَكَ عِسْدَ اللهِ عَـرُّ وَقَدْ خَاطَبْتُكَ فِي حَياتِكَ الْتِي لَكَ عِسْدَ اللهِ عَـرُّ وَعَلَىٰ مَوْلانا عَلَيْهِ السَّلامُ، فَسَلِّمْها إلَيْه، فَأَنْتَ الثِّقَةُ الأَمِينُ.

سپس نوشته (عریضه) را در نهر یا چاه اندازد، ان شاء الله حاجات او برآورده خواهد شد.

نجم الثاقب، جاب انتشارات مسجد مقدّس جمكران، ص ٧٨٩.



Translation of Ariza

I have written to you O my master, may His mercy and blessing be on you, seeking a favour from you.

I have complained to you for what has happened to me seeking solutions firstly from Allah and then from you for a matter that has obsessed me.

I am helpless in combating the problem and for that I have resorted to seeking help from Allah and from you. Knowing the status you have with Allah.

I am confident that you will help me get the solutions to my problems swiftly and that you will intercede on my behalf. I am helpless and moreover I am sinful: so help O master and present this problem to Allah and I pray to Him that He will solve this quickly and grant me victory and success in finding the solution to my problems.

I am not able to carry or bear with it.

Although I am responsible for the increase of my sins and ignorant about my responsibilities (Wajibaats) from Allah which are given to me.

So help me O my master. Peace be upon you during this time of problems and sorrow.

Present my prayers to Allah before I compensate and before my enemies

engulf me, for you have shown me your blessings.

So I pray to Allah for great salvation and near victory with calmness from all fears, for Allah is most high and does what he wants. Allah is sufficient for me from beginning and in my hopes.

Whatever Allah wish there is neither strength nor any power except in Allah the High, the Great.

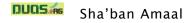
Dua Kumail

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In the Name of Allah, the All-merciful, the All-compassionate

O Allah, I ask You by Your mercy, which embraces all things;

And by Your strength, through which You dominatest all things,



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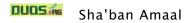
And toward which all things are humble

And before which all things are lowly;

And by Your invincibility through which You overwhelmest all things,

And by Your might, which nothing can resist;

And by Your tremendousness, which has filled all things;



وَبِسُلْطَانِكَ الَّذِي عَلاَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ

by Your force, which towers over all things;

And by Your face, which subsists after the annihilation of all things,

And by Your Names, which have filled the foundations of all things;

And by Your knowledge, which encompasses all things;

And by the light of Your face, through which all things are illumined!

O Light! O All-holy!

O First of those who are first

And O Last of those who are last!

O Allah, forgive me those sins which tear apart safeguards!

O Allah, forgive me those sins which draw down adversities!

O Allah, forgive me those sins which alter blessings!

O Allah forgive me those sins which hold back supplication!

O Allah forgive me those sins which cut down the hopes!





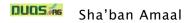
اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِي الذُّنُوبَ الَّتِي تُنْزِلُ البَلاءَ

O Allah, forgive me those sins which draw down tribulation!

O Allah, forgive me every sin I have committed and every mistake I have made!

O Allah, verily I seek nearness to You through remembrance of You,

And I seek intercession from You with Yourself,



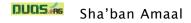
وَأُسْأَلُكَ بِجُودِكَ أَن تُدْنِينِي مِن قُرْبِكَ

And I ask You through Your munificence to bring me near to Your proximity,

And to provide me with gratitude toward You

And to inspire me with Your remembrance.

O Allah, verily I ask You with the asking of a submissive, abased and lowly man to show me forbearance, to have mercy on me



وَتَجْعلَنِي بِقَسَمِكَ رَاضِياً قَانِعاً، وَفِي جَمِيعِ الأَحْوَالِ مُتَوَاضِعاً جَمِيعِ الأَحْوَالِ مُتَوَاضِعاً

And to make me satisfied and content with Your appointment and [make me] humble in every state.

O Allah, I ask You the question of one whose indigence is extreme,

And who has stated to You in difficulties his need



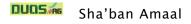
And whose desire for what is with You has become great.

O Allah, Your force is tremendous, Your place is lofty,

And Your deception is hidden, Your command is manifest,

And Your domination is overwhelming, Your power is unhindered

And escape from Your governance is impossible.



اللَّهُمَّ لا أُجِدُ لِذُنُوبِي غَافِراً

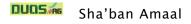
O Allah, I find no forgiver of my sins,

Nor concealer of my ugly acts

Nor transformer of any of my ugly acts into good acts but You

There is no god but You!

Glory be to You, and Thine is the praise!



ظَلَمْتُ نَفْسِي

I have wronged myself,

And I have been audacious in my ignorance

And I have depended upon Your ancient remembrance of me and Your favour toward me.

O Allah! O my Protector!

How many ugly things You hast concealed!

How many burdensome tribulations You hast abolished!

And how many stumbles You hast prevented!

And how many ordeals You hast repelled!

And how much beautiful praise, for which I was unworthy, You hast spread abroad!

O Allah, my tribulation is tremendous,

And my bad state is excessive,

And my acts are inadequate,

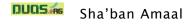
And my fetters have tied me down,

And my far-fetched hopes have held me back from my gain

And this world with its delusions, my own soul with its offences and my delay have deceived me.

O my Master! So I ask You by Your might not to let my evil works and acts veil my supplication from You,

And not to disgrace me through the hidden things You knowest of my secrets



خَلُواتِي

And not to hasten me to punishment for what I have done in private:

My evil acts in secrecy and my misdeeds

And my continuous negligence and my ignorance

And my manifold passions and my forgetfulness.

رَؤُوفاً

And by Your might, O Allah, be kind to me in all states

And be gracious to me in all affairs!

My God and my Lord! Have I any but You from whom to ask removal of my affliction and regard for my affairs!

My God and my Protector! You put into effect through me a decree in which I followed the caprice of my own soul

And [I] did not remain wary of adorning my enemy.

So he deluded me through my soul's caprice and therein destiny favoured him

So, in what was put into effect through me in that situation, I transgressed some of Your statutes

And disobeyed some of Your commands.

So Thine is the argument against me in all of that

I have no argument in what Your destiny put into effect through me therein

nor in what Your decree and Your tribulation imposed upon me.

Now I have come to You, My God, after my shortcoming and my immoderation toward myself,

مُعْتَذِراً نَّادِماً،

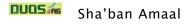
Proffering my excuse, regretful,

مُّنْكَسِراً مُّسْتَقِيلاً

Broken, apologizing,

مُّسْتَغْفِراً مُّنِيباً،

Asking forgiveness, repenting,



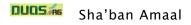
مُّقِراً مُّذْعِناً مُّعْتَرِفاً

Acknowledging, submissive, confessing.

I find no place to flee from what occurred through me,

Nor any place of escape to which I may turn in my affairs,

Other than Your acceptance of my excuse and Your entering me into the compass of Your mercy.



اللَّهُمَّ فَاقْبَلِ عُذْرِي

O Allah, so accept my excuse,

Have mercy upon the severity of my affliction

And release me from the tightness of my fetters,

My Lord, have mercy upon the weakness of my body, the thinness of my skin and the frailty of my bones.

يَا مَنْ بَدَأُ خَلْقِي وَذِكْرِي وَتَرْبِيَتِي وَبِرِّي وَتَغْذِيَتِي

O You who gave rise to my creation, to the remembrance of me, to the nurture of me, to goodness toward me and to nourishment on me,

Bestow upon me for the sake of Your having given rise [to me] with generosity and Your previous goodness to me!

O Allah, my Master and my Lord!

Canst You see Yourself tormenting me with Your fire after I have professed Your Unity

And after the knowledge of You my heart has embraced,

And the remembrance of You my tongue has constantly mentioned

And the love of You to which my mind has clung,



And after the sincerity of my confession and my supplication, humble before Your lordship?

Far be it from You! You art more generous than that You shouldst squander him whom You hast nurtured,

Or banish him whom You hast brought nigh,

Or drive away him whom You hast given an abode



أُوْ تُسْلِّمَ إِلَىَ الْبِلاءِ مَن كَفَيْتَهُ وَرَحِمْتَهُ

Or submit to tribulation him whom You hast spared and shown mercy.

Would that I knew, my Master, My God and my Protector,

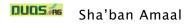
Whether You wilt give the Fire dominion over faces fallen down prostrate before Your Tremendousness,

وَّبِشُكْرِكَ مَادِحَةً

And over tongues voicing sincerely the profession of Your Unity and giving thanks to You in praise,

And over hearts acknowledging Your Divinity through verification,

And over minds encompassing knowledge of You until they have become humble

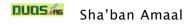


بِاسْتِغْفَارِكَ مُذْعِنَةً طَائِعَةً وَّأُشَارَتْ

And over bodily members speeding to the places of Your worship in obedience and beckoning for Your forgiveness in submission.

No such opinion is held of You! Nor has such been reported - thanks to Your bounty — concerning You,

O All-generous! My Lord,



الدُّنْيَا وَعُقُوبَاتِهَا،

And You knowest my weakness before a little of this world's tribulations and punishments,

And before those ordeals which befall its inhabitants,

Even though it is a tribulation and ordeal whose stay is short, whose subsistence is but little and, whose period is but fleeting.

وُقُوعِ الْمَكَارِهِ فِيهَا!

So how can I endure the tribulations of the next world and the great ordeals that occur within it?

For it is a tribulation whose period is long, whose station endures and whose sufferers are given no respite,

Since it only occurs as a result of Your wrath, Your vengeance and Your anger,



وَهَذَا مَا لا تَقُومُ لَهُ السَّمَاوَاتُ وَالأَرْضُ

And these cannot be withstood by the heavens and the earth.

O Master, so what about me?!

For I am Your weak, lowly, base, wretched and miserable slave.

My God! My Lord! My Master! My Protector!



لأيِّ الأُمُورِ إِلَيْكَ أَشْكُو

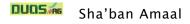
For which things would I complain to You?

And for which of them would I lament and weep?

For the pain and severity of chastisement?

Or for the length and period of tribulation?

So if You takest me to the punishments with Your enemies,



وَجَمَعْتَ بَيْنِي وَبَيْنَ أَهْلِ بَلائِكَ

And gatherest me with the people of Your tribulation

And separatest me from Your friends and saints,

Then suppose, My God, my Master, my Protector and my Lord that I am able to endure Your chastisement,

How can I endure separation from You?



وَهَبْني صَبَرْتُ عَلَى حَرِّ نَارِكَ،

And suppose that I am able to endure the heat of Your fire,

How can I endure not gazing upon Your generosity?

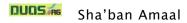
Or how can I dwell in the Fire while my hope is Your pardon?

So by Your might, my Master and my protector, I swear sincerely, if You leavest me with speech,

I will lament to You from the midst of the Fire's inhabitants with lamentation of the hopeful;

I will cry to You with the cry of those crying for help;

I will weep to You with the weeping of the bereft;



And I will call to You, Where art You, O Sponsor of the believers,

يًا غَايَةً آمَالِ العَارِفِينَ

O Goal of the hopes of Your knowers,

O Aid of those who seek assistance,

O Friend of the hearts of the sincere

And O God of all the world's inhabitants!

Canst You see Yourself — Glory be to You My God, and Thine is the praised — hearing within the Fire the voice of a slave surrendered to You,

Imprisoned there because of his violations,

Tasting the favour of its torment because of his disobedience,

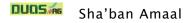
And confined within its levels because of his sin and crime,

While he laments to You with the lament of one hopeful for Your mercy,

And calls to You with the tongue of those who profess Your Unity

And entreats You by Your lordship!

My Protector, so how should he remain in the chastisement, while he has hope for Your previous clemency?

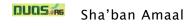


وَرَحْمَتَكَ

Or how should the Fire cause him pain while he expects Your bounty and mercy?

Or how should its flames burn him, while You hearest his voice and seest his place?

Or how should its groaning encompass him, while You knowest his weakness?



صدْقَهُ

Or how should he be convulsed among its levels, while You knowest his sincerity?

Or how should its keepers torture him while he calls out to You, O Lord?

Or how should he have hope of Your bounty in freeing him from it, while You abandonest him within it?

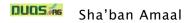
هَيهَاتَ مَا ذَلِكَ الظَّنُّ بِكَ

Far be it from You! That is not what is expected of You,

وَلا الْمَعْرُوفُ مِن فَضْلِكَ

Nor what is well-known of Your bounty,

Nor it is similar to the goodness and kindness You hast shown to those who profess Your Unity.

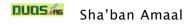


So I declare with certainty that were it not for what You hast decreed concerning the chastisement of Your deniers

And what You hast foreordained concerning the everlasting home of those who stubbornly resist,

You wouldst make the Fire, all of it, coolness and safety,

And no one would have a place of rest or abode within it.



تَمْلاًهَا مِنَ الْكَافِرِينَ،

But You—holy are Your Names—hast sworn that You wilt fill it with the unbelievers,

مِنَ الْجِنَّةِ وَالنَّاسِ أَجْمَعِينَ

Both Jinn and men together,

وَأَن تُخَلِّدَ فِيهَا الْمُعَانِدِينَ

And that You wilt place those who stubbornly resist therein forever.

وَأُنتَ جَلَّ ثَنَاؤُكَ قُلْتَ مُبْتَدَئاً، وَّتَطَوَّلْتَ بِالإِنْعَامِ مُتَكَرِّماً: And You—majestic is Your eulogy—said at the beginning and wernt gracious through kindness as a favour,

(What? Is he who has been believer like unto him who has been ungodly? They are not equal)

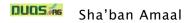
My God and my Master! So I ask You by the power You hast apportioned

And by the decision which You hast determined and imposed and through which You hast overcome him toward whom it has been put into effect,

That You forgivest me in this night and at this hour

Every offence I have committed,

And every sin I have performed,



And every ugly thing I have concealed

And every folly I have enacted

Whether I have hidden or announced it,

Or I have concealed it or manifested it

And every evil act which You hast commanded the Noble Writers to record,

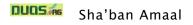
Those whom You hast appointed to watch over what appears from me

And whom You hast made, along with my bodily members, witness against me.

And You wast Yourself the Watcher over me from behind them,

And the Witness of what is hidden from them

But through Your mercy You concealed it



وَبِفَضْلِكَ سَتَرْتَهُ

And through Your bounty You veiled it.

[And I ask You] that You bestowest upon me an abundant share of every good You sendest down,

Or kindness You conferrest,

Or goodness You unfoldest,

Or provision You spreadest out,

أُوْ ذَنْبِ تَغْفِرُهُ

Or sin You forgivest,

أوْ خَطَأ تَسْتُرُهُ

Or error You coverest.

يَا رَبِّ يَا رَبِّ يَا رَبِّ

My Lord! My Lord! My Lord!

يَا إِلَهِي وَسَيِّدِي وَمَوْلاي وَمَالِكَ رِقِّي

My God! My Master! My Protector! Owner of my bondage!

يًا مَنْ بِيَدِهِ نَاصِيَتِي

O He in whose hand is my forelock!

يًا عَلِيماً بِضُرِّي وَمَسْكَنَتِي

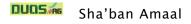
O He who knows my affliction and my misery!

O He who is aware of my poverty and indigence!

My Lord! My Lord! My Lord!

I ask You by Your Truth and Your Holiness

And the greatest of Your Attributes and Names,



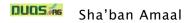
بِذِكْرِكَ مَعْمُورَةً،

That You makest my times in the night and the day inhabited by Your remembrance,

And joined to Your service

And my works acceptable to You,

So that my works and my litanies may all be a single litany



And my occupation with Your service everlasting.

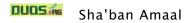
My Master! O He upon whom I depend!

O He to whom I complain about my states!

My Lord! My Lord! My Lord!

Strengthen my bodily members in Your service,

And fortify my ribs in determination



وَهَبْ لِي الْجِدَّ فِي خَشْيَتِكَ

And bestow upon me earnestness in my fear of You

And continuity in my being joined to Your service

So that I may move easily toward You in the battlefields of the foremost

And hurry to You among the prominent

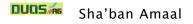
And desire fervently Your proximity among the fervently desirous

And move nearer to You with the nearness of the sincere

And fear You with the fear of those who have certitude

And gather with the believers in Your vicinity.

O Allah, whoever desires evil for me, desire [it] for him!



وَمَن كَادَنِي فَكِدْهُ

whoever deceives me-deceive him!

And make me one of the most excellent of Your slaves in Portion from You,

And the nearest of them in station to You

And the most elected of them in proximity to You.



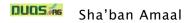
For that cannot be attained except by Your bounty.

And grant generously to me through Your munificence,

And incline toward me with Your splendour

And protect me with Your mercy!

And make my tongue remember You without ceasing



And my heart enthralled by Your love!

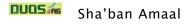
And be gracious to me by answering me favourably,

And nullify my slips

And forgive my lapses!

For You hast decreed Your worship for Your servants

And commanded them to supplicate You



وَضَمِنتَ لَهُمُ الإِجَابَةَ

And assured them that they would be answered.

So toward You, my Lord, I have turned my face

And toward You, my Lord, I have extended my hand.

So by Your might, comply with my supplication

And make me attain my desires!

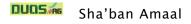
Do not severe my hoping for Your Favours

And spare me the evil of my enemies from among the jinn and men!

O He, whose pleasure is quickly achieved!

Forgive him who owns nothing but supplication

For You dost what You wilt.



يًا مَنْ اسْمُهُ دَوَاءً

O He whose Name is a remedy,

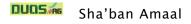
And whose remembrance is a cure,

And whose obedience is wealth!

Have mercy upon him whose capital is hope

And whose weapon is tears!

O Ample in blessings!



يًا دَافِعَ النِّقَمِ

O Repeller of adversities!

O Light of those who are lonely in the darkness!

O Knower who was never taught!

Bless Muhammad and Muhammad's household!

And do with me what is worthy of You!

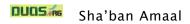


وَصَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى رَسُولِهِ وَالأَئِمَّةِ الْمَيَامِينَ مِنْ آلِهِ

And Allah bless His messenger and the holy Imams of his household

وَسَلَّمَ تَسْليماً كَثيراً

And give them abundant peace!

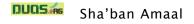


Supplication of Imam Jafar Sadiq عليه السلام for Night of 15th Sha'ban

Shaykh Isma`il ibn Fazl al-Hashimi has narrated that Imam Ja`far al-Sadiq عليه السلام instructed him to say the following supplicatory prayer at the fifteenth night of Sha`ban:

O Allah, You are verily the Ever-living, the Self-Subsisting,

the Most High, the All-great,



ٱلْخَالِقُ ٱلرَّازِقُ

the Creator, the Sustainer,

the Giver of live, the Causer of death,

the Originator, the Maker.

To You is the Majesty

to You is the favor,

to You is all praise,

وَلَكَ ٱلْمَنُ

to You is thanks,

ولك ٱلْجُودُ

to You is magnanimity,

وَلَكَ ٱلْكَرَمُ

to You is generosity,

ولك ألامر

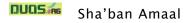
to You do belong all affairs,

وَلَكَ ٱلْمَجْدُ

to You is glory,

وَلَكَ ٱلشُّكْرُ

and to You is gratitude.



وَحْدَكَ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَكَ

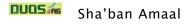
You are alone without having any partner with You.

O One! O Absolute! O Besought of all!

O He Who neither begets nor is He begotten

and there is none like to Him!

(Please do) bless Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad,



وَٱغْفِرْ لِي وَٱرْحَمْنِي

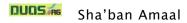
forgive me, have mercy upon me,

relieve me from whatever has aggrieved me,

help me settle my debt,

and expand my provisions,

for You, at this night, make distinct all affairs of wisdom,



وَمَنْ تَشَاءُ منْ خَلْقكَ تَرْزُقُ

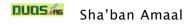
and You grant sustenance to whomever You wish among Your creatures.

So, (please do) grant me sustenance and You are verily the Best of sustainers.

You have said—and You are the Best of those who speak and utter—

"Ask Allah of His bounty."

I thus ask You of Your bounty,



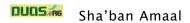
وَإِيَّاكَ قَصَدْتُ

to You do I turn my face,

the intercession of Your Prophet's son do I seek,

and for You do I hope.

So, (please do) have mercy upon me, O most Merciful of all those who show mercy!



Supplication of Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم for Night of 15th Sha'ban

It is recommended to say this supplicatory prayer, which the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم used to say at this night:

<u>mp3</u> ٱللَّهُمَّ ٱقْسمْ لَنَا منْ خَشْيَتكَ

O Allah, (please do) grant us an amount of fearfulness of You

that prevents us from committing acts of disobedience to You.



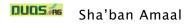
وَمِنْ طَاعَتِكَ مَا تُبَلِّغُنَا بِهِ رِضْوَانَكَ

an amount of obedience to You that makes us attain Your satisfaction,

and an amount of conviction that help us tolerate the vicissitudes of this worldly life.

O Allah, (please do) make us enjoy our hearings, sights, and powers,

as long as You decide to keep us alive, and (please do) make it the inheritor of us.



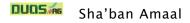
وَٱجْعَلْ ثَارَنَا عَلَىٰ مَنْ ظَلَمَنَا

(Please do) make us avenge ourselves against them who wrong us,

back us against them who antagonize us,

do not make us suffer misfortunes in affairs of our religion,

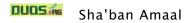
do not make our worldly affairs happen to be our greatest concern or our utmost knowledge,



وَلاَ تُسَلِّطْ عَلَيْنَا مَنْ لاَ يَرْحَمُنَا

and do set one who does not have mercy upon us as master over us,

in the name of Your mercy, O most Merciful of all those who show mercy!

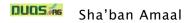


Dua to be recited after Shaf Prayer on 15th Night of Sha'ban

Shaykh al-Tusi and Shaykh al-Kaf ami say: It is suitable to say the following supplicatory prayer at this night:

O Allah! Tonight, the seekers of favors, restless and eager, present themselves to You,

the determined aspirers have You in mind,



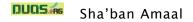
وَامَّلَ فَضْلَكَ وَمَعْرُوفَكَ ٱلطَّالبُونَ

and those who make requests look long and attentively at Your obligingness and kindness.

You, at this night, give gifts, bounties beyond measure,

free donations, and favors

to those whom You will from among Your servants when they make a request,



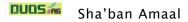
and You say no to those who do not try to get in advance (i.e. remain behind) for obtaining the bounties from You.

I, a modest needy bondman,

am hopeful of Your obligingness and kindness.

Indeed, if You, O My Master,

bestows a favor on any one, at this night,



from among Your created beings,

and multiply profits and gains for him out of Your love and affection,

please send blessings to Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad:

the pure, the immaculate,

the virtuous, and the righteous,



and then give me abundantly on account of Your liberality and obligingness,

O Lord of the worlds!

May Allah send blessings to Muhammad, the seal of the Prophets,

and upon his Household, the immaculate,

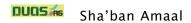
and may He exalt them very much.

Verily, Allah is worthy of all praise, full of all glory.

O Allah, I am praying You as You ordered me to do;

so, (please) respond to me as You promised.

Verily, You never break Your promise.



Dua in Prostration of Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم on Night of 15th Sha'ban

It is recommended to do the prostrations and say the supplicatory prayers that are reported from the Holy Prophet. One of these is that Shaykh al-Tusi has narrated on the authority of Hammad ibn Isa on the authority of Aban ibn Taghlib on the authority of Imam Ja`far al-Sadiq aller recounted the following:

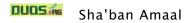
It was the fifteenth night of Sha`ban when the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم was with `A'ishah, his wife. At midnight, the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم left the bed. When `A'ishah woke up and could not

find him, she felt jealous and thought that he had joined one of his other wives. A'ishah searched for the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم in all of the rooms of his other wives but she found him prostrating himself on the ground like a thrown dress. As she approached, she heard him saying:

<u>mp3</u>

Prostrating before You are my body and my shadow.

My heart is full of faith of You.



These are my two hands and this is what I have committed against myself.

O All-great! You are hoped for all enormous things.

Please, forgive me my serious offences,

because none can forgive the serious sin except the All-great Lord.

The Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم then raised his head and then prostrated

himself again, saying:

I seek the protection of the light of Your Face

ٱلَّذِي اضَاءَتْ لَهُ ٱلسَّمَاوَاتُ وَٱلارَضُونَ

that has lit the heavens and the earth,

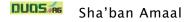
وَٱنْكَشَفَتْ لَهُ ٱلظُّلُمَاتُ

removed all darkness,

وَصَلَحَ عَلَيْهِ امْرُ ٱلاوَّلِينَ وَٱلآخِرِينَ

and made active all the affairs of the past and the coming generations

مِنْ فُجْاةِ نَقِمَتِكَ



against Your sudden chastisement,

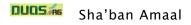
against withdrawing the good health that You have granted me,

and against the vanishing of Your bounties.

O Allah, (please) grant me a heart that is pious and pure,

released from polytheism,

and neither atheist nor unhappy.



The Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم then attached his face to the ground and said:

I am putting my face on the ground

and it is my duty to prostrate myself before You.

When the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم accomplished these acts of worship and directed towards his bed, `A'ishah ran before him until she reached the bed before he did. When he heard her speedy

breathes, the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم wondered. He then said, "Do you know what this night is? This is the mid-Sha`ban night. At this night, shares of provisions are distributed, lifetimes are decided, and the pilgrims are appointed. Verily, Almighty Allah, at this night, forgives as many of His creatures as the hairs of the horses of Kalb Tribe. Almighty Allah also orders angels to descend to the earth, to Makkah, at this night.

Dua Nudba

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All praise be to Allah the Lord of the worlds.

May Allah send blessings upon our master Muhammad His Prophet

and upon his Household and may He salute them with thorough salutation.

O Allah, all praise be to You

for Your decree that has been applied فِي اَوْلِيَائِكَ ٱلَّذِينَ ٱسْتَخْلَصْتَهُمْ لِنَفْسِكَ

وَدينِكَ

to Your vicegerents whom You have purely selected for Yourself and Your religion;

إِذِ ٱخْتَرْتَ لَهُمْ جَزِيلَ مَا عِنْدَكَ

as You have chosen for them the abundance of what You have in possession;

مِنَ ٱلنَّعِيمِ ٱلْمُقِيمِ

that is the enduring pleasure

ٱلَّذِي لاَ اللَّهِ وَلاَ أَضْمِحْلاَلَ

that neither vanishes nor diminishes,



بَعْدَ أَنْ شَرَطْتَ عَلَيْهِمُ ٱلزُّهْدَ

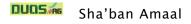
after You had already stipulated on them to renounce

all the ranks of this lowly world

along with all of its embellishments and ornaments,

and they accepted this stipulation.

As You knew that they would fulfill this stipulation,



فَقَبِلْتَهُمْ وَقَرَّبْتَهُمْ

You accepted and drew them near to You.

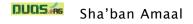
You thus provided them with sublime mention

and obvious approval,

made Your angels descend to them,

honored them with Your revelations,

supported them with Your knowledge,



وَجَعَلْتَهُمُ ٱلذَّرِيعَةَ إِلَيْكَ

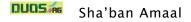
and made them the channel to You

and the means to winning Your pleasure.

Therefore, You made some of them dwell in Your Garden

until You decided to take him out of there.

You bore another one on in Your Ark



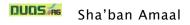
and saved him and those who believed with him

from perdition, out of Your mercy.

You took another one as Your intimate friend

and when he asked You to leave behind him a truthful mention, You responded to him

and made that (mention) to be eminent.



وَبَعْضٌ كَلَّمْتَهُ مِنْ شَجَرَةٍ تَكْلِيماً

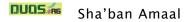
You spoke to another one from a tree directly

and decided his brother to be his protector and representative.

You made another one to be born without a father,

gave him clear-cut proofs

and aided him with the Sacred Spirit.



وَكُلُّ شَرَعْتَ لَهُ شَرِيعَةً

For each of them, You gave a code of law,

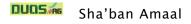
decided a certain course,

and finely chose successors;

well-trustworthy successors one after another,

each for a certain period,

in purpose of establishing Your religion



وَحُجَّةً عَلَىٰ عبَادكَ

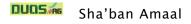
and acting as arguments against Your servants,

so that the truth should never leave its position

and the wrong should never overcome the people of the truth

and so that none should claim, saying,

"If only You had sent to us a warning messenger



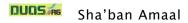
وَاَقَمْتَ لَنَا عَلَماً هَادياً

and established for us a guiding person,

we should have followed Your signs before that we met humiliation and disgrace!"

You then ended the matter with Your most-beloved and well-select one, Muhammad,

may Allah bless him and his Household.



فَكَانَ كَمَا ٱنْتَجَبْتَهُ

He was—as exactly as You have chosen—

the master of all those whom You created,

the best of all those whom You selected,

the most favorite of all those whom You pointed out,

and the noblest of all those on whom You decided.

So, You preferred him to Your prophets,

sent him to the two dependents (men and jinn) from Your servants,

enabled him to tread on the east and the west of Your lands,

made subservient to him the Buraq (the celestial sumpter),

raised his soul to Your heavens,



and entrusted with him the knowledge of whatever passed

and whatever shall come to pass up to the extinction of Your creatures.

You then granted him victory by means of awe & majesty

ordered (Archangels) Gabriel and Michael

as well as the marked angels to surround him,

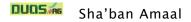
and promised him to make his faith prevail all other faiths

however much the polytheists may be averse.

You did all that after You had settled him in an honest position among his people,

made for him and them the first house

ever located for the people; that is the house in Bakkah,



blessed and guidance for the worlds.

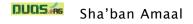
In it, there are clear-cut proofs.

It is the standing-place of Abraham,

and whoever enters it will be secured.

You also said, "Allah only desires to keep away the uncleanness from you,

O people of the House,



وَيُطَهِّرَكُمْ تَطْهِيراً.»

and to purify you a thorough purifying."

You then decided the reward of Muhammad,

Your blessings be upon him and his Household,

to be the love for them; as in Your Book

You said, "Say: I do not ask of you any reward for it



إِلاَّ ٱلْمَوَدَّةَ فِي ٱلْقُرْبَىٰ.»

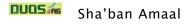
but love for my near relatives."

You also said, "Whatever reward I have asked of you, that is only for yourselves."

You also said, "I do not ask you aught in return

except that he who wills, may take the way to his Lord."

They (i.e. the Prophet's Household) have therefore been the way to You



وَٱلْمَسْلَكَ إِلَىٰ رِضْوَانِكَ

and the course to Your pleasure.

When his (i.e. the Prophet) days passed,

he appointed as successor his vicegerent `Ali the son of Abu-Talib,

Your blessings be upon both of them and their Household,

because he (the Prophet) was the warner

and `Ali was the guide for every people.

So, he (the Prophet) said in the presence of the people,

"As for each one who has taken me as his master,

`Ali is now his master.

O Allah, guard any one who is loyal to `Ali,



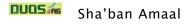
be the enemy of any one who antagonizes him,

support any one who supports him,

and disappoint any one who disappoints him."

He also said, "As for any one who has considered me as his Prophet, 'Ali is now his commander."

He also said, "`Ali and I are of the same tree,



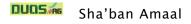
وَسَائِرٌ ٱلنَّاسِ مِنْ شَجَرٍ شَتَّىٰ."

while all the other peoples are from various trees."

He endued him (i.e. `Ali) with the position that (Prophet) Aaron had with regard to (Prophet) Moses,

saying, "Your position to me is as same as Aaron's position to Moses (in every thing)

except that there shall be no prophet after me."



وَزَوَّجَهُ ٱبْنَتَهُ سَيِّدَةَ نسَاء ٱلْعَالَمينَ

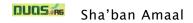
He gave him in marriage his daughter the doyenne of the women of the worlds.

He allowed him (alone) to do whatever he himself is allowed to do in his Mosque.

He closed all the doors (to the Mosque) except his (i.e. `Ali) door.

He then entrusted with him his knowledge and his wisdom,

saying, "I am the city of knowledge,



وَعَلِيٌّ بَابُهَا

and 'Ali is its door.

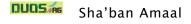
So, whoever wants this city and wisdom,

must come to it from its door."

He then said (to `Ali), "You are my brother, successor, and inheritor.

Your flesh is part of my flesh,

your blood is part of my blood,



وَسِلْمُكَ سِلْمِي

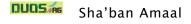
your peace is my peace,

your war is my war,

and faith is mixed with your flesh and blood

as same as it is mixed with my flesh and blood.

On the morrow, you shall be my vicegerent on the (Divine) Pond.



وَأَنْتَ تَقْضِي دَيْنِي

You also settle my debts

and fulfill my commitments.

Your Shi`ah (i.e. adherents) shall be on pulpits of light,

white-faced, around me in Paradise.

They are my neighbors (therein).

Were it not for you `Ali,

لَمْ يُعْرَفِ ٱلْمُؤْمِنُونَ بَعْدِي."

true believers would not be recognized after me."

Hence, he (i.e. `Ali), after the Prophet, was true guidance against straying off,

light against blindness,

the firmest rope of Allah,

and His straight path.

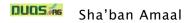
None would precede him in blood relation (with the Prophet)

or any priority in a religious affair,

and none would ever match him in any item of virtue.

He patterned after the Messenger,

may Allah's blessings be upon both of them and their Household.



He fought for the sake of true interpretation (of the Qur'an).

The blame of any blamer would never stop him from doing anything for the sake of Allah.

He thus exterminated the villains of the Arabs,

killed their heroes,

and eradicated their ferocious fighters.

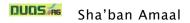
He therefore filled in their hearts with malice

from the battles of Badr, Khaybar, and ounayn as well as others.

Therefore, they clang inseparably to opposing him

and attached upon dissenting him

until he had to kill the preachers, the unjust, and the apostates.



وَلَمَّا قَضَىٰ نَحْبَهُ

When he passed away

and he was killed by the most miserable of all of the late generations who will be attached to the most miserable of the past generations,

the decree of Allah's Messenger,

may Allah bless him and his Household,

about the leadership of the successive guiding ones was not carried out;

rather, the people insisted on detesting him

and agreed unanimously on rupturing their relations with him

and moving away his descendants (from leadership),

except for a few ones who fulfilled the duty of observing their rights.



Many (of `Ali's descendants) were therefore slain,

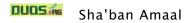
many others were taken as captives,

and many others were banished.

Decrees were thus applied to them

in a form expected to grant them excellent reward for that.

Verily, the earth is Allah's;



He gives it in inheritance to whomever of His servants that He wishes;

and the end result shall be for the pious.

All glory be to our Lord.

Most certainly, the promise of our Lord shall come to pass.

Allah shall never fail to fulfill His promise.

وَهُوَ ٱلْعَزِيزُ ٱلْحَكِيمُ

He is the Almighty, the All-wise.

For the immaculate ones from the household of Muhammad and `Ali,

may Allah bless both of them and their household,

let weepers weep.

For them too, let lamenters lament.

For the like of them, let tears be shed,

screamers scream,

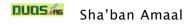
yellers yell,

and wailers wail.

Where is al-Hasan? Where is al-Husayn?

Where are the sons of al-Husayn;

a virtuous one after another,



وَصَادِقٌ بَعْدَ صَادِقِ

and a veracious one after another?

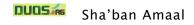
Where is the course (to Allah) after a course?

Where is the best after the best?

Where are the rising suns?

Where are the shining moons?

Where are the brilliant stars?



اَيْنَ اَعْلاَمُ ٱلدِّينِ

Where are the authorities of the religion

and the foundations of knowledge?

Where is the left by Allah

that is always represented by individuals from the guiding (Prophetic) offspring?

Where is the one prepared for cutting off the roots of the wrongdoers?

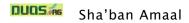
Where is the one awaited for mending every unevenness and crookedness?

Where is the one hoped for removing oppression and aggression?

Where is the one spared for refreshing the duties and traditions?

Where is the one chosen for restoring the faith and the code of law?

Where is the one expected to restore to life the Book and its provisions?



أَيْنَ مُحْيِي مَعَالِمِ ٱلدِّينِ وَاَهْلِهِ

Where is the reviver of the elements of the religion and its people?

Where is the one shattering the arms of the aggressors?

Where is the one demolishing the edifices of polytheism and hypocrisy?

Where is the one annihilating the people of wickedness,

disobedience, and tyranny?



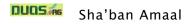
اَيْنَ حَاصِدٌ فُرُوعِ ٱلْغَيِّ وَٱلشَّقَاقِ

Where is the one uprooting the branches of error and insurgence?

Where is the one effacing the traces of evasiveness and personal desires?

Where is the one severing the ropes of fabrication and forgery?

Where is the one terminating the insolent defiant and persistent rebels?



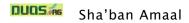
أَيْنَ مُسْتَاصِلُ اَهْلِ الْعِنَادِ وَالتَّضْلِيلِ والإِلْحَادِ

Where is the one tearing up the people of obstinacy, misleading, and atheism?

Where is the one ennobling the saints and humiliating the enemies?

Where is the one bringing together (all scattered) words to piety?

Where is the door of Allah from which Allah is come?



اَيْنَ وَجْهُ ٱللَّهِ ٱلَّذِي إِلَيْهِ يَتَوَجَّهُ ٱلاَوْلِيَاءُ

Where is the Face of Allah towards whom the saints turn their faces.

Where is the means of access that is connectedly extended between the earth and the heavens.

Where is the patron of the Conquest Day

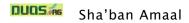
and the stretcher of the pennon of true guidance?

Where is the one reunifying the dispersed parts of uprightness and contentment?

Where is the one demanding with the vengeance of the Prophets and their sons?

Where is the one demanding with the blood of the one slain in Karbala'?

Where is the one granted aid against whomever transgresses and forges lies against him?



اَيْنَ ٱلْمُضْطَرُ ٱلَّذِي يُجَابُ إِ إِذَا دَعَا

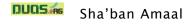
Where is the distressed who is answered when he prays?

Where is the forepart of the creatures who enjoys dutifulness and piety?

Where is the son of the well-chosen Prophet,

the son of `Ali the well-pleased,

the son of Khadijah the glittery lady,



وَٱبْنُ فَاطَمَةَ ٱلْكُبْرَى

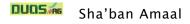
and the son of Fatimah the grand lady?

May my father and mother be ransoms for you.

May my soul be protection and shield for you.

O son of the chiefs drawn near!

O son of the most honorable, outstanding ones!



يًا بْنَ ٱلْهُدَاة ٱلْمَهْديِّينَ

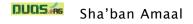
O son of the guiding and well-guided ones!

O son of the ever-best refined ones!

O son of the all-liberal and all-select ones!

O son of the immaculate and purified ones!

O son of the ample-giving, finely elected ones!



يًا بْنَ ٱلْقَمَاقَمَة ٱلْأَكْرَمينَ

O son of the bounteous, most honorable ones!

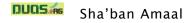
O son of light-giving full moons!

O son of beaming lanterns!

O son of piercing flames!

O son of luminous stars!

O son of patent ways!



يًا بْنَ ٱلاَعْلاَمِ ٱللاَّئْحَة

O son of obvious signs!

يًا بْنَ ٱلْعُلُومِ ٱلْكَامِلَةِ

O son of perfect knowledge!

يَا بْنَ ٱلسُّنَنِ ٱلْمَشْهُورَةِ

O son of renowned traditions!

يَا بْنَ ٱلْمَعَالِمِ ٱلْمَا ثُورَة

O son of well-established features!

يَا بْنَ ٱلْمُعْجِزَاتِ ٱلْمَوْجُودَة

O son of well-known miracles!

يَا بْنَ ٱلدَّلاَئِلِ ٱلْمَشْهُودَةِ

O son of widely witnessed demonstrations!

يَا بْنَ ٱلصِّرَاطِ ٱلْمُسْتَقِيمِ

O son of the straight path!

يًا بْنَ ٱلنَّبَا ِ ٱلْعَظِيمِ

O son of the great news!

يَا بْنَ مَنْ هُوَ فِي امِّ ٱلْكِتَابِ لَدَى ٱللَّهِ عَلِيٌّ حَكِيمٌ

O son of him who is elevated and full of wisdom in the original of the Book with Allah.

يًا بْنَ ٱلآيَاتِ وَٱلْبَيِّنَاتِ

O son of signs and manifestations!

يًا بْنَ ٱلدَّلاَئِلِ ٱلظَّاهِراتِ

O son of apparent points of evidence!

يًا بْنَ ٱلْبَرَاهِينِ ٱلْوَاضِحَاتِ ٱلْبَاهِرَاتِ

O son of clear-cut and dazzling substantiations!

O son of conclusive arguments!

O son of superabundant bounties!

O son of Taha and the decisive (verses)!

O son of Yasin and al-Dhariyat (the winnowing winds)!

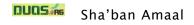
O son of al-Tur (the Mount of Revelation) and al-`Adiyat (the running steeds)!

O son of him who drew near and then bowed;

he therefore was the measure of two bows or closer still;

nearness and closeness to the Most High and Most Exalted (Lord)!

How I wonder! Where has farness taken you?



بَلْ آيُّ اَرْضِ تُقِلُّكَ اَوْ ثَرَى

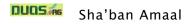
Or which land or soil is carrying you?

Is it on (Mount) Radhwa or elsewhere on (Mount) Dhi-Tuwa?

It is hard for me that I can see all creatures but I can neither see you

nor can I hear any whisper or confidential talk from you!

It is hard for me that ordeals encompass you, not me



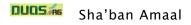
وَلاَ يَنَالُكَ مِنِّي ضَجِيجٌ وَلاَ شَكْوَى

and neither cry nor complaint from me can rally round you!

May my soul be ransom for you; for although you are hidden from us, you have never forsaken us.

May my soul be ransom for you; for although you are away, you have never been away from us.

May my soul be ransom for you; for you are the wish of an eager



مِنْ مُؤْمِنٍ وَمُؤْمِنَةٍ ذَكَرًا فَحَنَّا

believing man or woman who mention you and miss you.

May my soul be ransom for you; for you are an unmatched pioneer of dignity.

May my soul be ransom for you; for you are an unrivaled origin of glory.

May my soul be ransom for you; for you are unparalleled center of bounties.

May my soul be ransom for you; for you are unequaled in all-inclusive honor.

Until when will I be bewildered about you, O my master, and until when?

In what kind of statement and in what kind of talk can I describe you?

It is hard for me that I can receive answers and words, but you cannot.

It is hard for me that I weep for you but the others disappoint you.



عَزِيزٌ عَلَيَّ أَنْ يَجْرِيَ عَلَيْكَ دُونَهُمْ مَا جَرَيٰ حَرَيٰ

It is hard for me that what has happened afflict you other than all the others.

Is there any helper with whom I may lament and bewail as much as I wish?

Is there any aggrieved one whom I can help in grief when he becomes tired?

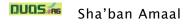
هَلْ قَذِيتْ عَيْنٌ فَسَاعَدَتْهَا عَيْنِي عَلَىٰ ٱلْقَذَىٰ

Is there any faint twinkle of evidence to make me willingly take up the trouble?

Is there any way to meet you, O son of Ahmad (the Prophet)?

Will our day be promised to catch your day and we will thus achieve our hope?

When will we be able to join your refreshing springs and we will then be satiated?



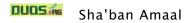
مَتَى ٰ نَنْتَقِعُ مِنْ عَذْبِ مَائِكَ

When will we quench our thirst from your fresh water,

because thirst has been too long?

When will we accompany you in coming and going so that our eyes will be delighted?

When will you see us and we see you spreading the pennon of victory?



أَتَرَانَا نَحُفُّ بِكَ وَأَنْتَ تَوُّمُّ ٱلْمَلَا

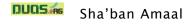
Can it be that we surround you while you are leading the groups,

after you will have filled in the earth with justice,

tasted your enemies humiliation and punishment,

annihilated the insolent defiant and the deniers of the truth,

cut off the roots of the arrogant,



وَٱجْتَثَثْتَ ٱصُولَ ٱلظَّالمينَ

eradicated the sources of the wrongdoers,

and we keep on saying, "All praise be to Allah the Lord of the worlds?"

O Allah, You are verily the reliever from agonies and ordeals.

To You do I complain about the transgressions against me, for You alone are worthy of receiving complaints,



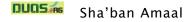
and You are alone the Lord of the Hereafter and this world.

فَاغِثْ يَا غِيَاثَ ٱلْمُسْتَغِيثِينَ عُبَيْدَكَ ٱلْمُبْتَلَىٰ

So, (please) aid Your agonized worthless servant, O Aide of those who seek aid,

grant him (i.e. Your servant) chance to see his master, O Lord of mighty prowess,

remove from him misfortune and anguish, in the name of his master,



and satisfy his thirst, O He Who is established on the Throne

and He to Whom is the return and the final goal.

O Allah, we are Your servants who are fervently willing to meet Your vicegerent,

who reminds of You and Your Prophet;

and whom You have created as haven and refuge for us,



You have appointed as foundation and source of protection for us,

and whom You have made to be the leader of the believers among us.

So, (please) convey to him greetings and salutations from us,

endue us with more honor, O my Lord, through that,

decide his settlement among us to be settlement and dwelling for us,



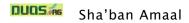
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and perfect Your bounty by making him occupy the leading position before us

so that You shall allow us to enter the gardens of Your Paradise

and to accompany the martyrs from among Your elite ones.

O Allah, (please) send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad;



and send blessings upon Muhammad his grandfather and Your messenger;

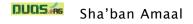
the senior master,

upon his father the junior master,

upon his grandmother the grand veracious lady

Fatimah the daughter of Muhammad,

peace be upon him and his Household,



وَعَلَىٰ مَنِ ٱصْطَفَيْتَ مِنْ آبَائِهِ ٱلْبَرَرَةِ

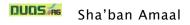
upon his dutiful fathers whom You have chosen (over all others),

and upon him with such most favorable, most perfect,

most thorough, most permanent,

most abundant, and most plentiful

blessings that You have ever sent upon any of Your elite ones



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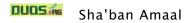
and well-chosen ones among Your creatures.

And (please) bless him with such blessings whose number is infinite,

whose quantity is never-ending,

and whose time is interminable.

O Allah! Through him, establish all rights,



refute the entire wrong,

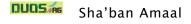
grant triumph to Your loyalists,

humiliate Your enemies,

establish, O Allah, between him and us

a connection that leads us to accompany his ancestors,

include us with those who will take their vengeance



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and keep constant under their shadow,

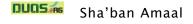
help us fulfill our duties towards him,

exert all efforts in obedience to him

and avoiding disobeying him,

bestow upon us with the favor of attaining his pleasure,

and grant us his kindness, mercy,



وَدُعَاءَهُ وَخَيْرَهُ

prayer (for us), and his goodness

in an amount due to which we will gain a good deal of Your mercy

and achievement with You.

And, through him, render our prayers admitted,

our sins forgiven,

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and our supplications responded.

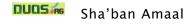
And, through him too, make our sustenance expanded for us,

our distresses relieved,

and our needs granted.

And (please) receive us with Your Noble Face,

approve of our seeking nearness to You,



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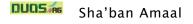
and have a merciful look at us

by which we will win perfect honor with You;

and, after that, do not ever take it away from us, in the name of Your magnanimity,

and give us a drink from the Pond of his grandfather,

may Allah bless him and his Household,



بِكَاسِهِ وَبِيَدِهِ

from his own cup and with his own hand,

such a replete, satiating,

pleasant, and wholesome drink

after which we shall never suffer from thirst.

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Salaah of Ja'far Tayyar

Salat of Jafer-e-Tayyar

It is the tradition of the Prophet (s.a.) that if one recites Salat of Ja'far-e-Tayyar and his sins are equal to the grains of sand in the desert and equal to the seas, the Almighty shall forgive his sins. The best time to perform it is on Friday before noon. Also recommended for fulfilment of desires and for sawab of the dead ones.

It is a **Four** rakat Salat, divided into 2 parts of 2 rakats each . Pray each part exactly like the Fajr Salat, with the following adjustments:

- i) First rakat After recitation of Suratul Faatihah, recite Sura Zilzaal (Surah 99)
- (ii) Second rakat After recitation of Suratul Faatihah, recite **Sura Aadiyaat** (Surah 100)
- (iii) Third Rakat After recitation of Suratul Faatihah, recite Suratun Nasr
- (iv) Fourth Rakat after recitation of Suratul Faatihah, recite Suratul Ikhlaas.

Recite Tasbeehatul Arba in the following way:

- (I) After reciation of Surahs... recite 15 times
- (ii) In Rukoo... 10 times
- (iii) In Qiyyaam after Rukoo... 10 times
- (iv) In the First Sajdah... 10 times
- (v) While sitting after First Sajdah... 10 times
- (vi) In the second Sajdah... 10 times
- (vii) While sitting after second Sajdah... 10 times.

Tasbeehatul Arba:

سُبْحانَ الله، وَالحَمْدُ لله ، وَلا إلهَ إلاّ اللهُ، وَالله أَكْبرُ

In the last saidah of 4th Rakat recite: سُبْحانَ مَنْ لَبِسَ العزَّ وَالوَقارَ، سُبْحانَ مَنْ تَعَطَّفَ بِالمَجْد وَتَكَرَّمَ بِهِ، سُبْحَانَ مَنْ لايَنْبَغي التَّسْبِيحُ إلاَّ لَهُ، سُبْحاًنَ مَنْ أَحْصَى كُلَّ شِي عِلْمُهُ، سُبْحانَ ذِي الْمَنُّ وَالنِّعَم، سُبْحانَ ذِي القُدْرَة وَالكَرُّم. اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّ ٱسْٱلُّكَ مَعاقد العزُّ منْ عَرْشكَ ۗ وَمُنْتَهِى الرَّحْمَةُ منْ كَتَابَكَ، وَاسْمِكَ الْأُعْظَمِ وَكَلَّمَاتِكَ التَّامَّة الَّتِي مَّتْ مُدْقا وَعَدْلاً، صَلِّ عَلى مُحَمَّد وَٱهْلُ بَيْتِه وَافْعَلْ بِي

Then, you may mention your needs

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After completing the prayers repeat the following, each in a single breath.

O Lord, O Lord!

O my Lord, O my Lord!

Lord, Lord!

O Allah, O Allah!

O Ever-living, O Ever-living!

O All-merciful, O All-merciful!

Say seven times

O All-compassionate! O All-comp...

Say seven times

يًا ارْحَمَ ٱلرَّاحِمِينَ

O Most Merciful of all those who show mercy!

Then say the following dua:

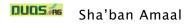
اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّ ٱفْتَتَحُ القَوْلَ بِحَمْدِكَ، وَٱنْطِقُ بِالثَّنَاءِ عَلَيْكَ، وَٱمَجِّدُكَ وَلا غايَةً لَمَدَّحكَ، وَأَثْنَى عَلَيْكَ وَمَنْ يَبْلُغُ عَايَةً ثَنائِكَ وَأَمَدَ مَجْدكَ، وَأَنَّ لِخَلِيقَتِكَ كُنْهُ مَغُرَّفَة مَجْدكَ، وَأَيَّ زَمَن لَمْ تَكُنْ مَمْدُوحا بِفَضْلكَ مَوْصُوفًا مَجْدكَ عَوَّاداً عَلَى المُدْنشن بحُلْمك. تَخَلَّفَ سكَّانُ أَرْضُكَ عَنْ طاعَتِكَ فَكُنْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ عَطُوَفًا بِجُودكَ جَوَّاداً بِفَضْلكَ، عَوَّاداً بِكَرِّمِكَ، يا لا إِلهَ إِلاَّ أَنْتَ الْمَنَّانُ ذُو الجَلال وَالاكُّرام

<u>سورة الإلزلة</u> بِسْمِ اللَّـهِ الرَّحْمَـٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ إِذَا زُلْزِلَتِ الأَرْضُ زِلْزَالَهَا ﴿١﴾ وَآخْرَجَتِ الأَرْضُ ٱثْقَالَهَا ﴿٢﴾ وَقَالَ الْإِنسَانُ مَا لَهَا ﴿٣﴾ يَوْمَئذ تُحَدِّثُ أُخْبَارَهَا ﴿٤﴾ بِأُنَّ رَبُّكَ أُوْحَىٰ لَهَا ﴿٥﴾ يَوْمَئذ يَصْدُرُ النَّاسُّ أَشْتَاتًا لِّيرُوْا أَعْمَالَهُمْ ﴿٢﴾ فَمَن يَعْمَلْ مثْقَالَ ذِّزَّة خَيرًا يَرَهُ ﴿٧﴾ وَمَن يَعْمَلْ مثْقَالَ ذَرَّة شرًّا يَرَه

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Salaah Istegatha Imam Zaman عليه السلام

Recite 2 rakat salaah in the following manner;

In each unit (rakat), whilst reciting Surah al-Hamd, when you reach at the verse:

"iyyaka na 'budu wa iyyaka nasta'in" (You alone we worship and You alone we ask for help), repeat it 100 times and then finish the rest of Surah al-Hamd. Then recite Surah al-Ikhlas once.

During the genuflection (rukoo) and the prostration (sujud), the invocation (dhikr) should be recited seven times.

After completing the prayer, the words "la ilaha illalah" (there is no god but Allah) should be recited once.

Then recite the Tasbih of Sayyida Zahra سلام الله عليها

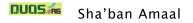


Salaahs Specific for the Night of 15th Sha'ban

At the mid-Sha`ban night, you may offer a four unit prayer in each unit of which you may recite Surah *al-Fatihah* once and Surah *al-Tawhid* one hundred times. After accomplishment, you may say the following supplicatory prayer:

O Allah, I am in need for You

and I am fearful of You, seeking Your shelter against Your chastisement.



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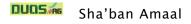
O Allah, (please) do not erase my name,

do not change my body,

do not increase my ordeals,

and do not make my enemies rejoice at my misfortune.

I resort to Your pardon against Your punishment,



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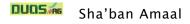
I resort to Your mercy against Your chastisement,

I resort to Your pleasure against Your wrath,

and I resort to You against You.

Enormous be the praise of You.

You are as exactly as You have praised Yourself

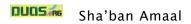


وَفَوْقَ مَا يَقُولُ ٱلْقَائِلُونَ

and above all that which is said about You.

It is worth mentioning that traditions have decided a great reward for one who offers a one hundred unit prayer at this night; in each unit, Surah *al-Fatihah* is recited once and Surah *al-Tawhid* ten times.

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Last 3 Days of Sha'ban

Imam al-Ridha عليه السلام is reported as saying: If one observes fasting on the last three days of Sha`ban and attaches it to the obligatory fasting of Ramadhan, Almighty Allah will decide him as having observed fasting for two consecutive months.

Abu'l-Salt al-Harawi has narrated that when he visited Imam al-Ridha عليه السلام on the last Friday of Sha`ban, the Imam عليه said to him:

Abu'l-Salt, the days of Sha`ban have almost passed. This is the last Friday. You should thus settle what you have missed in this month by working harder in the

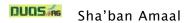
rest of it. You may supplicate God, implore for His forgiveness, recite the Holy Qur'an, and repent to Him from your sins so that you receive the month of Ramadhan with pure sincerity to Him. You must fulfill all the trusts that you are liable to settle, do not bear malice against any of your brethren-in-faith, you must give up any sin that you commit. Fear Almighty Allah and trust in Him in secret and openly, for 'If any one puts his trust in Allah, sufficient is (Allah) for him. For Allah will surely accomplish his purpose. Verily, for all things has Allah appointed a due proportion. 65/3'

In the rest days of Sha'ban, you may

repeat the following supplicatory prayer very much for Almighty Allah saves many people from Hellfire on account of the sanctity of this month:

O Allah, if You have not forgiven us in the past days of Sha`ban,

(please do) forgive us in the rest of it.



Dua for Last Night of Sha'ban

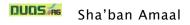
Shaykh al-Tusi has narrated on the authority of Harith ibn Mughirah al-Nadhri on the authority of Imam al-Sadiq who used to say the following supplicatory prayer at the last night of Sha`ban and the first night of Ramadan:

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O Allah, this blessed month

in which the Qur'an was revealed

and was made guidance for people



وَبَيِّنَاتِ مِنَ ٱلْهُدَىٰ وَٱلْفُرْقَانِ

and clear proofs of the guidance, and the Criterion (of right and wrong),

has commenced.

So, (please) keep us out of blemish during it,

keep it sound for us,

and receive it from us with means of easiness and good health from You.



O He Who has accepted the little (deed) and thanked for the much,

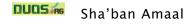
(please) accept from me the little (deed).

O Allah, I beseech You

to make for me a path to every decency,

and to make for me a barrier against everything that You do not like.

O most Merciful of all those who show mercy!



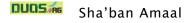
يَا مَنْ عَفَا عَنِّي وَعَمَّا خَلَوْتُ بِهِ مِنَ ٱلسَّيِّئَات ٱلسَّيِّئَات

O He Who has pardoned me and overlooked the misdeeds that I have committed secretly!

O He Who has not punished me for my committing acts of disobedience to Him!

I seek Your pardon, I seek Your pardon, I seek Your pardon, O All-generous!

O my God, You advised me, but I have not followed Your advice



وَزَجَرْ تَنِي عَنْ مَحَارِمِكَ فَلَمْ انْزَجِرْ

and You rebuked me for violating that which You have deemed forbidden, but I have not stopped.

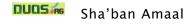
فَمَا عُذْرِي

Now, what is my excuse?

So, (please) pardon me, O All-generous!

I seek Your pardon, I seek Your pardon!

O Allah, I beseech You



for rest at death

and for pardon at calling to account.

Great is the sin of Your servant;

so, let Your overlooking him be excellent.

O He Who is worth being feared and is worth forgiving!

I seek Your pardon, I seek Your pardon.



O Allah, I am Your servant and the son of Your servant and Your she-servant

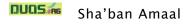
and I am weak and in need for Your mercy;

while You are the Pourer of wealth and bless on the servants (of You),

You are omnipotent and full of power,

You have recorded all their (i.e. Your servants) deeds,

decided the sustenance of each one them,



وَجَعَلْتَهُمْ مُخْتَلفَةً الْسنَتُهُمْ وَالْوَانُهُمْ

and made them of different languages and colors

in different stages of creation.

Your servants can never attain Your knowledge

and Your servants can never recognize the real estimate that is due to You.

All of us are needy for Your mercy.



فَلاَ تَصْرِفْ عَنِّي وَجْهَكَ

So, (please) do not turn Your Face away from me

and include me with the virtuous creatures of You

in deeds, hopes,

and Your decisions (for me).

O Allah, (please) keep me alive in the best manner of living,

وَافْننِي خَيْرَ ٱلْفَنَاءِ عَلَىٰ مُوَالاةِ اوْليَائِكَ

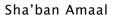
decide for me to die in the best manner of death keeping loyal to Your representatives,

incurring the enmity of Your enemies,

keeping desiring for You, fearing from You,

and submitting to You, being loyal to You, complying with You,

believing in Your Book,



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and following Your Prophet's instructions.

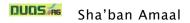
O Allah, as for whatever I bear in my heart,

including suspicion, doubt,

denial, despair,

(excessive) joy, lavish expenditure or recklessness,

pride, arrogance, ostentation,



discord, hypocrisy,

unbelief, licentiousness, disobedience,

conceit, or anything else that You do not like;

I thus beseech You, O my Lord, to substitute all that with belief in Your promise,

fulfillment of my covenant to You,

Sha'ban Amaal

satisfaction with what You decide for me,

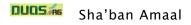
indifference to the worldly pleasures,

desire for that which You have,

altruism, tranquility,

and sincere repentance.

I beseech You for all that, O Lord of the worlds!



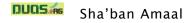
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O my God, because You are so forbearing, You are disobeyed as if You are not present,

and because You are so generous and magnanimous, You are obeyed as if You have not been disobeyed at all.

Both those who have not disobeyed You and I are the inhabitants of Your lands;

so, (please) confer magnanimously upon us with Your favors



وَبِٱلْخَيْرِ عَوَّاداً

and always refer to us with Your goodness.

O most Merciful of all those who show mercy!

May Allah bless Muhammad and his Household with endless blessings

that are innumerable, uncountable,

and none can do it save You.



O most Merciful of all those who show mercy!