

Masjid – Du‘ās when Entering a Place of Worship

1. At the entrance of the Center, recite following āyāt from the Holy Qur’an. Read these with understanding and enter the precincts under Divine safety:

﴿ بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ . اَدْخُلُوْهَا بِسَلَامٍ اٰمِنِیْنَ ،
فَاللّٰهُ خَیْرٌ حَافِظًا وَهُوَ اَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِمِیْنَ ﴾

Bismilāhi-rraHmāni-raHīm. Udkhulūhā bi-salāmin āminin;

fallāhu khayrun Hāfizā, wa-huwa arHamur-rāHimīn.

In the Name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful. Enter it with peace and safety; for Allah is the best of protectors and the most merciful of the merciful ones.” (Holy Qur’an 15:46 & 12:64)

2. Use the right foot to enter the gate heading to the masjid and say:

﴿ اَللّٰهُمَّ افْتَحْ لَنَا بَابَ رَحْمَتِكَ وَاَجْعَلْنَا مِنْ عُمَّارِ مَسَاجِدِكَ ، جَلَّ ثَنَاءُ وَجْهِكَ ﴾

Allāhumma’ftaH lanā bāba raHmatika waj’alnā min ‘ammāri masājidika, jalla thanā’u wajhik.

O Allah, open for us the doors of Your mercy and make us amongst those who frequent Your mosques. Exalted is the praise of Your countenance.

3. At the entrance of masjid, recite the following taught by Imām al-Hasan (a)

﴿ اِلٰهِيْ ضَيْفُكَ بِبَابِكَ ، يَا مُحْسِنُ قَدْ اَتَاكَ الْمُسِيْئُ ﴾

﴿ فَتَجَاوَزَ عَنْ قَبِيْحِ مَا عِنْدِيْ بِجَمِيْلِ مَا عِنْدَكَ ، يَا كَرِيْمُ ﴾

Ilāhī dhayfuka bibābika, yā muHsinu qad atākal-musī’,

fatajāwaz ‘an qabihi mā ‘indī bijamīli mā ‘indak, yā karīm.

My God, Your guest is at Your door. O the All-Beneficent, the sinner has come to You; so overlook what is ugly with me with that which is beautiful with You. O the All-Generous.