



Ziyarats at KARBALA



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First Form of Ziyarah

In his book of al-Kafi, Shaykh al-Kulayni has reported the following through his chain of authority from al-Husayn ibn Thuwayr: Yunus ibn abyana, al-Mufaddal ibn `Umar, Abu-Salamah al-Sarraj, and I were sitting with Abu-`Abdullah Ja`far ibn Muhammad (al-Sadiq) and Yunus, the oldest among us, was our spokesman. “May Allah accept me as ransom for you,” Yunus expressed, “I usually attend the sessions of these people (i.e. the `Abbasid ruling authorities). What should I say then?” The Imam ('a) instructed, “When you attend such sessions and mention us, you should say,

اللَّهُمَّ ارِنَا الرِّخَاءَ وَالسُّرُورَ

ma irina alrrakha'a wa

‘O Allah, (please) show us luxury and pleasure.

If you say so, you will gain the reward that you wish to gain or you will be allowed to return to this worldly life at the Return.” I then spoke, “May Allah accept me as ransom for you! I very frequently mention (Imam) al-Husayn; what should I say then?”

The Imam ('a) instructed, “You should repeat the following statement three times:

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللهِ

salla allahu `alayka ya aba `abdillahi

‘May Allah bless you, O Abu-`Abdullah.’

Actually, greetings that are addressed to him always reach him whether they are said near him or from a remote place.

When Abu-`Abdullah (Imam al-Husayn) passed away, the seven heavens, the seven layers of the earth, whatever within them,

whatever between them, all the inhabitants of Paradise and Hell from the various species of the creatures of our Lord, whatever can be seen, and whatever cannot be seen—all these wept for al-Husayn (‘a) except for three.” “May Allah accept me as ransom for you!” I asked, “What are these three things?”

The Imam (‘a) answered, “The things that did not weep for him are al-Basrah, Damascus, and the family of ‘Uthman.” I then asked, “May Allah accept me as ransom for you! When I intend to visit him, what should I say and what should I do?” The Imam (‘a) instructed:

When you come to Abu-‘Abdullah (al-Husayn), you should bathe yourself on the bank of the River Euphrates. You should then put on (ceremonially) pure clothes and walk barefooted, because you are in the sanctuary of Almighty Allah and His Messenger, uttering repeatedly statements of professing Almighty Allah being the Greatest (i.e. allahu-akbar), there being no god save Him (i.e. la-ilaha-illa-allahu), all glory being to Him (i.e. subhaha-allahi), and all veneration being to Him, and uttering the statement of invoking His blessings on the Holy Prophet and his Household (i.e. allahumma salli ‘ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin) until you stop at the gate of the shrine. Then, you should say the following:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا حُجَّةَ اللَّهِ وَابْنَ حُجَّتِهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya hujjata allahi wabna hujjatihi

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

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا مَلَائِكَةَ اللَّهِ

alasslamu `alaykum ya mala'ikata allahi

Peace be upon you all, O Allah’s angels

وَزُورَ قَبْرِ ابْنِ نَبِيِّ اللَّهِ

wa zuwwara qabri ibni nabiiyi allahi

and visitors of the tomb of the son of Allah's Prophet.

You should then walk for ten steps and stop again to repeat the following statement thirty times:

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

allahu akbaru

Allah is the Most Great.

You should then move towards the tomb from the side of the Imam's face having your face to be to the face of the Imam and the kiblah direction to be between your shoulders. You should then say the following:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا حُجَّةَ اللَّهِ وَابْنَ حُجَّتِهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya hujjata allahi wabna hujjatihi

Peace be upon you, O Allah's Argument (on His creatures) and son of His Argument.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا قَتِيلَ اللَّهِ وَابْنَ قَتِيلِهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya qatila allahi wabna qatilihi

Peace be upon you, O killed for Allah's sake and son of the killed for His sake.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا ثَارَ اللَّهِ وَابْنَ ثَارِهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya thara allahi wabna tharihi

Peace be upon you, O vengeance of Allah and son of His vengeance.

الْسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَتِرَ اللّٰهِ الْبَوْتُورُ
فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ

alssalamu `alayka ya witra allahi almawtura fi alssamawati wal-ardi
Peace be upon you, O he whose blood-claimer is Allah and whose
blood is also claimed by the heavens and the earth.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّ دَمَكَ سَكَنَ فِي الْخُلْدِ

ashhadu anna damaka sakana fi alkhuldi
I bear witness that your blood has resided in the Eternity,

وَاقْشَعَرَتْ لَهُ أَظْلَةُ الْعَرْشِ

wa iqsha `arrat lahu azillatu al`arshi
the shades of the Divine Throne have shivered for it,

وَبَكَى لَهُ جَمِيعُ الْخَلَائِقِ

wa baka lahu jami`u alkhala'iqi
and all creatures have wept for it,

وَبَكَتْ لَهُ السَّمَاوَاتُ السَّبْعُ وَالْأَرْضُ وَالسَّبْعُ

wa bakat lahu alssamawatu alssab`u wal-araduna alssab`u
including the seven heavens, the seven layers of the earth,

وَمَا فِيهِنَّ وَمَا بَيْنَهُنَّ

wa ma fihinna wa ma baynahunna

whatever is within them, whatever is between them,

وَمَنْ يَتَقَلَّبُ فِي الْجَنَّةِ وَالنَّارِ مِنْ خَلْقِ رَبِّنَا

wa man yataqallabu fi aljannati walnnari min khalqi rabbina

all the inhabitants of Paradise and Hellfire from the creatures of our Lord,

وَمَا يُرَىٰ وَمَا لَا يُرَىٰ

wa ma yura wa ma la yura

whatever can be seen, and whatever cannot be seen.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ حُجَّةُ اللَّهِ وَابْنُ حُجَّتِهِ

ashhadu annaka hujjatu allahi wabnu hujjatihi

I bear witness that you are Allah's Argument and son of His Argument.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَتِيلُ اللَّهِ وَابْنُ قَتِيلِهِ

wa ashadu annaka qatilu allahi wabnu qatilihi

I bear witness that you were killed for Allah's sake and you are the son of him who was killed for the same.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ ثَارُ اللَّهِ وَابْنُ ثَارِهِ

wa ashadu annaka tharu allahi wabnu tharihi

I bear witness that you are Allah's vengeance and the son of His vengeance.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ وَتُرُّ اللَّهُ الْهُتُورِي فِي
السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ

wa ashhadu annaka witru allahi almawturu fi alssamawati wal-ardi
I bear witness that Allah is your blood-claimer and your blood is also
claimed by the heavens and the earth.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَدْ بَلَّغْتَ وَنَصَحْتَ

wa ashhadu annaka qad ballaghta wa nasahta
I bear witness that you conveyed (the message), acted sincerely,

وَوَفَّيْتَ وَأَوْفَيْتَ وَجَاهَدْتَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ

wa wafayta wa awfayta wa jahadta fi sabili allahi
carried out (your duties), fulfilled (your pledges), strove for Allah's sake,

وَمَضَيْتُ لِلَّذِي كُنْتَ عَلَيْهِ شَهِيداً وَمُسْتَشْهِداً

wa madayta lilladhi kunta `alayhi shahidan wa mustashhidan
you advanced to that on which you were witness
and that which you were asked to witness,

وَشَاهِداً وَمَشْهُوداً

wa shahidan wa mashhudan
and you were observer and you were watched.

أَنَا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَمَوْلَاكَ

ana `abdu allahi wa mawlaka

I am the slave of Allah, the servant of you,

وَفِي طَاعَتِكَ وَالْوَافِدُ إِلَيْكَ

wa fi ta`atika walwafidu ilayka

the obedient to you, and the visitor of you.

أَلْتَسِسُ كَمَا لَ الْمَنْزِلَةِ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ

altamisu kamala almanzilati `inda allahi

I seek for a perfect position with Allah,

وَتَبَاتَ الْقَدَمِ فِي الْهَجْرَةِ إِلَيْكَ

wa thabata alqadami fi alhijrati ilayka

I seek steadfastness through my pilgrimage to you,

وَالسَّبِيلَ الَّذِي لَا يَخْتَدِجُ دُونَكَ

walssabila alladhi la yakhtaliju dunaka

and I seek the path that cannot be passed without you

مِنَ الدُّخُولِ فِي كِفَالَتِكَ الَّتِي أُمِرْتُ بِهَا

min alddukhuli fi kifalatika allati umirta biha

so that I will be allowed to enter in your guarantee
that you have been ordered to give.

مَنْ أَرَادَ اللهُ بَدَأَ بِكُمْ بِكُمْ يُبَيِّنُ اللهُ الْكَذِبَ

man arada allaha bada'a bikum bikum yubayyinu allahu alkadhiba

He who seeks Allah must begin with you,
because only through you has Allah disclosed forgery.

وَبِكُمْ يُبَاعِدُ اللهُ الزَّمَانَ الْكَلْبَ وَبِكُمْ فَتَحَ اللهُ

wa bikum yuba`idu allahu alzzamana alkaliba wa bikum fataha allahu

Through you only does Allah throw away difficult days.
For your sake only has Allah started (creation).

وَبِكُمْ يَخْتِمُ اللهُ

wa bikum yakhtimu allahu

With you only will Allah seal.

وَبِكُمْ يَمْحُو مَا يَشَاءُ وَيُثَبِّتُ

wa bikum yamhu ma yasha'u wa yuthbitu

Through you only does He erase whatever He wills and establishes
(whatever He wills).

وَبِكُمْ يَفُكُّ الدُّلَّ مِنْ رِقَابِنَا

wa bikum yafukku aldhhdhulla min riqabina

Through you only does He release us from humility.

وَبِكُمْ يُدْرِكُ اللهُ تَرَةً كُلِّ مُؤْمِنٍ يُطَلَّبُ بِهَا

wa bikum yudriku allahu tirata kulli mu'minin yutlabu biha

Through you only will Allah avenge every faithful believer.

وَبِكُمْ تُنْبِتُ الْأَرْضُ أَشْجَارَهَا

wa bikum tunbitu al-ardu ashjaraha
Through you only does the soil grow its trees.

وَبِكُمْ تُخْرِجُ الْأَرْضُ ثِمَارَهَا

wa bikum tukhriju al-ardu thimaraha
Through you only does the earth produce its fruits.

وَبِكُمْ تُنْزِلُ السَّمَاءُ قَطْرَهَا وَرِزْقَهَا

wa bikum tunzilu alssama'u qatraha wa rizqaha
Through you only does the sky pour down its drops and sustenance.

وَبِكُمْ يَكْشِفُ اللَّهُ الْكُرْبَ

wa bikum yakshifu allahu alkarba
Through you only does Allah relieve from agonies.

وَبِكُمْ يُنْزِلُ اللَّهُ الْغَيْثَ

wa bikum yunazzilu allahu alghaytha
Through you only does Allah cause the rain to come down.

وَبِكُمْ تُسَبِّحُ الْأَرْضُ الَّتِي تَحْمِلُ أَبْدَانَكُمْ

wa bikum tusabbihu al-ardu allati tahmilu abdanakum
Through you only does the earth that carries your bodies glorify
(the Lord)

وَتَسْتَقِرُّ جِبَالُهَا عَنْ مَرَاسِيهَا

wa tastaqirru jibaluha `ala marasiha
and are the mountains made firm.

إِرَادَةُ الرَّبِّ فِي مَقَادِيرِ أُمُورِهِ تَهْبِطُ إِلَيْكُمْ

iradatu alrrabbi fi maqadiri umurihi tahbitu ilaykum
The will of the Lord regarding the estimations of His affairs
come down to you

وَتَصْدُرُ مِنْ بُيُوتِكُمْ

wa tasduru min buyutikum
and are issued from your houses.

وَالصَّادِرُ عَنَّا فِصْلٌ مِنْ أَحْكَامِ الْعِبَادِ

walssadiru `amma fussila min ahkami al`ibadi
So do the details of the decrees to the servants.

لُعْنَةُ أُمَّةٍ قَتَلَتْكُمْ

lu`inat ummatun qatalatkum
Cursed be the people who killed you.

وَأُمَّةٍ خَالَفَتْكُمْ وَأُمَّةٍ جَحَدَتْ وَإِلَايَتِكُمْ

wa ummatun khalafatkum wa ummatun jahadat wilayatakum
Cursed be the people who dissent from you,
the people who deny your (Divinely commissioned) leadership,

وَأُمَّةٌ ظَاهَرَتْ عَلَيْكُمْ

wa ummatun zaharat `alaykum
the people who supported each other against you,

وَأُمَّةٌ شَهِدَتْ وَلَمْ تُسْتَشْهِدْ

wa ummatun shahidat wa lam tustashhad
and the people who witnessed you but they shunned
being martyred for you.

الْحَبْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَ النَّارَ مَأْوَاهُمْ

alhamdu lillahi alladhi ja`ala alnnara ma'wahum
All praise be to Allah Who has decided Hellfire to be the
dwelling of these peoples.

وَبِئْسَ وِرْدُ الْوَارِدِينَ

wa bi'sa wirdu alwaridina
Woeful indeed will be the place to which they shall be led

وَبِئْسَ الْوِرْدُ الْمَوْرُودُ

wa bi'sa alwirdu almawrudu
and woeful indeed will be the place to which they shall be brought.

وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

walhamdu lillahi rabbi al`alamina
All praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds.

You should then repeat the following words three times:

يَا اَللّٰهُ عَلَيَّكَ يَا اَبَا عَبْدِ

wa salla allahu `alayka ya aba `aabdillah
And may Allah bless you, O Abu-`Abdullah

then you should then repeat the following words three times

اَنَا اِلَى اللّٰهِ مِمَّنْ خَالَفَكَ بَرِيءٌ

ana ila allahi mimman khalafaka bari'un

I disavow, in the presence of Allah, all those who dissented you.

You should then stand up and direct towards his son, `Ali, who is buried to the side of the Imam's feet, and say the following words:

اَلسَّلَامُ عَلَيَّكَ يَا بَنَ رَسُوْلِ اللّٰهِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna rasuli allahi
Peace be upon you, O son of Allah's Messenger.

اَلسَّلَامُ عَلَيَّكَ يَا بَنَ اَمِيْرِ الْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ

alssalamu `alayka yabna amiri almu'minin
Peace be upon you, O son of the Commander of the Faithful.

اَلسَّلَامُ عَلَيَّكَ يَا بَنَ الْحَسَنِ وَالْحُسَيْنِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna alhasani walhusayni
Peace be upon you, O son of al-Hasan and al-Husayn.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بِنَ خَدِيجَةَ وَفَاطِمَةَ

alssalamu `alayka yabna khadijata wa fatimata
Peace be upon you, O son of Khadijah and Fatimah.

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْكَ

salla allahu `alayka
May Allah bless you.

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْكَ

salla allahu `alayka
May Allah bless you.

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْكَ

salla allahu `alayka
May Allah bless you.

لَعَنَ اللهُ مَنْ قَتَلَكَ

la `ana allahu man qatalaka
May Allah curse those who killed you.

لَعَنَ اللهُ مَنْ قَتَلَكَ

la `ana allahu man qatalaka
May Allah curse those who killed you.

لَعَنَ اللهُ مَنْ قَتَلَكَ

la`ana allahu man qatalaka

May Allah curse those who killed you.

أَنَا إِلَى اللهِ مِنْهُمْ بَرِيءٌ

ana ila allahi minhum bari'un

I disavow all of them in the presence of Allah.

You should then stand up and point to the martyrs with your hand, may Allah be pleased with them, and say the following words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ

alssalamu `alaykum

Peace be upon you.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ

alssalamu `alaykum

Peace be upon you.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ

alssalamu `alaykum

Peace be upon you.

فُزْتُمْ وَاللَّهِ

fuztum wallahi

You, by Allah, have achieved success.

فُزْتُمْ وَاللَّهِ

fuztum wallahi

You, by Allah, have achieved success.

فُزْتُمْ وَاللَّهِ

fuztum wallahi

You, by Allah, have achieved success.

فَلَيْتَ أَنِّي مَعَكُمْ فَأَفُوزَ فَوْزًا عَظِيمًا

falayta anni ma`akum fa'afuza fawzan `aziman

Would that I were with you, then should I achieve a great success.

You should then turn around and make the tomb of Abu-`Abdullah in front of you (i.e. stop behind the tomb) and offer a six-unit prayer. Thus, you have accomplished the visitation of Imam al-Husayn's tomb. You may then leave, if you wish. (Here end the instructive words of Imam al-Sadiq)

This form of Ziyarah has been also reported by Shaykh al-Tusi, in Tahdhib al-Ahkam, and Shaykh al-Saduq, in man-la-yahduruhul-faqih. Commenting on it, Shaykh al-Saduq says, "Although I have mentioned other forms of Ziyarah in my two books of al-Mazar and al-Maqtal, I have chosen this very form for this book, because it is the most authentically reported form; therefore, it covers what we need and meets the required terms."

Second Form of Ziyarah [By Imam Ali Naqi (as)]

Shaykh al-Kulayni reports Imam `Ali al-Naqi (al-Hadi) to have said:

When you are at al-Husayn's tomb, you should say the following words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya aba `abdillahi
Peace be upon you, O Abu-`Abdullah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا حُجَّةَ اللَّهِ فِي أَرْضِهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya hujjata allahi fi ardihi
Peace be upon you, O Allah's Argument in His lands

وَشَاهِدَهُ عَلَى خَلْقِهِ

wa shahidahu `ala khalqihi
and His witness on His creatures.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بِنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna rasuli allahi
Peace be upon you, O so of Allah's Messenger.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بِنَ عَلِيِّ الْمُرْتَضَى

alssalamu `alayka yabna `aliyyin almurtada
Peace be upon you, O son of `Ali the well-pleased.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بِنَ فَاطِمَةَ الزَّهْرَاءِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna fatimata alzzahra'i

Peace be upon you, O son of Fatimah the Luminous.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَدْ أَقَمْتَ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَيْتَ الزَّكَاةَ

ashhadu annaka qad aqamta alssalata wa atayta alzzakata

I bear witness that you performed the prayers, defrayed the poor-rate,

وَأَمَرْتَ بِالْبَعْرُوفِ وَنَهَيْتَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ

wa amarta bilma`rufi wa nahayta `an almunkari

enjoined the right, forbade the wrong,

وَجَاهَدْتَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ حَتَّى أَتَاكَ الْيَقِينُ

wa jahadta fi sabili allahi hatta ataka alyaqinu

and strove for Allah's sake until death came upon you.

فَصَلِّ اللَّهَ عَلَيْكَ حَيًّا وَمَيِّتًا

fasalla allahu `alayka hayyan wa mayyitan

So, Allah may bless you in your lifetime and after your death.

You may then stick your right cheek to the tomb and say these words:

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ عَلَى بَيِّنَةٍ مِنْ رَبِّكَ

ashhadu annaka `ala bayyinatim min rabbika

I bear witness that you are verily relying on clear proof from your Lord.

جِئْتُ مُقِرّاً بِالذُّنُوبِ لِتَشْفَعَنِي عِنْدَ رَبِّكَ

ji'tu muqirran bildhdhunubi litashfa`a li `inda rabbika

I have come confessing of my sins
so that you may intercede for me before your Lord.

يَا بِنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

yabna rasuli allahi

O son of Allah's Messenger.

You should then mention the Holy Imams by names respectively and then say the following words:

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكُمْ حُجَجُ اللَّهِ

ashhadu annakum hujaju allahi

I bear witness that you are verily Allah's Arguments
(against His creatures).

أَكْتُبُ لِي عِنْدَكَ مِيثَاقاً وَعَهْداً

uktub li `indaka mithaqaan wa `ahdan

Please, write down for me a covenant and a pledge with you.

إِنِّي أَتَيْتُكَ مُجَدِّداً الْبَيْثَاقَ

inni ataytuka mujaddidan almithaqa

I have come to you to refresh my covenant;

فَاشْهَدْ لِي عِنْدَ رَبِّكَ

fashhad li `inda rabbika

so, testify this to me before your Lord.

إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الشَّاهِدُ

innaka anta alshshahidu

You are verily the Witness.

Third Form of Ziyarah [By Imam Sadiq (as)]

This form of Ziyarah has been reported by Ibn Tawus in his book of al-Mazar. Reporting a great reward for those who visit Imam al-Husayn with this form of Ziyarah, Ibn Tawus, having overlooked the chain of authority, reported that Jabir al-Ju`fi said that Imam al-Sadiq ('a) asked him, "What is the distance between your house and the tomb of al-Husayn?"

Jabir answered, "May Allah accept my father and mother as ransoms for you! It is only a day and half a day (walking)." "Do you usually visit him?" the Imam ('a) asked.

"Yes, I do," answered Jabir.

The Imam ('a) then said to him, "May I convey to you good tidings? May I delight you by informing you some of the rewards of visiting his tomb?"

"Yes, you may," answered Jabir.

The Imam ('a) thus said, "Once you provide yourselves with supplies of travel and prepare yourselves for visiting Imam al-Husayn ('a), the inhabitants of the heavens convey this glad tiding to each other. As soon as you leave the door of your houses and ride or walk, Almighty Allah appoints four thousand angels to bless you until you arrive at Imam al-Husayn's tomb. When you arrive at the tomb of al-Husayn ibn `Ali ('a), you may stop at the gate and say these words, because you shall be granted a portion of Allah's mercy for each word you utter... These are the words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ آدَمَ صَفْوَةَ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha adama safwati allahi

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Adam the chosen by Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ نُوحِ نَبِيِّ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha nuhin nabiyyi allahi

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Noah the prophet of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ خَلِيلِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha ibrahima khalili allahi

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Abraham the friend of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ مُوسَى كَلِيمِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha musa kalimi allahi

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Moses the spoken by Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ عِيسَى رُوحِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha `isa ruhi allahi

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Jesus the spirit of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ رُسُلِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha muhammadin sayyidi rusuli allahi

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Muhammad the chief of
Allah's Messengers.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ عَلِيٍّ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha `aliyyin

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of `Ali

أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَخَيْرِ الْوَصِيِّينَ

amirilmu'minina wa khayri alwasiyyina

the commander of the faithful and the best of the Prophets' successors.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ الْحَسَنِ الرَّضِيِّ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha alhasani alrradiyyi

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of al-Hasan the amicable,

الطَّاهِرِ الرَّاضِي الرَّضِيِّ

alattahiri alrradi alrardiyyi

the immaculate, the content, and the pleased.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الْوَصِيُّ الْبُرِّ السَّيِّدِ

alssalamu `alayka ayyuha alssiddiqu al-akbaru

Peace be upon you, O dutiful and pious successor.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَى الْأَرْوَاحِ الَّتِي حَلَّتْ

بِفَنَائِكَ وَأَنَاخَتْ بِرَحْلِكَ

alssalamu `alayka ayyuha alwasiyyu albarru alttqiyyu

Peace be upon you and upon these souls who gathered before your yard and resided next to your residence.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَى الْبَلَائِكَةِ الْخَافِينَ بِكَ

*alssalamu `alayka wa `ala al-arwahi allati hallat
bifina'ika wa anakhat birahlika*

Peace be upon you and upon the angels who are encompassing you.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَدْ أَقَمْتَ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَيْتَ الزَّكَاةَ

alssalamu `alayka wa `ala almala'ikati alhaffina bika

I bear witness that you performed the prayers, defrayed the poor-rate,

وَأَمَرْتَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَنَهَيْتَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ

*ashhadu annaka qad aqamta alssalata wa atayta alzzakata
enjoined the right, forbade the wrong,*

وَجَاهَدْتَ الْبُلْهَدِينَ وَعَبَدْتَ اللَّهَ حَتَّى أَتَاكَ الْيَقِينُ

wa amarta bilma`rufi wa nahayta `an almunkari

strove against the atheists, and served Allah until death came upon you.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

wa jahadta almulhidina wa `abadta allaha hatta ataka alyaqinu

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

You may then walk towards the tomb. With each step you make, you will be awarded the reward of one who sacrifices his blood for the sake of Allah. When you approach the tomb, you may wipe your hand over it and say these words:

أَمْرٌ عَلَيْكَ يَا حُجَّةَ اللَّهِ فِي

alssalamu `alayka ya hujjata allahi fi ardihi

Peace be upon you, O Allah's Argument in His lands.

You may then go for offering the prayer. For each unit of prayer that you offer near the tomb, you will have the reward of one who went one thousand times on hajj and one thousand times on `umrah, manumitted one thousand slaves for the sake of Allah, and stood in the line of a missioned Prophet one thousand times.”

This tradition has been previously mentioned within the etiquettes of visiting Imam al-Husayn's tomb, yet with little difference in paragraphs and in reporter, who has been al-Mufaddal ibn `Umar.

Fourth Form of Ziyarah

Mu`awiyah ibn `Ammar has reported that he asked Imam al-Sadiq ('a) what to do when visiting Imam al-Husayn's tomb. The Imam ('a) taught him to say the following words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya aba `abdillahi
Peace be upon you, O Abu-`Abdullah.

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

salla allahu `alayka ya aba `abdillahi
May Allah bless you, O Abu-`Abdullah.

رَحِمَكَ اللَّهُ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

rahimaka allahu ya aba `abdillahi
May Allah have mercy upon you, O Abu-`Abdullah.

لَعَنَ اللَّهُ مَنْ قَتَلَكَ

la`ana allahu man qatalaka
May Allah curse those who slew you.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ مَنْ شَرِكَ فِي دَمِكَ

wa la`ana allahu man sharika fi damika
May Allah curse those who took part in shedding your blood.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ مَنْ بَلَغَهُ ذَلِكَ فَرَضِيَ بِهِ

wa la`ana allahu man balaghahu dhalika faradiya bihi
May Allah curse those who are pleased when they knew about it.

أَنَا إِلَى اللَّهِ مِنْ ذَلِكَ بَرِيءٌ

ana ila allahi min dhalika bari'un
I disavow all those in the presence of Allah.

Fifth form of Ziyarah

From a valid chain of authority, Imam al-Kazim ('a) is reported to have asked Ibrahim ibn Abi'l-Ballad, "What do you say when you visit al-Husayn The man answered: I say the following

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya aba `abdillahi
Peace be upon you, O Abu-`Abdullah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna rasuli allahi
Peace be upon you, O son of Allah's Messenger.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَدْ أَقَمْتَ الصَّلَاةَ

ashhadu annaka qad aqamta alssalata
I bear witness that you performed the prayers,

وَأَتَيْتَ الزَّكَاةَ وَأَمَرْتَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ

wa atayta alzzakata wa amarta bilma`rufi
defrayed the poor-rate, enjoining the right,

وَنَهَيْتَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَدَعَوْتَ إِلَى سَبِيلِ رَبِّكَ

wa nahayta `ani almunkari wa da`awta ila sabili rabbika
forbade the evil, and called to the way of your Lord

بِالْحِكْمَةِ وَالْبُوعِظَةِ الْحَسَنَةِ

bilhikmati walmaw`izati alhasanati
with wisdom and excellent exhortation.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ الَّذِينَ سَفَكُوا دَمَكَ وَاسْتَحَلُّوا حُرْمَتَكَ

wa ashhadu anna alladhina safaku damaka wastahallu hurmataka
I also bear witness that those who shed your blood
and violated your sanctity

مَلْعُونُونَ مُعَذَّبُونَ عَلَى لِسَانِ دَاوُدَ وَعِيسَى بْنِ مَرْيَمَ

mal`ununa mu`adhdhabuna `ala lisani dawuda wa `isa bni maryama
have been accursed, and will be tortured, by the tongue of
David and Jesus the son of Mary.

ذَلِكَ بِمَا عَصَوْا وَكَانُوا يَعْتَدُونَ

dhalika bima `asaw wa kanu ya`taduna
This was because they disobeyed and used to exceed the limit.
The Imam ('a) commented, "Yes, this is accurate."

Sixth form of Ziyarah

`Ammar has reported Imam al-Sadiq ('a) as saying that when you stop at the grave of Imam al-Husayn ('a), you may say the following words

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna rasuli allahi

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

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

alssalamu `alayka yabna amiri almu'minin

Peace be upon you, O son of the commander of the faithful.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya aba `abdillahi

Peace be upon you, O Abu-`Abdullah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا سَيِّدَ شَبَابِ أَهْلِ الْجَنَّةِ

alssalamu `alayka ya sayyida shababi ahli aljannati

Peace be upon you, O chief of the youth of Paradise.

وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

wa rahmatu allahi wa barakatuhu

Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا مَنْ رِضَاهُ مِنْ رِضَا الرَّحْمَنِ

alssalamu `alayka ya man ridahu min rida alrrahmani
Peace be upon you, O he whose pleasure is part
of the pleasure of the All-beneficent Lord

وَسَخَطُهُ مِنْ سَخَطِ الرَّحْمَنِ

wa sakhatuhu min sakhati alrrahmani
and whose displeasure is part of the displeasure
of the All-beneficent Lord.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَمِينَ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya amina allahi
Peace be upon you, O trustee of Allah,

وَحُجَّةَ اللَّهِ وَبَابَ اللَّهِ

wa hujjata allahi wa baba allahi
Argument of Allah, door to Allah,

وَالدَّلِيلَ عَلَى اللَّهِ وَالِدَاعِيَ إِلَى اللَّهِ

walddalila `ala allahi waldda`iya ila allahi
guide to Allah, and caller to Allah.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَدْ حَلَلْتَ حَلَالَ اللَّهِ

ashhadu annaka qad hallata halala allahi
I bear witness that you deemed lawful all that which
Allah has deemed lawful,

وَحَرَّامَتْ حَرَامَ اللَّهِ

wa harramta harama allahi

deemed unlawful all that which Allah has deemed unlawful,

وَأَقَمْتُ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَيْتُ الزَّكَاةَ

wa aqamta alssalata wa atayta alzzakata

performed the prayers, defrayed the poor-rate,

وَأَمَرْتُ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَنَهَيْتُ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ

wa amarta bilma`rufi wa nahayta `an almunkari

enjoined the right, forbade the evil,

وَدَعَوْتُ إِلَى سَبِيلِ رَبِّكَ

wa da`awta ila sabili rabbika

and called to the way of your Lord

بِالْحِكْمَةِ وَالْمَوْعِظَةِ الْحَسَنَةِ

bilhikmati walmaw`izati alhasanati

with wisdom and excellent exhortation.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ وَمَنْ قُتِلَ مَعَكَ

wa ashhadu annaka wa man qutila ma`aka

I also bear witness that you, as well as those whom were slain with you,

شُهَدَاءُ أَحْيَاءٌ عِنْدَ رَبِّكُمْ تُرْزَقُونَ

shuhada'u ahyā'un `inda rabbikum turzaquna
are martyrs, alive, and provided sustenance from your Lord.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ قَاتِلَكَ فِي النَّارِ

wa ashhadu anna qatilaka fi alnnari
I also bear witness that your slayer shall be in Hellfire.

أَدِينُ اللَّهَ بِالْبِرَاءَةِ مِمَّنْ قَتَلَكَ

adinu allaha bilbara'ati mimman qatalaka
Before Allah, I profess disavowal of those who slew you,

وَمِمَّنْ قَاتَلَكَ وَشَايَعَكَ

wa mimman qatalaka wa shaya'a `alayka
who fought against you, who supported each other against you,

وَمِمَّنْ جَمَعَ عَلَيْكَ وَمِمَّنْ سَبِعَ صَوْتَكَ وَلَمْ يُعْنِكَ

wamimman jama'a `alayka wamimman sami'a sawtaka walamyu`inka
who rallied against you,
and who heard your call but refrained from helping you.

يَا لَيْتَنِي كُنْتُ مَعَكُمْ فَأَفُوزَ فَوْزًا عَظِيمًا

ya laytani kuntu ma`akum fa'afuza fawzan `aziman
Would that I were with you, then should I achieve a great success.

Seventh Main Full Form of Ziyarah

In his book of al-Misbah, Shaykh al-Tusi has reported Safwan as saying: One day, I asked Imam al-Sadiq ('a) to permit me to visit (the holy tomb of) my master Imam al-Husayn ('a) and also asked him to guide me what to do. The Imam ('a) said to me:

O Safwan, before you begin your journey, you should fast for three days and, on the third day, wash yourself, gather your family members, and say,

.....اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْتَوِدُّكَ الْيَوْمَ نَفْسِي

allahumma inni astawdi`uka alyawma nafsi...

O Allah, I beseech You on this day to accept as trusts my self...

Imam al-Sadiq ('a) then taught Safwan a supplicatory prayer to be said near the River Euphrates. He ('a) then said:

Wash yourself in the River Euphrates, for my father, on the authority of his fathers, narrated that the Messenger of Allah (s) said, 'After my demise, my son (al-Husayn) will be killed on the bank of the Euphrates. He who washes himself in that river (intending to visit the tomb of al-Husayn) will have all of his sins eradicated as if he has just been born by his mother.'

As you wash yourself in the river, Imam al-Sadiq ('a) continued, say the following:

GHUSL DUA

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ وَبِاللَّهِ

bismillahi wa billahi

In the Name of Allah (I begin) and in Allah (I put my trust).

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْهُ نُورًا وَطَهُورًا

allahumma ij`alhu nuran wa tahuran

O Allah, (I beseech You to) make this water for me light, purification,

وَحِرْزًا وَشِفَاءً مِنْ كُلِّ دَاءٍ وَسُقْمٍ وَآفَةٍ وَعَاهَةِ

wa hirzan wa shifa'an min kulli da'in wa suqmin wa afatin wa `ahatin
shelter, and remedy from every malady, ill, epidemic, or defect.

اللَّهُمَّ طَهِّرْ بِهِ قَلْبِي وَاشْرَحْ بِهِ صَدْرِي

allahumma tahir bihi qalbi washrah bihi sadri

O Allah, purify my heart through this water, expand my breast for me,

وَسَهِّلْ لِي بِهِ أَمْرِي

wa sahhil li bihi amri

and make my affair easy to me.

When you finish washing yourself, Imam al-Sadiq went on, put on two dresses and offer a two-unit prayer not very far from the bank of the river. That is the very place about which Almighty Allah said: And in the earth there are tracts side by side and gardens of grapes and corn and palm trees having one root and (others) having distinct roots – they are watered with one water, and We make some of them excel others in fruit. (13:4)

As you finish your prayer, direct towards the Ha'ir (i.e. Imam al-Husayn's shrine) with tranquility and solemnity. As you walk, try to make short steps, for Allah the All-exalted shall record for you the reward of going on hajj (holy pilgrimage to Mecca) and going on 'Umrah

(recommended pilgrimage to Mecca). Try to be pious-hearted with tearful eyes. Repeat as many times as possible the Takbir statement (saying allahu Akbar – Allah is the Most Great), the Tahlil statement (saying la ilaha illa (a)llahu – There is no god but Allah), statements of praising Allah, statements of invoking blessings on the Holy Prophet and his Household in general and blessings on Imam al-Husayn in particular, and statements of cursing those who killed him and those who were the main reason beyond so.

At the door of the Hai'r, you may stop and say the following words:

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ كَبِيراً

allahu akbaru kabiran

Allah is verily the Most Great.

وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَثِيراً

walhamdu lillahi kathiran

Very much thanks is due to Allah.

وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ بُكْرَةً وَأَصِيلاً

wa subhana allahi bukratan wa asilan

All praise be to Allah in morns and eves.

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي هَدَانَا لِهَذَا

alhamdu lillahi alladhi hadana lihadha

All praise is due to Allah Who has guided us to this

وَمَا كُنَّا لِنَهْتَدِيَ لَوْلَا أَنْ هَدَانَا اللَّهُ

wa ma kunna linahtadiya lawla an hadana allahu

and we would not have found the way had it not been that Allah guided us.

لَقَدْ جَاءَتْ رُسُلُ رَبِّنَا بِالْحَقِّ

laqad ja'at rusulu rabbina bilhaqqi

Certainly, the apostles of our Lord brought the truth.

PERMISSION TO ENTER

Then, you should say the following words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya rasula allahi

Peace be upon you, O Messenger of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَبِيَّ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya nabiyya allahi

Peace be upon you, O Prophet of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا خَاتَمَ النَّبِيِّينَ

alssalamu `alayka ya khatama alnnabiyyina

Peace be upon you, O seal of the prophets.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا سَيِّدَ الْمُرْسَلِينَ

alssalamu `alayka ya sayyida almursalina

Peace be upon you, O chief of the Messengers.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا حَبِيبَ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya habiba allahi

Peace be upon you, O most beloved by Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَمِيرَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

alssalamu `alayka ya amira almu'minina

Peace be upon you, O commander of the faithful.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا سَيِّدَ الْوَصِيِّينَ

alssalamu `alayka ya sayyida alwasiiyyina

Peace be upon you, O chief of the Prophets' successors.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا قَائِدَ الْغُرِّ الْمَحْجَجِينَ

alssalamu `alayka ya qa'ida alghurri almuhajjalina

Peace be upon you, O leader of the white-forehead
and white-footed ones (on the Day of Resurrection).

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بِنَ فَاطِمَةَ

alssalamu `alayka yabna fatimata

Peace be upon you, O son of Fatimah

سَيِّدَةَ نِسَاءِ الْعَالَمِينَ

sayyidati nisa'i al'alamina

the doyenne of the women of this world.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَى الْأَعْتَبَةِ مِنْ وُلْدِكَ

alssalamu `alayka wa `ala al-a'immati min wuldika
Peace be upon you and upon the Imams from your progeny.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَصِيَّ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

alssalamu `alayka ya wasiyya amiri almu'minina
Peace be upon you, O successor of the commander of the faithful.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الصِّدِّيقُ الشَّهِيدُ

alssalamu `alayka ayyuha alssiddiqu alshshahidu
Peace be upon you, O veracious and martyr.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا مَلَائِكَةَ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alaykum ya mala'ikata allahi
Peace be upon you, O Angels of Allah

الْبُقِيِّبِينَ فِي هَذَا الْبَقَامِ الشَّرِيفِ

almuqimina fi hadha almaqami alshsharifi
who reside in this holy shrine.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا مَلَائِكَةَ رَبِّي

alssalamu `alaykum ya mala'ikata rabbi
Peace be upon you, O my Lord's Angels

الْبُحْدِقِينَ بِقَبْرِ الْحُسَيْنِ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ

almuhdiqina biqabri alhusayni `alayhi alssalamu
who surround the tomb of al-Husayn, peace be upon him.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ مِنْنِي أَبَدًا

alssalamu `alaykum minni abadan
Peace be upon all of you forever

مَا بَقِيْتُ وَبَقِيَ اللَّيْلُ وَالنَّهَارُ

ma baqitu wa baqiya allaylu walnnaharu
as long as I am existent and as long as there are day and night.

You should then say these words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya aba `abdillahi
Peace be upon you, O Abu-Abdullah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna rasuli allahi
Peace be upon you, O son of the Messenger of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

alssalamu `alayka yabna amiri almu'minina
Peace be upon you, O son of the commander of the faithful.

عَبْدُكَ وَابْنُ عَبْدِكَ وَابْنُ أُمَّتِكَ

`abduka wabnu `abdika wabnu amatika

I am your slave and son of your slave and bondmaid.

الْبُقْرُ بِالرِّقِّ وَالتَّارِكُ لِلْخِلاَفِ عَلَيْكُمْ

almuqirru bilrriqqi walttariku lilkhilafi `alaykum

I confess of my servanthship to you, acquit from being opposite to you,

وَالْمُوَالِي لِمُوَالِيكُمْ وَالْبُعَادِي لِعَدُوِّكُمْ

walmuwali liwaliyyikum walmu`adi li`aduwwikum

accede to any one who accedes to you,

and antagonize anyone who antagonizes you.

قَصْدًا حَرَامًا وَاسْتِجَارًا بِمَشْهَدِكَ

qasada haramaka wastajara bimashhadika

I direct towards your holy shrine, seek shelter with your (burial) place

وَتَقَرَّبَ إِلَيْكَ بِقَصْدِكَ

wa taqarraba ilayka biqasdika

and seeking nearness to you through directing to you.

أَدْخُلْ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ

a'adkhulu ya rasula allahi

O Messenger of Allah, may I enter?

أَدْخُلْ يَا نَبِيَّ اللَّهِ

a'adkhulu ya nabiyya allahi
O Prophet of Allah, may I enter?

أَدْخُلْ يَا أَمِيرَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

a'adkhulu ya amira almu'minina
O Commander of the faithful, may I enter?

أَدْخُلْ يَا سَيِّدَ الْوَصِيِّينَ

a'adkhulu ya sayyida alwasiiyyina
O Chief of the prophets' successors, may I enter?

أَدْخُلْ يَا فَاطِمَةَ سَيِّدَةَ نِسَاءِ الْعَالَمِينَ

a'adkhulu ya fatimatu sayyidata nisa'i al'alamina
O Fatimah the doyenne of the women of the world, may I enter?

أَدْخُلْ يَا مَوْلَايَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

a'adkhulu ya mawlaya ya aba`abdillahi
O my master Abu `Abdullah, may I enter?

أَدْخُلْ يَا مَوْلَايَ يَا بَنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

a'adkhulu ya mawlaya yabna rasuli allahi
O my master and son of the Messenger of Allah, may I enter?

AT ENTRANCE

If you feel that your heart has become submissive and your eyes have become tearful, then that will be the sign of permission to enter. You then should enter and say these words:

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْوَاحِدِ الْأَحَدِ

alhamdu lillahi alwahidi al-ahadi

All praise is due to Allah the One, the Unique,

الْفَرْدِ الصَّادِ

alfardi alssamadi

the Single, the Absolute,

الَّذِي هَدَانِي لِوَلَايَتِكَ

alladhi hadani liwilayatika

Who has guided me to be loyal to you,

وَخَصَّنِي بِزِيَارَتِكَ

wa khassani biziyyaratika

given me exclusively the chance to visit your tomb,

وَسَهَّلَ لِي قَصْدَكَ

wa sahhala li qasdaka

and made it easy for me to direct to you.

ZIYARAT

You should then come near the door of the dome from the side of the Imam's head and say these words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ آدَمَ صَفْوَةَ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha adama safwati allahi
Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Adam the choice of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ نُوحٍ نَبِيِّ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha nuhin nabiyi allahi
Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Noah the prophet of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ خَلِيلِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha ibrahima khalili allahi
Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Abraham the intimate friend of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ مُوسَى كَلِيمِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha musa kalimi allahi
Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Moses the spoken by Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ عِيسَى رُوحِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha `isa ruhi allahi
Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Jesus the spirit of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ مُحَمَّدٍ حَبِيبِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha muhammadin habibi allahi

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Muhammad the most beloved by Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثَ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha amiri almu'minina

Peace be upon you, O inheritor of the Commander of the Faithful,
peace be upon him.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ مُحَمَّدٍ الْبُصْطَفَى

alssalamu `alayka yabna muhammadin almustafa

Peace be upon you, O son of Muhammad the well-chosen Prophet.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ عَلِيٍّ الْبُرْتَضَى

alssalamu `alayka yabna `aliyyin almurtada

Peace be upon you, O son of `Ali the well-pleased.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ فَاطِمَةَ الزَّهْرَاءِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna fatimata alzzahra'i

Peace be upon you, O son of Fatimah the luminous lady.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ خَدِيجَةَ الْكُبْرَى

alssalamu `alayka yabna khadijata alkubra

Peace be upon you, O son of Khadijah the grand lady.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا ثَارَ اللَّهِ وَابْنَ ثَارِهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya thara allahi wabna tharihi

Peace be upon you, O vengeance of Allah, son of His vengeance,

وَالْوِتْرَ الْمَوْتُورَ

walwitra almawtura

and the unavenged so far.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَدْ أَقَمْتَ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَيْتَ الزَّكَاةَ

ashhadu annaka qad aqamta alssalata wa atayta alzzakata

I bear witness that you performed the prayers, defrayed the poor-rate,

وَأَمَرْتَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَنَهَيْتَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ

wa amarta bilma `rufi wa nahayta `an almunkari

enjoined the right, forbade the wrong,

وَأَطَعْتَ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ حَتَّىٰ آتَاكَ الْيَقِينُ

wa ata `ta allaha wa rasulahu hatta ataka alyaqinu

and obeyed Allah and His Messenger until death came upon you.

فَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً قَتَلَتْكَ

fala `ana allahu ummatan qatalatka

So, may Allah curse the people who slew you.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً ظَلَمْتَكَ

wa la`ana allahu ummatan zalamatka

May Allah curse the people who persecuted you.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً سَبِعَتْ بِذَلِكَ فَرَضِيَتْ بِهِ

wa la`ana allahu ummatan sami`at bidhalika faradiyat bihi

May Allah curse the people who were pleased when they had heard of that.

يَا مَوْلَايَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

ya mawlaya ya aba `abdillahi

O my Master, O Abu-`Abdullah!

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ كُنْتَ نُورًا فِي الْأَصْلَابِ الشَّامِخَةِ

ashhadu annaka kunta nuran fi al-aslabi alshshamikhati

I bear witness that you were light in the sublime loins

وَالْأَرْحَامِ الْبُطْهَرَةِ

wal-arhami almutahharati

and purified wombs;

لَمْ تَنْجِسْكَ الْجَاهِلِيَّةُ بِأَنْجَاسِهَا

lam tunajjiska aljahiliyyatu bi'anjasaha

the impurities of the Ignorance Era could not object you to filth

وَلَمْ تُدْبِسْكَ مِنْ مُدْلَهَمَاتِ ثِيَابِهَا

wa lam tulbiska min mudlahimmati thiyabiha
nor could it dress you its murky clothes.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ مِنْ دَعَائِمِ الدِّينِ

wa ashhadu annaka min da`a'imi alddini
I also bear witness that you are one of the mainstays of the religion

وَأَرْكَانِ السُّومِنِينَ

wa arkani almu'minina
and the supports of the faithful believers.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ الإِمَامُ البَرُّ التَّقِيُّ

wa ashhadu annaka al-imamu albarru alattaqiyyu
I also bear witness that you are the God-fearing, pious,

الرَّضِيُّ الرَّكِيُّ الهَادِي السَّهْدِيُّ

alrradiyyu alzzakiyyu alhadi almahdiyyu
pleased, immaculate, guide, and well-guided Imam.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ الأئمةَ مِنْ وُلْدِكَ كَلِمَةُ التَّقْوَى

wa ashhadu anna al-a'immata min wuldika kalimatu altaqwa
And (I bear witness) that the Imams from your progeny are the
spokesmen of piety,

وَأَعْلَامُ الْهُدَى وَالْعُرْوَةُ الْوُثْقَى

wa a`lamu alhuda wal`urwatu alwuthqa
the signs of guidance, the firmest handle (of Islam),

وَالْحُجَّةُ عَلَى أَهْلِ الدُّنْيَا

walhujjatu `ala ahli alddunya
and the decisive Argument against the inhabitants of the world.

وَأَشْهَدُ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ وَأَنْبِيََاءَهُ وَرَسُولَهُ

wa ushhidu allaha wa mala'ikatahu wa anbiya'ahu wa rusulahu
And I call Allah, His angels, His Prophets, and His Messenger

أَنِّي بِكُمْ مُؤْمِنٌ وَبِإِيَابِكُمْ

anni bikum mu'minun wa bi'yabikum
to witness for me that I believe in you all and in your Return,

مُوقِنٌ بِشَرَائِعِ دِينِي وَخَوَاتِيمِ عَمَلِي

muqinun bishara'i`i dini wa khawatimi `amali
I have full confidence in the laws of my religion
and in the seals of my deeds,

وَقَلْبِي لِقَلْبِكُمْ سَلْمٌ

wa qalbi liqalbikum silmun
my heart is at peace with you all,

وَأَمْرِي لِأَمْرِكُمْ مُتَّبِعٌ

wa amri li'amrikum muttbi'un

and all my affairs are based on your commands.

صَلَوَاتُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْكُمْ وَعَلَىٰ أَرْوَاحِكُمْ

salawatu allahi `alaykum wa `ala arwahikum

May Allah's benedictions be on your souls,

وَعَلَىٰ أَجْسَادِكُمْ وَعَلَىٰ أَجْسَامِكُمْ

wa `ala ajsadikum wa `ala ajsamikum

your bodies, your forms,

وَعَلَىٰ شَاهِدِكُمْ وَعَلَىٰ غَائِبِكُمْ

wa `ala shahidikum wa `ala gha'ibikum

the present and the absent from you,

وَعَلَىٰ ظَاهِرِكُمْ وَعَلَىٰ بَاطِنِكُمْ

wa `ala zahirikum wa `ala batinikum

and the apparent and the invisible from you.

Then, you may throw yourself on the tomb, kiss it, and say these words:

بِأَبِي أَنْتَ وَأُمِّي يَا بَنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

bi'abi anta wa ummi yabna rasuli allahi

My father and mother be sacrificed for you,

O son of the Messenger of Allah!

بِأَبِي أَنْتَ وَأُمِّي يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

bi'abi anta wa ummi ya aba `abdillahi

My father and mother be sacrificed for you, O Abu `Abdullah!

لَقَدْ عَظُمَتِ الرَّزِيَّةُ

laqad `azumat alrraziyyatu

Extremely terrible was the calamity

وَجَلَّتِ الْبُصِيْبَةُ بِكَ عَلَيْنَا

wa jallat almusibatu bika `alayna

and astounding is the misfortune that you suffered upon us

وَعَلَىٰ جَمِيعِ أَهْلِ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ

wa `ala jami`i ahli alssamawati wal-ardi

and upon all the inhabitants of the heavens and the earth.

فَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً أَسْرَجَتْ وَأَلْجَبَتْ

fala`ana allahu ummatan asrajat wa aljamat

Therefore, Allah may curse the people who saddled up,
gave rein to their horses,

وَتَهَيَّأَتْ لِقِتَالِكَ

wa tahayya'at liqitalika

and prepared themselves to kill you.

يَا مَوْلَايَ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

ya mawlaya ya aba `abdillahi
O my Master, O Abu `Abdullah!

قَصَدْتُ حَرَمَكَ وَأَتَيْتُ إِلَى مَشْهَدِكَ

qasadtu haramaka wa ataytu ila mashhadika
I moved towards your sanctuary and came to your shrine

أَسْأَلُ اللَّهَ بِالشَّانِ الَّذِي لَكَ عِنْدَهُ

as'alu allaha bilshsha'ni alladhi laka `indahu
beseeking Allah in the name of the standing th
at you enjoy with Him

وَبِالْمَحَلِّ الَّذِي لَكَ لَدَيْهِ

wa bilmahalli alladhi laka ladayhi
and the position that you occupy with Him

أَنْ يُصَلِّيَ عَلَيَّ مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

an yusalliya `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin
to send blessings on Muhammad and on the Household of Muhammad

وَأَنْ يَجْعَلَني مَعَكُمْ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ

wa an yaj'alani ma`akum fi alldunya wal-akhirati
and to keep me with you in this world and in the Hereafter.

Then, you should stand up for offering a two-unit prayer next to the side of the Imam's head. In this prayer, you can recite any Surah you like. When you finish, you should say these words:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي صَلَّيْتُ وَرَكَعْتُ وَسَجَدْتُ

allahumma inni sallaytu wa raka`tu wa sajadtu

O Allah, I have offered a prayer, genuflected, and prostrated myself

لَكَ وَحْدَكَ لَا شَرِيكَ لَكَ

laka wahdaka la sharika laka

for Your sake purely without setting any partner with You

لَأَنَّ الصَّلَاةَ وَالرُّكُوعَ وَالسُّجُودَ لَا تَكُونُ إِلَّا لَكَ

li'anna alssalata walrruku`a walssujuda la takunu illa laka

since all prayers, genuflection, and prostration suit none except You.

لِأَنَّكَ أَنْتَ اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ

li'annaka anta allahu la ilaha illa anta

Because You are Allah, there in no god save You.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

allahumma salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin

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

وَأَبْلِغُهُمْ عَنِّي أَفْضَلَ السَّلَامِ وَالتَّحِيَّةِ

wa ablighhum `anni afdala alssalami walttahiyati
and convey to them my best greetings and compliments

وَأَرُدُّ دُعَايَ مِنْهُمْ السَّلَامَ

wardud `alayya minhum alssalama
and convey to me their replies.

اللَّهُمَّ وَهَاتَانِ الرَّكْعَتَانِ

allahumma wa hatani alrrak`atani
O Allah, these two units of prayer

هَدِيَّةٌ مِنِّي إِلَى مَوْلَايَ

hadiyyatun minni ila mawlaya
are present from me to my master

الْحُسَيْنِ بْنِ عَلِيٍّ عَلَيْهِمَا السَّلَامُ

alhusayni bni `aliyyin `alayhima alssalamu
al-Husayn the son of `Ali, peace be upon both of them.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَيْهِ

allahumma salli `ala muhammadin wa `alayhi
O Allah, send blessings on Muhammad and on him,

وَتَقَبَّلْ مِنِّي وَأَجْرُنِي عَلَيَّ ذَلِكَ

wa taqabbal minni wa'jurni `ala dhalika
accept my effort, and reward me for it

بِأَفْضَلِ أَمَلِي وَرَجَائِي فِيكَ

bi'afdali amali wa raja'i fika
in the best rewarding that I anticipate and hope from You

وَفِي وَوَلِيِّكَ يَا وَلِيَّ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

wa fi waliyyika ya waliyya almu'minin
and from Your saint, O Guardian of the faithful!

Ziarat Hazrat Ali Akber (sa)

Then, move to the side of the Imam's feet, stop at the place of the head of `Ali ibn al-Husayn ('a) and say the following words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna rasuli allahi

Peace be upon you, O son of the Messenger of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ نَبِيِّ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna nabiyi allahi

Peace be upon you, O son of the Prophet of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

alssalamu `alayka yabna amiri almu'minina

Peace be upon you, O son of the commander of the faithful.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ الْحُسَيْنِ الشَّهِيدِ

alssalamu `alayka yabna alhusayni alshshahidi

Peace be upon you, O son of al-Husayn the martyr.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الشَّهِيدُ

alssalamu `alayka ayyuha alshshahidu

Peace be upon you, O martyr.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الْبَظْلُومُ وَابْنُ الْبَظْلُومِ

alssalamu `alayka ayyuha almazlumu wabnu almazlumi
Peace be upon you, O wronged and harassed and
the son of the wrong and harassed.

لَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً قَتَلَتْكَ

la`ana allahu ummatan qatalatka
Curse of Allah be on those who killed you.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً ظَلَمَتْكَ

wa la`ana allahu ummatan zalamatka
Curse of Allah be on those who persecuted you.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً سَمِعَتْ بِذَلِكَ فَرَضِيَتْ بِهِ

wa la`ana allahu ummatan sami`at bidhalika faradiyat bihi
Curse of Allah be on those who heard this even but rested satisfied.

You should then throw yourself on the tomb, kiss it, and say the following words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَلِيَّ اللَّهِ وَابْنَ وَلِيِّهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waliyya allahi wabna waliyyihi
Peace be upon you, O intimate servant of Allah and
the son of His intimate servant.

لَقَدْ عَظُمَتِ الْبُصِيْبَةُ

laqad `azumat almusibatu

Extremely terrible was the calamity

وَجَلَّتِ الرَّزِيَّةُ بِكَ عَلَيْنَا

wa jallat alrraziyyatu bika `alayna

and astounding is the misfortune that you suffered, upon us

وَعَلَىٰ جَمِيعِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

wa `ala jami`i almuslimina

and upon all Muslims.

فَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً قَتَلَتْكَ

fala`ana allahu ummatan qatalatka

So, curse of Allah be on those who killed you

وَأَبْرَأُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَإِلَيْكَ مِنْهُمْ

wa abra'u ila allahi wa ilayka minhum

and I disavow them in the presence of Allah and You.

Ziyarat Martyrs

You should then leave from the door that is at the side of `Ali ibn al-Husayn's feet, direct towards the martyrs, and say the following words:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا أَوْلِيَاءَ اللَّهِ وَأَحِبَّاءَهُ

alssalamu `alaykum ya awliya'a allahi wa ahibba'ahu
Peace be upon all of you, O friends and dears of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا أَصْفِيَاءَ اللَّهِ وَأَوْدَاءَهُ

alssalamu `alaykum ya asfiya'a allahi wa awidda'ahu
Peace be upon all of you, O choice of Allah and
sincerely attached to Him.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا أَنْصَارَ دِينِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alaykum ya ansara dini allahi
Peace be upon all of you, O supporters of Allah's religion.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا أَنْصَارَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alaykum ya ansara rasuli allahi
Peace be upon all of you, O supporters of the Messenger of Allah.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا أَنْصَارَ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

alssalamu `alaykum ya ansara amiri almu'minina
Peace be upon all of you, O supporters of the
Commander of the Faithful.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا أَنْصَارَ فَاطِمَةَ سَيِّدَةِ نِسَاءِ الْعَالَمِينَ

alssalamu `alaykum ya ansara fatimata sayyidati nisa'i al`alamina
Peace be upon all of you, O supporters of Fatimah
the doyenne of the women of this world.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا أَنْصَارَ أَبِي مُحَمَّدٍ

alssalamu `alaykum ya ansara abi muhammadin
Peace be upon all of you, O supporters of Abu Muhammad,

الْحَسَنِ بْنِ عَلِيٍّ الْوَلِيِّ النَّاصِحِ

alhasani ibni `aliyyin alwaliyyi alnnasihi
al-Hasan the son of `Ali, the saintly and sincere.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا أَنْصَارَ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ

alssalamu `alaykum ya ansara abi `abdillahi
Peace be upon all of you, O supporters of Abu-`Abdullah.

بِأَبِي أَنْتُمْ وَأُمِّي

bi'abi antum wa ummi
My father and mother be sacrificed for you.

طِبْتُمْ وَطَابَتِ الْأَرْضُ الَّتِي فِيهَا دُفِنْتُمْ

tibtum wa tabat al-ardu allati fiha dufintum
Verily, pure be you and pure be the soil in which you were buried.

وَفُزْتُمْ فَوْزًا عَظِيمًا

wa fuztum fawzan `aziman

You attained great success.

فَيَا لَيْتَنِي كُنْتُ مَعَكُمْ فَأَفُوزَ مَعَكُمْ

fayalaytani kuntu ma`akum fa'afuza ma`akum

Would that I were with you so that I could also share the accomplishment with you.

You should then return to the place near the head of Imam al-Husayn ('a), supplicate Almighty Allah as much as you can, and pray for yourself, your family members, your parents, and your friends, because any prayer in the holy shrine of Imam al-Husayn ('a) shall never be rejected. Commentary: Known as Ziyarah Warith, this form of ziyarah has been quoted from Shaykh al-Tusi's book of Misbah al-Mutahajjid, which is one of the most sublime, reliable, and famous books in the scholastic milieu. I have therefore quoted this form of ziyarah from this honorable book without leaning on any other means or reference book. Hence, the sealing statement of this form was the following:

فَيَا لَيْتَنِي كُنْتُ مَعَكُمْ فَأَفُوزَ مَعَكُمْ

fayalaytani kuntu ma`akum fa'afuza ma`akum

Would that I were with you so that I could also share the accomplishment with you.

Offer a two-unit prayer Among the other recommended acts in Imam al-Husayn's holy shrine is to offer a two-unit prayer at the side of the head, reciting Surah al-Fatihah and Surah al-Rahman in the first unit and Surah al-Fatihah and Surah al-Mulk (No. 76) in the second.

On the word of Sayyid Ibn Tawus, one who offers this prayer will be granted the reward of having performed an admitted and acceptable ritual pilgrimage (hajj) with the Holy Prophet (s) for twenty times.

Salwaat on Imam Ali (as) and Lady Fatima (sa)

Abu-Sa`id al-Mada'ini is reported to have said that he, once, came to Imam al-Sadiq ('a) and asked, "May I go for visiting the tomb of al-Husayn?" The Imam ('a) answered, "Yes, you may. Go for visiting the tomb of al-Husayn the son of Allah's Messenger, the most immaculate of all the immaculate ones, the most infallible of all the infallible ones, and the most munificent of all those who act munificently. After you visit him, you may repeat the glorification words of the Commander of the Faithful (Amir al-Mu'minin) one thousand times while you are at the head's side and repeat the glorification words of the Luminous Lady (i.e. al-Zahra') one thousand time while you are at the legs' side. You may then offer a two-unit prayer reciting Surah Yasin (No. 36) and Surah al-Rahman (No. 55) in that prayer. If you do so, you will earn a great reward." When the reporter asked the Imam ('a) to teach him the glorification words of the Commander of the Faithful and those of the Luminous Lady, the Imam said: The glorification words of (Imam) `Ali are the following:

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي لَا تَنْفَدُ خَزَائِنُهُ

subhana alladhi la tanfadu khaza'inuhu

Glory be to Him Whose reserves never run out.

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي لَا تَبِيدُ مَعَالِيَهُ

subhana alladhi la tabidu ma'alimuhu

Glory be to Him Whose signs are never exterminated.

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي لَا يَفْنَى مَا عِنْدَهُ

subhana alladhi la yafna ma`indahu

Glory be to Him Whose possessions never expire.

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي لَا يُشْرِكُ أَحَدًا فِي حُكْمِهِ

subhana alladhi la yushriku ahadan fi hukmihi

Glory be to Him Who never betakes to Himself a partner in His judgments.

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي لَا أَضْحُلَّ لِفَخْرِهِ

subhana alladhi la idmihlala lifakhrihi

Glory be to Him Whose honor never vanishes.

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي لَا انْقِطَاعَ لِمُدَّتِهِ

subhana alladhi la inqita`a limuddatihi

Glory be to Him Whose duration (of existence) is never interrupted.

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي لَا إِلَهَ غَيْرُهُ

subhana alladhi la ilaha ghayruhu

Glory be to Him save Whom there is no god.

The glorification words of Fatimah (‘a) are the following:

سُبْحَانَ ذِي الْجَلَالِ الْبَازِخِ الْعَظِيمِ

dhi aljalali albadhikhi al`azeem

Glory be to the Lord of majesty and exalted great

سُبْحَانَ ذِي الْعِزِّ الشَّامِخِ الْهَنِيفِ

dhi al`izzi alshshamikhi almunif

Glory be to the Lord of honor and sublime author

سُبْحَانَ ذِي الْمُلْكِ الْفَاخِرِ الْقَدِيمِ

dhi almulki alfakhiri alqad

Glory be to the Lord of eternal, splendid sovereign

سُبْحَانَ ذِي الْبَهْجَةِ وَالْجَبَالِ

dhi albahjati waljamal

Glory be to the Lord of splendor and beauty

سُبْحَانَ مَنْ تَرَدَّدَى بِالنُّورِ وَالْوَقَارِ

man taradda bilnuri walwaqar

Glory be to Him Who is clad in light and dignity

سُبْحَانَ مَنْ يَرَى أَثَرَ النَّهْلِ فِي الصَّفَا

man yara athara alnnamli fi alssfa

Glory be to Him Who makes out the footprints of the ant on the

وَوَقَعَ الطَّيْرُ فِي الْهَوَاءِ

a alttayri fi alhawa

and (the exact time and place of) the bird dipping down through the

Ziyarah of al-`Abbas ibn `Ali

The noble Shaykh Ja`far ibn Qawlawayh al-Qummi has reported through a considerable chain of authority that Abu-Hamzah al-Thumali reported Imam al-Sadiq (`a) as saying: If you intend to visit the tomb of al-`Abbas ibn `Ali (`a) that lies on the bank of the River Euphrates opposite to al-Ha'ir, you should stop at the gate of the shed (precinct) and say these words:

سَلَامُ اللَّهِ وَسَلَامُ مَلَائِكَتِهِ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ

salamu allahi wa salamu mala'ikatihi almuqarrabina

Peace of Allah and peace of His favorite angels,

وَأَنْبِيَائِهِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَعِبَادِهِ الصَّالِحِينَ

wa anbiya'ihim almuqarrabina wa `ibadihi alssalihina

His commissioned prophets, His righteous servants,

وَجَمِيعِ الشُّهَدَاءِ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ

wa jami'i alshshuhada'i walssiddiqina

all the martyrs, and all the veracious (ones),

وَالزَّكَايَاتُ الطَّيِّبَاتُ فِيمَا تَغْتَدِي وَتَرُوحُ

walzzakiyatu alttayyibatu fima taghtadi wa taruhu

and also pure, true blessings that come and go,

عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

`alayka yabna amiri almu'minina

be upon you, O son of the Commander of the Faithful.

أَشْهَدُكَ بِالتَّسْلِيمِ وَالتَّصَدِيقِ

ashhadu laka bilttaslimi walttasdiqi

I testify to you of submission (to the will of God),
honest acceptance as true,

وَالْوَفَاءِ وَالنَّصِيحَةِ

walwafa'i walnnasihati

loyalty, and sincerity

لِخَلْفِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ الْبُرْسَلِ

likhalafi alnnabiyyi salla allahu `alayhi wa alihi almursali

to the descendant of the commissioned Prophet,
Allah's blessings be upon him and his Household,

وَالسَّبِطِ الْمُنْتَجَبِ وَالذَّلِيلِ الْعَالِمِ

walssibti almntajabi walddalili al`alimi

the chosen grandson (of the Prophet),
the well knowledgeable guide (to the true religion),

وَالْوَصِيِّ الْمُبَدِّغِ وَالْمُظْلَمِ الْمُهْتَضَمِ

walwasiyyi almuballighi walmazlumi almuhtadami

the conveying successor, and the wrongfully oppressed one.

فَجَزَاكَ اللَّهُ عَنْ رَسُولِهِ

fajazaka allahu `an rasulih

So, Allah may reward you on behalf of His Messenger,

وَعَنْ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

wa `an amiri almu'minina
the Commander of the Faithful,

وَعَنِ الْحَسَنِ وَالْحُسَيْنِ

wa `an alhasani walhusayni
al-Hasan, and al-Husayn,

صَلَوَاتُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِمْ

salawatu allahi `alayhim
peace of Allah be upon them,

أَفْضَلِ الْجَزَاءِ

afdala aljaza'i
with the best reward

بِمَا صَبَرْتَ وَاحْتَسَبْتَ وَأَعَنْتَ

bima sabarta wahtasabta wa a`anta
for your steadfastness, dedication (to the sake of God),
and support (for the right party).

فَنِعْمَ عُقْبَى الدَّارِ

fani`ma `uqba alddari
Very excellent be the reward of the eternal life.

لَعْنِ اللَّهِ مَنْ قَتَلَكَ

la`ana allahu man qatalaka
Allah's curse be on him who killed you.

وَلَعْنِ اللَّهِ مَنْ جَهِلَ حَقَّكَ

wa la`ana allahu man jahila haqqaka
Allah's curse be on him who ignored your position

وَاسْتَخَفَّ بِحُرْمَتِكَ

wastakhaffa bihurmatika
and belittled your sanctity.

وَلَعْنِ اللَّهِ مَنْ حَالَ بَيْنَكَ وَبَيْنَ مَاءِ الْفُرَاتِ

wa la`ana allahu man hala baynaka wa bayna ma'i alfurati
Allah's curse be on him who precluded you from having from the
water of the Euphrates.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قُتِلْتَ مَظْلُومًا

ashhadu annaka qutilta mazluman
I testify that you were killed wrongfully

وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ مُنْجِزٌ لَكُمْ مَا وَعَدَكُمْ

wa anna allaha munjizun lakum ma wa`adakum
and that Allah will verily fulfill His promise that He made with you.

جئتُكَ يَا بَنَ أَمِيرِ الْبُؤْمِنِينَ وَافِدًا إِلَيْكُمْ

ji'tuka yabna amiri almu'minina wafidan ilaykum

O son of the Commander of the Faithful, I have come to you to
present myself before you.

وَقَلْبِي مُسَلِّمٌ لَكُمْ وَتَابِعٌ

wa qalbi musallimun lakum wa tabi'un

My heart is submissive to you and is following you.

وَأَنَا لَكُمْ تَابِعٌ

wa ana lakum tabi'un

And I am your follower.

وَنُصْرَتِي لَكُمْ مُعَدَّةٌ حَتَّى يَحْكُمَ اللَّهُ

wa nusrati lakum mu`addatun hatta yahkuma allahu

I am ready to support you until Allah decides.

وَهُوَ خَيْرُ الْحَاكِمِينَ

wa huwa khayru alhakimina

He is surely the best of all those who decide.

فَبَعَّكُمْ مَعَكُمْ

fama`akum ma`akum

I am verily with you,

لَا مَعَ عَدُوِّكُمْ

la ma`a `aduwwikum
not with your enemy.

إِنِّي بِكُمْ وَبِإِيَابِكُمْ مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

inni bikum wa bi'iyabikum min almu'minina
I am one of those who believe in you and believe in your Return.

وَبِمَنْ خَالَفَكُمْ وَقَتَلَكُمْ مِنَ الْكَافِرِينَ

wa biman khalafakum wa qatalakum min alkafirina
I also one of those who deny your opposites and killers.

قَتَلَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً قَتَلْتُمْ بِالْأَيْدِي وَالْأَلْسُنِ

qatala allahu ummatan qatalatkum bil-aidi wal-alsuni
Allah may kill the group who killed you with hands and tongues
(by giving orders of killing you.)

You should then enter, throw yourself on the tomb, and say the following words :

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الْعَبْدُ الصَّالِحُ

alssalamu `alayka ayyuha al`abdu alssalihu
Peace be upon you, O righteous servant (of Allah)

الْبُطِيعُ لِلَّهِ وَلِرَسُولِهِ وَلِأَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

almuti`u lillahi wa lirasulihī wa li'amiri almu'minina
and obedient to Allah, to His Messenger, to the Commander of the Faithful,

وَالْحَسَنِ وَالْحُسَيْنِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ وَسَلَّم

walhasani walhusayni salla allahu `alayhim wa sallama
to al-Hasan, and to al-Husayn, peace and greetings of Allah be upon them.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

alssalamu `alayka wa rahmatu allahi wa barakatuhu
Peace, Allah's mercy, blessings,

وَمَغْفِرَتُهُ وَرِضْوَانُهُ وَعَلَى رُوحِكَ وَبَدَنِكَ

wa maghfiratuhu wa ridwanuhu wa `ala ruhika wa badanika
forgiveness, and gratifications be upon you, your soul, and your body.

أَشْهَدُ وَأُشْهَدُ اللَّهَ أَنَّكَ مَضَيْتَ عَلَى مَا مَضَى بِهِ

الْبَدْرِيُّونَ

ashhadu wa ushhidu allaha annaka madayta `ala ma mada bihi
albadriyyuna

I testify, and call Allah to witness, that you abided by the same course
that was taken by the warriors of (the battle of) Badr

وَالْمُجَاهِدُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ

walmujahiduna fi sabili allahi
and the strivers for Allah's sake

الْمُنَاصِحُونَ لَهُ فِي جِهَادِ أَعْدَائِهِ

almunasihuna lahu fi jihadi a`da'ih
who sincerely served Him in the battlefields against His enemies,

الْمُبَالِغُونَ فِي نَصْرَةِ أَوْلِيَاءِهِ

almubalighuna fi nusrati awliya'ih
did their bests for supporting His disciples,

الذَّابُّونَ عَنْ أَحِبَّائِهِ

aldhdhabbuna `an ahibba'ih
and defended His intimate ones.

فَجَزَاكَ اللَّهُ أَفْضَلَ الْجَزَاءِ

fajazaka allahu afdala aljaza'i
So, Allah may reward you the best,

وَأَكْثَرَ الْجَزَاءِ

wa akthara aljaza'i
the maximum,

وَأَوْفَرَ الْجَزَاءِ

wa awfara aljaza'i
the most abundant,

وَأَوْفَىٰ جَزَاءِ أَحَدٍ مِّمَّنْ وَفَىٰ بِبَيْعَتِهِ

wa awfa jaza'i ahadin mimman wa fa bibay'atihi
and the most conclusive reward that He may give to any one who
fulfills his homage,

وَأَسْتَجَابَ لَهُ دَعْوَتُهُ

wastajaba lahu da`watahu
answers the call (of the religion),

وَأَطَاعَ وُلاةَ أَمْرِهِ

wa ata`a wulata amrihi
and obeys his (divinely elected) leaders.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَدْ بَالِغْتَ فِي النَّصِيحَةِ

ashhadu annaka qad balaghta fi alnnasihati
I testify that you acted extremely sincerely

وَأَعْطَيْتَ غَايَةَ الْجُهْدِ

wa a`tayta ghayata almajhudi
and exerted all your efforts (in this regard).

فَبَعَثَكَ اللهُ فِي الشُّهَدَاءِ

faba`athaka allahu fi alshshuhada'i
Allah may attach you to the martyrs,

وَجَعَلَ رُوحَكَ مَعَ أَرْوَاحِ السُّعَدَاءِ

wa ja`ala ruhaka ma`a arwahi alssu`ada'i
add your soul to the souls of the happy ones,

وَأَعْطَاكَ مِنْ جَنَّاتِهِ أَفْسَحَهَا مَنزِلًا

wa a`taka min jinanihi afsahaha manzilan
give you the largest abode in His Paradise

وَأَفْضَلَهَا عُرْفًا

wa afdalaha ghurafan
and the most handsome room,

وَرَفَعَ ذِكْرَكَ فِي عِلِّيِّينَ

wa rafa`a dhikraka fi `illiyyina
exalt your mention in `illiyyin (the most elevated position),

وَحَشَرَكَ مَعَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ

wa hasharaka ma`a alnabiyyina walssiddiqina
and join you to the Prophets, the veracious ones,

وَالشُّهَدَاءِ وَالصَّالِحِينَ

walshshuhada'i walssalihina
the martyrs, and the righteous ones.

وَحَسُنَ أَوْلِيكَ رَفِيقًا

wa hasuna ula'ika rafiqaan
Very excellent is the companionship of such ones.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ لَمْ تَهِنْ وَلَمْ تَنْكُلْ

ashhadu annaka lam tahn wa lam tankul
I testify that you did not lag behind and did not turn away the face,

وَأَنَّكَ مَضَيْتَ عَلَى بَصِيرَةٍ مِنْ أَمْرِكَ

wa annaka madayta `ala basiratin min amrika
and that you left this life with full awareness of the truth,

مُقْتَدِيًا بِالصَّالِحِينَ

muqtadiyan bilssalihina
following the examples of the righteous ones

وَمُتَّبِعًا لِلنَّبِيِّينَ

wa muttabi`an lilnabiyyina
and sticking to the Prophets.

فَجَمَعَ اللهُ بَيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَكَ

fajama`a allahu baynana wa baynaka

So, Allah may gather us with you,

وَبَيْنَ رَسُولِهِ وَأَوْلِيَّائِهِ

wa bayna rasulihi wa awliya'ih

with His Messenger, and with His disciples

فِي مَنَازِلِ الْمُخْبِتِينَ

fi manazili almukhbitina

in the abodes of those who practiced humbly (with their Lord).

فَإِنَّهُ أَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِمِينَ

fa'innahu arhamu alrrahimina

He is certainly the most merciful of all the merciful ones.

It is expedient to say this form of ziyarah while standing behind the holy tomb and facing the kiblah direction, as is also advised by Shaykh al-Tusi in his book of Tahdhib al-Ahkam. You may then enter, throw yourself on the tomb, and say the following words while facing the kiblah direction :

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الْعَبْدُ الصَّالِحُ

alssalamu `alaykha ayyuha al`abdu alssalihu

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

According to the previously mentioned narration, the ziyarah of al-

`Abbas ends here. But Sayyid Ibn Tawus and Shaykh al-Mufid, as well as other scholars, have added the following: You may then turn to the side of the head and offer a two-unit prayer.

Afterwards, you may offer prayers as many as you wish. You may also supplicate Almighty Allah earnestly. After these prayers, you may say the following supplicatory prayer :

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

allahumma salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin

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

وَلَا تَدَعُ عَلَيَّ فِي هَذَا الْبَكَانِ الْبُكْرَمِ وَالْبَشْهَدِ
الْبُعْظَمِ ذَنْباً إِلَّا غَفَرْتَهُ

*wa la tada` li fi hadha almakani almukarrami walmashhadi
almu`azzami dhanban illa ghafartahu*

and do not leave for me, in this honored place and glorified shrine,
any sin that I did but that You forgive it,

وَلَا هَبّاً إِلَّا فَرَّجْتَهُ

wa la hamman illa farrjtahu
any care but that You relieve it,

وَلَا مَرَضاً إِلَّا شَفَيْتَهُ

wa la maradan illa shafaytahu
any illness but that You cure it,

وَلَا عَيْبًا إِلَّا سَتَرْتَهُ

wa la `ayban illa satartahu
any defect but that You cover up,

وَلَا رِزْقًا إِلَّا بَسَطْتَهُ

wa la rizqan illa basattahu
any source of sustenance but that You expand it,

وَلَا خَوْفًا إِلَّا آمَنْتَهُ

wa la khawfan illa amantahu
any item of terror but that You pacify it,

وَلَا شِبْلًا إِلَّا جَمَعْتَهُ

wa la shamlan illa jama`tahu
any disunity but that You reunify it,

وَلَا غَائِبًا إِلَّا حَفِظْتَهُ وَأَدْنَيْتَهُ

wa la gha'iban illa hafiztahu wa adnayatuhu
any absent one but that You guard it and approach (him to me),

وَلَا حَاجَةً مِنْ حَوَائِجِ الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ

wa la hajatan min hawa'iji alddunya wal-akhirati

and any single need, among the many needs for this life as well as
the life to come

لَكَ فِيهَا رِضَىٰ وَوَلَىٰ فِيهَا صَلَاحٌ

laka fiha ridan wa liya fiha salahun

whose settlement achieves your gratification and my good,

إِلَّا قَضَيْتَهَا يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ

illa qadaytaha ya arhama alrrahimina

but that You grant it. O He Who is the most merciful of all the
merciful ones!

You may then return to the tomb, stop at the side of the legs, and say
the following words :

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا الْفَضْلِ الْعَبَّاسِ بْنِ أَمِيرِ
الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

alssalamu `alayka ya aba alfadli al`abbasa ibna amiri almu'minina

Peace be upon you, O Abu'l-Fadl al-'Abbas the son of the
Commander of the Faithful.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ سَيِّدِ الْوَصِيِّينَ

alssalamu `alayka yabna sayyidi alwasiiyyina

Peace be upon you, O son of the chief of the successors (of the

Prophets).

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ أَوَّلِ الْقَوْمِ إِسْلَامًا

alssalamu `alayka yabna awwali alqawmi islaman
Peace be upon you, O son of the foremost to Islam,

وَأَقْدَمِهِمْ إِيْمَانًا

wa aqdamihim imanan
the first to believe,

وَأَقْوَمِهِمْ بِدِينِ اللَّهِ

wa aqwamihim bidini allahi
the best to have served the religion of Allah,

وَأَحْوَطِهِمْ عَلَى الْإِسْلَامِ

wa ahwatihim `ala al-islami
and the most careful for Islam.

أَشْهَدُ لَقَدْ نَصَحْتَ لِلَّهِ وَلِرَسُولِهِ وَلَا أَخِيكَ

ashhadu laqad nashahta lillahi wa lirasulihi wa li'akhika
I bear witness that you served Allah, His Messenger,
and your brother sincerely.

فَنِعَمَ الْأَخُ الْمُوَاسِي

fani`ma al-akhu almuwasi

You were the most excellent self-sacrificing brother.

فَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً قَتَلَتْكَ

fala`ana allahu ummatan qatalatka

So, Allah's curse be on the group who killed you.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً ظَلَمَتْكَ

wa la`ana allahu ummatan zalamatka

Allah's curse be on the group who wronged you.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً اسْتَحَلَّتْ مِنْكَ الْبَحَارِمَ

wa la`ana allahu ummatan istahallat minka almaharima

Allah's curse be on the group who violated your sanctities

وَأْتَهَكَ حُرْمَةَ الْإِسْلَامِ

wantahakat hurmata al-islami

and infringed the sanctity of Islam.

فَنِعَمَ الصَّابِرُ الْمُجَاهِدُ

fani`ma alssabiru almujahidu

You were the most excellent steadfast fighter,

الْمُحَامِي النَّاصِرُ

almuhami alnnasiru

protector, supporter,

وَالْأَخُ الدَّافِعُ عَنْ أَخِيهِ

wal-akhu alddafi`u `an akhihi
and brother who defended his brother,

الْمُجِيبُ إِلَى طَاعَةِ رَبِّهِ

almujibu ila ta`ati rabbihi
responded to the obedience to his Lord,

الرَّاعِبُ فِيمَا زَهَدَ فِيهِ غَيْرُهُ مِنَ الثَّوَابِ الْجَزِيلِ

alrraghibu fima zahida fih ghayruhu min alththwabi aljazili
and worked desirably for gaining the abundant reward, which others
refused,

وَالشَّنَاءِ الْجَبِيلِ

walththna'i aljamili
and the nice tribute.

وَالْحَقَّ اللهُ بِدَرَجَةِ آبَائِكَ فِي جَنَّاتِ النَّعِيمِ

wa alhaqaka allahu bidarajati aba'ika fi jannati alnna`imi
So, Allah may attach you to the rank of your fathers in the gardens of
bliss.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي تَعَرَّضْتُ لِزِيَارَةِ أَوْلِيَائِكَ رَغْبَةً فِي
ثَوَابِكَ

*allahumma inni ta`arradtu liziyarati awliya'ika raghbatan fi
thawabika*

O Allah, I have done the pilgrimage to Your disciples out of my desire
for (winning) your reward

وَرَجَاءَ لِبَغْفِرَتِكَ وَجَزِيلِ إِحْسَانِكَ

wa raja'an limaghfiratika wa jazili ihsanika
and my wish for Your forgiveness and Your abundant benevolence.

فَأَسْأَلُكَ أَنْ تُصَلِّيَ عَلَيَّ مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِهِ الطَّاهِرِينَ

fa's'aluka an tusalliya `ala muhammadin wa alihi alttahirina
So, I implore You to send Your blessings upon Muhammad and his
immaculate Household

وَأَنْ تَجْعَلَ رِزْقِي بِهِمْ دَارًّا

wa an taj`ala rizqi bihim darran
and to make my sustenance flow copiously in their names,

وَعَيْشِي بِهِمْ قَارًّا

wa `ayshi bihim qarran
my living delightful in their names,

وَزِيَارَتِي بِهِمْ مَقْبُولَةً

wa ziyarati bihim maqbulatan
my pilgrimage rewardable in their names,

وَحَيَاتِي بِهِمْ طَيِّبَةً

wa hayati bihim tayyibatan
and my life pleasant in their names,

وَأُدْرَجُنِي إِدْرَاجَ الْبُكْرَمِينَ

wa adrijni idraja almukramina
to make me take to the conduct of the honored ones,

وَأَجْعَلْنِي مِمَّنْ يُتَقَدَّبُ مِنْ زِيَارَةِ مَشَاهِدِ
أَحِبَّائِكَ

waj`alni mimman yanqalibu min ziyarati mashahidi ahibba'ika
to make me one of those who, as returning from the pilgrimage to
the tombs of Your beloved ones,

مُفْلِحاً مُنْجِحاً

muflihan munjihan
win success and prosperity

قَدْ اسْتَوْجَبَ غُفْرَانَ الذُّنُوبِ

qad istawjaba ghufrana aldhhdhunubi
and deserve forgiveness of sins,

وَسَاتِرَ الْعُيُوبِ

wa satra al'uyubi
covering up of defects,

وَكَشْفَ الْكُرُوبِ

wa kashfa alkurubi
and relief of disasters.

إِنَّكَ أَهْلُ التَّقْوَىٰ وَأَهْلُ الْبَغْفِرَةِ

innaka ahlu altaqwa wa ahlu almaghfirati

You are surely worthy of being feared and worthy of forgiving.

If you intend to take leave, you may approach the holy tomb and say the following words, which has been reported from Abu-Hamzah al-Thumali and have been mentioned by other scholars:

أَسْتَوْدِعُكَ اللَّهَ وَأَسْتَرْعِيكَ

astawdi`uka allaha wa astar`ika

I entrust you with Allah, beseech Him to keep you under His guard,

وَأَقْرَأُ عَلَيْكَ السَّلَامَ

wa aqra'u `alayka alsalama
and invoke peace upon you.

أَمَّا بِاللَّهِ وَبِرَسُولِهِ وَبِكِتَابِهِ

amanna billahi wa birasulihhi wa bikitabihi

We have believed in Allah, in His Messenger, in His Book,

وَبِمَا جَاءَ بِهِ مِنْ عِنْدِ اللَّهِ

wa bima ja'a bihi min `indi allahi
and in that which he conveyed from Allah.

اللَّهُمَّ فَاكْتُبْنَا مَعَ الشَّاهِدِينَ

allahumma faktubna ma`a alshshahidina
O Allah, record our names with the witnesses.

اللَّهُمَّ لَا تَجْعَلْهُ آخِرَ الْعَهْدِ مِنْ زِيَارَتِي قَبْرِ ابْنِ
أَخِي رَسُولِكَ

allahumma la taj'alhu akhira al`ahdi min ziyarati qabra ibni akhi
rasulika

O Allah, do not decide this pilgrimage to the tomb of the son of Your Messenger's brother to be the last one of mine.

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ

salla allahu `alayhi wa alihi
Peace be upon him (i.e. the Messenger) and upon his Household.

وَارْزُقْنِي زِيَارَتَهُ أَبَدًا مَا أَبْقَيْتَنِي

warzuqni ziyaratahu abadan ma abqaytani
Grant me opportunities to visit him so long as You keep me alive,

وَاحْشُرْنِي مَعَهُ وَمَعَ آبَائِهِ فِي الْجَنَانِ

wahshurni ma`ahu wa ma`a aba'ih fi aljinani

join me to him and to his fathers in the gardens of Paradise,

وَعَرِّفْ بَيْنِي وَبَيْنَهُ وَبَيْنَ رَسُولِكَ وَأَوْلِيَاءِكَ

wa`arrif bayni wa baynahu wa bayna rasulika wa awliya'ika

and introduce me to him, to Your Messenger, and to Your disciples.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

allahumma salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin

O Allah, send Your blessings to Muhammad and the Household of Muhammad

وَتَوَفَّنِي عَلَى الْإِيمَانِ بِكَ

wa tawaffani `ala al'imani bika

and take me to You while I am abiding by the believing in You,

وَالْتَّصَدِيقِ بِرَسُولِكَ

walattasdiqi birasulika

giving credence to Your Messenger,

وَالْوِلَايَةِ لِعَلِيِّ بْنِ أَبِي طَالِبٍ وَالْأَئِمَّةِ مِنْ وُلْدِهِ

walwilayati li`aliyyi bni abi talibin wal-a'immati min wuldihi

being faithful to `Ali the son of Abu-Talib and the Imams from his

progeny,

وَالْبِرَاءَةِ مِنْ عَدُوِّهِمْ

walbara'ati min `aduwihim
and disavowing their enemy.

فَإِنِّي قَدْ رَضِيتُ يَا رَبِّي بِذَلِكَ

fa'inni qad raditu ya rabbi bidhalika
My Lord, I have accepted such.

وَصَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

wa salla allahu `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin
Allah may send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household of
Muhammad.

You may then pray Almighty Allah for yourself, your parents, your brethren-in-faith, and for Muslims. You may choose any statement of supplication you like.



Imam al-Sadiq (as) is reported to have said to Ibn Mjrid, “As for any one who visits the tomb of my grandfather with recognition of his right, Almighty Allah shall decide for him the reward of acceptable Hajj and admissible Umrah. Ibn Mjrid, I swear by Allah that He shall never give to Hellfire a foot that was dusted in the course of visiting Ameer al-Mu'mineen, being walking or riding. Ibn Mjrid, write down this saying with golden ink.”