

These are **eight prayers** to be said **before one leaves his house**: from Baqiyatus salehat

First: Imam al-Şādiq (` a) is reported to have said: Repeat the following **three** times:

Allah is the Most Great.	allāhu akbaru	اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ
I leave (putting my trust) in Allah,	billāhi akhruju	بِاللَّهِ أَخْرَجُ
I return (putting my trust) in Allah,	wa billāhi adkhulu	وَبِاللَّهِ ادْخُلُ
and on Allah do I depend.	wa `alā allāhi atawakkalu	وَعَلَى اللَّهِ اتَّوَكَّلُ

Then, say the following statement, yet **one time** only:

O Allah, (please) grant me easiness in the beginning of this affair of mine,	allāhumma iftaḥ lī fī wajhī hādhā bikhayrin	اللَّهُمَّ افْتَحْ لِي فِي وَجْهِ هَذَا بِخَيْرٍ
seal it for me with easiness,	wakhtim lī bikhayrin	وَآخْتِمْ لِي بِخَيْرٍ
and guard me against the evil of every living creature that You hold by its forelock.	wa qinī sharra kulli dābbatin anta ākhidun bināṣiyatihā	وَقِنِي شَرَّ كُلِّ دَابَّةٍ أَنْتَ آخِذٌ بِنَاصِيَتِهَا
Surely, my Lord is on the right path.	inna rabbī `alā ṣirāṭin mustaqīmin	إِنَّ رَبِّي عَلَى صِرَاطٍ مُسْتَقِيمٍ

Second: Imam al-Sajjād (` a) is reported to have said: At the door of your house you may say the following words:

In the Name of Allah (I begin) and in Allah (I trust).	bismillāhi wa billāhi	بِسْمِ اللَّهِ وَبِاللَّهِ
I put my trust in Allah.	tawakkaltu `alā allāhi	تَوَكَّلْتُ عَلَى اللَّهِ

Third: Imam al-Bāqir (` a) is reported to have said: say the following statement when he leaves his house

In the Name of Allah (I begin).	bismillāhi	بِسْمِ اللَّهِ
Sufficient to me is Allah.	ḥasbiya allāhu	حَسْبِيَ اللَّهُ
I put my trust in Allah.	wa tawakkaltu `alā allāhi	وَتَوَكَّلْتُ عَلَى اللَّهِ
O Allah, I beseech You for success in all of my affairs	allāhumma innī as'aluka khayra umūri kullihā	اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرَ أُمُورِي كُلِّهَا
and I pray Your protection against disgrace in this world and chastisement in the Hereafter.	wa a`ūdhu bika min khizyi alddunyā wa `adhābi al-ākhirati	وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ خِزْيِ الدُّنْيَا وَعَذَابِ الآخِرَةِ

Fourth: Imam al-Şādiq (` a) is reported to have said: you are advised to say the following prayer:

In the Name of Allah (I begin).	bismillāhi	بِسْمِ اللَّهِ
In Allah I put my trust.	tawakkaltu `alā allāhi	تَوَكَّلْتُ عَلَى اللَّهِ
There is neither might nor power except with Allah.	lā ḥawla wa lā quwwata illā billāhi	لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ
O Allah, I beseech You for success in what I am leaving to do	allāhumma innī as'aluka khayra mā kharajtu lahū	اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرَ مَا خَرَجْتُ لَهُ
and pray Your protection against failure in what I am leaving to do.	wa a`ūdhu bika min sharri mā kharajtu lahū	وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا خَرَجْتُ لَهُ

O Allah, (please) expand Your favors to me,

allāhumma awsi `alayya min faḍlika

اللَّهُمَّ أَوْسِعْ عَلَيَّ مِنْ فَضْلِكَ

make perfect Your graces to me,

wa atmim `alayya ni`mataka

وَأْتِمِّمْ عَلَيَّ نِعْمَتَكَ

dedicate me to obedience to You,

wasta`milnī fī ṭā`atika

وَأَسْتَعْمِلْنِي فِي طَاعَتِكَ

make me desire for what You have in possession,

waj`al raghbatī fīmā `indaka

وَأَجْعَلْ رَغْبَتِي فِي مَا عِنْدَكَ

and cause me to die carrying the principles You have instructed and the principles of Your Messenger,

wa tawaffanī `alā millatika wa millati rasūlika

وَتَوَفِّقْنِي عَلَىٰ مِلَّتِكَ وَمِلَّةِ رَسُولِكَ

may Allah bless him and his Household.

ṣallā allāhu `alayhi wa ālihi

صَلَّىٰ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ

Fifth: Imam al-Riḍā (`a) is reported to have said: My father (`a) used to say the following when he would leave house:

In the Name of Allah; the All-beneficent, the All-merciful.

bismillāhi alrraḥmān alrraḥīmi

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

I am leaving by the might and power of Allah,

kharajtu biḥawli allāhi wa quwwatihi

خَرَجْتُ بِحَوْلِ اللَّهِ وَقُوَّتِهِ

but not by my own might or power;

lā biḥawlin minnī wa quwwatī

لَا بِحَوْلٍ مِنِّي وَقُوَّتِي

rather, by the might and power of You, O Lord,

bal biḥawlika wa quwwatika yā rabbi

بَلْ بِحَوْلِكَ وَقُوَّتِكَ يَا رَبِّ

seeking Your sustenance.

muta`arriḍan lirizqika

مُتَعَرِّضًا لِرِزْقِكَ

So, (please) provide me with it easily.

fa`tinī bihī fī `āfiyatin

فَاتِنِي بِهِ فِي عَافِيَةٍ

Sixth: Imam al-Ṣādiq (`a) is reported to have said, "Whoever repeats **Sūrah al-Tawḥīd ten times** before he leaves

Seventh: Imam Abu'l-Ḥasan Mūsā (`a) is reported to have said: When you intend to travel, you may stop at the door of your house and recite Sūrah al-Fātiḥah (No. 1) in front of you as well as to your right and left sides. You may also recite Sūrah al-Tawḥīd, Sūrah al-Falaq (No. 113), and Sūrah al-Nās (No. 114). You may then say the following prayer:

O Allah, (please) safeguard me and safeguard whatever is with me,

allāhumma iḥfaznī waḥfaz mā ma`iya

اللَّهُمَّ أَحْفَظْنِي وَأَحْفَظْ مَا مَعِي

keep me safe and keep safe whatever is with me,

wa sallimnī wa sallim mā ma`iya

وَسَلِّمْنِي وَسَلِّمْ مَا مَعِي

and make me and whatever is with me reach my destination in a perfect way.

wa ballighnī wa balligh mā ma`iya balāghan ḥasanan

وَبَلِّغْنِي وَبَلِّغْ مَا مَعِي بَلَاغًا حَسَنًا

Eighth: Imam Mūsā al-Kāzīm (`a) is also reported to have said you may say the following words:

In the Name of Allah (I begin),

bismillāhi

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ

in Allah do I believe,

āmantu billāhi

آمَنْتُ بِاللَّهِ

and in Allah do I put my trust.

wa tawakkaltu `alā allāhi

وَتَوَكَّلْتُ عَلَى اللَّهِ

Only what Allah wills (shall come to pass).

mā shā'a allāhu

مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ

There is neither might nor power except with Allah.

lā ḥawla wa lā quwwata illā billāhi

لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ