

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 abyan, 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,



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:



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

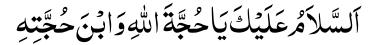
Actually, greetings that are addressed to him always reach him whether they are said near him or from a remote place.

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:



alssalamu `alayka ya hujjata allahi wabna hujjatihi Peace be upon you, O Argument of Allah and son of His Argument.



alasslamu `alaykum ya mala'ikata allahi Peace be upon you all, O Allah's angels

وَزُوَّارَ قَبْرِابِنِ نِبِيِّ اللهِ

wa zuwwara qabri ibni nabiyyi 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:



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:

ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ يَاحُجَّةَ اللهِ 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.

اَلسَّلاً مُعَلَيْكَ يَاقَتِيلَ اللهِ 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.

alssalamu `alayka ya thara allahi wabna tharihi Peace be upon you, O vengeance of Allah and son of His vengeance.

ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وِتُرَاسُّهِ الْمَوْتُورَ فِي السَّمَا وَاتِ وَالأَرْضِ

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.

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

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

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

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,

wa man yataqallabu fi aljannati walnnari min khalqi rabbina all the inhabitants of Paradise and Hellfire from the creatures of our Lord,

ومَايْرِي وَمَالاَيْرِي

wa ma yura wa ma la yura whatever can be seen, and whatever cannot be seen.

ashhadu annaka hujjatu allahi wabnu hujjatihi I bear witness that you are Allah's Argument and son of His Argument.

wa ashhadu 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.

wa ashhadu annaka tharu allahi wabnu tharihi Ibearwitnessthatyouare Allah's vengeance and the son of Hisvengeance.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكُ وِتُرُاللهِ الْمَوْتُورُ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالأَرْضِ

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.

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

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

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.

أَنَاعَبُنُ اللهِ وَمَوْلاَكَ

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.

أُلْتَبِسُ كَمَالَ الْمَنْزِلَةِ عِنْدَ اللهِ

altamisu kamala almanzilati `inda allahi I seek for a perfect position with Allah,

wa thabata alqadami fi alhijrati ilayka I seek steadfastness through my pilgrimage to you,

walssabila alladhi la yakhtaliju dunaka and I seek the path that cannot be passed without you

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 اللهَ بَنَأُ بِكُمْ بِكُمْ يُبَيِّنُ اللهُ الْكَنِبَ

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.

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).

wa bikum yakhtimu allahu With you only will Allah seal.

wa bikum yamhu ma yasha'u wa yuthbitu

Through you only does He erase whatever He wills and establishes

(whatever He wills).

wa bikum yafukku aldhdhulla min riqabina Through you only does He release us from humility.

wa bikum yudriku allahu tirata kulli mu'minin yutlabu biha Through you only will Allah avenge every faithful believer.

وَبِكُمْ تُنْبِتُ الأَرْضُ أَشْجَارَهَا

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

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

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

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

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

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

وَتُسْتَقِيُّ جِبَالُهَاعَنُ مَرَاسِيهَا

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

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

wa tasduru min buyutikum and are issued from your houses.

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

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

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

وَأُمَّةُ ظَاهَرَتْ عَلَيْكُمْ

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

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

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

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

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

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

You should then repeat the following words three times:

ى اللهُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَاعَبُهِ

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

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:

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

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

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

اَلسَّلاً مُرعَلَيْكَ يَابْنَ خَدِيجَةً وَفَاطِمَةً

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

صكى اللهُ عَلَيْكَ

salla allahu `alayka May Allah bless you.

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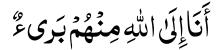
salla allahu `alayka May Allah bless you.

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

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لَعَنَ اللهُ مَنْ قَتَلَكُ

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



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:

السَّلامُ عَلَيْكُمُ

alssalamu `alaykum Peace be upon you.

اَلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكُمُ

alssalamu `alaykum Peace be upon you.

اَلسَّلاً مُعَلَيْكُمُ

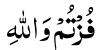
alssalamu `alaykum Peace be upon you.

فرقيم والله

fuztum wallahi
You, by Allah, have achieved success.



fuztum wallahi
You, by Allah, have achieved success.



fuztum wallahi You, by Allah, have achieved success.



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:

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

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

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

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

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

السلام عكيك يابن فاطمة الزهراع

alssalamu `alayka yabna fatimata alzzahra'i Peace be upon you, O son of Fatimah the Luminous.

ashhadu annaka qad aqamta alssalata wa atayta alzzakata I bear witness that you performed the prayers, defrayed the poor-rate,

wa amarta bilma`rufi wa nahayta `an almunkari enjoined the right, forbade the wrong,

wa jahadta fi sabili allahi hatta ataka alyaqinu and strove for Allah's sake until death came upon you.

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:

ashhadu annaka `ala bayyinatin min rabbika
I bear witness that you are verily relying on clear proof from your Lord.

جِئْتُ مُقِّى أَبِالنُّانُوبِ لِتَشْفَعَ لِي عِنْكَ 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.

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:

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

uktub li `indaka mithaqan wa `ahdan Please, write down for me a covenant and a pledge with you.

inni ataytuka mujaddidan almithaqa I have come to you to refresh my covenant;

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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:



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

ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثُ نُوحٍ بَبِيّ اللهِ

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

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

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

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

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha muhammadin sayyidi rusuli allahi Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Muhammad the chief of Allah's Messengers.

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha `aliyyin Peace be upon you, O inheritor of `Ali

أُمِيرِالُمُؤُمِنِينَوَخَيْرِالُوَصِيِّينَ

amirilmu'minina wa khayri alwasiyyina the commander of the faithful and the best of the Prophets' successors.

ٱلسَّلاَ مُعَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثُ الْحَسَنِ الرَّضِيِّ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha alhasani alrradiyyi Peace be upon you, O inheritor of al-Hasan the amicable,

الطَّاهِرِ الرَّاضِي الْمَرْضِيِّ

alttahiri alrradi almardiyyi the immaculate, the content, and the pleased.

alssalamu `alayka ayyuha alssiddiqu al-akbaru Peace be upon you, O dutiful and pious successor.

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.

اَلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَىٰ الْمَلاَئِكَةِ الْحَاقِينَ 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.

alssalamu `alayka wa `ala almala'ikati alhaffina bika
I bear witness that you performed the prayers, defrayed the poor-rate,

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

wa amarta bilma`rufi wa nahayta `an almunkari strove against the atheists, and served Allah until death came upon you.

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:



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:

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

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

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

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

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

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ مَنْ بَلَغَهُ ذَٰلِكَ فَرَضِ بِهِ

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

أَنَا إِلَى اللهِ مَنْ ذَٰلِكَ 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

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

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

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

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

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

بِالْحِكْمَةِ وَالْمَوْعِظَةِ 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 مُعَنَّا بُونَ عَلَىٰ لِسَانِ دَاوُ دَوَعيسَىٰ بُن 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.

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

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

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

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

alssalamu `alayka ya sayyida shababi ahli aljannati Peace be upon you, O chief of the youth of Paradise.

wa rahmatu allahi wa barakatuhu Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you.

ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ يَامَنُ رِضَاهُ مِنْ رِضَا الرَّحْلِن

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

وَسَخُطُهُ مِنْ سَخَطِ الرَّحُلْنِ

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

السلام عكيك ياأمين الله

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

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

وَالنَّالِيلَ عَلَىٰ اللهِ وَالدَّاعِي إِلَىٰ اللهِ

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

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

وَحَنَّامُتَ حَرَامُراللهِ

wa harramta harama allahi deemed unlawful all that which Allah has deemed unlawful,

وَأَقَبُتَ الصَّلاَةَ وَآتَيْتَ الزَّكَاةَ

wa aqamta alssalata wa atayta alzzakata performed the prayers, defrayed the poor-rate,

وَأُمَرُتَ بِالْمَعُرُوْفِ وَنَهَيْتَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ

wa amarta bilma`rufi wa nahayta `an almunkari enjoined the right, forbade the evil,

wa da`awta ila sabili rabbika and called to the way of your Lord

bilhikmati walmaw`izati alhasanati with wisdom and excellent exhortation.

wa ashhadu annaka wa man qutila ma`aka I also bear witness that you, as well as those whom were slain with you,

شُهَدَاعٌ أَحْيَاعٌ عِنْدَ رَبِّكُمْ تُرْزَقُونَ

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

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

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

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

wa mimman jama`a `alayka wa mimman sami`a sawtaka wa lam yu `inka who rallied against you,

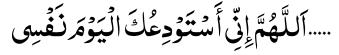
and who heard your call but refrained from helping you.

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,



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



bismillahi wa billahi

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

ٱللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْهُ نُوراً وَطَهُوراً

allahumma ij`alhu nuran wa tahuran

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

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.

allahumma tahhir bihi qalbi washrah bihi sadri O Allah, purify my heart through this water, expand my breast for me,

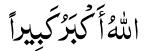
wa sahhil li bihi amri and make my affair easy to me.

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)

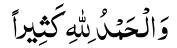
As you finish your prayer, direct towards the Ha'ir (i.e. Imam al-Husayn's shrine) with tranquility and solemnity. As you walk, try to make short steps, for Allah the All-exalted shall record for you the reward of going on hajj (holy pilgrimage to Mecca) and going on 'Umrah

(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:

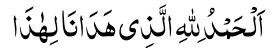


allahu akbaru kabiran Allah is verily the Most Great.



walhamdu lillahi kathiran Very much thanks is due to Allah.

wa subhana allahi bukratan wa asilan All praise be to Allah in morns and eves.



alhamdu lillahi alladhi hadana lihadha
All praise is due to Allah Who has guided us to this

وَمَا كُنَّا لِنَهْ تَدِى لَوْلاَ أَنْ هَدَانَا اللهُ

wa ma kunna linahtadiya lawla an hadana allahu andwe would not have found the way had it not been that Allah guided us.

لَقَدُ جَاءَتُ 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:

السلام عكيك يارسول الله

alssalamu `alayka ya rasula allahi Peace be upon you, O Messenger of Allah.

alssalamu `alayka ya nabiyya allahi Peace be upon you, O Prophet of Allah.

alssalamu `alayka ya khatama alnnabiyyina Peace be upon you, O seal of the prophets.

alssalamu `alayka ya sayyida almursalina Peace be upon you, O chief of the Messengers.

السلام عكيك ياحبيب الله

alssalamu `alayka ya habiba allahi Peace be upon you, O most beloved by Allah.

اَلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أُمِيرَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ

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

اَلسَّلا مُرعَلَيْكَ يَاسَيِّكَ الْوَصِيِّينَ

alssalamu `alayka ya sayyida alwasiyyina Peace be upon you, O chief of the Prophets' successors.

اَلسَّلاً مُعَلَيْكَ يَاقَائِكَ الْغُرِّالْمُحَجَّلِينَ

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).

اَلسَّلاً مُعَلَيْكَ يَابُنَ فَاطِمَةً

alssalamu `alayka yabna fatimata Peace be upon you, O son of Fatimah

sayyidati nisa'i al`alamina the doyenne of the women of this world.

ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَى الأَيْتِةِ مِنْ وُلْدِكَ

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

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

ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الصِّدِّيقُ الشَّهيدُ

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

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

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

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

الْمُحُدِقِينَ بِقَبْرِ الْحُسَيْنِ عَلَيْهِ السَّلاَمُ

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

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

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:

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

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

alssalamu `alayka yabna amiri almu'minina

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

عَبْدُكَ وَابْنُ عَبْدِكَ وَابْنُ أَمَتِكَ

`abduka wabnu `abdika wabnu amatika
I am your slave and son of your slave and bondmaid.

almuqirru bilrriqqi walttariku lilkhilafi `alaykum I confess of my servantship to you, acquit from being opposite to you,

walmuwali liwaliyykum walmu`adi li`aduwwikum accede to any one who accedes to you, and antagonize anyone who antagonizes you.

qasada haramaka wastajara bimashhadika
I direct towards your holy shrine, seek shelter with your (burial) place

wa taqarraba ilayka biqasdika and seeking nearness to you through directing to you.

a'adkhulu ya rasula allahi O Messenger of Allah, may I enter?

أَأَدْخُلْ يَانَبِيَّ اللهِ

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

أأدخُلُياأمِيرَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ

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

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

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

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

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

AT FNTRANCE

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:



alhamdu lillahi alwahidi al-ahadi All praise is due to Allah the One, the Unique,

الْفَرْدِ الصَّهَٰ لِ

alfardi alssamadi the Single, the Absolute,

الَّذِي هَدَانِي لِوِلاَ يَتِكَ

alladhi hadani liwilayatika Who has guided me to be loyal to you,

وَخُصِّنِي بِزِيارَتِكَ

wa khassani biziyaratika 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:

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

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

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

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

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

ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ يَا وَارِثُ مُحَمَّدٍ حَبِيبِ اللهِ

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha muhammadin habibi allahi Peace be upon you, O inheritor of Muhammad the most beloved by Allah.

alssalamu `alayka ya waritha amiri almu'minina

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

السلام عكيك يابن مُحتد المُصطفى

alssalamu `alayka yabna muhammadin almustafa
Peace be upon you, O son of Muhammad the well-chosen Prophet.

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

alssalamu `alayka yabna fatimata alzzahra'i Peace be upon you, O son of Fatimah the luminous lady.

alssalamu `alayka yabna khadijata alkubra Peace be upon you, O son of Khadijah the grand lady.

اَلسَّلاَ مُعَلَيْكَ يَاثَارَ اللهِ وَابْنَ ثَارِيعِ

alssalamu `alayka ya thara allahi wabna tharihi
Peace be upon you, O vengeance of Allah, son of His vengeance,

وَالْوِتْرَالْبَوْتُورَ

walwitra almawtura and the unavenged so far.

ashhadu annaka qad aqamta alssalata wa atayta alzzakata I bear witness that you performed the prayers, defrayed the poor-rate,

wa amarta bilma`rufi wa nahayta `an almunkari enjoined the right, forbade the wrong,

wa ata`ta allaha wa rasulahu hatta ataka alyaqinu and obeyed Allah and His Messenger until death came upon you.

fala`ana allahu ummatan qatalatka So, may Allah curse the people who slew you.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً ظَلَبَتُكُ

wa la`ana allahu ummatan zalamatka May Allah curse the people who persecuted you.

wa la`ana allahu ummatan sami`at bidhalika faradiyat bihi May Allah curse the people who were pleased when they had heard of that.

يامولاى ياأباعبه الله

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

ashhadu annaka kunta nuran fi al-aslabi alshshamikhati I bear witness that you were light in the sublime loins

wal-arhami almutahharati and purified wombs;

lam tunajjiska aljahiliyyatu bi'anjasiha the impurities of the Ignorance Era could not object you to filth

وَلَمْ تُلْبِسُكَ مِنْ مُدْلَهِمَّاتِ ثِيَابِهَا

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

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

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

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

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

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

وَأَعُلاَمُ الْهُدَى وَالْعُروَةُ الْوُثْقَلِ

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

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

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

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

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,

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

وَأَمْرِى لأَمْرِكُمُ مُتَّبِعٌ

wa amri li'amrikum muttbi`un and all my affairs are based on your commands.

صَلَوَاتُ اللهِ عَلَيْكُمْ وَعَلَىٰ أَرْوَاحِكُمْ

salawatu allahi `alaykum wa `ala arwahikum May Allah's benedictions be on your souls,

wa `ala ajsadikum wa `ala ajsamikum your bodies, your forms,

wa `ala shahidikum wa `ala gha'ibkum the present and the absent from you,

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:

bi'abi anta wa ummi yabna rasuli allahi My father and mother be sacrificed for you, O son of the Messenger of Allah!

بِأَبِ أَنْتَ وَأُمِّي يَا أَبَاعَبُهِ اللهِ

bi'abi anta wa ummi ya aba `abdillahi
My father and mother be sacrificed for you, O Abu `Abdullah!

لَقَدُ عَظْمَتِ الرَّزِيَّةُ

laqad `azumat alrraziyyatu
Extremely terrible was the calamity

wa jallat almusibatu bika `alayna and astounding is the misfortune that you suffered upon us

wa `ala jami`i ahli alssamawati wal-ardi and upon all the inhabitants of the heavens and the earth.

fala`ana allahu ummatan asrajat wa aljamat
Therefore, Allah may curse the people who saddled up,
gave rein to their horses,

wa tahayya'at liqitalika and prepared themselves to kill you.

يامولاك ياأباعبرالله

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

قَصَلُتُ حَرَمَكَ وَأَتَيْتُ إِلَىٰ مَشْهَدِكَ

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

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

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

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

wa an yaj`alani ma`akum fi alddunya 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:

allahumma inni sallaytu wa raka`tu wa sajadtu

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

laka wahdaka la sharika laka for Your sake purely without setting any partner with You

li'anna alssalata walrruku`a walssujuda la takunu illa laka since all prayers, genuflection, and prostration suit none except You.

li'annaka anta allahu la ilaha illa anta Because You are Allah, there in no god save You.

allahumma salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin
O Allah, (please) send blessings on Muhammad and
the Household of Muhammad,

وَأَبْلِغُهُمْ عَنِي أَفْضَلَ السَّلاَمِ وَالتَّحِيَّةِ

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

وَارْدُدْعَكَ مِنْهُمُ السَّلاَمَ

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

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

hadiyyatun minni ila mawlaya are present from me to my master

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

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

وَتَقَبَّلُ مِنِّي وَأُجُرُنَ عَلَىٰ ذَٰلِكَ

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

بِأَفْضَلِ أَمَلِي وَرَجَا ِ ثِيكَ

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

وَفِي وَلِيِّكَ يَا وَلِيَّ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

wa fi waliyyika ya waliyya almu'minina 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:

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

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

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

alssalamu `alayka yabna alhusayni alshshahidi Peace be upon you, O son of al-Husayn the martyr.

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

اَلسَّلاَ مُعَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا الْمَظْلُومُ وَابْنُ الْمَظْلُومِ

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

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

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

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:

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

لَقُدُ عَظْمَتِ الْمُصِيبَةُ

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 جَبِيعِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

wa `ala jami`i almuslimina and upon all Muslims.

fala`ana allahu ummatan qatalatka So, curse of Allah be on those who killed you

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:

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

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

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

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

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

ٱلسَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكُمْ يَا أَنْصَارَفَا طِمَةَ سَيِّدَةِ نِسَاءِ الْعَالَبِينَ

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.

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

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

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

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

tibtum wa tabat al-ardu allati fiha dufintum

Verily, pure be you and pure be the soil in which you were buried.

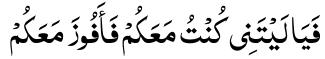
وَفُرْتُهُ فَوْزِاً عَظِياً

wa fuztum fawzan `aziman You attained great success.

فَيَالَيْتَنِي كُنْتُ مَعَكُمُ فَأَفُوزَ مَعَكُمُ

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 milieus. 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:



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:

subhana alladhi la tanfadu khaza'inuhu Glory be to Him Whose reserves never run out.

subhana alladhi la tabidu ma`alimuhu Glory be to Him Whose signs are never exterminated.

subhana alladhi la yafna ma `indahu Glory be to Him Whose possessions never expire.

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي لاَيُشِيكُ احَداً فِي حُكْمِهِ

subhana alladhi la yushriku ahadan fi hukmihi Glory beto Him Who never betakes to Himself a partner in His judgments.

subhana alladhi la idmihlala lifakhrihi Glory be to Him Whose honor never vanishes.

subhana alladhi la inqita`a limuddatihi
Glory be to Him Whose duration (of existence) is never interrupted.

subhana alladhi la ilaha ghayruhu Glory be to Him save Whom there is no god.

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

dhi aljalali albadhikhi al`azeem
Glory be to the Lord of majesty and exalted great

dhi al`izzi alshshamikhi almunif
Glory be to the Lord of honor and sublime author

سُبْحَانَ ذِي الْمُلْكِ الْفَاخِي الْقَدِيم

dhi almulki alfakhiri alqad
Glory be to the Lord of eternal, splendid sovereign

سُبْحَانَ ذِي الْبَهْجَةِ وَالْجَمَالِ

dhi albahjati waljamal
Glory be to the Lord of splendor and beauty

سُبْحَانَ مَنْ تَرَدَّىٰ بِالنُّورِ وَالْوَقَارِ

man taradda bilnnuri walwaqar
Glory be to Him Who is clad in light and dignity

سُبحَانَ مَنْ يَرَىٰ اثْرَالَّنهُ لِ فِي الصَّفَا

man yara athara alnnamli fi alssfa
Glory be to Him Who makes out the footprints of the ant on the

وَوَقَعَ الطَّايْرِ فِي الْهَوَاعِ

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:

سَلاَمُ اللهِ وَسَلاَمُ مَلاَئِكَتِهِ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ

salamu allahi wa salamu mala'ikatihi almuqarrabina Peace of Allah and peace of His favorite angels,

وأُنْبِيَائِدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَعِبَادِةِ الصَالِحِينَ

wa anbiya'ihi almursalina wa `ibadihi alssalihina His commissioned prophets, His righteous servants,

وَجَبِيعِ الشُّهَدَاءِ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ

wa jami`i alshshuhada'i walssiddiqina all the martyrs, and all the veracious (ones),

وَالزَّاكِيَاتُ الطَّيِّبَاتُ فِيَا تُغْتَدِي وَتَرُوحُ

walzzakiyatu alttayyibatu fima taghtadi wa taruhu and also pure, true blessings that come and go,

عَلَيْكَ يَا بُنَ أُمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

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

أشهككك بالتشليم والتصويق

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

والوفاع والتصيحة

walwafa'i walnnasihati loyalty, and sincerity

لِخَلَفِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّىٰ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَ ٱلِهِ الْمُرْسَلِ

likhalafi alnnabiyyi salla allahu `alayhi wa alihi almursali to the descendant of the commissioned Prophet, Allah's blessings be upon him and his Household,

وَالسِّبُطِ الْمُنْتَجَبِ وَالدَّلِيلِ الْعَالِم

walssibti almuntajabi walddalili al`alimi the chosen grandson (of the Prophet), the well knowledgeable guide (to the true religion),

walwasiyyi almuballighi walmazlumi almuhtadami the conveying successor, and the wrongfully oppressed one.

فَجَزَاكَ اللهُ عَنْ رَسُولِهِ

fajazaka allahu `an rasulihi
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 اللهِ عَلَيْهِمُ

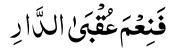
salawatu allahi `alayhim peace of Allah be upon them,

أفضل الجزاع

afdala aljaza'i with the best reward

بهاصبرت واحتسبت وأعنت

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



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

لَعَنَ اللهُ مَنْ قَتَلَكُ

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

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ مَنْ جَهِلَ حَقَّكَ

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

واستخف بحثمتك

wastakhaffa bihurmatika and belittled your sanctity.

وَلَعَنَ اللهُ 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.

ashhadu annaka qutilta mazluman
I testify that you were killed wrongfully

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

جِئْتُكَ يَابُنَ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَافِداً إِلَيْكُمْ

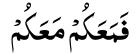
ji'tuka yabna amiri almu'minina wafidan ilaykum O son of the Commander of the Faithful, I have come to you to present myself before you.

wa qalbi musallimun lakum wa tabi`un My heart is submissive to you and is following you.

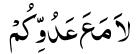
wa ana lakum tabi`un And I am your follower.

wa nusrati lakum mu`addatun hatta yahkuma allahu I am ready to support you until Allah decides.

wa huwa khayru alhakimina He is surely the best of all those who decide.



fama`akum ma`akum I am verily with you,



la ma`a `aduwwikum not with your enemy.

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

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

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:

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

المُطِيعُ بِللهِ وَلِرَسُولِهِ وَلاَّمِيرِ المُؤْمِنِينَ

almuti`u lillahi wa lirasulihi wa li'amiri almu'minina andobedienttoAllah,toHisMessenger,totheCommanderoftheFaithful,

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

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

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

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

وَالمُجَاهِدُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللهِ

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

المُنَاصِحُونَ لَهُ فِي جِهَادِ أَعْدَائِهِ

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

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

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

فَجَزَاكَ اللهُ أَفْضَلَ الجَزَاعِ

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

وأكثر الجزاء

wa akthara aljaza'i the maximum,

وأوفر الجزاع

wa awfara aljaza'i the most abundant,

وَأُوْفَى جَزَاءِ أُحَدِ مِتَنْ وَفَى 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,

وَاسْتَجَابَ لَهُ دَعُوتُهُ

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

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

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَدُ بَالَغُتَ فِي النَّصِيحَةِ

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

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

فَبَعَثَكَ اللهُ فِي الشُّهَدَاعِ

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

وَجَعَلَ رُوحَكَ مَعَ أَرُوَاحِ السُّعَدَاعِ

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

وَأَعْطَاكَ مِنْ جِنَانِهِ أَفْسَحَهَا مَنْزِلاً

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

wa afdalaha ghurafan and the most handsome room,

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

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

وَالشُّهَاءِ وَالصَّالِحِينَ

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

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

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

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

muqtadiyan bilssalihina following the examples of the righteous ones

wa muttabi`an lilnnabiyyina and sticking to the Prophets.

فَجَهَعَ اللهُ بَيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَكُ

fajama`a allahu baynana wa baynaka So, Allah may gather us with you,

وَبَيْنَ رَسُولِهِ وَأُولِيَائِهِ

wa bayna rasulihi wa awliya'ihi with His Messenger, and with His disciples



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



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:



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:

allahumma salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin
O Allah, (please) send blessings upon Muhammad and the Household
of Muhammad



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,



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 وَلِيَ فِيهَا صَلاحٌ

laka fiha ridan wa liya fiha salahun whose settlement achieves your gratification and my good,

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 :

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.

alssalamu `alayka yabna sayyidi alwasiyyina
Peace be upon you, O son of the chief of the successors (of the

Prophets).

السَّلاَمُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بُنَ أَوَّلِ الْقَوْمِ إِسُلاَماً

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

وَأَقُدَمِهِمُ إِيمَاناً

wa aqdamihim imanan the first to believe,

وأقومهم برين الله

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

وَأُحْوَطِهِمْ عَلَىٰ الإِسْلاَمِ

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

أَشُهَدُ لَقَدُ نَصَحْتَ بِللهِ وَلِرَسُولِهِ وَلأَخِيكَ

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

فَنِعْمَ الأَحُ الْمُوَاسِي

fani`ma al-akhu almuwasi

You were the most excellent self-sacrificing brother.

فَلَعَنَ اللهُ أُمَّةً قَتَلَتُكُ

fala`ana allahu ummatan qatalatka So, Allah's curse be on the group who killed you.

وكعن اللهُ أُمَّةً ظَلَبَتُكَ

wa la`ana allahu ummatan zalamatka Allah's curse be on the group who wronged you.

wa la`ana allahu ummatan istahallat minka almaharima Allah's curse be on the group who violated your sanctities

wantahakat hurmata al-islami and infringed the sanctity of Islam.

fani`ma alssabiru almujahidu You were the most excellent steadfast fighter,

البُحَامِي النَّاصِرُ

almuhami alnnasiru protector, supporter,

وَالأَخُ الدَّافِعُ عَنْ أَخِيدِ

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

الْمُجِيبُ إِلَىٰ طَاعَةِ رَبِّهِ

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

الرَّاغِبُ فِيَازَهِ كَ فِيهِ غَيْرُكُ مِنَ الثَّوَابِ الْجَزِيلِ

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

وَالثُّنَاءِ الْجَبِيل

walththna'i aljamili and the nice tribute.

وَأُلْحَقَكَ اللهُ بِهَ رَجَةِ 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.

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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

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

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

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

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

wa ziyarati bihim maqbulatan my pilgrimage rewardable in their names,

وَحَيَاتِي بِهِمْ طَيِّبَةً

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

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

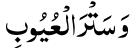
waj`alni mimman yanqalibu min ziyarati mashahidi ahibba'ika to make me one of those who, as returning from the pilgrimage to the tombs of Your beloved ones,

مُفُلِحاً مُنْجِحاً

muflihan munjihan win success and prosperity

قَدِ اسْتَوْجَبَ غُفْرَ انَ النَّانُوبِ

qad istawjaba ghufrana aldhdhunubi and deserve forgiveness of sins,



wa satra al`uyubi covering up of defects,

وَكُشُفَ الْكُرُّوبِ

wa kashfa alkurubi and relief of disasters.

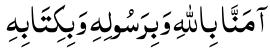
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You are surely worthy of being feared and worthy of forgiving.

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:

astawdi`uka allaha wa astar`ika
I entrust you with Allah, beseech Him to keep you under His guard,

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



amanna billahi wa birasulihi wa bikitabihi

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

وبماجاء بجمن عندالله

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

ٱللَّهُمَّ فَأَكْتُبُنَا مَعَ الشَّاهِدِينَ

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

ٱللَّهُمَّ لاتَجْعَلْهُ آخِرَ العَهْدِ مِنْ زِيَارَقِ قَابُرَابُنِ أَخِى 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.

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

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

وَاحْشُرُنِ مَعَهُ وَمَعَ آبَائِهِ فِي الْجِنَانِ

wahshurni ma`ahu wa ma`a aba'ihi fi aljinani join me to him and to his fathers in the gardens of Paradise,

wa `arrif bayni wa baynahu wa bayna rasulika wa awliya'ika and introduce me to him, to Your Messenger, and to Your disciples.

allahumma salli `ala muhammadin wa ali muhammadin

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

Muhammad

wa tawaffani `ala al'imani bika and take me to You while I am abiding by the believing in You,

walttasdiqi birasulika giving credence to Your Messenger,

وَالوِلاَيَةِلِعَلِيِّ بُنِ أَبِي طَالِبٍ وَالأَئِبَّةِ مِنْ وُلْدِيدٍ

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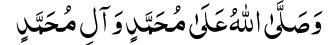
progeny,

وَالْبِرَاءَةِ مِنْ عَدُوِّهِمْ

walbara'ati min `aduwwihim and disavowing their enemy.

فَإِنِّ قَدُ رَضِيتُ يَا رَبِّي بِذُلِكَ

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



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 Mirid, "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 Mirid, 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 Mirid, write down this saying with golden ink."

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