Du' al-Iftitah was taught by our <u>Twelfth Imam Imam Mehdi (as)</u> to recite every night during the month Ramadhan. The Du'a is excellent for moulding man's attitude towards his Creator as it discusses many aspects of the wretchedness of the human being, and the grace of Allah. The Dua can be divided into two parts: 1) Man's relationship with Allah & 2) Divine leaders.

O Allah, I begin the glorification of You with praising You	allāhumma innī aftatiḥu alththanā'a biḥamdika	ٱللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي افْتَتِحُ ٱلثَّنَاءَ بِحَمْدِكَ
and You always guide us to the right out of Your favors upon us.	wa anta musaddidun lillşşawābi bimannika	وَانْتَ مُسَدِّدٌ لِلصَّوابِ بِمَنِّكَ
I am certain that You are the most Merciful of all those who show mercy	wa ayqantu annaka anta arḥamu alrrāḥimīna	وَايْقَنْتُ انَّكَ انْتَ ارْحَمُ ٱلرَّاحِمِينَ
in situations of pardon and mercy,	fī mawḍi`i al`afwi wallrraḥmati	فِي مَوْضِعِ ٱلْعَفْوِ وَٱلرَّحْمَةِ
the harshest in punishments	wa ashaddu almu`āqibīna	وَاشَدُّ ٱلْمُعَاقِبِينَ
in situations of giving exemplary punishment and chastisement (to the wrongdoers),	fī mawḍi`i alnnakāli walnnaqimati	فِي مَوْضِعِ ٱلنَّكَالِ وَٱلنِّقِمَةِ
and the greatest Omnipotent	wa a`zamu almutajabbirīna	وَاعْظَمُ ٱلْمُتَجَبِّرِينَ
in the domain of absolute power and might.	fī mawḍi`i alkibriyā'i wal`azamati	فِي مَوْضِعِ ٱلْكِبْرِيَاءِ وَٱلْعَظَمَةِ
O Allah, You have permitted me to pray and beseech You.	allāhumma adhinta lī fī du`ā'ika wa mas'alatika	اَللَّهُمَّ اذِنْتَ لِي فِي دُعَائِكَ وَمَسْالَتِكَ
So, listen, O All-hearer, to my words of praise,	fasma` yā samī`u midḥatī	ِ فَٱسْمَع ْ يَا سَمِيع ٌ مِد ْحَتِي
reply my prayer, O All- merciful,	wa ajib yā raḥīmu da`watī	وَاجِبْ يَا رَحِيمُ دَعْوَتِي
and overlook my slips, O Oft- Forgiving.	wa aqil yā ghafūru `athratī	وَاقِلْ يَا غَفُورُ عَثْرَتِي
You, O my God, have relieved so many of my grievances,	fakam yā ilāhī min kurbatin qad farrajtahā	فَكَمْ يَا إِلْهِي مِنْ كُرْبَةٍ قَدْ فَرَّجْتَهَا
dispelled so many of my sorrows,	wa humūmin qad kashaftahā	فَرَّجْتَهَا وَهُمُومٍ قَدْ كَشَفْتَهَا

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overlooked so many of my wa `athratin qad aqaltahā slips, spread over me many of Your wa raḥmatin gad nashartahā mercies. and unlocked so many rings wa ḥalaqati balā'in qad of misfortunes (in which I was fakaktahā detained). alhamdu lillāhi alladhī lam All praise be to Allah Who yattakhidh sāhibatan wa lā has not betaken wife or son, waladan Who has no partner in the wa lam yakun lahū sharīkun fī almulki sovereignty nor does He have any wa lam yakun lahū waliyyun protecting friend through min aldhdhulli dependence. And Magnify Him with all wa kabbirhu takbīran magnificence. All praise be to Allah with full alḥamdu lillāhi bijamī`i gratitude maḥāmidihī kullihā `alā jamī`i ni`amihī kullihā for all His bounties. All praise be to Allah Who alhamdu lillāhi alladhī lā mudādda lahū fī mulkihī has no opposition in His rule nor there is any challenge to wa lā munāzi`a lahū fī amrihī His commands. All praise be to Allah Who alhamdu lillāhi alladhī lā has no counsel to meddle sharīka lahū fī khalqihī with His operation of creation nor there is anything similar wa lā shabīha lahū fī to Him in His greatness. azamatihī All praise be to Allah Whose alhamdu lillāhi alfashī fī commandments and praise alkhalgi amruhū wa ḥamduhū are active in the creation, His glory is evident through alzzāhiri bilkarami majduhū His kindness, His distinct overflowing albāsiţi biljūdi yadahū generosity is freely available, His unlimited bestowals do alladhī lā tangusu

khazā'inuhū

not exhaust.

وَعَثْرَةِ قَدْ اقَلْتَهَا وَرَحْمَةِ قَدْ نَشَرْتَهَ وَحَلْقَةِ بَلاء قَدْ فَ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي لَمْ يَتَّ صَاحِيَةً وَلاَ وَلَداً وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ شَرِيكٌ فِي ٱلْمُلْكِ وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ وَلِيٌّ مِنَ ٱلذَّلِّ وَكَبِّرْهُ تَكْبِيراً الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ بِجَمِيعِ مَحَامِدِهِ كُلِّهَا عَلَى جَمِيع نعَمِهِ كُلِّهَا الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي لاَ مُضَادَّ لَهُ فِح مُلْکه

وَلاَ مُنَازِعَ لَهُ فِي امْرِهِ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ فِي خَلْقِهِ وَلاَ شَبِيهَ لَهُ فِي عَظَمَتِ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلْفَاشِي فِي ٱلْخَا امْرُهُ وَحَمْدُهُ ٱلظَّاهِر بٱلْكَرَم مَجْدُهُ ٱلْبَاسِطِ بِٱلْجُودِ يَدَهُ ٱلَّذِي لاَ تَنْقُصُ خَزَائِذُ and Whose opulent bestowals increase Him nothing but magnanimity and generosity.

Verily He is Mighty, Abundantly Giver.

O Allah, I beseech You for little from the much,

along with my great need for it

and Your needlessness for it is since eternity.

For me, it is so big

but for You, it is effortless and easy.

O Allah, as You pardon my sins,

overlook my mistakes,

take a lenient view of my disorderly conduct,

cover up my hideous actions,

and treat my numerous offenses with forbearance, which I have committed mistakenly and willfully—

all that tempted me to ask for that which I do not deserve from You.

that is You may grant me part of Your mercy,

show me part of Your all-powerfulness.

and show me signals of Your response to me.

So, I am now supplicating You with security

and beseeching You with entertainment

wa lā tazīduhū kathratu al`aṭā'i illā jūdan wa karaman

innahū huwa al`azīzu alwahhābu

allāhumma innī as'aluka qalīlan min kathīrin

ma`a ḥājatin bī ilayhi `azīmatun

wa ghināka `anhu qadīmun

wa huwa `indī kathīrun

wa huwa `alayka sahlun yasīrun

allāhumma inna `afwaka `an dhanbī

wa tajāwuzaka `an khaţī'atī

wa şafḥaka `an zulmī

wa sitraka `alā qabīḥi `amalī

wa ḥilmaka `an kathīri jurmī

`inda mā kāna min khaṭa'ī wa `amdī

aṭma`anī fī an as'alaka mā lā astawjibuhū minka

alladhī razaqtanī min rahmatika

wa araytanī min qudratika

wa `arraftanī min ijābatika

fasirtun ad`ūka āminan

wa as'aluka musta'nisan

وَلاَ تَزِيدُهُ كَثْرَةٌ ٱلْعَطَاءِ إِلاَّ جُوداً وَكَرَماً إِنَّهُ هُوَ ٱلْعَزِيزُ ٱلْوَهَّابُ اَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي اسْالُكَ قَلِيلاً مِنْ كَثِيرٍ

مَعَ حَاجَةٍ بِي إِلَيْهِ عَظِيمَةٍ وَغِنَاكَ عَنْهُ قَدِيمٌ وَهُوَ عِنْدِي كَثِيرٌ وَهُوَ عَلَيْكَ سَهْلٌ يَسِيرٌ اَللَّهُمَّ إِنَّ عَفْوَكَ عَنْ ذَنْبى

وَّنَجَاوُزَكَ عَنْ خَطِيئَتِي وَصَفْحَكَ عَنْ ظُلْمِي وَسِتْرَكَ عَلَىٰ قَبيح عَمَلِي

وَحِلْمَكَ عَنْ كَثِيرِ جُرْمِي عِنْدَ مَا كَانَ مِنْ خَطَإِي وَعَمْدِي

اطْمَعَنِي فِي انْ اسْالَكَ مَا لاَ اسْتَوْجِبُهُ مِنْكَ

ٱلَّذِي رَزَقْتَنِي مِنْ رَحْمَتِكَ

وَارَيْتَنِي مِنْ قُدْرَتِكَ وَعَرَّفْتَنِي مِنْ إِجَابَتِكَ

فَصِرْتُ ادْعُوكَ آمِناً

واسْالُكَ مُسْتَانِساً

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neither afraid nor fearful,	lā khā'ifan wa lā wajilan	لاَ خَائِفاً وَلاَ وَجِلاً
insisting on You in that which	mudillan `alayka fī mā	مُدِلاً عَلَيْكَ فِيمَا قَصَدْتُ فِيهِ
I face to You.	qaşadtu fīhi ilayka	إِلَيْكَ
But when Your response delayed, I, out of my ignorance, would blame You	fa'in abţa'a `annī `atabtu bijahlī `alayka	فَإِنْ ابْطَا عَنِّي عَتَبْتُ بِجَهْلِي عَلَيْكَ
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although perhaps slowing down may be a blessing in disguise,	wa la`alla alladhī abṭa'a `annī huwa khayrun lī	وَلَعَلَّ ٱلَّذِي ابْطَا عَنِّي هُوَ خَيْرٌ
		يِي
because You alone know the consequences of all matters.	li`ilmika bi`āqibati al-umūri	لِعِلْمِكَ بِعَاقِبَةِ ٱلامُورِ
So, I have never seen such a noble Master	falam ara mawlan karīman	فَلَمْ ارَ مَوْلَىً كَرِيماً
more accommodating to such a dissatisfied servant than You are to me.	aşbara `alā `abdin la'īmin minka `alayya	اصْبَرَ عَلَى عَبْدٍ لَئِيمٍ مِنْكَ عَلَيَّ
O Lord! You give an invitation but I turn down,	yā rabbi innaka tad`ūnī fa'uwalliya `anka	يَا رَبِّ إِنَّكَ تَدْعُونِي فَاوَلِّي
		عَنْكَ
You become familiar with me but I do not care for You,	wa tataḥabbabu ilayya fa'atabaghghaḍu ilayka	عَنْكَ وَتَتَحَبَّبُ إِلَيَّ فَاتَبَغَّضُ إِلَيْكَ
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	عَنْكَ وَتَتَحَبَّبُ إِلَيَّ فَاتَبَغَّضُ إِلَيْكَ وَتَتَوَدَّدُ إِلَيَّ فَلاَ اقْبَلُ مِنْكَ
but I do not care for You, and You show affection to me but I do not correspond to	fa'atabaghghadu ilayka wa tatawaddadu ilayya falā	•
but I do not care for You, and You show affection to me but I do not correspond to You, as if You are overreaching me! Yet, all that have not stopped You from having mercy upon	fa'atabaghghadu ilayka wa tatawaddadu ilayya falā aqbalu minka ka'anna liya alttaṭawwula	وَتَتَوَدَّدُ إِلَيَّ فَلاَ اقْبَلُ مِنْكَ
but I do not care for You, and You show affection to me but I do not correspond to You, as if You are overreaching me! Yet, all that have not stopped	fa'atabaghghadu ilayka wa tatawaddadu ilayya falā aqbalu minka ka'anna liya alttaṭawwula `alayka falam yamna`ka dhālika min	وَتَتَوَدَّدُ إِلَيَّ فَلاَ اقْبَلُ مِنْكَ كَانَّ لِيَ ٱلتَّطَوُّلَ عَلَيْكَ فَلَمْ يَمْنَعْكَ ذَلِكَ مِنَ ٱلرَّحْمَةِ لِي
but I do not care for You, and You show affection to me but I do not correspond to You, as if You are overreaching me! Yet, all that have not stopped You from having mercy upon	fa'atabaghghadu ilayka wa tatawaddadu ilayya falā aqbalu minka ka'anna liya alttaṭawwula `alayka falam yamna`ka dhālika min	وَتَتَوَدَّدُ إِلَيَّ فَلاَ اقْبَلُ مِنْكَ كَانَّ لِيَ ٱلتَّطَوُّلَ عَلَيْكَ
but I do not care for You, and You show affection to me but I do not correspond to You, as if You are overreaching me! Yet, all that have not stopped You from having mercy upon me,	fa'atabaghghadu ilayka wa tatawaddadu ilayya falā aqbalu minka ka'anna liya alttaṭawwula `alayka falam yamna`ka dhālika min alrraḥmati lī	وَتَتَوَدَّدُ إِلَيَّ فَلاَ اقْبَلُ مِنْكَ كَانَّ لِيَ ٱلتَّطَوُّلَ عَلَيْكَ فَلَمْ يَمْنَعْكَ ذَلِكَ مِنَ ٱلرَّحْمَةِ لِي وَٱلإِحْسَانِ إِلَيَّ وَٱلتَّفَضُّلِ عَلَيَّ بِجُودِكَ وَكَرَمِكَ
but I do not care for You, and You show affection to me but I do not correspond to You, as if You are overreaching me! Yet, all that have not stopped You from having mercy upon me, doing favors to me, and blessing me out of Your	fa'atabaghghadu ilayka wa tatawaddadu ilayya falā aqbalu minka ka'anna liya alttaṭawwula `alayka falam yamna`ka dhālika min alrraḥmati lī wal-iḥsāni ilayya walttafaḍḍuli `alayya	وَتَتَوَدَّدُ إِلَيَّ فَلاَ اقْبَلُ مِنْكَ كَانَّ لِيَ ٱلتَّطَوُّلَ عَلَيْكَ فَلَمْ يَمْنَعْكَ ذَلِكَ مِنَ ٱلرَّحْمَةِ لِي وَٱلإِحْسَانِ إِلَيَّ

وَجُدْ عَلَيْهِ بِفَضْلِ إِحْسَانِكَ

and bestow upon him with the wajud `alayhi bifadli

iḥsānika

favors of Your beneficence.

Verily, You are All- magnanimous and All- generous.	innaka jawādun karīmun	إِنَّكَ جَوَادٌ كَرِيمٌ
All praise be to Allah: the Lord of the sovereignty,	alḥamdu lillāhi māliki almulki	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ مَالِكِ ٱلْمُلْكِ
Who allows arks to flow [on seas],	mujrī alfulki	مُجْرِي ٱلْفُلْكِ
Who controls the winds,	musakhkhiri alrriyāḥi	مُسَخِّرِ ٱلرِّيَاحِ
Who causes the day to break,	fāliqi al-işbāḥi	فَالِقِ ٱلإِصْبَاحِ
Who administers the authority,	dayyāni alddīni	دَيَّانِ ٱلدِّينِ
and Who is the Lord of the worlds.	rabbi al`ālamīna	رَبِّ ٱلْعَالَمِينَ
All praise be to Allah for His indulgence although He has full acquaintance with all things.	alḥamdu lillāhi `alā ḥilmihī ba`da `ilmihī	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ عَلَى حِلْمِهِ بَعْدَ عِلْمِهِ
All praise be to Allah for His amnesty although He has full	walḥamdu lillāhi `alā `afwihī	وَٱلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ عَلَى عَفْوِهِ بَعْدَ
power over all things.	ba`da qudratihī	قُدْرَتِهِ
All praise be to Allah for the respite that He allows in spite of provocation.	walḥamdu lillāhi `alā ṭūli anātihī fī ghaḍabihī	وَٱلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ عَلَىٰ طُولِ انَاتِهِ فِي غَضَبهِ
He is able to do whatever He wills.	wa huwa qādirn `alā mā yurīdu	وَهُوَ قَادِرٌ عَلَى مَا يُرِيدُ
All praise be to Allah, the Creator of all created beings,	alḥamdu lillāhi khāliqi alkhalqi	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ خَالِقِ ٱلْخَلْقِ
Who makes sustenance freely available,	bāsiți alrrizqi	بَاسِطِ ٱلرِّزْقِ
Who starts the day,	fāliqi al-iṣbāḥi	فَالِقِ ٱلإِصْبَاحِ
Who is the Owner of glory, might,	dhī aljalāli wal-ikrāmi	ذِي ٱلْجَلَالِ وَٱلإِكْرَامِ
favors and bounties;	walfaḍli wal-in`āmi	وَٱلْفَضْلِ وَٱلإِنْعَامِ
and Who is so far away that none can ever see Him	alladhī ba`uda falā yurā	ٱلَّذِي بَعُدَ فَلاَ يُرِى
and, in the same time, He is so nigh that He is fully aware of even the whispering secrets.	wa qaruba fashahida alnnajwā	وَقَرُبَ فَشَهِدَ النَّجْوَى ٰ
Blessed and Exalted be He.	tabāraka wa ta`ālā	تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَىٰ

All praise be to Allah Who has no equal to challenge Him,	alḥamdu lillāhi alladhī laysa lahū munāzi`un yu`ādiluhū	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي لَيْسَ لَهُ مُنَازِعٌ تُعَادِلُهُ
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nor is there an image comparable to Him,	wa lā shabīhun yushākiluhū	وَلاَ شَبِيهٌ يُشَاكِلُهُ
nor is there a helper to assist Him.	wa lā zahīrun yu`āḍiduhū	وَلاَ ظَهِيرٌ يُعَاضِدُهُ
He tames the powerful by His force,	qahara bi`izzatihī al- a`izzā'a	قَهَرَ بِعِزَّتِهِ ٱلاعِزَّاءَ
and disgraced are the great ones before His Greatness.	wa tawāḍa`ā li`aẓamatihī al`uẓamā'u	وَتَوَاضَعَ لِعَظَمَتِهِ ٱلْعُظَمَاءُ
So, He, through His power, fulfills that which He wills.	fabalagha biqudratihī mā yashā'u	فَبَلَغَ بِقُدْرَ تِهِ مَا يَشَاءُ
All praise be to Allah Who	alḥamdu lillāhi alladhī	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي يُجِيبُنِي
gives answer to me whenever I call Him,	yujībunī ḥīna unādīhi	حِينَ انَادِيهِ
		وَيَسْتُرُ عَلَيَّ كُلَّ عَوْرَةٍ وَانَا
covers up my shortcomings, yet I disobey Him,	wa yasturu `alayya kulla `awratin wa ana a`şīhi	·
		اعْصِيهِ
and gives me the largest part of bounties, yet I do not show him gratitude.	wa yu`azzimu alnni`mata `alayya falā ujāzīhi	وَيُعَظِّمُ ٱلنِّعْمَةَ عَلَيَّ فَلاَ اجَازِيهِ
mm grantude.		فَكَمْ مِنْ مَوْهِبَةٍ هَنيئَةٍ قَدْ
Many an auspicious favor had He given me,	fakam min mawhibatin hanī'atin qad a`ṭānī	
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many a terrible danger had He turned off,	wa `azīmatin makhūfatin qad kafānī	اعْطَانِي وَعَظِيمَةٍ مَخُوفَةٍ قَدْ كَفَانِي
and many a blossoming joy had He made available for me.	wa bahjatin mūniqatin qad arānī	وَبَهْجَةٍ مُونِقَةٍ قَدْ ارَانِي فَاثْنِي عَلَيْهِ حَامِداً
Therefore, I praise Him with thankfulness	fa uthnī `alayhi ḥāmidan	فَاثْنِي عَلَيْهِ حَامِداً
and mention Him with exaltation.	wa adhkuruhū musabbiḥan	وَاذْكُرُهُ مُسَبِّحاً
		الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي لاَ يُهْتَكُ
All praise be to Allah Whose screen cannot be penetrated,	alḥamdu lillāhi alladhī lā yuhtaku ḥijābuhū	، عسانية حجانه <i>و</i>
Whose door is not blocked,	wa lā yughlaqu bābuhū	وَلاَ يُغْلَقُ بَابُهُ

Whose beseecher is not rejected,	wa lā yuraddu sā'iluhū	وَلاَ يُرِدُّ سَائِلُهُ
and one who hopes Him is not disappointed.	wa lā yukhayyabu āmiluhū	وَلاَ يُخَيَّبُ آمِلُهُ
All praise be to Allah Who	alḥamdu lillāhi alladhī yu'minu alkhā'ifīna	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي يُؤْمِنُ
secures the frightened ones,	yu iliiliu aikila iliila	ٱلْخَائِفِينَ
comes to the help of the upright ones,	wa yunajjī alşşāliḥīna	وَيُنَجِّي ٱلصَّالِحِينَ
promotes the cause of the weak ones,	wa yarfa`u almustaḍ`afīna	وَيَرْفَعُ ٱلْمُسْتَضْعَفِينَ
annihilates the autocrats,	wa yaḍa`u almustakbirīna	وَيَضَعُ ٱلْمُسْتَكْبِرِينَ
destroys rulers, and appoints	wa yuhliku mulūkan wa	وَيُهْلِكُ مُلُوكاً وَيَسْتَخْلِفُ
others instead.	yastakhlifu ākharīna	آخَرِينَ
All praise be to Allah; the Eradicator of the tyrants,	walḥamdu lillāhi qāṣimi aljabbārīna	وَٱلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ قَاصِمِ ٱلْجَبَّارِينَ
the Terminator of the unjust ones,	mubīri alzzālimīna	مُبِيرِ ٱلظَّالِمِينَ
the Catcher of the fugitives,	mudriki alhāribīna	مُدْرِكِ ٱلْهَارِبِينَ
the Punisher of the unjust ones,	nakāli alzzālimīna	نَكَالِ ٱلظَّالِمِينَ
the Aide of the aid-seekers,	şarīkhi almustaşrikhīna	صَرِيخِ ٱلْمُسْتَصْرِخِينَ
the Settler of the needs of the beseechers,	mawḍi`i ḥājāti alṭṭālibīna	مَوْضِعِ حَاجَاتِ ٱلطَّالِبِينَ
and the support of the faithful believers.	mu`tamadi almu'minīna	مُعْتَمَدِ ٱلْمُؤْمِنِينَ
All praise be to Allah! In His awe-inspiring fear the	alḥamdu lillāhi alladhī min	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي مِنْ خَشْيَتِهِ
heavens and its dwellers tremble and shiver,	khashyatihī tar`udu alssamā'u wa sukkānuhā	ً تَرْعُدُ ٱلسَّمَاءُ وَسُكَّانُهَا
the earth and its inhabitants shake and quiver,	wa tarjufu al-arḍu wa `ummāruhā	وَتَرْجُفُ ٱلارْضُ وَعُمَّارُهَا
and the oceans and all that which float and swim in their	wa tamūju albiḥāru wa man	وَ تَمُوجُ ٱلْبِحَارُ وَمَنْ يَسْبَحُ فِي
waters flow together in excitement and tumult.	yasbaḥu fī ghamarātihā	غَمَراتِهَا
All praise be to Allah Who has guided us to this.	alḥamdu lillāhi alladhī hadānā lihādhā	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي هَدَانَا لِهِٰذَا

We could not truly have been led aright if Allah had not guided us.	wa mā kunnā linahtadiya lawlā an hadānā allāhu	وَمَا كُنَّا لِنَهْتَدِيَ لَوْلاَ انْ هَدَانَا ٱللَّهُ
All praise be to Allah Who creates but He is not created,	alḥamdu lillāhi alladhī yakhluqu wa lam yukhlaq	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ٱلَّذِي يَخْلُقُ وَلَمْ يُخْلَقْ
gives subsistence but He needs no provisions, feeds but He takes no nourishment,	wa yarzuqu wa lā yurzaqu wa yuţ`imu wa lā yuţ`amu	وَيَرْزُقُ وَلاَ يُرْزَقُ وَيُطْعِمُ وَلاَ يُطْعَمُ
causes the living to die,	wa yumītu al-aḥyā'a	وَيُمِيتُ ٱلاحْيَاءَ
and brings the dead to life,	wa yuḥyī almawtā	وَيُحْيِي ٱلْمَوْتَىٰ
but He is the Ever-living Who never dies.	wa huwa ḥayyun lā yamūtu	وَهُوَ حَيُّ لاَ يَمُوتُ
In His hands is all the good	biyadihī alkhayru	بيَدِهِ ٱلْخَيْرُ
and He is able to do all things.	wa huwa `alā kulli shay`in qadīrun	وَهُوَ عَلَى ٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِير ٌ
O Allah, (please do) send blessings to Mulammad; Your servant, Messenger,	allāhumma şalli `alā muḥammadin `abdika wa rasūlika	اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ عَبْدِكَ وَرَسُولِكَ
confidant, friend, beloved intimate,	wa amīnika wa şafiyyika wa ḥabībika	وَامِينِكَ وَصَفِيًّكَ وَحَبِيبِكَ
the choicest of Your created beings,	wa khiyaratika min khalqika	وَخِيرَ تِكَ مِنْ خَلْقِكَ
the bearer of Your sacraments,	wa ḥāfizi sirrika	وَحَافِظِ سِرِّكَ
and the conveyor of Your messages,	wa muballighi risālātika	وَمُبَلِّغِ رِسَالاَتِكَ
with the most superior, the most exquisite, the most handsomer,	afḍala wa aḥsana wa ajmala	افْضَلَ وَاحْسَنَ وَاجْمَلَ
the most perfect, the most upright, the most prospering,	wa akmala wa azkā wa anmā	وَاكْمَلَ وَازْكَى ٰ وَانْمَى ٰ
the most pleasant, the most thoroughly purified, the most sublime,	wa aţyaba wa aţhara wa asnā	وَاطْيَبَ وَاطْهَرَ وَاسْنَى
the most and the best blessings, advantages,	wa akthara mā şallayta wa bārakta	وَاكْثَرَ مَا صَلَّيْتَ وَبَارَكْتَ

	wa taraḥḥamta wa	- 0 0 0
mercies, affections,	taḥannanta	وَتَرَحَّمْتَ وَتَحَنَّنْتَ
and salutations that You have ever bestowed upon anyone	wa sallamta `alā aḥadin min	وَسَلَّمْتَ عَلَى احَدٍ مِنْ عِبَادِكَ
of Your servants, Prophets,	`ibādika wa anbiyā'ika	وانْبيَائِكَ
Messengers, choicest people,	wa rusulika wa şafwatika	وَرُسُلِكَ وَصِفْوَتِكَ
and those honored by You from among Your created beings.	wa ahli alkarāmati `alayka min khalqika	وَاهْلِ ٱلْكَرَامَةِ عَلَيْكَ مِنْ خَلْقِكَ
O Allah, (please do) send blessings to `Al¢; the	allāhumma wa şalli `alā `aliyyin amīri almu'minīna	اَللَّهُمَّ وَصَلِّ عَلَى عَلِيٍّ امِيرِ
Commander of the Believers,	any, manina anna mina	ٱلْمُوَّمِنِينَ
the successor of the Messenger of the Lord of the worlds,	wa waşiyyi rasūli rabbi al`ālamīna	وَوَصِيِّ رَسُولِ رَبِّ ٱلْعَالَمِينَ
Your servant, Your beloved representative, the brother of Your Messenger,	`abdika wa waliyyika wa akhī rasūlika	عَبْدِكَ وَوَلِيِّكَ وَاخِي رَسُولِكَ
Your decisive argument over the mankind,	wa ḥujjatika `alā khalqika	وَحُجَّتِكَ عَلَى ٰ خَلْقِكَ
Your most important sign,	wa āyatika alkubrā	وَآيَتِكَ ٱلْكُبْرَى
and the great news (from You).	walnnaba'i al`azīmi	وَٱلنَّبَاِ ٱلْعَظِيمِ
(Please do) send blessings to the truthful and pure Lady,	wa şalli `alā alşşiddīqati alţţāhirati	وَصَلِّ عَلَى الصِّدِّيقَةِ ٱلطَّاهِرَةِ
F¡§imah; the Doyenne of the women of the world.	fāṭimata sayyidati nisā'i al`ālamīna	فَاطِمَةَ سَيِّدَةِ نِسَاءِ ٱلْعَالَمِينَ
(Please do) send blessings to the sons of 'the mercy to the worlds'	wa şalli `alā sibţay alrraḥmati	وَصَلٍّ عَلَى سِبْطَيِ ٱلرَّحْمَةِ
and the two leaders of true guidance;	wa imāmay alhudā	وَإِمَامَيِ ٱلْهُدَى ٰ
al-°asan and al-°usayn,	alḥasani walḥusayni	ٱلْحَسَنِ وَٱلْحُسَيْنِ
the two Chiefs of the dwellers of Paradise.	sayyiday shabābi ahli aljannati	سَيِّدَيْ شَبَابِ اهْلِ ٱلْجَنَّةِ
(Please do) send blessings to the leaders of the Muslims;	wa şalli `alā a'immati almuslimīna	وَصَلِّ عَلَىٰ ائِمَّةِ ٱلْمُسْلِمِينَ
`Al¢ bin al-°usayn,	`aliyyi ibni alḥusayni	عَلِيٍّ بْنِ ٱلْحُسَيْنِ

وَمُحَمَّدِ بْن عَلِ*ي*ً Mulammad bin `Al¢, wa muḥammadi ibni `aliyyin وَجَعْفر بْن مُحَمَّدِ Ja`far bin Mulammad, wa ja`fari ibni muḥammadin M£s; bin Ja`far, wa mūsā ibni ja`farin وَعَلِيِّ بْنِ مُوسَىٰ `Al¢ bin M£si, wa `aliyyi ibni mūsā وَمُحَمَّدِ بْنِ عَلِے Mulammad bin `Al¢, wa muḥammadi ibni `aliyyin `Al¢ bin Mulammad, wa `aliyyi ibni muḥammadin وَٱلْحَسَن بْن عَلِيً al-°asan bin `Al¢, walhasani ibni `aliyyin and the successor, the guide, وَٱلْخَلَفِ ٱلْهَادِي ٱلْمَهْدِيِّ walkhalafi alhādī almahdiyyi and the rightly guided: (Those Imams are) Your حُجَجكَ عَلَىٰ عِبَادِكَ decisive arguments over Your ḥujajika `alā `ibādika servants and Your trustworthy وَامَنَائِكَ فِي بِلادِكَ wa umanā'ika fī bilādika confidants in Your lands صَلاةً كَثِيرَةً دَائِمَةً with blessings that are salātan kathīratan dā'imatan numerous and non-stop. O Allah, (please do) send allāhumma wa şalli `alā ٱللَّهُمَّ وَصَلِّ عَلَى ٰ وَلَىِّ امْرِكَ blessings to the custodian of waliyyi amrika Your commandments, the vigilant guardian, the ٱلْقَائِمِ ٱلْمُؤَمَّلِ algā'imi almu'ammali reliable patron. and the awaited establisher وَٱلْعَدْلِ ٱلْمُنْتَظَرِ wal`adli almuntazari of justice. And (please) surround him wa huffahū bimalā'ikatika with Your favorite angels almuqarrabīna and assist him with the Holy وَايِّدْهُ بِرُوحِ ٱلْقُدُس wa ayyid-hu birūḥi alqudusi Spirit. يًا رَبَّ ٱلْعَالَمِينَ O Lord of the worlds! vā rabba al`ālamīna O Allah, (please) choose him allāhumma ij`alhu alddā`iya ٱللَّهُمَّ ٱجْعَلْهُ ٱلدَّاعِيَ إِلَىٰ كِتَابِكَ to be the caller to Your Book ilā kitābika and the establisher of Your وَٱلْقَائِمَ بِدِينِكَ walgā'ima bidīnika religion; make him succeed in the أَسْتَخْلِفْهُ فِي ٱلارْض istakhlifhu fil-ardi earth كَمَا ٱسْتَخْلَفْتَ ٱلَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِ as You caused those who kamā istakhlafta alladhīna were before him to succeed. min qablihī

establish for him his faith makkin lahū dīnahū alladhī which You have approved for irtadaytahū lahū him. and give him in exchange abdilhu min ba`di khawfihī safety after the fear. amnan He serves You. He ascribes ya`buduka yā yushriku bika shay'an nothing as partner to You. O Allah, (please) grant him allāhumma a`izzahū wa power, make him the source a`ziz bihī of power, grant him support, make him wanşurhu wantaşir bihī the means of Your victory, help him with a mighty help, wanşurhu naşran `azīzan make him prevail over all with waftaḥ lahū fatḥan yasīran easiness. and delegate him Your waj`al lahū min ladunka controlling authority. sultānan nasīran O Allah, (please) make prevalent Your religion and allāhumma azhir bihī dīnaka the norms of Your Prophet wa sunnata nabiyyika through him so that he will not have to hattā lā yastakhfiya hide any item of truth bishay'in min alhaqqi for fear of any of the makhāfata ahadin min creatures. alkhalqi O Allah, we ardently desire allāhumma innā narghabu that You confer upon us a ilayka fi dawlatin karimatin respectful government through which You may give tu`izzu bihā al-islāma wa might to Islam and its ahlahū followers. humiliate hypocrisy and its wa tudhillu bihā alnnifāga wa ahlahū people. and include us among those wa taj`alunā fīhā min who invite people to the alddu ati ilā tā atika

walgādati ilā sabīlika

obedience to You and

and lead them to Your

approved path.

مَكِّنْ لَهُ دِينَهُ ٱلَّذِي ٱرْتَضَيْتَهُ لَهُ ابْدِلْهُ مِنْ بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِ امْناً يَعْبُدُكَ لاَ يُشْرِكُ بِكَ شَيْ اَللَّهُمَّ اعِزَّهُ وَاعْزِزْ بِهِ وَٱنْصُرْهُ وَٱنْتَصِرْ بِهِ وَٱنْصُرْهُ نَصْراً عَزيزاً وَٱفْتَحْ لَهُ فَتْحاً يَسِيراً وَأَجْعَلْ لَهُ مِنْ لَدُنْكَ سُلْطَاناً اَللَّهُمَّ اظْهِرْ بِهِ دِينَكَ وَسُ مَخَافَةَ احَدٍ مِنَ ٱلْخَلْق ٱللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَرْغَبُ إِلَيْكَ فِي دَوْلَةٍ تَعِزُّ بِهَا ٱلإِسْلاَمَ وَاهْلُهُ وَتُذِلَّ بِهَا ٱلنِّفَاقَ وَاهْلَهُ وَّنَجْعَلَنَا فِيهَا مِنَ ٱلدُّعَاةِ إِلَىٰ وَٱلْقَادَةِ إِلَىٰ سَبِيلِكَ

Give us the good of this world	wa tarzugunā bihā karāmata	وَتَرْزُقُنَا بِهَا كَرَامَةَ ٱلدُّنْيَا
and the world to come.	alddunyā wal-ākhirati	وألآخِرَةِ
O Allah, let us bear out that which You make known to us as the truth	allāhumma mā `arraftanā min alḥaqqi faḥammilnāhu	اَللَّهُمَّ مَا عَرَّفْتَنَا مِنَ ٱلْحَقِّ فَحَمِّلْنَاهُ
and let us attain that which we fall short to do.	wa mā qaşurnā `anhu faballighnāhu	وَمَا قَصُرْنَا عَنْهُ فَبَلِّغْنَاهُ
O Allah, through him, set in order our disorder,	allāhumma ilmum bihī sha`athanā	اَللَّهُمَّ ٱلْمُمْ بِه شَعَثَنَا
gather and unite our flock,	wash`ib bihī şad`anā	وَٱشْعَبْ بِهِ صَدْعَنَا
stitch together our ripped open separation,	wartuq bihī fatqanā	وَٱر ْتُق ْ بِهِ فَتْقَنَا
increase our few numbers,	wa kaththir bihī qillatanā	وَكَثِّر ْ بِهِ قِلَّتَنَا
lift us up from our degradation,	wa a`ziz bihī dhillatanā	وَاعْزِزْ بِهِ ذِلَّتَنَا
grant wealth to the needy among us,	wa aghni bihī `ā'ilanā	وَاغْنِ بِهِ عَائِلَنَا
pull us out from our debts,	waqḍi bihī `an mughraminā	وَٱقْضِ بِهِ عَنْ مُغْرَمِنَا
set up our poverty,	wajbur bihī faqranā	وَٱجْبُرْ بِهِ فَقْرَنَا
fill the gap of confusion among us,	wa sudda bihī khallatanā	وَسُدَّ بِهِ خَلَّتَنَا
make easy all difficulties we may face,	wa yassir bihī `usranā	وَيَسِّرْ بِهِ عُسْرَنَا
refine our substance and style,	wa bayyiḍ bihī wujūhanā	وَبَيِّضْ بِهِ وُجُوهَنَا
release us from captivity,	wa fukka bihī asranā	وَفُكَّ بِهِ اسْرَنَا
make successful our applications,	wa anjiḥ bihī ṭalibatanā	وَٱنْجِحْ بِهِ طَلِبَتَنَا
fulfill Your promises to us,	wa anjiz bihī mawā`īdanā	وَانْجِزْ بِهِ مَوَاعِيدَنَا
give answer to our prayers,	wastajib bihī da`watanā	وَٱسْتَجِبْ بِهِ دَعْوَتَنَا
respond to our requests,	wa a`ţinā bihī su'lanā	وَاعْطِنَا بِهِ سُوْلَنَا

make us attain our hopes in this world as well as the world	wa ballighnā bihī min alddunyā wal-ākhirati	وَبَلِّغْنَا بِهِ مِنَ ٱلدُّنْيَا وَٱلآخِرَةِ	
to come,	āmālanā	آمَالَنَا	
and grant us beyond our wishes.	wa a`ṭinā bihī fawqa raghbatinā	وَاعْطِنَا بِهِ فَوْقَ رَغْبَتِنَا	
O Most Favorable of all those whom may be besought	yā khayra almas'ūlīna	يَا خَيْرَ ٱلْمَسْؤُولِينَ	
and Most magnanimous of all those who may grant requests!	wa awsa`a almu`ṭīna	وَاوْسَعَ ٱلْمُعْطِينَ	
Through him, heal our breasts,	ishfi bihī şudūranā	ٱشْفِ بِهِ صُدُورَنَا	
remove the rage of our hearts,	wa adhhib bihī ghayza qulūbinā	وَاذْهِبْ بِهِ غَيْظَ قُلُوبِنَا	
and in the event of dispute in the matter of truth, show us	wahdinā bihī limā ukhtulifa	وَٱهْدِنَا بِهِ لِمَا ٱخْتُلِفَ فِيهِ مِنَ	
the right path.	fīhi min alḥaqqi bi'idhnika	ٱلْحَقِّ بِإِذْنِكَ	
Verily, You guide whosoever	innaka tahdī man tashā'u ilā	إِنَّكَ تَهْدِي مَنْ تَشَاءُ إِلَى صِراطٍ	
You will to the Right Path.	șirāțin mustaqīmin	َسْتَقِيمِ	
Grant us victory over Your and our enemy.	wanşurnā bihī `alā `aduwwinā wa `aduwwika	وَٱنْصُرْنَا بِهِ عَلَى عَدُولِكَ وَعَدُونَّا	
O God of Truth, respond to us!	ilāha alḥaqqi āmīna	إِلٰهَ ٱلْحَقِّ آمِينَ	
O Allah, we complain to You	allāhumma innā nashkū ilayka	اَللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَشْكُو إِلَيْكَ	
about the departure of our Prophet, Your blessings be on him and on his Household,	faqda nabiyyinā şalawātuka `alayhi wa ālihī	فَقْدَ نَبِيِّنَا صَلَوَاتُكَ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ	
the absence of our leader,	wa ghaybata waliyyinā	وَغَيْبَةَ وَلِيِّنَا	
the big numbers of our enemies,	wa kathrata `aduwwinā	وَكَثْرَةَ عَدُوِّنَا	
the few number of us,	wa qillata `adadinā	وَقِلَّةَ عَدَدِنَا	
widespread disorder,	wa shiddata alfitani binā	وَشِدَّةَ ٱلْفِتَنِ بِنَا	
and vicissitudes of time against us.	wa tazāhura alzzamāni `alaynā	وَ تَظَاهُرَ ٱلزَّمَانِ عَلَيْنَا	
So, (please do) send blessings to Mulammad and his Household	faşalli `alā muḥammadin wa ālihī	فَصَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِهِ	

and help us overcome all that through victory from You that You expedite,

through relieving us from our injuries,

through Your help that You confirm,

through bringing in the rule of justice and fair-play,

through mercy that You expand over us,

and through good health that You cover us with,

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

wa a`innā `alā dhālika bifatḥin minka tu`ajjiluhū

wa bidurrin takshifuhū

wa naşrin tu`izzuhū

wa sulţāni ḥaqqin tuzhiruhū

wa raḥmatin minka tujallilunāhā

wa `āfiyatin minka tulbisunāhā

biraḥmatika yā arḥāma alrrāḥimīna وَاعِنَّا عَلَىٰ ذٰلِكَ بِفَتْحٍ مِنْكَ تُعَجِّلُهُ

وَبِضَّرٍّ تَكْشِفَهُ وَنَصْرٍ تُعِزَّهُ وَسُلْطَانِ حَقٍّ تُظْهِرُهُ وَرَحْمَةٍ مِنْكَ تُجَلِّلُنَاهَا

برَحْمَتِكَ يَا ارْحَمَ ٱلرَّاحِمِينَ