

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَ لِعِبَادِهِ مَوَاسِمَ لِلْخَيْرَاتِ، وَخَصَّ رَمَضَانَ بِمَزِيدِ الْفَضْلِ وَالْبَرَكَاتِ
وَحَثَّنَا فِيهِ عَلَى عَمَلِ الطَّاعَاتِ، وَالْإِكْتِسَابِ مِنَ الْقُرْبَاتِ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا
شَرِيكَ لَهُ

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، خَيْرٌ مَنْ صَلَّى وَصَامَ، وَتَزَكَّى وَوَصَلَ
الْأَرْحَامَ، صَلَّى اللَّهُ وَسَلَّمْ وَبَارَكَ عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ
بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

Praise be to Allah, who placed for his slaves seasons of blessings, and honoured Ramadan with His Grace and Benevolence. I bear witness that there is no God but Allah, and I testify that our master Muhammad is the servant and Messenger of Allah.

He was the best of those who observed the prayers and fasts, purified himself and maintained ties of kinship. May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon our master Muhammad, his family, his companions, and all those who will follow them in righteousness till the Day of Judgment. Amin

وَذَكِّرْ فَإِنَّ الذِّكْرَ تَنْفَعُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

“And remind (them), verily a reminder benefits the believer” (51:55)

1. Not To Take Ramadan As A Mere Ritual

- **Patience, Sympathy, Nearness to Allah, Qur’an, Sunnah, Pleasing Allah**

مَنْ لَمْ يَدَعْ قَوْلَ الزُّورِ وَالْعَمَلَ بِهِ وَالْجَهْلَ، فَلَيْسَ لِلَّهِ حَاجَةٌ أَنْ يَدَعَ طَعَامَهُ وَشَرَابَهُ

“Whosoever does not leave treacherous speech and action, then Allah has no need that they should abandon their food and drink.” (Bukhari)

“May Allah ruin that person to whom Ramadan came and his sins were not forgive – Amin” (Tirmidhi)

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ

**“And I did not create the Jinns and humans except they should Worship Me.”
(51:56)**

2. Craving For Delicious Food

Sumptuous banquets at Iftar/Suhur, shopping, cooking, slaving away - **Distractions**

وَكُلُوا وَاشْرَبُوا وَلَا تُسْرِفُوا إِنَّهُ لَا يُحِبُّ الْمُسْرِفِينَ

“And eat and drink but waste not by extravagance, certainly He (Allah) likes not the those who waste by extravagance”. (7:31)

3. Over-Sleeping And Being Forgetful Of Allah

Give up T.V., creature comforts, mobiles, social media

أَيَّامًا مَعْدُودَاتٍ

“These are limited few days”

“If people knew the value of Ramadan they would want the whole year to be Ramadan”

4. Make Time For Sincere Dua:

“ثلاثة لا ترد دعوتهم: الصائم حتى يفطر، والإمام العادل، ودعوة المظلوم”

“There are three whose supplication is not rejected: The fasting person when he breaks his fast, the just leader, and the supplication of the oppressed person.”

5. It's time to reap the harvest of our training from Rajab and Sha'ban.

Mercy

The Mercy of Allah is what will admit us into Paradise on the Day of Resurrection. Deeds alone will not be enough to enter us into Paradise:

“No one’s deeds will ever admit him to Paradise.” They said, “Not even you, O Messenger of Allah ”?He said, “No, not even me, unless Allah showers me with His mercy.

نَبِيٌّ عِبَادِي أَنِّي أَنَا الْغُفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

“Declare (O Muhammad) unto My slaves, that truly, I am the Most Forgiving, the Most-Merciful.” (15:49)

Recommended Du’a:

يا حي يا قيوم برحمتك أستغيث

“O Living, O Sustaining, in Your Mercy I seek relief!”

Forgiveness

Seeking forgiveness is the fruit of Islam. Repenting for your sins and abundantly seeking forgiveness opens the doors of mercy and goodness for you.

فَقُلْتُ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ إِنَّهُ كَانَ غَفَّارًا

“Ask for forgiveness of your Lord, indeed He is ever a perpetual forgiver.” (71:10)

“Whoever establishes prayers during the nights of Ramadan faithfully out of sincere faith and hoping to attain Allah’s rewards, all his past sins will be forgiven.”

Recommended Du’a:

أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ وَأَسْأَلُكَ الْجَنَّةَ وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنَ النَّارِ

I seek the forgiveness of Allah. I ask You for Paradise and take refuge in You from the Fire.”

Salvation From Hell

Allah forgives many people and frees them from the Hellfire during Ramadan. Make use of these days in sincere repentance seeking salvation from the hellfire.

The last 10 nights of Ramadan (Laylat Al-Qadr) should be a key part of your plan. In them, du'a is answered, especially after one finishes a complete reading of the Qur'an.

لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ

Recommended Du'as:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ عَفُوفٌ تُحِبُّ الْعَفْوَ فَاعْفُ عَنَّا

“O Allah, truly You are all-Pardoning, You love to pardon so pardon us”

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ الْعَفْوَ وَالْعَافِيَةَ وَالْمُعَافَاةَ الدَّائِمَةَ فِي الدِّينِ وَالْدُنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ

O God, I ask You for pardoning, good health, and constant well-being in my religion, worldly affairs, and afterlife.