

BLESSINGS UPON
THE BEST OF ALL CREATION

الصَّلَاةُ عَلَى خَيْرِ الْبَرِيَّةِ

POWER OF
DUROOD
SHARIF



A selection of prayers upon The Blessed Prophet Mubammad ﷺ

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بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلٰی مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلٰی اٰلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

اے اللہ حضرت محمد صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم پر اور حضرت محمد صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم کی آل پر صلوٰۃ بھیج

کَمَا صَلَّيْتَ عَلٰی اِبْرٰهِيْمَ وَعَلٰی اٰلِ

جس طرح تو نے حضرت ابراہیم علیہ السلام پر اور حضرت ابراہیم علیہ السلام کی

اِبْرٰهِيْمَ اِنَّكَ حَمِيْدٌ مَّجِيْدٌ اَللّٰهُمَّ

آل پر صلوٰۃ بھیجی ہے شک تو تعریف کیا گیا بزرگ ہے اے اللہ

بَارِكْ عَلٰی مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلٰی اٰلِ مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا

حضرت محمد صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم کو اور حضرت محمد صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم کی آل کو برکت دے جس طرح

بَارَكْتَ عَلٰی اِبْرٰهِيْمَ وَعَلٰی اٰلِ اِبْرٰهِيْمَ

تو نے حضرت ابراہیم علیہ السلام اور ان کی آل کو برکت دی

اِنَّكَ حَمِيْدٌ مَّجِيْدٌ

بے شک تو تعریف کیا گیا بزرگ ہے

THE PROPHET OF ISLAM



Unequaled in brilliance, unique of kind,
 Art thou, O Great Prophet! to all mankind,
 Never on earth a nobler soul has trod,
 Never had another showed a true way to God,
 Never on earth a better soul was born,
 Never the world did a purer soul adorn.

Man was fast sinking in idolatry and sin,
 When thou thy great mission did first begin,
 From the Arabian deserts thou taught mankind,
 How the truest knowledge of God to find,
 Then in place of darkness thou Light did give,
 And taught mankind the noblest way to live.

A more perfect Prophet never can we find,
 Than thee who, thank God, gave Islam to mankind,
 My life, my all, for thee I gladly give,
 Thy divine messages shall with me for ever live,
 My love for thee no bounds doth know,
 In my heart thy mem'ry shall forever glow,
 May Allah shower His Choicest blessings on thee,
 May Allah grant thee peace for all eternity.
 Ameen

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AUTHOR'S FOREWORD

The author is of the opinion that in this day and age the Ummah does not fully appreciate and understand the importance and significance of reading Durood Sharif. Reading Durood Sharif is important for obtaining the intercession of our Holy Prophet (*Peace Be Upon Him*) on the Day of Judgement. Allah Almighty instructs us to send Durood Sharif upon our Holy Prophet (*Peace Be Upon Him*) [Al-Quran 33:56]. The author has provided evidence from the Hadith and Al-Quran indicating the importance, rewards and status achieved through reading Durood Sharif.

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Please note all the hadith mentioned in the REFERENCES section have been taken from the book 'Aab-e-Kauthar' written by Mufti Muhammad Ameen Mohtamim which can be downloaded and reviewed from this website:

<http://www.tablighulislam.com/Admin/pimgs/Library/Pdf/Aab-e-Kusar%20English.pdf>

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In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Most Merciful

RECITING DUROOD SHARIF FOR THE SUPREME CREATION OF ALLAH TA ʿĀLLAH

Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said, “After Hazrat Adam (*Alayhis Salam*) happened to commit the mistake, as a result of which he was transferred from Paradise to this earth, he used to spend all his time in weeping, praying, repenting, and once he looked up towards the Heaven and prayed ‘ O’ Allah ! I beg Thy forgiveness in the name of Muhammad (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).’

“Who is Muhammad (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*),” asked Allah. He [Adam (*Alayhis Salam*)] replied ‘When you had created me, I saw the words: LA ILAHA ILLALLAH MUHAMMAD-UR-RASOOLALLAH written on your ARSH (Throne of Allah Almighty) and since then I realised Holy Prophet Muhammad (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) is the supreme creation of Yours because I saw his name alongside yours.’ Then the reply came back “He is to be the last of all Prophets, and will be your descendant. If he were not to be created, you would not have been created”.

First we must note, that, this significant success came for Hazrat Adam (*Alayhis Salam*) when he asked Allah Tallah for forgiveness in the name of Holy Prophet Muhammad (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). When we ask something from Allah Almighty for the sake of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) we are asking Allah Almighty to honour our beloved Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by granting us our DU’A (prayers) which will lead to success in all walks of life INSHALLAH (GOD WILLING).

From this narrated hadith we can see that the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) is the supreme creation of Allah Almighty. The moon, the entire world, the angels of Allah Almighty, and the other magnificent creations of Allah Almighty can't even begin to compare with the Glory and Beauty of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

To Allah Almighty the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) is His most dearest and most cherished creation. Imagine then the superiority of the one who follows the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and then reads Durood Sharif in abundance.

Allah Almighty's reply 'If he were not to be created, you would not have been created', is testimony to Allah Tallah's highest regard for the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). This high status for the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) is also mentioned in the Gospel of Barnabas -removed from the Bible 300 years before the birth of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) - where it states:

“...God said: Wait Muhammad, for thy sake I will create Paradise, the world, and a great multitude of creatures, whereof I make thee a present, in so much that who shall bless thee, shall be blessed, and who shall curse thee shall be cursed...”

In other words, the world and everything included in it and Paradise was created for the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). If the world was created for the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*)

then it follows that our families, the food we eat and the clothes we wear are all given to us by Allah Almighty because of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

We are told in Al-Quran 14:08 ‘...Allah is Rich (i.e. Free from all needs)...’, and does not need these things. If common sense prevails, then we should realise, that, if the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) was not created then the world and AL-JANNAH would not have been created. Therefore, if we enter AL-JANNAH it is because of our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). The least we can do in return is to follow his Sunnah and read Durood Sharif in abundance for him.

Let us now examine the second statement in this Gospel prophesising Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). ‘Who shall bless thee, shall be blessed’, in other words the Gospel commands us to send blessings upon Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). That is, to read Durood Sharif because this is the most supreme way to send our blessings upon Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

When we study Al-Quran (Holy Quran) further we realise what the actual status of the blessed is; they are the ones that will enter AL-JANNAH (PARADISE). In Al-Quran 11:105 it states ‘On the Day it comes, no person shall speak except by His (Allah Almighty’s) Leave. Some among them will be wretched and (others) blessed.’ Clearly then, if we read or memorise and recite Durood Sharif in abundance during our lifetime, then surely we will be amongst the blessed. AMEEN.

Al-Quran 33:56 instructs us to read Durood Sharif

We are informed in Al-Quran 33:56 that “Allah sends His Salat (Blessings & Honours) on the Prophet (Muhammad) & also His Angels (ask Allah to bless and forgive him) O you who believe! Send your Salat (blessings) on him (Muhammad) and you should greet him with the Islamic way of greeting (Assalam Aleikum).” In other words, we are informed in this ayat (verse) of Al-Quran to read Durood Sharif and to send Salam on our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

In the eyes of Allah Almighty reading Durood Sharif is of paramount importance, otherwise Allah Almighty would not have commanded us to do so, as is the case in this ayat above. When Allah Almighty Himself, along with His Angels is sending Durood Sharif on the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*), then this is an important duty on the UMMAH to do likewise i.e. practice what Allah Almighty and His Angels are doing, thereby fulfilling the Sunnah of Allah Almighty Himself.

70 Billion Angels sent for Durood Sharif

In the book ‘Aab-e-Kauthar’, the hadith states: it is reported by Hazrat Ka’ab (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) that 70,000 angels descend on the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa’s (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) mosque daily, surround it and touch it with their heavenly wings, and continue reciting Durood Sharif and leave for the heavens in the evening. They are replaced by another 70,000 angels who stay till dawn to be replaced by another 70,000 angels in the morning, and each angel cannot return after its initial visit. This process will keep continuing until the Day of Judgement. A rough calculation reveals that to date almost 70 BILLION ANGELS have been sent by Allah Almighty to the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustapha’s (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) mosque to read Durood Sharif upon him.

This is indeed an indication of the utmost highest regard Allah Tallah has for his beloved Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustapha (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). Therefore we must not under-rate the significance, importance and the merits of reading Durood Sharif for our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustapha (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

The UMMAH is indeed blessed because it has been given the opportunity to send Durood Sharif on Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). Durood Sharif is a special kind of DU'A, a special kind of ZIKR (rememberance) dear to Allah Tallah as indicated by the following hadith below. Therefore if we read Durood Sharif and ask of something from Allah Almighty, then what we ask for has a better chance of being accepted by Allah Almighty. Hazrat Imam Shafi (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) has declared, 'What I love is that one should recite Durood Sharif abundantly under all circumstances'.¹ Shah Abdul Qadir Jilani (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) has declared, 'O'faithful! make mosques and Durood Sharif for the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) incumbent on you'.² Allama Qustulani (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) interpreter of Sahih Al-Bukhari has stated, 'The best, the most sublime, the most excellent, the most exquisite, the most consummate recital is the recital of Durood Sharif for the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*)'.³ Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddiq (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) has narrated that, 'Reciting Durood Sharif upon the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) erases sins in the same manner that water extinguishes a fire'.⁴

It has been narrated in the hadith by Hazrat Abdul Rahman Bin Auf (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) that 'One day when the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) left his house, I followed close behind. He went to an orchard where he offered prayers and prostrated so

long that I started weeping thinking that he had expired. The Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) raised his head from Sijda and called me and asked what had happened to me. I told him that as he had been in Sijda for a very long time, I had thought that he had expired and I won't see him again. The Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said that he had prostrated himself before Allah Almighty so long as a token of thanksgiving because He had granted him a reward, which was that if anyone, from his UMMAH will recite Durood Sharif once, Allah Almighty will record 10 VIRTUES in his favour and ERASE 10 OF HIS/HER SINS.⁵

Durood Sharif a Most Valuable Asset

If we have stock, which is an asset to our business, we can sell it to make a PROFIT. Without stock there is no sale and there is no profit. Durood Sharif is an asset and we should regard it as our stock which can benefit us in many ways i.e. DUROOD SHARIF CAN PROFIT US IN THE AFTERLIFE WITH A PLACE IN AL-JANNAH.

Create Your Own Durood Sharif Policy

In today's modern society we plan for our future financial security. We have pensions and savings policies whereby we invest money regularly for our future benefit. Yet we don't consider the merits of creating a Durood Sharif Policy whereby we can invest a small amount of time daily by reading Durood Sharif for our benefit in the Hereafter when we can cash in the policy for a place in AL-JANNAH.

We are All Millionaires

We don't realise it but we are all millionaires. A small sacrifice of our valuable time can lead to remarkable results in the long-run. Spending

just 5 MINUTES A DAY (READING 100+ DUROOD SHARIF) CAN TURN INTO A MILLION DUROODS READ, DURING A LIFETIME OF 25-30 YEARS. This is not impossible for any member of the UMMAH of Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). In the book ‘Aab-e-Kauthar’, the hadith states: ‘He who recites it (Durood Sharif) 10 times a day is granted 100 blessings and he who recites it 100 times a day, Allah Tallah inscribes on his forehead – that he has immunity from hypocrisy and hell, and he will be counted among the martyrs on the Day of Judgement. During the five regular prayers we read Durood Ibrahim, in every last rakat, this totals to 17 times for all 5 prayers . Therefore we can see the importance of reading Durood Sharif on a voluntary basis daily; to complete the amount required necessary to achieve this high status granted to the UMMAH.

Powerful Duroods To Tip The Scales In Our Benefit

It has been reported in the hadith that if anybody reads the following Durood Sharif 1000 times on the day of JUMMA, one will see one’s place (abode) in AL-JANNAH before or at the moment of death.⁶

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِهِ أَلْفَ أَلْفِ مَرَّةٍ .

O’Allah send blessings upon Muhammad (*pbuh*) and the family of Muhammad (*pbuh*) a thousand thousand times.

**ALLA HUMMA SALLE ALA MUHAMMADIWWA AALE HE
ALFA ALFA MARRA .**

A rough calculation reveals that over a period of more than 20 years this is the equivalent of ONE MILLION DUROOD SHARIF recited. A sacrifice of 30 minutes on the day of Jumma can lead to such a superior blessing from Allah Almighty.

TURN SECONDS INTO MILLIONS

In a matter of seconds it is possible to gain millions of DUROOD SAWAAB. Due to Allah Tallah's blessing we have the opportunity to read a Durood Sharif whereby one can gain the equivalent of 600,000 DUROOD SHARIF SAWAAB by reading it just once. Allah Almighty has given us the ability to gain sawaab, the equivalent to a lifetime of reading Durood Sharif, in a matter of seconds. Therefore, if one reads it several times which will take seconds rather than minutes one can gain millions of Durood Sawaab immediately and in the process making one's scales heavier in the right direction. Ideally, this Durood Sharif should be read 1000 times daily for success in this life & the Hereafter.

Hazrat Sayed Ali bin Yusuf Madani (*Radi Allahu Anhu*), Sheik-ul-Dalail, narrated from Imam Suyuti (*Radi Allahu Anhu*) that he who recites this Durood Sharif once gets the sawaab of 600,000 Durood Sharif

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ عَدَدَ مَا فِي
عِلْمِ اللَّهِ صَلَوَةٌ دَائِمَةٌ بَدَ وَأَمُّ مَلِكِ اللَّهِ.

REF: DALAILUL KHAIRAT

O'Allah shower blessings upon Muhammad (*pbuh*) our master in the number that is in Thy knowledge, such that those blessings may continue forever eternal as Thy Kingdom.

ALLAHUMA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA WA-MAU-LA-NA
MUHAMMADIN A-DA-DA MAAFI IL-MILLAH-HE SA LA TAN
DA-A-E MA TAMBE DA -WA -ME MOL KILLAH.

In a matter of seconds one can gain almost 3 YEARS SAWAAB keeping 70 ANGELS occupied with good writing on our behalf.

Hazrat Abdullah ibn Abbas (*Radi Allahu Anhu*), a companion of the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessing of Allah Almighty be upon him*) states that the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessing of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said that if a person recites this Durood Sharif once, then for the following 1000 days the angels of Allah Almighty are busy writing good deeds on his/her behalf.

جَزَىٰ اللهُ عَنَّا (سَيِّدَنَا وَمَوْلَانَا) مُحَمَّدًا (صَلَّى اللهُ
عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) مَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ.

O'Allah give reward on our behalf (*Our Master and Chief*) Hazrat Muhammad (pbuh) as much as he deserves.

**JAZALLAHO ANNA SAI-YE-DA-NA WA-MAU-LA-NA
MUHAMMADAN SALALLAHO ALAIHE WASSALLAM
MAA HOWA AH LUHU.**

REFERENCE: MAZRA UL HASNAT

Alternatively read or memorise and recite the Durood Sharif where we can gain 1000 DAYS SAWAAB for just reading them once each.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَىٰ آلِ
سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا تُحِبُّ وَتَرْضَىٰ لَهُ.

O'Allah, send blessings upon our Master and Chief Muhammad and his Family as Thy like and be satisfied for him.

**ALLAHUMA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA WA-MAU-LA-NA
MUHAMMADIWWA ALA ALE SAI-YE-DE-NA WA-MAU-LA-NA
MUHAMMADIN KA MA TOH HIBBU WA TARDA LAHU.**

Also there is the 80 YEARS SAWAAB Durood Sharif. Reading this Durood Sharif 80 times after the Fard of the Asr prayer on Friday. Before standing up it results in 80 years sawaab recorded for the individual and 80 years of sins forgiven by Allah Tallah. A sacrifice of about five minutes every week can lead to such blessings from Allah Almighty.

Hazrat Abu Huraira (*Radi Allahu Anhu*), a close companion of the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessing of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said that if a person recites this Durood Sharif 80 times on Friday, then the sins equivalent to 80 years will be forgiven.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَالْأَيْمَانِ وَعَلَى
 آلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ تَسْلِيمًا.

O'Allah send blessings upon Muhammad (*pbuh*) our chief the unlettered Apostle, and send blessings upon his family, and Thy favours and Thy salutations.

ALLAHUMA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA MUHAMMADIN-
 NINNA BEY-YIL UMMIY-YE WA ALA AALE HE
 WASSALLIM TASSLEEMA.

OTHER EXCELLENT DUROODS RECOMMENDED BY THE AUTHOR ARE LISTED BELOW. READING THESE DUROODS DAILY IN ANY COMBINATION CAN HELP US TO TIP THE SCALES IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

DUROOD SHAFI

Durood Shafi is recommended for reading because it used to be recited by Hazrat Imam Shafi (*May Allah Almighty be Pleased with him*). Consistent reading of this Durood Sharif can lead to prosperity and success in this life and the Afterlife.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا ذَكَرَهُ الذَّاكِرُونَ
وَكَمَا غَفَلَ عَن ذِكْرِهِ الْعَافِلُونَ.

O'Allah shower blessings upon the Holy Prophet Muhammad (*pbuh*) and whenever he is remembered by those who remember him and whenever he is not remembered by the negligent and grant him peace constantly in abundance.

ALLAH HUMMA SALLE ALA MUHAMMADIN KOLA MAA ZA
KA RA HO-ZAA KE ROONA WA KOLLA MAA
GA-FA-LA 'AN ZIK-RE-HIL GA FE LUUN

DUROOD QURANI

Durood Qurani can benefit us by providing us the equivalent of ONE QURAN'S SAWAAB by reading it after every prayer.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ
بَعْدَ مَا فِي جَمِيعِ الْقُرْآنِ حَرْفًا حَرْفًا وَبَعْدَ كُلِّ
حَرْفٍ أَلْفًا أَلْفًا.

O'Allah, send blessings upon our Master Muhammad (*pbuh*), and upon his family and companions in the amount equal to the total letters in the Holy Quran, and let each letter carry thousand of blessings with it.

**ALLAH HUMMA SALLE WASSALLIM ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA
MUHAMMADIWWA ALA AALE-HE WA AS HA BE HE BE-ADA-
DE MAAFI JA-MEE-IL QUR-AANNI HARFAN HARFAN WA BE
A-DA-DE KOL-LE HARFIN ALFAN ALFA.**

DUROOD ALI

Durood Ali was regularly read by Hazrat Ali Al-Murtaza (*Peace be upon him*) and is recommended because we can gain the sawaab equivalent to the maximum reward for just one Durood read.

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ صَلَوَاتِكَ وَبَرَكَاتِكَ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ النَّبِيِّ
وَأَزْوَاجِهِ أُمَّهَاتِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَذُرِّيَّتِهِ وَأَهْلِ بَيْتِهِ كَمَا
صَلَّيْتَ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ .

O'Allah bestow blessings and your bounty upon your Holy Prophet Muhammad (*pbuh*) and on his wives who are the mothers of the faithful and on his descendants and on the members of his household in the manner as Thou sent blessings upon Prophet Abraham (*pbuh*), verily Thou art the Praiseworthy and the Glorious.

**ALLAH HUMMA AJ-AL SA-LA-WAA-TE-KA WA-BA-RA-KAA-
TE-KA ALA MUHAMMADE-NIN-NABIY-YE WA AZ WA JE
HE UMMA HA TIL MU'ME-NEE- NA WA ZOR-RIYYA-TE-HE
WA AHLE BAI-TE-HE KA MA SALLAI TA ALA IBRAHEEMA
INNA-KA HAMEEDOMMA-JEED.**

DUROOD NOOR

Durood Noor is constantly read by the very pious and is regarded as the best Durood Sharif by such individuals and therefore is recommended for its excellence.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ نُورِ الْأَنْوَارِ وَسِرِّ الْأَسْرَارِ
وَسَيِّدِ الْأَبْرَارِ.

O'Allah shower Thy Blessings upon our Holy Prophet Muhammad (*pbuh*) who is light, actual light and the mystery amongst the mysteries and the leader of excellents.

**ALLAH HUMMA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA MUHAMMADIN
NOO-RIL ANWAARI WAS-SIRRIL AS-RAR-E
WA SAI-YE-DIL AB-RAR.**

ULTIMATE DUROOD

The following Durood Sharif is perhaps the ultimate in Duroods. We are requesting Allah Almighty to send blessings upon Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) equivalent to EVERY ATOM CREATED BY ALLAH ALMIGHTY IN THE UNIVERSE MULTIPLIED BY A MILLION TIMES, SUBHANALLAH. No computer in the world could cope with the numbers, yet only Allah Almighty knows how many blessings this comes to.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ بِعَدَدِ كُلِّ
 ذَرَّةٍ مَائَةِ أَلْفِ أَلْفِ مَرَّةٍ وَبَارِكْ وَسَلِّمْ.

O'Allah may Thy Benificence be upon Holy Prophet Muhammad (*pbuh*) and upon the family of Holy Prophet Muhammad (*pbuh*) in a number equal to a Millionfold of each atom created by Thee and Thy Blessings and Thy Peace be upon him.

**ALLAH HUMMA SALLE ALA MUHAMMADIWWA ALA AALE
 MUHAMMADIM-BE A-DA-DE KOLE ZARRA TIM-MAA TA
 ALFA ALFA MARRA TIN WA BA RIK WASSALLIM.**

DUROOD ANAM

Durood Anam read once gives the reader a reward that is unimaginable. It is regarded by the very pious as the crown of Duroods. This Durood should be read especially when in the Holy City of Medina. Ideally it should be read 313 times before going to bed when in the Holy City.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ عَدَدَ
أَنْعَامِ اللَّهِ وَأَفْضَالِهِ.

O'Allah shower Thy Blessings and Peace upon Holy Prophet Muhammad (*pbuh*), our master and on his family according to the number of Thy reward and Thy bounties.

**ALLAH HUMMA SALLE WASSALLIM ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA
MUHAMMADIWWA ALA AALE HE A-DA-DA IN AA MILLAH-
HE WA IF DH(W)A LE-HE.**

DUROOD MAFI

Durood Mafi is ideal for tipping the scales in our favour because it helps us with forgiveness of our minor sins.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَسَلِّمْ.

O'Allah, shower Thy Blessings and Peace upon our Master and our Chief Muhammad and his Family.

**ALLAH HUMMA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA WA-MAU-LA-NA
MUHAMMADIWWA ALA AALE HE WASSALLIM.**

FINALLY, THERE ARE THE SPECIAL DUROODS WHICH CAN HELP ACHIEVE CLOSENESS WITH ALLAH ALMIGHTY AND THE HOLY PROPHET MUHAMMAD MUSTAFA (*PEACE AND BLESSINGS OF ALLAH ALMIGHTY BE UPON HIM*).

CLOSENESS TO THE HOLY PROPHET

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ حَتَّى تَرْضَى وَصَلِّ
عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ بَعْدَ الرِّضَى وَصَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ
أَبَدًا أَبَدًا.

O'Allah shower Thy blessings on our master Muhammad (*pbuh*) in such a measure that earns Thy pleasure and shower Thy blessings on our master Muhammad (*pbuh*) exceeding that measure which has earned Thy pleasure and shower Thy blessings upon our master Muhammad (*pbuh*) for ever and ever.

**ALLAH HUMMA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA MUHAMMADIN
HATA TAR DH(W)A WA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA
MUHAMMADIM-BA DARRE DH(W)A WA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-
DE-NA MUHAMMADIN A-BA-DAN A-BA-DA.**

CLOSENESS TO ALLAH

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ أَفْضَلِ أَنْبِيَائِكَ وَأَكْرَمِ
 أَصْفِيَائِكَ مَنْ فَاضَتْ مِنْ نُورِهِ جَمِيعُ الْأَنْوَارِ وَصَاحِبِ
 الْمُعْجَزَاتِ وَصَاحِبِ الْمَقَامِ الْحَمْدِ وَسَيِّدِ الْأَوْلِيَيْنِ
 وَالْآخِرِينَ .

O'Allah shower Thy beneficence on our master Muhammad (*pbuh*), the most favoured of Thy Prophets and the most honoured of Thy chosen persons, whose radiant life is the source of all light and who is the conferee of miracles and conferee of the most glorious place (*Maqam-i-Mahmood*) and who is the leader of the previous and the later.

ALLAH HUMMA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA MUHAMMADIN
 AF-DH(W)A-LE AM-BE-YA-E-KA WA-AKROME AS-FE-YAA-E-
 KA MAN FA DH(W)AT MINNOO-RE-HE JA-MEE-OL AN-
 WAA-RE WA S(W)AA HE BAL MO' JE-ZAA-TE WA SA HE BIL
 MA-QAA MIL MAH MOO-DE SAI-YE-DIL
 AWWA LEE-NA WAL AAKHIREEN

DUROOD NABI

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَأَدَمَ وَنُوحٍ
وَأِبْرَاهِيمَ وَمُوسَى وَعِيسَى وَمَا بَيْنَهُمْ مِنَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَ
الرُّسُلِينَ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَيْهِمْ أَجْمَعِينَ .

O' Allah grant Thy Blessings and Thy peace and Thy bounty upon Hazrat Muhammad (*pbuh*) and on Hazrat Adam (*pbuh*) and on Hazrat Noah (*pbuh*) and on Hazrat Abraham (*pbuh*) and on Hazrat Moses (*pbuh*) and on Hazrat Jesus (*pbuh*) and on those Prophets who were sent during the period between each of them, Blessing of Allah and His Peace be upon them all.

Ameen.

ALLAH HUMMA SALLE WASSALLIM WA BA RIK ALA SAI-
YE-DE-NA MUHAMMADIWWA AADAMA WA-NUH-HIWWA
IBRAHEEMA WA MUSA WA EESA WA MA BAI NA HOM
ME NAN-NA BIY-YEE NA WAL MOR SALEENA SA LA WA
TOLLAH HE WA SA LAA MO HO ALAI-HIM AJMA EEN.

DUROOD MAHEE

One day a Companion of the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) came to the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and complained that his wife had tried to cook a fish for three days but was unable to cook it.⁷ The Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) asked the fish why it was not possible to cook it. The fish replied that one day it was swimming alongside a ship when it heard a traveller on board reciting Durood Mahee and it then proceeded to recite Durood Mahee. The Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) then informed the companion to convey this good news to his Ummah: that if anyone reads Durood Mahee once then the fires of hell are haram for that person.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ ○

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ خَيْرِ الْخَلَائِقِ
 وَأَفْضَلِ الْبَشَرِ وَشَفِّعِ الْأُمَّمَ يَوْمَ الْحَشْرِ وَالنَّشْرِ وَصَلِّ
 عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ بَعْدَ
 كُلِّ مَعْلُومٍ لَكَ وَصَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ
 وَبَارِكْ وَصَلِّ عَلَى جَمِيعِ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ وَالرُّسُلَيْنِ وَصَلِّ عَلَى
 كُلِّ الْمَلَائِكَةِ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ وَعَلَى عِبَادِ اللَّهِ الصَّالِحِينَ.
 وَسَلِّمْ تَسْلِيمًا كَثِيرًا كَثِيرًا. بِرَحْمَتِكَ وَبِفَضْلِكَ وَيَكْرَمِكَ
 يَا أَكْرَمَ الْأَكْرَمِينَ بِرَحْمَتِكَ يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ. يَا قَدِيمُ
 يَادَاتِمُ يَا حَيُّ يَا قَيُّوْمُ يَا وَثِقًا يَا أَحَدُ يَا صَمَدُ يَا مَنْ لَمْ يَلِدْ
 وَلَمْ يُولَدْ وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ. بِرَحْمَتِكَ يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ.

In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

O'Allah send blessings upon Muhammad (*pbuh*) and Family of Muhammad (*pbuh*), who is the best one in creatures, the best one in human beings, the intercessor of nations on the Day of Resurrection; and send blessings upon our Master Muhammad (*pbuh*) and Family of our Master Muhammad (*pbuh*) in a number equal to all known to you; Send blessings and peace upon Muhammad (*pbuh*) and Family of Muhammad (*pbuh*); send blessings upon all Apostles and Messengers (*pbuh*); send blessings upon all intimate angels and upon virtuous worshippers of Allah, and have abundant peace upon all of them. With Thy mercy, favour and honour, Oh the Most generous, with Thy mercy, Oh the Most Merciful. Oh the Wise, Perpetual, Everlasting and Eternal. Oh the One, Uneven, Eternal, who did not give birth, and was not given birth and has no single equivalent. With Thy Mercy, Oh the Most Merciful.

**ALLAH HUMMA SALLE ALA MUHAMMADIWWA ALA
 AALE MUHAMMADIN KHAI-RAL KHALAA-E QE WA AF
 DH(W)A LIL BASHARE WA-SHA-FEE-IL O-MA-ME YAW
 MAL HASH RE WAN-NASH RE WA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-
 DE-NA MUHAMMADIWWA ALA AALE SAI-YE-DE NA
 MUHAMMADIM-BE 'A DA-DE KULLE MA' LU
 MIL-LA-KA WA SALLE ALA MUHAMMADIW-WA ALA AALE
 MUHAMMADIW-WA BA RIK WA SALLE ALA JA MEE IL
 AMBE YAA-E WAL MORSALEE-NA WA SALLE ALA KOLLIL
 MA LAA-E KA TIL MO QARRA BEE NA WA ALA-E BAA
 DILLAH-HISS(W)AA-LE HEEN WASSALLIM TASSLEEMAN
 KASSEERAN KASSEERA BE RAH MA TE KA WA BE
 FAZ LE KA WA BE KAR ME KA YA AK RA
 MALAKRA MEENA BE RAH-MA TEKA YA ARHA MAR-RAA
 HE MEEN YA QA DEE MU YA-DAA-E MU YA-HAYYO YA
 QAY-YU-MU YA WIT RO YA A-HA DU YA S(W)A MA DU YA
 MAL-LAM YA LID-WA LAM-YU-LAD WA LAM YA KULLA
 HU KU FU WAN A-HAD BE RAH MA TE KA YA AR
 HA-MARRA HE MEEN**

DUROOD TUNJINA

Once there was a pious man Skeikh Moosa Zurair travelling on a ship when it started to sink due to a heavy storm.⁸ In his sleep he saw the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). The Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) instructed Moosa Zurair to recite Durood Tunjina 1000 times. Moosa Zurair awoke from his sleep and proceeded to recite Durood Tunjina. As soon as he had finished reading 300 times, the storm subsided and the ship was saved. This Durood is recommended during days of calamity, turmoil and distress. Seventy times a day is essential for relief from our problems and difficulties.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ
 سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَوةً تُنَجِّينَا بِهَا مِنْ جَمِيعِ
 الْأَهْوَالِ وَالْأَفَاتِ، وَتَقْضِي لَنَا بِهَا جَمِيعَ الْحَاجَاتِ،
 وَتُطَهِّرُنَا بِهَا مِنْ جَمِيعِ السَّيِّئَاتِ، وَتَرْفَعُنَا بِهَا عِنْدَكَ
 أَعْلَى الدَّرَجَاتِ، وَتُبَلِّغُنَا بِهَا أَقْصَى الْغَايَاتِ مِنْ جَمِيعِ
 الْخَيْرَاتِ فِي الْحَيَوةِ وَبَعْدَ الْمَمَاتِ، إِنَّكَ عَلَّ كُلِّ
 شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ.

O ‘Allah! Shower blessings on Muhammad (*pbuh*) Our Master, and his family, such blessings, by means of which Thou may relieve us of all anxieties and calamities. Thou may satisfy all our needs. Thou may clean us of all evils and thanks for which Thou may grant us high position and high rank and status in Thy presence. Thou may lead us to the utmost limit in our aspirations and capacity in whatever is best in this world as well as in the Hereafter as Thou has the full power over everything.

ALLAH HUMMA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DENA WA MAU-LA-NA
 MUHAMMADIW WA A’LA AALE SAI-YE DE NA WA MAU-LA
 NA MUHAMMADIN SA-LA-TAN TUNAJJEENA BE HA MIN
 JA-MEE-IL AH WAALE WAL-AAFAA-TE WA TAQ ZEE LANA
 BE HAA JA-MEE-AL HAA-JAA-TE WA TO T(W)AHE RO NAA
 BE HA MIN JA MEE IS-SAYYE AATE WA TAR FA ‘O NA BE HA
 ‘IN DAKA A’A-LADDA RA JA TE WA TO BALLE GU NA BE HA
 AQ-SAL GA-YAAT MIN JA MEE IL KHAI-RAAT FIL-HA-YATE
 WA BA’ DAL MA MAAT IN-NA KAA’LA KOLLE
 SHAI-IN QADEER.

ADDITIONAL DUROOD SHARIF

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَأَبْلِغْهُ الْوَسِيلَةَ الدَّرَجَةَ
الرَّفِيعَةَ الْجَنَّةَ.

O'Allah shower blessings upon our Master Muhammad (*pbuh*) and endow him the means and high rank in Paradise.

ALLAHUMMA SALLE ALA SAI-YE-DE-NA
MUHAMMADIWWA AB-LIG-HUL WA SEE LA TA ADDA RA JA
TAR-RA FEE A TAL JANNA

اللَّهُ رَبُّ مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَّى عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ
نَحْنُ عِبَادُ مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَّى عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ

O'Allah the Lord of Muhammad (*pbuh*), mercy and blessings be upon him. We are the worshippers of Muhammad (*pbuh*), may mercy and blessings be upon him.

ALLAHO RABBO MUHAMMADIN SALLA A-LAI-HE
WA-SALLA- MAN NAH-NU E'-BAA-DU MUHAMMADIN SALLA
A-LAI-HE WA-SALLA-MAN

Hazrat Abu Saeed Khudri (*Radi Allahu Anhu*) a close companion of the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessing of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said that the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessing of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said, "Whoever does not possess wealth to give in charity, should recite this Durood Sharif in his/her Dua. It will become a spiritual cleanliness for him.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ عَبْدِكَ وَرَسُولِكَ وَصَلِّ عَلَى
الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ .

O'Allah shower Thy beneficence upon Muhammad (*pbuh*), Thy worshipper and Thy Messenger, and shower beneficence on all male and female believers, and Muslims.

ALLAHUMMA SALLE ALA MUHAMMADIN AB-DE-KA WA-
RA-SOO-LE-KA WA SALLE A-LAL-MU-ME-NEE-NA WAL-MU-
ME-NAA-TE WAL-MUS-LE-MEE-NA WAL-MUS-LE-MAT

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ النَّبِيِّ الْأُمِّيِّ وَالْأَهْلِ وَبَارِكْ وَسَلِّمْ.

O'Allah, send blessings and peace upon the Unlettered Apostle and his Family.

**ALLAHUMMA SALLE ALA MUHAMMADI NIN-NA BEY-YIL
O-MIY-YE WA AA'LE HI WA BA RIK WASSILIM**

Hazrat Royafai (*Radi Allahu Anhu*), a very close companion of the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessing of Allah Almighty be upon him*) has revealed that once the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessing of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said. "There is a Durood Sharif which if anyone recites, then I will definitely come to his help on the Day of Judgement".

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَأَنْزِلْهُ الْمَقْعَدَ الْمُقَرَّبَ عِنْدَكَ
يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ.

O'Allah shower Thy blessings on Muhammad (*pbuh*) and make him enter the highest place which is the greatest before You on the Day of Resurrection.

**ALLAHUMMA SALLE ALA MUHAMMADIWWA AN ZA LA
HUL MAQ-A' DAL MU QAR-RA BA 'IN DA KA YAW MAL
QEE-YA-MAH**

Hazrat Saeed Ahmed Savi (*Radi Allahu Anhu*) states this Durood Sharif is just like light. In fact it is light itself. If recited once, the reader gets the sawaab for 100,000 Durood Sharif. Hazrat Sheik Ahmed Malool (*Radi Allahu Anhu*) also states this Durood Sharif is equivalent to reading 100,000 Durood Sharif.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ فِي السُّورِ
الذَّاتِي وَالسِّرِّ السَّارِي فِي سَائِرِ الْأَسْمَاءِ وَالصِّفَاتِ.

O'Allah send blessings and grace upon our Master Muhammad (*pbuh*), who is self- light and secret acting in all names and attributes.

**ALLAHUMMA SALLE WASSALIM WA BA RIK ALA SAI-YE-
DE-NA MUHAMMADE NIN-NOO RIZ-ZA TEE WAS-SIRISSAA
REE FEE SAA-E-RIL AS-MAA-E WASSE FAAT.**

RELEVANCE OF SENDING SALAM ON HOLY PROPHET (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

On the Night of Ascension (Miraj), on his approach the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) greeted Allah Almighty with ‘Greeting & pure blessings unto Allah’, Allah Tallah greeted Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) with ‘Peace be to you, O’Muhammad’. He said in reply ‘Peace be with us and with the virtuous servants of God.’ From this narration it should be clear of the significance and importance of sending Salam on our beloved Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

Every day the UMMAH of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) send ‘Salam’ to the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) in their five daily prayers i.e during every second and last rakat of the prayer during the JALSA & QUADAH . That is:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ.

Peace be on you O Prophet! & the Mercy of Allah & His Blessings

**ASSALAMMO A’LAIKA AYYU HANNA BIYYU WA
RAHMATOLLAHHI WA-BA-RA-KAA-TUHU**

This works out as 25 Salams daily. When we send ‘Salam’ on Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) replies with ‘Salam’ on us, as stated by Imam Ghazali (*May Allah be pleased with him*).⁹ And when the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) replies with ‘Salam’ on us, Allah Almighty gives us peace of mind from

our problems and they will disappear as Allah Almighty always honours His Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa 's (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) words.

Once the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) bade a tree to come to him. The tree moved and drawing up its roots from the ground walked before him and saluted him with 'Peace be on you, Apostle of God'.¹⁰ Even the stones in the streets of Mecca greeted the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) with 'Salam'. We should consider reading this 'Salam' as mentioned above, on a voluntary basis outside our regular prayers, or some other methods of 'Salam' on Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

If we send 'Salam' regularly on the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and read Durood Sharif and follow the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa 's (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) Sunnah, then hopefully, there will be the greeting of 'Salam' on us in AL-JANNAH as stated in Al-Quran 56:26 'But only the saying of Salam! Salam! (greetings with peace)'.

The Significance Of Reading Durood Sharif On Thursday Night And Friday

If anybody reads 100 Durood Sharif on Thursday evening then according to hadith 70 necessities will be met in this life and 30 in the Hereafter. On every Thursday Allah Almighty sends angels to the earth in the afternoon. They have silver leaves and golden pens which they use to record the Durood Sharif of the reciter from that afternoon of Thursday till the sunset of Friday.¹¹ The Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) informed the UMMAH, that reading Durood Sharif on Thursday night and Friday is presented to him.¹² The Holy

Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) has also informed us the best way to have our prayers answered, and that is to start with and end with Durood Sharif.¹³

Excellence Of Lailatul Qadar (Night Of Power)

When we are considering purchasing a business, we first need to look at the figures before a decision can be made as to whether or not the business is viable. Similarly if we COMBINE THE 600,000 DUROOD SHARIF SAWAAB WITH THE LAILATUL QADAR the results of the figures are nothing short of a miracle due to the combination of the two superior blessings from Allah Almighty. We are rarely presented with the figures for ZIKR nor do we consider calculating the figures. The following figures are an indication of Allah Almighty's Supreme Mercy and Blessings upon us.

100 Times (5 Minutes) Equals 1,800,000,000,000 Durood Sharif Sawaab

In other words just JUST FIVE MINUTES RESULTS IN 1.8 MILLION MILLION DUROOD SAWAAB OR ONE THOUSAND & EIGHT HUNDRED BILLION DUROOD SAWAAB INSHALLAH (SEE BELOW). The calculation is based on Al-Quran 97:03 where it is stated that this Special Night gives us the equivalent to, or more than 1000 MONTHS SAWAAB. For this calculation each month is assumed to be of 30 days in length.

100 TIMES READ IN ONE DAY EQUALS :

$$100 \times 600,000 = 60,000,000 \text{ DUROOD SAWAAB}$$

ONE MONTH'S SAWAAB EQUALS:

$$30 \times 60,000,000 = 1,800,000,000 \text{ DUROOD SAWAAB}$$

$$1000 \text{ MONTHS SAWAAB EQUALS: } 1000 \times 1,800,000,000 =$$

$$1,800,000,000,000 \text{ DUROOD SAWAAB}$$

Prior Prophets (*Peace be upon them*) and their generations couldn't imagine in their wildest dreams that the Ummah of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) could gain so much sawaab for reading Durood Sharif. These methods of calculations and principles also apply to the 1000 days of sawaab, that Durood Sharif brings, and any other Durood Sharifs, for that matter. Any businessman would give his soul for these figures if it was money, yet we can save our souls with this amount of sawaab.

Negligence Of Durood Sharif For Worldly Gain

Al-Quran 3:185 informs us that '...The life of this world is only enjoyment of deception ...', and this again is reiterated in Al-Quran 6:32 'And the life in this world is nothing but play and amusement ...' and again in Al-Quran 10:23 '... brief enjoyment of this worldly life, then (in the end) unto us is your return and We shall inform you of that which you used to do'. There are many more passages like this in Al-Quran, here are some more; Al-Quran 13:26 '...the life of this world compared with the Hereafter is but a brief passing enjoyment'.

Al-Quran 53:61 states 'wasting your (precious) lifetime in pastime and amusements' and Al-Quran 47:36 states, 'The life of this world is but play and pastime; but if you believe and fear Allah and avoid evil, He will grant you, your wages and will not ask you your wealth.'

The key words here in these ayats are mentioned above. Life is too short, as the saying goes: the days, weeks, months and years are passing at such a speed that we cannot comprehend where they went. Every day that is lost, can't be regained or replaced, there is no opportunity to return. Every lost day is a lost day spent in zikr and is a lost opportunity to tip the scales in our favour.

The results of our efforts are presented to us immediately in this world, when the notes pass through our hands after a hard week's work. Sometimes, we are unable to see the results of our ZIKR until the Hereafter. For this reason we are pre-occupied with rivalry with one another as stated in Al-Quran 57:20 'Know that the life of this world is only play and amusement, pomp and mutual boasting among you and rivalry in respect of wealth and children...' However, we can, without difficulty have the best of both worlds INSHALLAH.

These warnings are for all those who are pre-occupied with this worldly life. Attention is devoted to the pursuit of wealth and one's family commitments and not enough attention to our DEEN. These warnings are summarised in Al-Quran 9:24 'Say: If your fathers, your sons, your brothers, your wives, your kindred, the wealth that you have gained, the commerce in which you fear a decline, and the dwellings in which you delight are dearer to you than Allah and His Messenger & striving hard to fight in His Cause, then wait until Allah brings about His Decision (torment). Allah guides not the people who are AL-FASIQUN (rebellious, disobedient to Allah)'. Therefore we should reflect upon our lives, as narrated in Al-Quran 68:33 'Such is the punishment (in this life), but truly, the punishment in the Hereafter is greater if they but knew'. And the result of neglecting our DEEN will be as stated in Al-Quran 56:93-94 'Then for him is an entertainment with boiling water. And burning in Hell fire.'

In other words the most important person in our lives should be the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). It is a sign of the times that we devote so much time to our businesses, our families and maintaining our homes, yet we cannot sacrifice five minutes for reading Durood Sharif for our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). We know more about unimportant people than we do about our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) -

we know the names of many film actors and singers, yet we can't recite a similar number of names of Allah Almighty and our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) or even ayats of Al-Quran. Why is it that we can sacrifice time for watching television and video, and listening to music, but not for our DEEN? Al-Bukhari 9:395 states that the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) forbids Quil & Qual i.e. backbiting and talking too much about others, yet we are happy to spend time on this activity rather than reading Durood Sharif for 5 minutes a day.

Al-Quran 6:162 states “ Say O’Muhammad, verily my Salaat, my sacrifice, my living and my dying are for Allah, the Lord of the Alamin (Mankind & Jinn & all that exists)”. After all the sacrifices our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) made for us, why is it that we can't sacrifice 5 minutes for reading Durood Sharif, we should be ashamed of ourselves. The least we can do is to follow our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa's (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) Sunnah and read Durood Sharif for 5 minutes a day.

Succeed In Your Life-Exam

The key to success in passing any exam is preparation. A small amount of daily study, which is done regularly, results in a greater chance of success i.e. passing your exam. Studying closer to the exam day will make it more difficult to pass your exam. Similarly regular and daily ZIKR will give you a better chance of passing your Life-Exam. Concentrating on ZIKR near the end of one's life will make it harder to pass your Life-Exam, and there is no opportunity to sit your Life-Exam again, even though we will request for it as stated in Al-Quran 7:53 ‘... or could we be sent back to the 1st life of the world so that we might do good deeds other than those evil deeds which we used to do...’

Excel In Your Interview

At an interview, the interviewer wants to know what you have done with your time to date. If one starts discussing political issues with the interviewer, then one has failed the interview. Similarly, when one is interviewed by the Master Creator, Allah Almighty, as to how one has spent his/her time in this world, a response of ‘ I bought an expensive house and an expensive car and left a vast amount of money in the bank’, will apparently result in failing the interview. However, on the other hand if the response is ‘I read my prayers and followed the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and I READ 1MILLION DUROOD-SHARIF (see above-we are all millionaires), then the Interviewer will be impressed with you and you will stand out more than normal and be more successful.

Every Second Counts

To find an extra 5 minutes a day in our busy lives is not difficult. The key to success is to manage our time more efficiently. An opportunity to recite Durood Sharif exists when we are in a queue waiting. Whether this is in a queue at a post office, market, doctor’s surgery or waiting at the traffic lights. Read Durood Sharif during this time or any other spare time. Ideally memorise a powerful Durood-Sharif (see above-600,000 Durood Sawaab) and recite this to gain SAWAAB and tip the scales in the right direction INSHALLAH. Don’t think that a few Durood Sharif read or recited is not enough, every time you read, it is never wasted as stated in Al-Quran 7:170 ‘And to those who hold fast to the Book & perform salaah (prayers) certainly we shall never waste the rewards of those who do righteous deeds’. This is also confirmed in Al-Quran 50:18 ‘Not a word does he/she utter but there is a watcher (recording angels) by him ready to (record it)’. Again in Al-Quran 54:52 ‘And everything they have done is noted in (their) Records of (deeds)’. And the reward for those who do righteous

deeds is AL-JANNAH as mentioned in Al-Quran 14:23 ‘And those who believed & did righteous deeds will be made to enter the Gardens under which rivers flow, to dwell therein forever (i.e. Paradise) with the permission of their Lord. There greetings therein will be Salam (Peace)’. Reading Durood Sharif is a righteous deed and is never wasted. Over time it will add up and result in a considerable amount.

Toppling The Scales (Meezan) In Our Favour

Al-Quran 7:8-9 states ‘And the weighting on that day (Day of Resurrection) will be the true weighting so far as those whose scale of good deeds will be heavy, they will be the successful (ones) by entering Paradise. As for those whose scales will be light, they are those who will lose them themselves (by entering Hell) because they denied and rejected our Ayat’. By memorising, reading and reciting Durood Sharif it is possible that we can benefit ourselves considerably. Each time one reads Durood Sharif the scales get heavier to the right side. Durood Sharif is a blessing from Allah Almighty and each time you read them (see above-Powerful Durood Sharifs) they help you increase your chances of success by tipping the scales over to the right side in your favour INSHALLAH.

Based on the outcome of the scales, the results of our efforts will be presented to us as stated in Al-Quran 56:8-9 ‘So those on the Right Hand – how (fortunate) will be those on the Right Hand! (As a respect for them, because they will enter Paradise). And for those on the Left Hand how (unfortunate) will be those on the Left Hand (as a disgrace for them, because they will enter Hell)’. When this happens i.e. the scales tip to the wrong side, then one will blame satan but he will respond as mentioned in Al-Quran 14:22 ‘ ...Verily, Allah promised you a promise of truth. And I too promised you, but I betrayed you. I had no authority over you except that I called you and you responded to me so blame me not but blame yourselves...’ It will be too late by then and blaming satan will be our only recourse ASTUGHFURALLAH. This is also confirmed in Al-Quran 36:62

‘And indeed he (satan) did lead astray a great multitude of you. Did you not then understand?’

Nothing is weightier than the name of Allah Almighty. Therefore, it follows that if one reads Durood Sharif whereby, we are requesting Allah Almighty to send His blessings upon Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and in the process we are fulfilling our requirements to follow Al-Quran 33:56 then our scales will naturally become heavier.

‘On the Day of Judgement Hazarat Adam (*Alayhis Salam*) will be dressed in a green robe, sitting near the Empyrean and observing the fate of his descendants. He will see one of the followers of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) being taken to Hell, whereupon he will call the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said “I will gird up my loins and rush after the angels to stop them.” The angels would say that they could not disobey Allah Almighty’s orders. Then the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) would debase himself before Allah Almighty and remind Him His Promise with the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) not to disgrace him about his Ummah. On this Allah Almighty will order the angels to obey Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and take that man back to the scale. When his virtues will be re-weighed the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) will produce a white paper of holy light from his pocket and place it along with his other virtues. The scale will turn in the right direction and he will be taken to Paradise. He will thank the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) who will inform the man that the white paper

was his Durood Sharif that the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) had preserved for that day'.¹⁴ SUBHANALLAH.

Reading Durood Sharif At The Moment Of Death

The blessings of Durood Sharif are such that a person destined for Hell can tip the scales over to the right side by reading Durood Sharif, and end up in AL-JANNAH. For example, a woman whose daughter had died came to Khawaja Hasan Basri (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) and said that she wished to see her daughter in her dream. He told her the method to achieve this. Then the woman saw her daughter in Hell. Later the Khawaja saw her daughter in Paradise where she informed him that a stranger read Durood Sharif at the graveyard and with Allah Almighty's Mercy she and 70,000 others were transferred to AL-JANNAH.¹⁵

Once an Israelite (200 year sinner) died and Allah Almighty ordered a proper burial for him. Sayyidina Musa (*Alayhis Salam*) complained to Allah Almighty that the Israelite was very sinful and did not deserve pardon & forgiveness. Allah Almighty agreed and added that one day that man had opened the TORAH and kissed the name Muhammad (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and recited Durood Sharif, so Allah Almighty had forgiven his sins.¹⁶

These two hadiths give us an indication of the highest regard Allah Almighty has for the reader of Durood Sharif. If the greatest of sinners can be forgiven and enter AL-JANNAH through reading Durood Sharif, then surely there are great blessings for the UMMAH if they but considered the merits of this blessed ZIKR along with their prayers.

Al-Quran 16:32 states ‘Those whose lives the Angels take while they are in a pious state saying to them Salam Aleikum (*Peace be upon you*) enter you Paradise, because of that Good which you used to do in the world’. Clearly then if one is engaged in reading Durood Sharif when one’s time in this world is at an end then he/she is indeed blessed and death will pass easily. It is reported in the hadith that if a person recites Durood Sharif abundantly, at the time of Death, Allah Tallah will order all creatures to pray for his salvation.¹⁷

When a true believer is buried in a grave, it welcomes him by saying ‘You are welcome here, of all the people walking upon the Earth you were the dearest to me. Now that you have been made over to me, you will see my excellent behaviour’. Then the grave will expand to the farthest point of sight and a door of paradise opens into it. Through this door comes the scented air of the Paradise. Imagine then the welcome the grave will give to the one who recited Durood Sharif on earth. Surely the one who read Durood Sharif constantly all his/her life will be the most welcome to the grave.

Hazrat Jibrail (*Alayhis Salam*) came to the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) when he was very worried and said ‘Almighty Allah has sent His Salam to you and has enquired why you look so worried and sad!’ Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) replied ‘O’ Jibrail (*Alayhis Salam*) I am worried about my Ummah as to how they will fare on the Day of Judgement!’ ‘Is it about the non-believers or about the Muslims’ asked Hazrat Jibrail (*Alayhis Salam*). ‘About Muslims’ replied the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). Hazrat Jibrail (*Alayhis Salam*) then took the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) to a graveyard where the people of the tribe of Banu Salama were buried; then he struck a grave with his wing and said ‘stand by the orders of

Allah'. Out of the grave came an extremely handsome man, who stood up and he was reciting LA ILAHA ILLALLAH MUHAMMAD-UR-RASOOLALLAH - AL HAM DOH LILLAH HAE RABIL ALAMEEN. Hazrat Jibrail (*Alayhis Salam*) told him to go back to his place which he did. He then struck another grave out of which came an ugly person with a black face and had worried eyes who was saying 'Alas there is nothing but sorrow, shame and horror!' Hazrat Jibrail (*Alayhis Salam*) told him to go back to his place and then explained to Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) that the people will rise up on the Day of Resurrection in the same state they were at the time of death.

This is confirmed in Al-Quran 55:39 'So on that Day (of Resurrection) no question will be asked of man or jinn as to his sin (because they have already been known from their face, either white-dwellers of Paradise, or black-dwellers of Hell)' and again in Al-Quran 67:27 'But when they will see it (the torment on the Day of Resurrection) approaching, the faces of those who disbelieve will change and turn black with sadness in grief and it will be said (to them) 'This is the promise which you were calling for'.

Imagine then the superiority of a person who is raised reciting Durood Sharif. If we are raised in such a manner and approach our Master Creator Allah Almighty reading Durood Sharif then surely the blessings of Allah Almighty will be upon us. Compare this with approaching our Master Creator Allah Almighty with shame and guilt because of our sins. Al-Bukhari 7:484 states 'An adulterer at the time he/she is committing illegal sexual intercourse is not a believer; a person at the time of drinking alcohol is not a believer; a thief at the time of stealing is not a believer'. Therefore if one dies after committing these sins, without the opportunity to repent, then what a tragedy of tragedies it would be that a Muslim should be raised and brought up as a Muslim but on the Day of Judgement his/her name does not appear in the list of Muslims.

Obtaining Intercession With Durood Sharif

Al-Quran 3:164 states ‘Indeed Allah confessed a great favour on the believers when he sent among them a Messenger [Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*)] from among themselves’. We can repay Allah Almighty’s favour by following the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and reading Durood Sharif regularly. This is the least we can do after all the sacrifices the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) made for us. Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddiq (*May Allah Almighty be Pleased with him*) said that I heard the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) say that he would intercede for anyone who recites Durood Sharif upon him, on the Day of Judgement.¹⁸ If we genuinely expect the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) to intercede for us then we have to make a positive effort, that is, to follow the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa ’s (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) Sunnah and to read Durood Sharif.

Al-Quran 7:157 states ‘...so those who believe in him [Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*)] honour him, help him and follow the Light-Quran, which has been sent down with him, it is they who will be successful’. The best way to honour Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) is to follow his teachings and read Durood Sharif consistently. Thus by doing this we can truly fulfil this ayat’s command to honour our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

In one narration it states that the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) asked a bee on how is it that honey is always sweet. Then the Holy Prophet Muhammad

Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) informed his Companions (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with them*) that it (the bee) has replied that the bees have a leader whom they obey. When they suck nectar from the flower, their leader starts reading Durood Sharif and the bees join in the chorus. This recitation transforms the bitter tasteless essence of the flowers into delicious sweet honey.¹⁹

From this narration we can see that even the humble bee, a creation of Allah Almighty honours Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by reading Durood Sharif. It even knows the status of Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). That is, which is to know, its creation is because of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

Angel's Failure To Honour The Holy Prophet (Peace Be Upon Him)

One Day Hazrat Jibrail (*Alayhis Salam*) came to the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and narrated a strange event: 'I had a chance to visit Khoe Quaf (mountain) where I heard wailing. On further investigation I saw an angel whom I had seen in heaven. This angel lived in honour and glory, 70,000 angels waited on this angel. With every breath of this angel Allah Almighty created another angel. On the Night of Ascension when the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) passed by the throne of this angel, he (the angel) was sitting on it and he did not show respect to him [i.e. did not recite Durood Sharif as the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) passed by]. Consequently, Allah Almighty threw him in disgrace. Now he requested me to recommend his case to Allah Almighty. I appealed to Allah Almighty who said that the angel will have to recite

Durood Sharif upon the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) for it to be forgiven. On hearing this verdict that angel started reading Durood Sharif and gradually and eventually his wings and feathers developed and the angel soared into the skies and resumed his throne'.²⁰ If failure to read Durood Sharif results in such punishment for an angel then what will be the outcome for those who CLAIM to be followers of the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) yet are neglecting this blessed ZIKR. Hazrat Abu Huraira (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) has reported that the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said, 'Anyone who forgets to recite Durood Sharif on me forgets the path to heaven'.²¹ Also, in another hadith it has been narrated that, 'He who does not recite Durood Sharif for me has no faith'.²² The moral of this narration is that we should always consider reading Durood Sharif as a means of honouring our Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).

Achieving Closeness With The Master Creator Allah Almighty

When we read Durood Sharif we are elevated 10 degrees closer to the ARSH of Allah Almighty.²³ If we read Durood Sharif in abundance then we should realise that the more we read the closer we will be to Allah Almighty. Take for example the fortunate pious individuals whose NOOR (Light of Islam) can be seen on their faces. Over a lifetime they are able to read many millions of Durood Sharif, resulting in closeness to Allah Almighty. This is a direct result of ZIKR and especially of reading Durood Sharif in abundance.

Once Allah Almighty sent Divine Revelation to Prophet Moses (*Peace be upon him*), 'Do you desire closeness to me; just as your conversation is with your tongue, your fears with your heart, your soul with your body and your

sight with your eyes'. Prophet Moses (*Peace be upon him*) replied in the affirmative. Then Allah Almighty replied, 'If you want this then you should read Durood Sharif constantly on my beloved Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).'²⁴

Allama Fasl (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) has narrated that, 'Allah has made Durood Sharif the means by which we can achieve Allah's proximity and approval'.²⁵

Khawaja Ziaullah Naqshbandi Mujaddadi (*May Allah Almighty be pleased with him*) has said that, 'Frequent recitation of Durood Sharif...serves as a passport to Allah Almighty's proximity and all evils are turned into virtues'.²⁶

It is also narrated in the hadith that 'the person who recites Durood Sharif the most will be the nearest to the Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*).'²⁷

CONCLUSION

The Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) said that everything has a heart and the heart of Al-Quran is Surah Yaseen. The Holy Prophet Muhammad Mustafa (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) also said that everything has a symbol and the symbol of faith is prayer. Therefore, since we read Durood and Salam in our 5 daily prayers, and prayer is the symbol of faith and everything has a heart, then Durood and Salam are the Heart of Islam.

I hope that in this humble effort that I have encouraged the individual to read Durood Sharif and have convinced the reader of the glory, blessings and merits of Durood Sharif. It is important to note that this type of ZIKR is not a substitute for fard prayers etc., but a great reward for the Ummah in helping to tip the scales in the right direction. Finally, I will end with the famous words from the poem ‘The poem of the scarf’ by the great Arab poet of the 7th century Al-Busaree in which he declares ‘Nor have I provided myself with any voluntary devotions (i.e. not reading Durood Sharif) against the next world before the approach of death; nor have I offered any other than the compulsory devotion , nor have I observed any fasts’. ‘He is the favourite of God whose intercession is to be hoped for in every kind of surprising distress’. ‘Since I devoted my thoughts to his praises (i.e.started reading Durood Sharif), I have found him to be the best asylum for my salvation’.²⁸

AFTERWORD

This short booklet highlights the importance of how we can achieve a high status in the Hereafter by regularly reading Durood Sharif. The purpose of writing this afterword for the second revised edition in 2003 is to provide a summary of the booklet and enable the reader to see at a glance the ways in which Durood Sharif has benefited individuals in the past and will benefit others in the future INSHALLAH. The following examples have been selected from this booklet and cross referenced to the relevant page. In my opinion these examples provide a summary of the importance of the connection between honouring the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by reading Durood Sharif, being forgiven by Allah Almighty, achieving high status and being honoured by Allah Almighty with a place in AL-JANNAH. This HONOUR-FORGIVENESS-HONOUR relationship is achieved through reading Durood Sharif.

1. We can truly appreciate how Allah Almighty honours his Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by the example on page 10 of angels being sent by Allah Almighty to read Durood Sharif. The angels honour the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by reading Durood Sharif. Therefore, it follows that we can honour the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by reading Durood Sharif and achieve honour in Allah Almighty's eyes by practicing this ZIKR.

2. On page 11 it was stated that the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) spent a long time in Sijda thanking Allah Almighty for the gift of Durood Sharif whereby an individual can have 10 virtues recorded and 10 sins erased by reading Durood Sharif. The Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) knew that

this ZIKR is an opportunity for his UMMAH to honour him thereby having their sins forgiven and achieving a high status and being honoured with a place in AL-JANNAH.

3. In the section entitled ‘We are all Millionaires’ on page 12 it is reported that he who recites Durood Sharif 100 times a day Allah Almighty inscribes on his forehead ‘that he has immunity from hypocrisy and hell, and he will be counted among the martyrs on the Day of Judgement’. In other words, the person who has honoured the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by reading Durood Sharif has immunity from hell i.e. is forgiven, achieves a high status i.e. that of a martyr and is honoured by Allah Almighty for his/her efforts. Thereby fulfilling the HONOUR-FORGIVENESS-HONOUR relationship as mentioned above.

4. The example on page 38 is a reminder to us all of the power of Durood Sharif and the intercession of our beloved Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). An individual is being taken to hell by the angels but because of the recital of Durood Sharif there is intercession by the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) and the individual’s misfortune is overcome because he honoured the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) during his lifetime by regularly reading Durood Sharif. In other words Allah Almighty forgives and honours those who honour the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) confirming the HONOUR-FORGIVENESS-HONOUR relationship as mentioned above.

5. On page 39 the example of an Israelite who committed sins and was doomed to hell was given. However, he honoured the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by reading Durood Sharif, was forgiven by Allah Almighty and achieved a high status in AL-JANNAH. Because he honoured the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) Allah Almighty forgave him and honoured him

with a place in AL-JANNAH confirming the HONOUR-FORGIVENESS-HONOUR relationship as mentioned above.

6. On page 40 it was stated that if a person recites Durood Sharif abundantly, at the time of Death, Allah Tallah will order all creatures to pray for his salvation. Imagine all the fish in the depths of the oceans and all the ants in the jungles of the world let alone all the creatures in the world. This is the real indication of the honour and respect Allah Almighty has for the one who honours His Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by reading Durood Sharif. Again confirming the HONOUR-FORGIVENESS-HONOUR relationship as mentioned above.

7. Finally, on page 43, we have the example of the disgraced angel fallen from heaven for not respecting and honouring the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*). Firstly, Allah Almighty allowed the angel to honour the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by reading Durood Sharif, then forgave it and gave the angel its original honour and high status by allowing it to return to heaven. This again confirms the HONOUR-FORGIVENESS-HONOUR relationship as mentioned above.

The moral of these examples above is that if we honour the Holy Prophet (*Peace and blessings of Allah Almighty be upon him*) by reading Durood Sharif Allah Almighty will honour us. AMEEN

Al-Quran Chapter 22: Surah 33 (Al-Ahzab): Ayat(Verse) 56

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ
آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ۝

“Allah and His Angels send Salat (Blessings & Honours) on the Holy Prophet (Muhammad). O you who believe! Send your Salat (Durood Sharif) and Salaams on (Muhammad).”

INNALLAH-HA WA MA LAA-E KA TA HU YU SALLU
NA ‘A-LANNA-BEY-YE, YAA-AY-YO HALLA ZEENA
AA-MA-NU SALLU ALAI HE WA-SALLE –MU TASSLEEMA.

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