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On Entering a Mosque

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اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِي ذُنُوبِي وَافْتَحْ لِي أَبْوَابَ رَحْمَتِكَ

In the name of Allah (I enter). All blessings and peace be upon the Prophet of Allah. O Allah! forgive me for my sins and open the doors of Your mercy upon me.

Holy Prophet^{sa} used to recite the following prayer on leaving a mosque:

On Leaving a Mosque

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الصَّلَاةِ وَالسَّلَامِ عَلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ
اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِي ذُنُوبِي وَافْتَحْ لِي أَبْوَابَ فَضْلِكَ

In the name of Allah (I leave). All blessings and peace be upon the Prophet of Allah. O Allah! forgive me for my sins and open the doors of Your blessings upon me.

Salat must be preceded by Adhaan and Iqaamah. Adhaan means the call to Prayer. The Mu`adh-dhin (the person who calls Adhaan), faces the Ka'abah and calls out aloud the words of Adhaan with both of his hands raised to his ears and his index fingers placed in them:

Adhaan

Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ - اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

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اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ - اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest

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Ash-hadu allaa ilaaha ill-Allah

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I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah

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Ash-hadu anna Muhammad-arr-rasool-uLlah

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Hayya `al-as-Salaah

حَيَّ عَلَى الصَّلَاةِ

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Come to Prayer

نماز کے لئے آؤ

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Hayya `al-al-Falaah

حَيَّ عَلَى الْفَلَاحِ

Hayya `al-al-Falaah

حَيَّ عَلَى الْفَلَاحِ

Come to Prosperity

کامیابی کی طرف آؤ

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Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest

اللہ سب سے بڑا ہے۔ اللہ سب سے بڑا ہے

Laa ilaaha illa-Llah

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

There is none worthy of worship except Allah

اللہ کے سوا اور کوئی ہستی عبادت کے لائق نہیں

The following phrases are added in the *Adhaan* for the *Fajr* Prayer after *Hayya`alal-falaah*:

As-salaatu khairum-minan-naum

الصَّلَاةُ خَيْرٌ مِّنَ النَّوْمِ

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Prayer is better than sleep

نماز نیند سے بہتر ہے

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The listener should repeat the words of the *Adhaan* and, on hearing the phrases *Hayya`alas-salaah* and *Hayya`alal-falaah*, he should say:

Prayer during the Adhaan

لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ

Laa haula wa laa quwwata illah billaah

(One has) no power (to be safe from sins) and no power (to do good) except with the help of *Allah*.

نہیں کوئی طاقت (گناہ سے بچنے کی) اور نہیں کوئی طاقت (نیکی کرنے کی) سوائے اللہ (کی مدد) کیساتھ۔

After the *Adhaan*, the *Mu`adh-dhin* and others silently recite:

Prayer after the Adhaan

اللَّهُمَّ رَبِّ هَذِهِ الدَّعْوَةُ التَّامَّةُ وَالصَّلَاةُ الْقَائِمَةُ اتِّمَامًا
لِلْوَسِيلَةِ وَالْفَضِيلَةِ وَالذَّرَجَةِ الرَّفِيعَةِ وَابْعَثْهُ مَقَامًا مَّحْمُودًا
الَّذِي وَعَدْتَهُ إِنَّكَ لَا تَخْلِفُ الْمِيعَادَ۔ (بخاری کتاب الاذان)

Allaahuma Rabba haadhi-d-da`wati-t-taammati wassalaatil Qaa`imati. Aati Muhammada-nil waseelata wal-fadeelata wad-darajatar-rafee`ata wab`athu maqaamam-mahmooda nilladhee wa`attahoo. Innaka laa tukhliful mee`aad.

O Allah! Lord of this perfect Call and of the Congregational Prayer to be offered! Bestow on Muhammad^{sa} the means, the superiority and the high dignity and elevate him to the most exalted rank that You have promised him; surely, You do not break Your promise. (The Holy Prophet^{sa} said: I will intercede on the Day of Judgement in favour of the one who recites this prayer).

اے اس کامل دعا کے خدا! اور قائم ہونے والی نماز کے خدا! حضرت محمد ﷺ کو (کامیاب) وسیلہ اعلیٰ فضیلت اور بلند درجہ عطا فرما، اور انہیں اس مقام محمود پر مبعوث فرما کہ جس کا تو نے ان سے وعدہ کیا ہوا ہے۔ بیشک تو وعدہ خلافی نہیں کرتا۔ (رسول اکرم نے فرمایا کہ ایسی دعا کرنے والا شخص قیامت کے دن میری شفاعت کا مستحق ہوگا)

Ablution (Wudu)

Islam makes cleanliness of body and mind an essential part of Prayer. Along with the purification of heart, it also requires a Muslim to perform ablution before *Salat*. The Holy Prophet Muhammad^{sa} is reported to have asked his companions on one occasion whether there could ever remain any dirt on the body of a person who took a bath five times a day in a stream flowing in front of his house. The companions replied in the negative. The Prophet then remarked that one who prayed five times a day could not have any filth or dirt on his person. In addition, ablution prepares one mentally for *Salat*. It also helps one's concentration in Prayer. One should say, *BismiLlaahir-Rahmaanir-Raheem* (In the Name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful) and perform Ablution as follows:

1. Washing the hands three times up to the wrist; the right hand first and then the left.
2. Cleaning the mouth by rinsing it with water three times, massaging the gums at the same time.
3. Cleaning out the nostrils thoroughly by putting some water in them.
4. Washing the face three times.
5. Washing the forearms including the elbows three times.
6. Moistening the hands and running them over the head from front down to the neck, then running the thumbs around the ears and wiping inside.
7. Washing the feet including the ankles, three times; the right foot first and then the left. In case socks are put on after ablution, then during the rest of the day, it is allowed to pass wet fingers over them, instead of washing the feet each time, provided these have not been taken off during this time.

Prayer after Wudu or Tayammum

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْنِي مِنَ التَّوَّابِينَ وَاجْعَلْنِي مِنَ الْمُتَطَهِّرِينَ

Alaahumaj`alnee minat-tawwaabeena waj`alnee minal mutatah-hireen (Kauzul A'mal, Vol-9)

O Allah! Make me from among those who repent of their sins and from among those who keep themselves pure and clean.

اے اللہ مجھے گناہوں سے توبہ کرنے والوں میں سے بنا

اور مجھے پاکیزگی اختیار کرنے والوں میں سے بنا

One of the excellences of Islam is that its ordinances can be carried out under all circumstances. It does not over-burden anyone. Thus if a person is sick or if water is not available, he is allowed to perform *Tayammum* instead of *Wudu*. *Tayammum* is performed by rubbing the hands which have touched on clean dust or powder and then wiping them over the face and forearms. Once ablution has been performed, one may participate in *Salat* as long as ablution does not lapse. When it lapses, ablution must again be made as part of the preparation for the *Salat*. Lapse or termination of ablution can happen in any of the following situations:

- ◆ Sleeping, dozing off while leaning against a support, urination, defecation, passing wind, unconsciousness, injury, bleeding or vomiting.
- ◆ Consorting with one's spouse or a wet dream entails a bath for the purpose of returning to a state of canonical cleanliness.

Tayammum

When a Fresh Ablution or *Tayammum* is to be made

Iqaamah is said just before the commencement of congregational Prayer (for transliteration, see Adhaan):

Iqaamah

Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest.

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ - اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

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أَشْهَدُ أَنْ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ

Come to Prayer

حَيَّ عَلَى الصَّلَاةِ

Come to Prosperity

حَيَّ عَلَى الْفَلَاحِ

Prayer is starting (*Qad qaamatis-salaah*)

قَدْ قَامَتِ الصَّلَاةُ

Prayer is starting (*Qad qaamais-salaah*)

قَدْ قَامَتِ الصَّلَاةُ

Allah is the Greatest, Allah is the Greatest.

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ - اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

There is none worthy of worship save Allah.

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ