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Ḥadīth Lesson: Keep on the Night Prayer

As-Salāmu ‘Alaykum wa RaḥmatuLlāhi wa Barakātuh.

A‘ūdhu BiLlāhi Minash-shayṭāni r-rajīm. BismiLlāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm.

Wa ṣ-Salātu wa s-Salāmu ‘alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Anwālina wa l-Akḥirīn.

Madad yā RasūlAllāh, Madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi Rasūlillāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā,

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Nāẓim al-Ḥaqqānī. Madad.

1- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

قالت أم سليمان بن داود سليمان، يا بني لا تُكثِرِ النومَ بالليلِ فإنَّ كثرةَ النومِ
بالليلِ تتركُ الإنسانَ فقيراً يومَ القيامةِ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **The mother of Prophet Suleiman son of Daud, ‘alayhi s-salam, said to him, “O my son, do not sleep too much at night. For sleeping too much at night leaves one poor on the Day of Judgment.”** So since the night worship is acceptable, Prophet Suleiman ‘alayhi s-salām’s mother told him not to spend all his time sleeping.

2- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

ما خيب الله تعالى عبدا قام في جوف الليل فافتتح سورة البقرة وآل عمران، ونعم كنز
المرء البقرة وآل عمران

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla will not let the efforts of a person who gets up in the middle of the night and prays reading Surat Al-Baqarah and Surat Ali Imran go to waste. The best treasure for a person is Surat Al-Baqarah and Surat Ali Imran.”** So, if he recites the beginnings of Surat Al-Baqarah and Surat Ali Imran, it will be the same. The greatest treasure is Surat Al-Baqarah and Surat Ali Imran.

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Now here, may Allāh ﷻ be pleased with them, many people want their children to become Hafiz, memorize the Qur'an. They have them memorize it for a year or two to make them Hafiz. They memorize it, but then forget it. Therefore, our advice is to teach them few Juz's; for example, Surat Al-Baqarah, Surat Ali Imran, Surat Al-An'am, Yasin, Al-Mulk and all Surahs left until the end. If they memorize those Juz by heart, it is much better than memorizing all the Qur'an and then forgetting it. Therefore, they should pay attention to Surat Al-Baqarah and Surat Ali Imran as they are treasures.

3- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

ما من امرئ تكون له صلاة بليل يغلبه عليها نوم الا كتب الله له أجر صلاته وكان
نومه عليه صدقة

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“There is no one who intends to perform the night prayer but sleep overcomes him, lest Allāh ﷻ writes down the reward for his prayer. His sleep becomes charity for him.”** So if one prays Tahajjud prayer every night, but falls asleep while praying once. Allāh 'Azza wa-Jalla gives that servant the reward for that prayer. His sleep becomes charity for him.

4- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

ليصل أحدكم نشاطه فإذا كسل أو تفر فليقعد

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“One of you should pray when he is vigorous, and when he is tired or slack, he should sit.”** This happens more during night prayers; if one is tired, he sits. He can pray while sitting.

5- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

من كثرت صلاته بالليل؛ حسن وجهه بالنهار

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“The face of a person who prays frequently at night becomes beautiful during the day.”** So the faces of most mu'min people, shukr

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to Allāh ﷻ, are beautiful. The faces of those who are rebellious and far from religion are full of darkness and ugliness. May Allāh ﷻ protect us. Whoever desires beauty should pray at night, in shā'a Llāh.

6- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

مَنْ أَتَى فِرَاشَهُ وَهُوَ يَنْوِي أَنْ يَقُومَ يَصِلُ مِنَ اللَّيْلِ، فَغَلَبَتْهُ عَيْنَاهُ حَتَّى أَصْبَحَ
كُتِبَ لَهُ مَا نَوَى وَكَانَ نَوْمُهُ صَدَقَةً عَلَيْهِ مِنْ رَبِّهِ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“If someone goes to bed intending to wake up for night prayers, but was overcome by sleep and didn't wake up until morning, the reward for his intention is written down.”** He goes to bed at night thinking, “I will get up and pray tahajjud prayer, I will pray najāt prayer, I will pray shukr prayer,” then he finds himself awake in the morning having missed it. But the reward of all is written by Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla according to his intention; the same reward. **“His sleep is granted by Allāh ﷻ to him as charity.”**

7- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

مَنْ قَرَأَ مِائَةَ آيَةٍ فِي لَيْلَةٍ، كُتِبَ لَهُ قُنُوتُ لَيْلَةٍ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Whoever recites one hundred ayah in one night will have the reward of having spent that night in worship.”**

8- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

مَنْ قَرَأَ فِي لَيْلَةٍ مِائَةَ آيَةٍ لَمْ يَكْتُبْ مِنَ الْغَافِلِينَ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Whoever recites a hundred verses at night.”** That is, if he prays ten rakats and recites ten verses in each rakat, it will be one hundred verses. If he prayed twelve – it means that one hundred ayah can be easily recited. For example, Surah Ikhlas has four verses. Each one is a verse, meaning it's not a hundred

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surahs but verses, says our Prophet ﷺ 'alayhi wa-sallam. **“Whoever recites a hundred verses at night will not be recorded among the heedless.”** Heedless people means those who are heedless of Allāh ﷻ. So heedlessness is not a good thing.

9- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

لا تدعن صلاة الليل ولو حلب شاة

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Do not abandon the Night Prayer, even if the prayer you offer is the same length in time as milking a sheep.”** So, even if it is only two rakats, as milking a sheep does not take more than five minutes.

Therefore, it is absolutely necessary to keep on the Night Prayer. There are great rewards, ranks, and beauties that our Prophet ﷺ gave good tidings about. May Allāh ﷻ make it perpetual for us, and we have made the intention to do it until the end of our lives. May Allāh ﷻ grant us according to our intention, in shā'a Llāh.

Sadaqa RasuluLlah fi ma qal, aw kama qal.

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ says the truth in what he ﷺ said or as he ﷺ said.



Ihda' – Dedication:

Ziyadatan ila sharafi' 'n-Nabi, sallaLlahu `alayhi wa sallam wa Alihi wa Asahabihi l-kiram, wa ila arwahi jamee'i al Anbiya'i wa l-Mursalin wa Khudama'i sharai'ihim wa ila arwahi al 'Aimmat al arba'a, wa ila arwahi Mashayyikhina fi t-Tariqati n-Naqshbandiyyati l-Aliyyah, khassatan Imamu t-Tariqah wa Ghawthu l-Khaliqah Khwaja Bahaiddin Muhammad al-Uwaisiyi l-Bukhari, Sayyidina Abdul Khaliq al Ghujduwani, Mawlana Shaykh Sharafuddin al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah al Faiz al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Adil al Haqqani, wa sai'ri Sadatina wa s-Siddiqiyun, wa man nahnu fi hadratihim wa jiwarihim, for the souls of all our past ones, for the souls of all martyrs, for goodness to come and evil to be gone. Li-Llahi Ta'ala, Al-Fatiha.

[(*Translation*)] To the honor of the Prophet, Prayers and Peace be upon Him, and his family, and his companions, and the souls of all the prophets as well as of His messengers and of those who served their Sharia, and to the souls of the four Imams.

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And to the souls of our Mashayikh of the Most Distinguished Naqshbandi Tariqa, in particular to the soul of the Imam of the Tariqa Ghawth al-Khaliqa (the Help of Creation), Khwaja Bahauddin Muhammad al-Uwaisiyi l-Bukhari, Sayyidina Abdul Khaliq al Ghujduwani, Mawlana Shaykh Sharafuddin al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah al Faiz al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Adil al Haqqani, and the rest of our masters and Siddiqiyun, and to whom we are in their presence and near them, for the souls of all our past ones, for the souls of all martyrs, for goodness to come and evil to be gone. To Allah Almighty. Al Fatiha.]

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