

## Forty Hadeeth on Ramadhaan

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

### Beginning of Ramadhaan

Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِذَا دَخَلَ شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ فَتُفْتَحُ أَبْوَابُ السَّمَاءِ وَتُغْلَقُ أَبْوَابُ جَهَنَّمَ وَتُسَلِّسُ الشَّيَاطِينُ

*When the month of Ramadhaan begins, the gates of the heaven are opened, the gates of Hellfire are closed, and the devils are chained.*<sup>1</sup>

Talhah ibn 'Ubayd reported: Whenever the Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, saw the crescent moon, he would say:

اللَّهُمَّ أَهْلِلْهُ عَلَيْنَا بِالْإِيمَانِ وَالسَّلَامَةِ وَالْإِسْلَامِ رَبِّي وَرَبُّكَ اللَّهُ

*O Allaah, bring it over us with blessings and faith, safety and Islaam. My Lord and your Lord is Allaah.*<sup>2</sup>

In another narration, the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

اللَّهُمَّ أَهْلِلْهُ عَلَيْنَا بِالْأَمْنِ وَالْإِيمَانِ وَالسَّلَامَةِ وَالْإِسْلَامِ وَالتَّوْفِيقِ لِمَا نُحِبُّ وَتَرْضَى رَبُّنَا وَرَبُّكَ اللَّهُ

*O Allaah, bring it over us with safety and faith, security and Islaam, guidance to what You love and is pleasing to You. Our Lord and your Lord is Allaah.*<sup>3</sup>

Anas ibn Maalik reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said when the month of Ramadhaan began:

إِنَّ هَذَا الشَّهْرَ قَدْ حَضَرَكُمْ وَفِيهِ لَيْلَةٌ خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ مَنْ حُرِمَهَا فَقَدْ حُرِمَ الْخَيْرَ كُلَّهُ وَلَا يُحْرَمُ خَيْرَهَا إِلَّا مَحْرُومٌ

*Verily, this month has presented itself to you. There is a night within it that is better than a thousand months. Whoever is deprived of it has been deprived of all good. None is deprived of its good but that he is truly deprived.*<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1899, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi

<sup>2</sup> Sunan al-Tirmidhee 3451, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>3</sup> Saheeh Ibn Hibbaan 888, Grade: Saheeh li ghayrihi

<sup>4</sup> Sunan Ibn Maajah 1644, Grade: Hassan

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Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said when the month of Ramadhaan arrived:

فَدَجَاءَكُمْ رَمَضَانُ شَهْرٌ مُبَارَكٌ افْتَرَضَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْكُمْ صِيَامَهُ تَفْتَحُ فِيهِ أَبْوَابُ الْجَنَّةِ وَيُغْلَقُ فِيهِ أَبْوَابُ الْجَحِيمِ  
وَتُغَلُّ فِيهِ الشَّيَاطِينُ فِيهِ لَيْلَةٌ خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ مَنْ حَرَمَ حَيْرَهَا قَدْ حَرَمَ

*The month of Ramadhaan has come, a blessed month in which Allaah Almighty has obligated you to fast. In it the gates of the heavens are opened, the gates of Hellfire are closed, the devils are chained, and in it is a night that is better than a thousand months. Thus, whoever is deprived of its good is truly deprived.*<sup>5</sup>

In another narration, the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِذَا كَانَ أَوَّلُ لَيْلَةٍ مِنْ شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ صُفِّدَتِ الشَّيَاطِينُ وَمَرَدَةُ الْجِنِّ وَغُلِّقَتْ أَبْوَابُ النَّارِ فَلَمْ يُفْتَحْ مِنْهَا بَابٌ  
وَفُتِّحَتْ أَبْوَابُ الْجَنَّةِ فَلَمْ يُغْلَقْ مِنْهَا بَابٌ وَيُنَادِي مُنَادٍ يَا بَاغِيَ الْخَيْرِ أَقْبِلْ وَيَا بَاغِيَ الشَّرِّ أَقْصِرْ وَلِلَّهِ عِتْقَاءُ  
مِنَ النَّارِ وَذَلِكَ كُلُّ لَيْلَةٍ

*On the first night of the month of Ramadhaan, the devils are chained and the jinn are restrained, the gates of Hellfire are closed and none of its gates are opened, the gates of Paradise are opened and none of its gates are closed, and a heavenly caller announces: O seeker of good, come near! O seeker of evil, stop short! Allaah has those He saves from the Hellfire, and that is during every night.*<sup>6</sup>

### Greatness of Ramadhaan

Ibn Umar reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

بُنِيَ الْإِسْلَامُ عَلَى خَمْسٍ عَلَى أَنْ يُعْبَدَ اللَّهُ وَيُكْفَرَ بِمَا دُونَهُ وَأَقَامَ الصَّلَاةَ وَإِيتَاءَ الزَّكَاةِ وَحَجَّ الْبَيْتِ وَصَوْمَ  
رَمَضَانَ

*Islaam is built upon five: to worship Allaah and to disbelieve in what is worshiped besides him, to establish prayer, to give charity, to perform Hajj pilgrimage to the house, and to fast the month of Ramadhaan.*<sup>7</sup>

Aboo Hurairah reported: A Bedouin came to the Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, and he said, "O Messenger of Allaah, show me a deed by which I may enter Paradise." The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

تَعْبُدُ اللَّهَ لَا تُشْرِكُ بِهِ شَيْئًا وَتُقِيمُ الصَّلَاةَ الْمَكْتُوبَةَ وَتُؤَدِّي الزَّكَاةَ الْمَفْرُوضَةَ وَتَصُومُ رَمَضَانَ  
*Worship Allaah and never associate anything with Him, establish the prescribed prayers, give the obligatory charity, and fast of the month of Ramadhaan.*

<sup>5</sup> Musnad Ahmad 7148, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>6</sup> Sunan al-Tirmidhee 682, Grade: Hassan

<sup>7</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 8, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

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The man said, "By Him in whose hand is my soul, I will never add anything to it, nor will I lessen anything from it." When the man turned his back, the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مَنْ سَرَّهُ أَنْ يَنْظُرَ إِلَى رَجُلٍ مِنْ أَهْلِ الْجَنَّةِ فَلْيَنْظُرْ إِلَى هَذَا

*Whoever is pleased to see a man from the people of Paradise, let him look at this one.*<sup>8</sup>

'Amr ibn Murrah reported: A man came to the Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, and he said, "O Messenger of Allaah, what do you think if I testify there is no God but Allaah and you are the Messenger of Allaah, I perform the five prayers, I pay the obligatory alms, I fast the month of Ramadhaan and stand for prayer in it. Among whom will I be?" The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مِنَ الصِّدِّيقِينَ وَالشُّهَدَاءِ

*Among the truthful and the martyrs.*<sup>9</sup>

Aboo Hurairah reported: There were two men from the tribe of Quda'ah who embraced Islaam with the Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him. One of them was martyred and the other lived for another year. Talhah said, "I had a dream of Paradise and I saw the one who lived longer enter Paradise before the martyr. I was amazed by that and when I woke up, I mentioned it to the Prophet." The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

أَلَيْسَ قَدْ صَامَ بَعْدَهُ رَمَضَانَ وَصَلَّى سِتَّةَ آلَافِ رُكْعَةٍ أَوْ كَذَا وَكَذَا رُكْعَةً صَلَاةَ السَّنَةِ

*Did he not fast the month of Ramadhaan after him? And he performed six thousand or so bowings in prayer throughout the year?*<sup>10</sup>

Aboo al-Muntafiq reported: I said, "O Messenger of Allaah, teach me what will save me from the punishment of Allaah and admit me into Paradise." The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

اعْبُدِ اللَّهَ وَلَا تُشْرِكْ بِهِ شَيْئًا وَأَقِمِ الصَّلَاةَ الْمَكْتُوبَةَ وَأِدِّ الرِّكَاعَةَ الْمَفْرُوضَةَ وَحُجَّ وَاعْتَمِرْ وَصُمْ رَمَضَانَ  
وَانظُرْ مَا تُحِبُّ لِلنَّاسِ أَنْ يَأْتُوهُ إِلَيْكَ فافْعَلْهُ بِهِمْ وَمَا تَكْرَهُ أَنْ يَأْتُوهُ إِلَيْكَ فَذَرَّهُمْ مِنْهُ

*Worship Allaah and do not associate anything with Him, establish the prescribed prayers, give the obligatory charity, perform the Hajj and 'Umrah pilgrimages, and fast the month of Ramadhaan. Look at the way you would love people to treat you and do so to them, and whatever you would hate for them to do to you, spare them of it.*<sup>11</sup>

<sup>8</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1397, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi

<sup>9</sup> Saheeh Ibn Hibbaan 3492, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>10</sup> Musnad Ahmad 8399, Grade: Hassan

<sup>11</sup> al-Mu'jam al-Kabeer lil-Tabaraanee 19/210, Grade: Saheeh

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Aboo Umamah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said in his farewell sermon:

اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ رَبَّكُمْ وَصَلُّوا خَمْسَكُمْ وَصُومُوا شَهْرَكُمْ وَأَدُّوا زَكَاةَ أَمْوَالِكُمْ وَأَطِيعُوا ذَا أَمْرِكُمْ تَدْخُلُوا جَنَّةَ رَبِّكُمْ  
*Fear Allaah your Lord, pray your five prayers, fast your month of Ramadhaan, give charity from your wealth, and obey those in authority over you. You will enter the Paradise of your Lord.*<sup>12</sup>

Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِذَا صَلَّتِ الْمَرْأَةُ خُمُسَهَا وَصَامَتْ شَهْرَهَا وَحَصَّنَتْ فَرْجَهَا وَأَطَاعَتْ بَعْلَهَا دَخَلَتْ مِنْ أَيِّ أَبْوَابِ الْجَنَّةِ  
شَاءَتْ

*If a woman prays her five prayers, fasts her month of Ramadhaan, guards her chastity, and obeys her husband, she will enter Paradise from any gate she wishes.*<sup>13</sup>

Aboo Darda reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

خَمْسٌ مَنْ جَاءَ بِهِنَّ مَعَ إِيمَانٍ دَخَلَ الْجَنَّةَ مَنْ حَافِظَ عَلَى الصَّلَوَاتِ الْخَمْسِ عَلَى وَضُوئِهِنَّ وَرُكُوعِهِنَّ  
وَسُجُودِهِنَّ وَمَوَاقِيئِهِنَّ وَصَامَ رَمَضَانَ وَحَجَّ الْبَيْتِ إِنْ اسْتَطَاعَ إِلَيْهِ سَبِيلًا وَأَعْطَى الزَّكَاةَ طَيِّبَةً بِهَا نَفْسُهُ  
وَأَدَّى الْأَمَانَةَ

*Whoever comes with five deeds, along with faith, will enter Paradise: one who preserves the five prayers, their ablution, their bowings, their prostrations, and their timings, who fasts the month of Ramadhaan, who performs Hajj pilgrimage to the House if he can find the means, who gives charity with a cheerful soul, and one who fulfils the trust.*<sup>14</sup>

Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

الإِسْلَامُ أَنْ تَعْبُدَ اللَّهَ وَلَا تُشْرِكَ بِهِ شَيْئًا وَتُقِيمَ الصَّلَاةَ وَتُؤْتِيَ الزَّكَاةَ وَتَصُومَ رَمَضَانَ وَتَحُجَّ الْبَيْتَ وَالْأَمْرُ  
بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَالنَّهْيُ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَتَسْلِيمُكَ عَلَى أَهْلِكَ فَمَنْ انْتَقَصَ شَيْئًا مِنْهُنَّ فَهُوَ سَهْمٌ فِي الإِسْلَامِ يَدَعُهُ وَمَنْ  
تَرَكَهُنَّ كُلَّهُنَّ فَقَدْ وَلَّى الإِسْلَامَ ظَهْرَهُ

*Islaam is to worship Allaah without associating a partner with Him, to establish prayer, to give charity, to fast the month of Ramadhaan, to perform pilgrimage to the House, to enjoin good and forbid evil, and to greet your people with peace. Whoever neglects anything from them has abandoned a part of Islaam, and whoever neglects all of them has thrown Islaam behind his back.*<sup>15</sup>

<sup>12</sup> Sunan al-Tirmidhee 616, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>13</sup> Saheeh Ibn Hibbaan 4163, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>14</sup> Sunan Abee Daawood 429, Grade: Hassan

<sup>15</sup> Shu'ab al-'Eemaan lil- Baihaqee 8844, Grade: Saheeh li ghayrihi

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### Forgiveness and Reward in Ramadhaan

Abou Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

الصَّلَاةُ الْخَمْسُ وَالْجُمُعَةُ إِلَى الْجُمُعَةِ وَرَمَضَانُ إِلَى رَمَضَانَ مُكَفِّرَاتٌ مَا بَيْنَهُنَّ مَا اجْتُنِبَتْ الْكَبَائِرُ  
*The five prayers, Friday to Friday, and Ramadhaan to Ramadhaan will be expiation for the sins between them, so long as major sins are avoided.*<sup>16</sup>

Abou Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مَنْ صَامَ رَمَضَانَ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ وَامَّنَ قَامَ لَيْلَةَ الْقَدْرِ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ  
*Whoever fasts the month of Ramadhaan due to faith and seeking reward, his previous sins will be forgiven. Whoever stands in prayer during the Night of Decree due to faith and seeking reward, his previous sins will be forgiven.*<sup>17</sup>

Abou Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, encouraged standing for night prayer in the month of Ramadhaan, without imposing it on them. The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, would say:

مَنْ قَامَ رَمَضَانَ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ  
*Whoever stands in prayer during Ramadhaan due to faith and seeking reward, his previous sins will be forgiven.*<sup>18</sup>

Abou Sa'eed al-Khudree reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مَنْ صَامَ رَمَضَانَ وَعَرَفَ حُدُودَهُ وَتَحَفَّظَ مِمَّا كَانَ يَنْبَغِي لَهُ أَنْ يَتَحَفَّظَ فِيهِ كَفَّرَ مَا قَبْلَهُ  
*Whoever fasts the month of Ramadhaan, acknowledging its limits and guarding it as it should be, then it will expiate the sins which came before it.*<sup>19</sup>

Abdur-Rahmaan ibn Awf reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّ رَمَضَانَ شَهْرٌ افْتَرَضَ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ صِيَامَهُ وَإِنِّي سَنَنْتُ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ قِيَامَهُ فَمَنْ صَامَهُ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا خَرَجَ مِنَ الذُّنُوبِ كَيَوْمِ وَلَدَتْهُ أُمُّهُ  
*Verily, Ramadhaan is a month in which Allaah Almighty has obligated its fasting. I have instituted for Muslims the practice of prayer at night. Thus, whoever fasts it with faith and expecting reward will be rid of sins like the day he was born from his mother.*<sup>20</sup>

<sup>16</sup> Saheeh Muslim 233, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>17</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1901, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

<sup>18</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 2009, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

<sup>19</sup> Musnad Ahmad 11310, Grade: Hassan

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Aboo Sa'eed al-Khudree reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّ لِلَّهِ عِتْقَاءَ فِي كُلِّ يَوْمٍ وَلَيْلَةٍ يَعْنِي فِي رَمَضَانَ لِكُلِّ عَبْدٍ مِنْهُمْ دَعْوَةٌ مُسْتَجَابَةٌ  
*Verily, Allaah has people He redeems in every day and night of Ramadhaan, and every servant among them has a supplication that will be answered.*<sup>21</sup>

Aboo Dharr reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّهُ مَنْ قَامَ مَعَ الْإِمَامِ يَعْنِي فِي رَمَضَانَ حَتَّى يَنْصَرِفَ كُتِبَ لَهُ قِيَامُ لَيْلَةٍ  
*Verily, whoever stands for prayer in Ramadhaan with the Imaam until he is finished, it will be recorded as if he prayed the entire night.*<sup>22</sup>

Ibn Abbaas reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّ عُمْرَةَ فِي رَمَضَانَ حَجَّةٌ  
*Verily, the 'Umrah pilgrimage during Ramadhaan is equal to Hajj.*<sup>23</sup>

## Reciting the Qur'aan in Ramadhaan

Ibn Abbaas, may Allaah be pleased with him, said:

كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ أَجْوَدَ النَّاسِ وَكَانَ أَجْوَدَ مَا يَكُونُ فِي رَمَضَانَ حِينَ يَلْقَاهُ جِبْرِيلُ وَكَانَ يَلْقَاهُ فِي كُلِّ لَيْلَةٍ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ فَيُدَارِسُهُ الْقُرْآنَ فَلَرَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ أَجْوَدُ بِالْخَيْرِ مِنَ الرِّيحِ الْمُرْسَلَةِ

The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, was the most generous of people and he was even more generous in Ramadhaan when Gabriel would meet him. He would meet him every night of Ramadhaan to study the Qur'aan. Thus, the Prophet would be more generous than a nourishing wind.<sup>24</sup>

Fatimah, may Allaah be pleased with her, reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

أَسْرَأَ إِلَيَّ إِنَّ جِبْرِيلَ كَانَ يُعَارِضُنِي الْقُرْآنَ كُلَّ سَنَةٍ مَرَّةً وَإِنَّهُ عَارِضُنِي الْعَامَ مَرَّتَيْنِ وَلَا أَرَاهُ إِلَّا حَضَرَ أَجْلِي

*Gabriel would come to me to revise the Qur'aan once every year. This year he revised with me twice. I do not think it means anything but that my term will come to an end.*<sup>25</sup>

<sup>20</sup> Musnad Ahmad 1688, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>21</sup> Musnad Ahmad 7450, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>22</sup> Sunan al-Tirmidhee 806, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>23</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1782, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

<sup>24</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1902, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

<sup>25</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 3623, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

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Aboo Hurairah, may Allaah be pleased with him, said:

كَانَ يَعْزُضُ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ الْقُرْآنَ كُلَّ عَامٍ مَرَّةً فَعَرَضَ عَلَيْهِ مَرَّتَيْنِ فِي الْعَامِ الَّذِي قُبِضَ فِيهِ وَكَانَ يَعْتَكِفُ كُلَّ عَشْرًا فَاعْتَكَفَ عَشْرِينَ فِي الْعَامِ الَّذِي قُبِضَ فِيهِ

The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, would review the Qur'aan once every year in Ramadhaan, and he reviewed it twice in the year he passed away. The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, would retreat in the mosque for ten days every year, and he secluded himself for twenty days in the year he passed away.<sup>26</sup>

'A'ishah, may Allaah be pleased with her, said:

لَا أَعْلَمُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَرَأَ الْقُرْآنَ كُلَّهُ فِي لَيْلَةٍ وَلَا قَامَ لَيْلَةً حَتَّى الصَّبَاحِ وَلَا صَامَ شَهْرًا كَامِلًا قَطُّ غَيْرَ رَمَضَانَ

I have not known the Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, to read the entire Qur'aan in a single night, nor to spend the whole night in prayer until the morning, nor to spend an entire month in fasting, except during the month of Ramadhaan.<sup>27</sup>

Wathila ibn al-Asqa' reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

أُنزِلَتْ صُحُفُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ فِي أَوَّلِ لَيْلَةٍ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ وَأُنزِلَتْ التَّوْرَةُ لِسِتِّ مَضِينَ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ وَالْإِنْجِيلُ لِثَلَاثِ عَشْرَةَ خَلَّتْ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ وَأُنزِلَ الْفُرْقَانُ لِأَرْبَعِ وَعِشْرِينَ خَلَّتْ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ

*The scriptures of Abraham, upon him be peace, were revealed on the first night of Ramadhaan. The Torah was revealed after six nights of Ramadhaan had passed, the Gospel was revealed after thirteen nights of Ramadhaan had passed, and the Qur'aan was revealed after twenty-four nights of Ramadhaan had passed.*<sup>28</sup>

### Safeguarding the Fast

Anas ibn Maalik reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

تَسَحَّرُوا فَإِنَّ فِي السُّحُورِ بَرَكَهً

*Take the pre-fasting meal, for surely there are blessings in the pre-fasting meal.*<sup>29</sup>

Al-'Irbaad ibn Sariyah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, invited me to the pre-fasting meal during Ramadhaan and he said:

هَلُمَّ إِلَى الْعَدَاءِ الْمُبَارَكِ

<sup>26</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 4998, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>27</sup> Sunan al-Nasaa'ee 1641, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>28</sup> Musnad Ahmad 16984, Grade: Hassan

<sup>29</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1923, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

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*Onward to the blessed meal!*<sup>30</sup>

Sahl ibn Sa'd reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

لَا يَزَالُ النَّاسُ بِخَيْرٍ مَا عَجَّلُوا الْفِطْرَ

*People will continue in goodness as long as they hasten to break their fast.*<sup>31</sup>

Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

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

*Whoever does not leave evil words and deeds while fasting, Allaah does not need him to leave food and drink.*<sup>32</sup>

In another narration, the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِذَا أَصْبَحَ أَحَدُكُمْ يَوْمًا صَائِمًا فَلَا يَرْفُثُ وَلَا يَجْهَلُ فَإِنْ أَمْرٌ شَاتَمَهُ أَوْ قَاتَلَهُ فَلْيَقُلْ إِيَّي صَائِمٌ

*When one of you wakes up in the morning for fasting, then he should not use obscene language or behave foolishly. If anyone abuses him or fights with him, he should say twice: Indeed, I am fasting.*<sup>33</sup>

And in another narration, the Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّ الصِّيَامَ لَيْسَ مِنَ الْأَكْلِ وَالشُّرْبِ فَقَطُ إِنَّمَا الصِّيَامُ مِنَ اللَّعْوِ وَالرَّفَثِ فَإِنْ سَابَكَ أَحَدٌ أَوْ جَهَلَ عَلَيْكَ فَقُلْ إِيَّي صَائِمٌ

*Verily, fasting is not only from eating and drinking. Rather, fasting is from vanity and obscenity. If someone abuses you or acts foolish against you, then say: Indeed, I am fasting.*<sup>34</sup>

And in another narration, the Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

لَا تُسَابَّ وَأَنْتَ صَائِمٌ فَإِنْ سَابَكَ أَحَدٌ فَقُلْ إِيَّي صَائِمٌ وَإِنْ كُنْتَ قَائِمًا فَاجْلِسْ

*Do not insult anyone while you are fasting. If anyone insults you, then say: Indeed, I am fasting. If you are standing, then sit down.*<sup>35</sup>

<sup>30</sup> Sunan Abee Daawood 2344, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>31</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1957, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

<sup>32</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1903, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>33</sup> Saheeh Muslim 1151, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>34</sup> Saheeh Ibn Hibbaan 3479, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>35</sup> Saheeh Ibn Khuzaymah 1994, Grade: Hassan



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Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, ascended the pulpit and he said:

أَمِينَ أَمِينَ أَمِينَ

Ameen, ameen, ameen.

It was said, "O Messenger of Allaah, you ascended the pulpit and said ameen, ameen, ameen." The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّ جِبْرِيْلَ أَتَانِي فَقَالَ مَنْ أَدْرَكَ شَهْرَ رَمَضَانَ وَلَمْ يُغْفَرْ لَهُ فَدَخَلَ النَّارَ فَأَبْعَدَهُ اللَّهُ قُلْ أَمِينَ فَقُلْتُ أَمِينَ وَمَنْ أَدْرَكَ أَبَوَيْهِ أَوْ أَحَدَهُمَا فَلَمْ يَبِرْهُمَا فَمَاتَ فَدَخَلَ النَّارَ فَأَبْعَدَهُ اللَّهُ قُلْ أَمِينَ فَقُلْتُ أَمِينَ وَمَنْ ذُكِرْتُ عِنْدَهُ فَلَمْ يُصَلِّ عَلَيْكَ فَمَاتَ فَدَخَلَ النَّارَ فَأَبْعَدَهُ اللَّهُ قُلْ أَمِينَ فَقُلْتُ أَمِينَ

*Verily, Gabriel came to me and he said: Whoever reaches the month of Ramadhaan and he is not forgiven, then he will enter Hellfire and Allaah will cast him far away, so say ameen. I said ameen. Whoever sees his parents in their old age, one or both of them, and he does not honour them and he dies, then he will enter Hellfire and Allaah will cast him far away, so say ameen. I said ameen. Whoever has your name mentioned in his presence and he does not send blessings upon you and he dies, then he will enter Hellfire and Allaah will cast him far away, so say ameen. I said ameen.*<sup>36</sup>

Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

وَرَغِمَ أَنْفُ رَجُلٍ دَخَلَ عَلَيْهِ رَمَضَانُ ثُمَّ انْسَلَخَ قَبْلَ أَنْ يُغْفَرَ لَهُ

*May he be humbled, who enters the month of Ramadhaan and it passes before he is forgiven.*<sup>37</sup>

Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مَنْ نَسِيَ وَهُوَ صَائِمٌ فَأَكَلَ أَوْ شَرِبَ فَلْيُتِمِّ صَوْمَهُ فَإِنَّمَا أَطْعَمَهُ اللَّهُ وَسَقَاهُ

*Whoever eats or drinks forgetfully while he is fasting, let him complete his fast, for Allaah has fed him and given him drink.*<sup>38</sup>

In another narration, the Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مَنْ أَفْطَرَ فِي شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ نَاسِيًا لَا قَضَاءَ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا كَفَّارَةَ

*Whoever breaks his fast forgetfully in the month of Ramadhaan, there is no compensation or expiation for it.*<sup>39</sup>

<sup>36</sup> Saheeh Ibn Hibbaan 907, Grade: Hassan

<sup>37</sup> Sunan al-Tirmidhee 3545, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>38</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1933, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

<sup>39</sup> Saheeh Ibn Hibbaan 3521, Grade: Hassan

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Aboo Hurairah reported: A man came to the Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, and he said, "I am ruined, O Messenger of Allaah!" The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

وَمَا أَهْلَكَ

*What has ruined you?*

The man said, "I was intimate with my wife during Ramadhaan." The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

هَلْ تَجِدُ مَا تُعْتِقُ رَقَبَةً

*Can you find a slave to set free?*

The man said no. The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

فَهَلْ تَسْتَطِيعُ أَنْ تَصُومَ شَهْرَيْنِ مُتَتَابِعَيْنِ

*Are you able to fast two months in a row?*

The man said no. The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

فَهَلْ تَجِدُ مَا تُطْعِمُ سِتِّينَ مِسْكِينًا

*Can you find sixty poor people to feed?*

The man said no. Then the man sat down and someone came to the Prophet with a basket of dates. The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

نَصَدَّقْ بِهَذَا

*Give these dates in charity.*

The man said, "Is there anyone poorer than us? There is no family between the two plains of Madeenah that is poorer than mine." The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, laughed until we could see his back teeth and he said:

اذهب فَأَطْعِمْهُ أَهْلَكَ

Go and feed your family. <sup>40</sup>

## Night of Decree (Laylat al-Qadr)

'Ubadah ibn al-Samit reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, came out to inform people about the Night of Decree in Ramadhaan, but two Muslim men were insulting each other. The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنِّي خَرَجْتُ لِأَخْبِرْكُمْ بِلَيْلَةِ الْقَدْرِ وَإِنَّهُ تَلَاخَى فُلَانٌ وَفُلَانٌ فَرُفِعَتْ وَعَسَى أَنْ يَكُونَ خَيْرًا لَكُمْ التَّمَسُّوْهَا فِي السَّبْعِ وَالْتِسْعِ وَالْخَمْسِ

*Verily, I have come out to tell you about the Night of Decree, but two men were insulting each other. Thus, its knowledge was taken away and perhaps it is better for you. Look for it during the seventh, ninth, or fifth night of the last ten nights.* <sup>41</sup>

<sup>40</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1936, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

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Ibn Umar reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

الْتَمِسُوهَا فِي الْعَشْرِ الْأَوَاخِرِ يَغْنِي لَيْلَةَ الْقَدْرِ فَإِنْ ضَعُفَ أَحَدُكُمْ أَوْ عَجَزَ فَلَا يُغَلِّبَنَّ عَلَى السَّبْعِ الْبَوَاقِي  
*Look for the Night of Decree in the last ten nights of Ramadhaan. If one of you is weak or unable, then do not be overcome by the remaining seven nights.*<sup>42</sup>

Ibn Abbaas reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said regarding the Night of Decree:

لَيْلَةٌ طَلْقَةٌ لَا حَارَّةٌ وَلَا بَارِدَةٌ تُصْبِحُ الشَّمْسُ يَوْمَهَا حَمْرَاءَ ضَعِيفَةً  
*It is a calm night, neither hot nor cold, and the sun rises upon its day red and faint.*<sup>43</sup>

'A'ishah reported: I said, "O Messenger of Allaah, if I know which night is the Night of Decree, what should I say during it?" The Prophet peace and blessings be upon him, said:

قُولِي اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ عُفُوٌّ تُحِبُّ الْعُفُوفَ فَاعْفُ عَنِّي  
*Say: O Allaah, You are pardoning. You love to forgive, so forgive me.*<sup>44</sup>

### Retreat (al-'Itikaf)

Ibn Umar, may Allaah be pleased with him, said:

كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَعْتَكِفُ الْعَشْرَ الْأَوَاخِرَ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ

The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, would retreat to the mosque in the last ten nights of Ramadhaan.<sup>45</sup>

Aisha, may Allaah be pleased with her, said:

كَانَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ إِذَا دَخَلَ الْعَشْرَ شَدَّ مِنْزَرَهُ وَأَحْيَا لَيْلَهُ وَأَيْقَظَ أَهْلَهُ

When the last ten days of Ramadhaan arrived, the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, would tighten his belt, spend the night in worship, and awaken his family.<sup>46</sup>

In another narration, Aisha said:

<sup>41</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 49, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>42</sup> Saheeh Muslim 1165, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>43</sup> Saheeh Ibn Khuzaymah 2192, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>44</sup> Sunan al-Tirmidhee 3513, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>45</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 2025, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

<sup>46</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 2024, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

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كَانَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَجْتَهِدُ فِي الْعَشْرِ الْأَوَاخِرِ مَا لَا يَجْتَهِدُ فِي غَيْرِهِ

The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, would exert himself in worship during the last ten nights of Ramadhaan more so than any other time.<sup>47</sup>

### End of Ramadhaan Charity (Zakaat al-Fitr)

Ibn Umar, may Allaah be pleased with him, said:

فَرَضَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ زَكَاةَ الْفِطْرِ صَاعًا مِنْ تَمْرٍ أَوْ صَاعًا مِنْ شَعِيرٍ عَلَى الْعَبْدِ وَالْحُرِّ وَالذَّكَرِ وَالْأُنْثَى وَالصَّغِيرِ وَالْكَبِيرِ مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَأَمَرَ بِهَا أَنْ تُؤَدَّى قَبْلَ خُرُوجِ النَّاسِ إِلَى الصَّلَاةِ

The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, made it an obligation to pay charity at the end of Ramadhaan, a portion of dates or barely, upon the slave and the freeman, the male and female, the young and the old among the Muslims. The Prophet ordered it to be given before people go out for the 'Eed prayer.<sup>48</sup>

Ibn Abbaas, may Allaah be pleased with him, said:

فَرَضَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ زَكَاةَ الْفِطْرِ طَهْرَةً لِلصَّائِمِ مِنَ اللَّغْوِ وَالرَّفَثِ وَطُعْمَةً لِلْمَسَاكِينِ مَنْ آدَاهَا قَبْلَ الصَّلَاةِ فَهِيَ زَكَاةٌ مَقْبُولَةٌ وَمَنْ آدَاهَا بَعْدَ الصَّلَاةِ فَهِيَ صَدَقَةٌ مِنَ الصَّدَقَاتِ

The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, obligated charity at the end of Ramadhaan as purification of the fasting person from vain talk and misbehaviour, as food for the poor. Whoever pays it before the 'Eed prayer, it is accepted as Zakaat. Whoever pays it after the 'Eed prayer, it is part of voluntary charity.<sup>49</sup>

### Fasting After Ramadhaan

Aboo Ayoob reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مَنْ صَامَ رَمَضَانَ ثُمَّ أَتْبَعَهُ سِتًّا مِنْ شَوَّالٍ كَانَ كَصِيَامِ الدَّهْرِ

*Whoever fasts the month of Ramadhaan and then follows it with six days of fasting in the month of Shawwal, it will be as if he fasted for the entire year.*<sup>50</sup>

Thawban reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

صِيَامَ رَمَضَانَ بِعَشْرَةِ أَشْهُرٍ وَصِيَامَ السَّنَةِ أَيَّامٍ بِشَهْرَيْنِ فَذَلِكَ صِيَامُ السَّنَةِ

*Fasting the month of Ramadhaan is like ten months of fasting and fasting six days of Shawwal is like two months of fasting. Thus, they are like fasting for a year.*<sup>51</sup>

<sup>47</sup> Saheeh Muslim 1175, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>48</sup> Saheeh al-Bukhaaree 1503, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

<sup>49</sup> Sunan Abee Daawood 1609, Grade: Hassan

<sup>50</sup> Saheeh Muslim 1164, Grade: Saheeh

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Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

شَهْرُ الصَّبْرِ يَعْنِي رَمَضَانَ وَثَلَاثَةُ أَيَّامٍ مِنْ كُلِّ شَهْرٍ صَوْمُ الدَّهْرِ

*Fasting the month of patience, Ramadhaan, and three days from every month is like fasting a lifetime.*<sup>52</sup>

Aboo Hurairah reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

أَفْضَلُ الصِّيَامِ بَعْدَ شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ صِيَامُ شَهْرِ اللَّهِ الْمُحَرَّمَ

*The best fast after the month of Ramadhaan is fasting in the month of Allaah, al-Muharram.*<sup>53</sup>

Success comes from Allaah, and Allaah knows best.

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<sup>51</sup> Saheeh Ibn Khuzaymah 2115, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>52</sup> Sunan al-Nasaa'ee 2408, Grade: Saheeh

<sup>53</sup> Saheeh Muslim 1163, Grade: Saheeh