

Passages from Du'a for Thursday for class discussion

Inshaa Allah, by now we should have a good grasp on highlighting important points and lessons from Du'a passages. Here below we have divided the Du'a for Thursday in four passages. Read closely the passages and ponder over them to see what is Imam al-Sajjad (a) is supplicating. Try to get at least three points from each passage. Where possible, quote Qur'anic verse and/or a Hadith to relate to these passages.

Praising Allah for the changing of night into day

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَذْهَبَ اللَّيْلَ مُظْلِمًا بِقُدْرَتِهِ، وَجَاءَ بِالنَّهَارِ مُبْصِرًا بِرَحْمَتِهِ، وَكَسَانِي ضِيَاءَهُ وَأَنَا فِي نِعْمَتِهِ. اللَّهُمَّ فَكَمَا أَبْقَيْتَنِي لَهُ فَأَبْقِنِي لِأَمْثَالِهِ، وَصَلِّ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِهِ

All praise belongs to Allah, who has taken away the dark night by His power and has brought the bright day through His mercy. He has blessed me with its brightness and I'm (enjoying) His/its favors. O Allah, the way You have kept me [alive & healthy] to (benefit) from this day, so also spare me for its like, and bless Prophet Muhammad and his family.

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Goodness is derived by abandoning disobedience to Allah

وَلَا تَفْجَعْنِي فِيهِ وَفِي غَيْرِهِ مِنَ اللَّيَالِي وَالْأَيَّامِ بِإِزْتِكَابِ الْمَحَارِمِ وَاتِّسَابِ الْمَأْتِمِ، وَارْزُقْنِي خَيْرَهُ وَخَيْرَ مَا فِيهِ وَخَيْرَ مَا بَعْدَهُ، وَاصْرِفْ عَنِّي شَرَّهُ وَشَرَّ مَا فِيهِ وَشَرَّ مَا بَعْدَهُ.

[O Allah] do not distress me on this day and in other nights and days by (allowing) me to carry out forbidden acts and committing sins. (Instead) grant me it's good, and (all) good found within it, and (every) good that follows it. (Similarly) turn away from me it's evil, and (all) evil found within it, and (every) evil that follows it.

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Seeking means to have our needs fulfilled

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي بِدِمَّةِ الْإِسْلَامِ أَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ، وَبِحُرْمَةِ الْقُرْآنِ أَعْتَمِدُ عَلَيْكَ، وَبِمُحَمَّدِ الْمُصْطَفَى صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ اسْتَشْفِعُ لَدَيْكَ، فَاعْرِفِ اللَّهُمَّ ذِمَّتِي الَّتِي رَحَوْتُ بِهَا قَضَاءَ حَاجَتِي، يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ.

O Allah, through the protection of Islam I plea to You; and by the sanctity of the Holy Qur'an I rely upon You; and by Muhammad, the chosen one – may Allah bless him and his family, I seek intercession with You. So, recognize O Allah my undertaking through which I hope for the fulfillment of my needs. O the most Merciful of the merciful.

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Beseeching special favors on Thursday

اللَّهُمَّ أَقْضِ لِي فِي الْخَمِيسِ خَمْسًا: لَا يَتَسَعُّ لَهَا إِلَّا كَرَمُكَ، وَلَا يُطِيقُهَا إِلَّا نِعْمُكَ: سَلَامَةً أَقْوَى بِهَا عَلَى طَاعَتِكَ، وَعِبَادَةً اسْتَحِقُّ بِهَا جَزِيلَ مَثُوبَتِكَ، وَسَعَةً فَالْحَالِ مِنَ الرِّزْقِ الْحَالِ، وَأَنْ تُؤَمِّنَنِي فِي مَوَاقِفِ الْخَوْفِ بِأَمْنِكَ، وَتَجْعَلَنِي مِنْ طَوَارِقِ الْهُمُومِ وَالْغُمُومِ فِي حِصْنِكَ، وَصَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ، وَاجْعَلْ تَوَسُّلِي بِهِ شَافِعًا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ نَافِعًا، إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ أَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِمِينَ.

O Allah! Decree for me on (this) Thursday five things which none can embrace it save Your generosity and none can support it except Your favors:

- 1) Best/sound health for Your obedience
- 2) Worship that attracts plenty of Your reward
- 3) Widening of provision for lawful earning
- 4) Guard me in fearful situation through Your security, and
- 5) Secure me in Your fortress from worries & grief

[O Allah] bless Muhammad and his family and make my seeking his mediation as an intercessor on the Day of Resurrection. Surely, *You are the most Merciful of the merciful* (7:151).

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