## Du'ā after Solemnization of an Islamic Marriage

After marrying his daughter Fātima (a) to Amīrul Mu'minīn Ali ibn Abī Tālib (a), the Messenger of Allah (s) asked Ali the following day how did he find his wife. Ali said, 'the best helper in obeying Allah.'<sup>1</sup> Then the Prophet (s) asked Fātima [how did she find Ali]. She (a) said, 'the best spouse.'<sup>2</sup> So the Prophet (s) said the following prayer. (Note *Bismillāh* and *salawāt* do not appear in the text; they part of the etiquette of reciting a supplication. HK).

Transliteration	Translation	Arabic text
Bismillāhir-raHmānir-raHīm	In the name of Allah, the	بِسْمِ الله الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ
	Beneficent, the Merciful	
Allāhumma Salli 'alā MuHammadin-	O Allah, bless Muhammad and the	ٱللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَّآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ
wa-āli MuHammad	family of Muhammad	اللهم صل على حمدٍ وأنِّ حمدٍ
Allāhumma-jma' shamlahumā	O Allah, unite [the affairs] of the	ٱللَّهُمَّ اجْمَعْ شَمْلَهُمَا
	two (i.e. the bride & the groom)	اللهم اجمع سملهما
Wa-allif bayna qulūbihimā	And unite the hearts the two	وَأَلِّفْ بَيْنَ قُلُوبِهِمَا
		والف باين فلوهما
Wajʻalhumā wadhurriyatahumā min	Make them and their children	وَاجْعَلْهُمَا وَذُرِّيَّتَهُمَا مِنْ وَرَبَةٍ جَنَّةِ النَّعِيم
warathati jannatin-na'im	among the heirs of the blissful	وأجعلهما ودرينهما ممن ورته جنه النغيم
	paradise (Q 26: 85)	
Warzuqhumā dhurriyatan Tāhiratan,	Provide them with children that are	وَارْزُقْهُمَا ذُرِّيَّةً طَاهِرَةً طَيِّبَةً مُبَارَكَةً
Tayyibatan mubārakah	pure, pleasant and blessed	وأررفتهما درية طاهره طيبه مباركة
Wajʻal fī dhurriyatihimal-barakah	Instill (Your) blessings in their off	يا ه باه هنه فجسيس برا المستحة
	springs	واجعل في دريتهما البركة

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Arabic phrase was نِعْمَ الْعَوْنُ عَلَى طَاعَةِ اللَّهِ – ni'mal-'awn'alā Tā'ati-llāh

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  The Arabic phrase was خيرَ بَعِل – khayra ba'l

Wajʻalhum a'immatan yahdūna bi- amrika ilā Tāʻatik	Make them leaders guiding others by Your command to Your obedience (Q 21:72)	وَاجْعَلْهُمْ أَئِمَّةً يَهْدُونَ بِأَمْرِكَ إِلَى طَاعَتِكَ
Waya'murūna bimā yardhīka	And let them command others to that which pleases You	وَيَأْمُرُونَ بِمَا يُرْضِيْكَ
O Allah, bless Muhammad and his family.	O Allah, bless Muhammad and his family.	ٱللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَّآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

Prophet Muhammad's prayer for his daughter and son in-law

بِسْمِ الله الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ\* اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلىٰ مُحَمَّدٍ وَّآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ اَللَّهُمَّ اجْمَعْ شَمْلَهُمَا، وَأَلِّفْ بَيْنَ قُلُوهِمَا، وَاجْعَلْهُمَا وَذُرِّيَّتَهُمَا مِنْ وَرَثَةِ جَنَّةِ النَّعِيمِ، وَارْزُقْهُمَا ذُرِّيَّةً طَاهِرَةً طَيِّبَةً مُبَارَكَةً، وَاجْعَلْ فِي ذُرِّيَّتِهِمَا الْبَرَكَةَ، وَاجْعَلْهُمْ أَئِمَّةً يَهْدُونَ بِأَمْرِكَ إِلَى طَاعَتِكَ، وَيَأْمُرُونَ بِمَا يُرْضِيْكَ. (مناف آل أي طالب عليهم السلام (لابن شهرآشوب)، ج3، ص: 356، بحارالأنوار ج : 43 ص : 117)

In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful. O Allah, bless Muhammad and the family of Muhammad O Allah, unite [the affairs] of the two (i.e. the bride & the groom), and unite the hearts the two Make them and their children among the heirs of the blissful paradise (Q 26: 85), Provide them with children that are pure, pleasant and blessed and instill (Your) blessings in their off springs Make them leaders guiding others by Your command to Your obedience (Q 21:72) And let them command others to that which pleases You O Allah, bless Muhammad and the family of Muhammad.

(Ibn Shahar Āshūb, Manāqib Āli Abī Tālib (a), 3:356; also quoted by Majlisī in his BiHār, v. 43, p. 117) Shaʿbān 1435/ June 2014, Richmond Hill, ON, Canada

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