

Special Du'ā for removing illness and poverty

The Holy Prophet (s) taught his companion the following Du'ā to remove illness and poverty:

لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ الْعَلِيِّ الْعَظِيمِ تَوَكَّلْتُ عَلَى الْحَيِّ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ
وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي لَمْ يَتَّخِذْ صَاحِبَةً وَلَا وَلَدًا وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ شَرِيكٌ فِي الْمُلْكِ وَلَمْ
يَكُنْ لَهُ وَلِيٌّ مِنَ الذُّلِّ وَكَبَّرَهُ تَكْبِيرًا

There is no strength and nor power except with Allah, the Most High, the Most Great. I place my trust *in the Living One, Who does not die* (Q 25:58). *All praise belongs to Allah, Who has neither taken any companion or any son; Nor has He have a partner in the Kingdom, nor has He [taken] any protector out of weakness, and magnify Him with a magnification [worth of Him]* (Q 17:111). The narrator has said that very shortly thereafter the man came to the Holy Prophet saying, ‘O Messenger of Allah, indeed Allah has removed from me illness and poverty (*al-Kafi*, v. 2, p.551, H. 3)

Reflections on the Du'ā

This short Du'ā is composed of Quranic verses & concepts.

- In Q 18:39 the owner of a blissful garden is asked to say, *'mashā Allāhu la quwwata illā billāh* – What Allah has willed has occurred, there is no power except with Allah!'. This Du'ā begins with *la hawla walā quwwata illā billāh*, which is a powerful statement and solution 99 remedies
- In Q 25:58 we have been asked to put trust in the Living One who does not die; this is exactly what this Du'ā does.
- Then we praise the Almighty Allah, Who is absolute One, and in no need of a spouse, child, partner or supporter. This is the real creed of Tawhīd based on Quran.
- We end this beautiful and useful Du'ā with a Quranic instruction of saying a worthy takbīr. It also explains why often say takbīr in our salāt. May we be blessed with reciting this Du'ā regularly.