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Ramadan Daily Reminders

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Du'ā for the 5th Day of Ramadan

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ * اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ.
اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْنِي فِيهِ مِنَ الْمُسْتَغْفِرِينَ، وَاجْعَلْنِي فِيهِ مِنْ عِبَادِكَ الصَّالِحِينَ،
وَاجْعَلْنِي فِيهِ مِنْ أَوْلِيَائِكَ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ
بِرَأْفَتِكَ يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ.

Bismillāh. Salawāt. O Allah on this day:
place me among those who seek forgiveness,
Place me among Your righteous and obedient servants,
and place me among Your close friends.
By Your kindness, O the most Merciful.

(*Mafātīh*, 1: 624)

Seeking forgiveness during Ramadan

Bismillah

فَقَالَ أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ إِنَّهُ قَدْ أَقْبَلَ إِلَيْكُمْ شَهْرُ اللَّهِ بِالْبَرَكَةِ وَالرَّحْمَةِ وَالْمَغْفِرَةِ

At the time of iftar we recite a short Du'a: يَا وَاسِعَ الْمَغْفِرَةِ اغْفِرْ لِي. This adds to the forgiveness which is already there. Why ask for maghfirat at *iftār*? It has also come in Hadith that the Almighty frees a million souls from hellfire at the time of *iftār*; and when the eve of Friday and the day of Friday enter, He frees a million souls every hour (Sh. al-Mufīd, *Al-Āmālī*, p.219)

In another Hadith the Holy Prophet says in *Al-Kāfī*, 4:67, H. 4.

هُوَ شَهْرٌ أَوَّلُهُ رَحْمَةٌ، وَأَوْسَطُهُ مَغْفِرَةٌ، وَآخِرُهُ إِجَابَةٌ وَالْعِتْقُ مِنَ النَّارِ

– The month of Ramadan, its beginning is mercy, its middle is forgiveness, and its end is answering [of prayers] and safety from the fire.

Chpt 2: Exclusive honors that Allah has reserved for Believers

Abu 'Abd Allah عليه السلام: Archangel Gabriel descended to the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and said: O Muhammad! Your Lord says: There is nothing I hesitate in doing like in taking the life of My believing servant. He dislikes death and I dislike causing him pain. Yet amongst the believers there are some who will not be well except by destitution and if I were to surround them with wealth, it would be evil for them; and amongst them are some who are not well except in affluence and if I were to surround them with poverty, it would be evil for them. Sometimes, My servant asks Me to fulfill a need (he has), but I deny him because of what is best for him.

Abu 'Abd Allah عليه السلام: A disbeliever calls out (for his needs) and Allah says, 'Hasten his wish to him,' out of aversion for his voice. And a believer supplicates for his needs and Allah says, 'Delay his wish,' out of a longing for his voice. So, on the Day of Resurrection, Allah will say (to the believer), 'You asked Me for such-and-such, and I delayed answering you; so, your reward (for the delay) is such-and-such.' A believer will at that time wish any of his supplications had been never answered in the world when he sees how excellent the reward is?