

MONTH OF *Dhulhijja*



DHULHIJJA – FIRST 10 DAYS



- 1st 10 days significant
 - "There are no days when Allah is as pleased with good deeds as in these 10 days"
1. Fast 1-9 Dhulhijja
 2. Rasulullah (pbuh) has said: "Allah forgives the mistakes of whoever recites, Suratul Fajr on the 'Ten Nights', (i.e., the first ten nights of Dhulhijja)"



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During the first 10 nights of Dhulhijja between Maghrib and Isha, recite a 2 rakat salaa. In every rakaa, after recitation of Suratul Fatiha and Suratul Ikhlas, recite aya 7:142

وَأَعَدْنَا مُوسَىٰ ثَلَاثِينَ لَيْلَةً وَأَتَمَمْنَاهَا بِعَشْرِ فِتْمٍ مِّمَقَاتٍ رَبِّهِ أَرْبَعِينَ لَيْلَةً
وَقَالَ مُوسَىٰ لِأَخِيهِ هَارُونَ اخْلُفْنِي فِي قَوْمِي وَأَصْلِحْ وَلَا تَتَّبِعْ سَبِيلَ
الْمُفْسِدِينَ

And We appointed with Musa a time of thirty nights and completed them with ten (more), so the appointed time of his Lord was complete forty nights, and Musa said to his brother Haroun: Take my place among my people, and act well and do not follow the way of the mischief-makers.

Sheikh Abbas Qummi, in Mafatihul Jinan writes that a person reciting this salaa participates in the reward granted to those who have performed Hajj.



'ARAFAAT



'Arafa is called 'Arafa because it is the day of "ma'rifa", it is the day of knowing your Rabb and recognizing Him. The hadith, "Whoever recognizes himself, recognizes his Creator" is narrated for this day. Imam Husayn (pbuh) in the dua of 'Arafa says:

"O Rabb! what has he lost who has gained You, and what has he gained who has lost You?".



'ARAFAT



Al Hajju 'Arafaa

The Prophet (pbuh) said: "The Hajj is 'Arafa- because of the abundance of God's Rahma and forgiveness of every sin on that day....."

'Arafaa is the metaphor of Divine Rahma on earth.

One of the most powerful days in the year.

Bishr & Bashir Ghalibul Asadi (brothers of Farazdaq-poet) in the year 59ah (Imams last hajj) reported - on the night of Arafa he left tents and recited Dua like a needy person asking for food.

Ka annahum miskeenana yatlabut ta'aam

First thing he asks for

"Allow me to be conscious of You as though I see You...."

Eg Yusuf - Zulekha

Thus the day of'Arafa wherever you are is the most important aspect of the month of Dhulhijja.



EID AL HAJJ



The 10th day of the last month in the Islamic Calendar is commemorated by Muslims all over the world as the festival (Eid) of Sacrifice.

Marks the end of the annual pilgrimage of Muslims to Makka with communal prayers.

Celebrated with prayers, gifts for children and the distribution of meat to the needy and at social gatherings. Muslims exchange the greetings - Eid Mubarak meaning Blessed Eid.



EID AL HAJJ



All the rituals of the Hajj concentrate around the family of Ibraheem (pubh). The Hajj which is a reformation of the spiritual self culminates with this great 'Eid reminding mankind that
"....righteousness can never be reached unless one spends out of what one loves in the way of God..." Suratu Ali Imran 3:91



EID AL HAJJ



Prophet Ibraheem (pbuh) had a dream where Allah is asking him to sacrifice his son Ismaeel. After the 3rd dream he relates it to his son, who says "Father do as you are instructed, Inshallah you shall find me amongst the patient ones ."

After blindfolding himself and his son and laying him in a place, Prophet Ibraheem (pbuh) puts a knife to Ismaeel's throat and a sheep was placed instead.

Allah had accepted his love, his total submission.



EID AL GHADEER



Ten years after the migration to Madina (hijra), the Prophet (pbuh) asked his followers to join him in his last hajj where he would teach them the rites. On his way to Makka, more than seventy thousand people accompanied him and on the 4th of Dhulhijja more than one hundred thousand Muslims had entered Makka.

After completing the hajj and on their departure from Makka, they reached a place called GHADEER (very near JUHFA (meeqat for Hajj) on the 18th of DHULHIJJA 10AH (10 MARCH 632 CE). Here aya 5:67 was revealed:

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The Prophet (pbuh) stopped at the pond of KHUM at GHADEER and called back all those who had gone ahead and waited for those who were behind. He ordered Salman to make arrangements for a stage (pulpit) for his announcement. It was noon and extremely hot.



EID AL GHADEER



KEY EXTRACTS FROM THE SERMON OF GHADEER KHUM "It seems the time approached when I shall be called away (by Allah) and I shall answer that call. I am leaving for you two precious things and if you hold on to them both, you will never go astray after me. They are the Book of Allah and my Progeny, that is my Ahlul Bayt. The two shall never separate from each other until they come to me by the Pool (of Kawthar)."

This is known as HADITH THAQALAYN (The narration of the two weighty (important) things)



EID AL GHADEER



Then he continued holding up the hand of Imam Ali (pbuh): "For whoever I am his Leader (mawla), 'Ali is his Leader (mawla)." The Prophet (pbuh) continued: "O' God, love those who love him, and be hostile to those who are hostile to him."

As soon as he finished aya 5:3 was revealed:

الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتِمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيتُ لَكُمُ
الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا

Today I have perfected your religion and completed my favour upon you, and I was satisfied that Islam be your religion."

The Prophet (pbuh) then asked everyone to pay allegiance to Imam Ali (pbuh). Amongst them was Hazrat Umar bin Khattab who said: "Well done Ibn Abi Talib! Today you became the Leader (mawla) of all believing men and women."



EID AL MUBAHILA



When real arguments fail to produce the desired effect, then to wish for the intervention of Allah's judgement in order to sift the right from wrong; is Mubahila.

In 9 A.H. the Prophet wrote to the heads of different tribes and countries of the world inviting them to Islam.

One of the letters was written to the Christian community of Najran, who came to Madina to visit the Prophet (pbuh) to discuss the right of Prophet Isa (pbuh) being called the son of God.



EID AL MUBAHILA



The Prophet replied:

إِنَّ مَثَلَ عِيسَىٰ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ كَمَثَلِ آدَمَ ^{صَلَّى} خَلَقَهُ مِنْ تُرَابٍ ثُمَّ قَالَ لَهُ كُنْ فَيَكُونُ

"Jesus is like Adam in the sight of Allah. He created him from dust and then said to him 'be' and he was" 3:59

They, however, continued to debate and it was then that the Aya 3:61 was revealed to invite the Christians to a Mubahila, which they accepted.



EID AL MUBAHILA



Next day at the appointed hour the Prophet arrived with Imam Ali, Sayyida Fatima, Imam Hasan & Imam Husayn. When Abu Harith realised who they were, he said: "I see such faces that if they raise their hands in supplication and pray to God that the biggest mountain may be moved from its place, the same will happen immediately. We should in no circumstance engage in a Mubahila with these sacred people because it is possible thatnot even one Christian may remain alive on the face of the earth ."

The Christians gave up the Mubahila and signed a treaty.

