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Preface

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ، وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى رَسُولِهِ
الْكَرِيمِ، وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَعَلَى كُلِّ مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ
بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ:

Making *du'ā'* (supplicating) to Allah Most High is an amazing, unique act through which a person's needs are fulfilled and his goals are achieved, and at the same time, it is in itself a great act of worship for which one is rewarded. There is no person who does not have many needs on a daily basis. However, engrossed in material and mundane means, man only resorts to worldly means to fulfil these needs, with all his concern and focus being devoted to these means alone.

If a person becomes ill or one of his relatives falls ill, the major focus in today's era is towards medical treatment. However, very few people will consider that no treatment is effective without Allah's permission and will, and that they should thus pray to Allah Most High for cure and good health alongside treating the illness. Similarly, if someone is unemployed or has fallen into debt, importance is attached to employing the worldly means to find a job or settle the debt, but very few people will pay attention to making *du'ā'* at the same time.

However, those whom Allah has blessed with profound insight know that no particle in this universe can even move without the permission of our Creator and Master. Hence, they certainly utilise

worldly means, but ultimately, they place their trust in Allah and, alongside the appropriate means, turn to Him in *du'ā'*.

Furthermore, Allah is so merciful and kind that not only does He respond to His servant's *du'ās*, but He actually becomes pleased the more His servant makes *du'ā'* to Him, and grants them the reward of worship for every *du'ā'*. In fact, Allah Most High becomes upset with a servant who does not supplicate to Him.

Moreover, Allah Most High has not fixed any specific words for making *du'ā'*, but rather granted such ease that a person can supplicate his Lord for any of his lawful needs, in his own language and in his own way. There are no stipulated words or fixed times for this. Allah Most High has made it very easy for His servants to ask of Him; they can place their needs directly before Him in their own words and whenever they want.

However, not every person knows how to supplicate properly, and on occasion, one loses sight of what exactly they should be seeking from Allah Most High. For this reason, the Qur'an and the Sunnah have taught us the best of *du'ās* for every worldly and religious objective, so that a person can regularly supplicate through them and attain success. The things which one asks for through these *du'ās* are undoubtedly great, but additionally, the actual words through which they are sought are profoundly effective in and of themselves, and contain great light. It is proven through experience that abundantly reading these *du'ās* helps a person traverse the stages of spirituality so quickly that such benefit cannot even be attained through tremendous exertion and spiritual exercises.

It is for this reason that many scholars and elders have compiled short booklets comprising of these *du'ās*, so that Muslims can memorise these *du'ās* within a short time, or alternatively, benefit from the *du'ās* by reading these works from time to time.

At the request of some of my friends and for my own felicity, this lowly servant is also compiling a collection of concise *du'ās* that can

easily be committed to memory and which everyone can incorporate into their daily routine.

May Allah Most Blessed and High grace this effort with acceptance in His court, and make it a provision for this lowly servant, the publisher and all readers. *Āmīn*.

MUHAMMAD TAQI USMANI
Onboard a PIA flight en route to Jeddah,
intending to perform *ʿumrah*

Preface to New Edition

For the benefit of Muslims and also for one's own felicity, this humble servant compiled a collection of *du'ās* entitled *Radiant Prayers (Pur Nūr Du'ā'eiḥ)*, which through the grace of Allah Most High, has been published many times and proven to be beneficial—and all praise is for Allah. When I first compiled it, I had benefited from a quick study of various books on *du'ā'*. Most of the *du'ās* in this book were reported from the Noble Prophet ﷺ, whilst some were as reported from the pious elders. I did not include details of the references at the time, but rather sufficed with stating the sources in general, and in some places, without referencing the *du'ās* at all.

My dear Mawlānā Muhammad Tufayl Attockī is a graduate of our Darul Uloom and also studied in the specialisation (*takhaṣṣuṣ*) faculty. Currently, he is a teacher at Jamī'ah Muḥammadiyya in Islamabad, and Allah Most High has blessed him with a keen interest in research and writing. Mawlānā undertook a detailed study of the book and provided detailed references for each *du'ā'* in this compilation. During this study, he noticed slight differences in the word order [of the *du'ās*] or the presence or absence of some words, when checking them in their original sources. In such places, he amended the wording to reflect the *du'ās* exactly as they are in the original works they were sourced from. Due to this sincere effort on his part, the book is now more reliable and beneficial, by Allah's grace.

May Allah Most Blessed and High grace this effort of his with acceptance in His presence, and make it an ongoing charity for both him and myself. *Āmīn*.

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NOTE ABOUT THE TRANSLATION

Originally, this booklet was written in Urdu. Then, the late Professor Muhammad Shamim, one of my best friends, rendered it in English, and it was published under the title “Radiant Prayers”. My dear friend Brother Yahya Batha, director of Turath Publishing, has now had the book translated anew by Mufti Javed Iqbal, who also worked on the translation of my book, *Easy Good Deeds*. He has retranslated the work,¹ added more references in places, and suggested a number of additions and changes to the book which have also been incorporated in the footnotes.

May Allah approve the efforts of both translators and the publisher, and bless them with the best of rewards. *Āmīn*.

¹ The Book of Remembrances (*Kitāb al-Adhkār*) of Imām al-Nawawī (Published by Turath Publishing) has been used extensively when translating this work. The translation of Qur’anic verses has been taken from the author’s *The Meanings of the Noble Qur’an*.

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Du'ās from the Qur'ān

Firstly, some *du'ās* from the Noble Qur'ān will be mentioned.

THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE *DU'Ā'*

The following is perhaps the most comprehensive *du'ā'* for the fulfilment of all objectives in this life and the hereafter.

﴿رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ
حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ﴾

Our Lord, give us good in this world and good in the Hereafter, and save us from the punishment of Fire.¹

DU'Ā' FOR FORGIVENESS

Whenever one commits a sin, the following *du'ā'* should be made. This is the *du'ā'* which Allah Himself taught Prophet Ādam ﷺ to seek forgiveness for his mistake, and after which, Allah accepted his repentance.

﴿رَبَّنَا ظَلَمْنَا أَنْفُسَنَا وَإِنْ لَّمْ تَغْفِرْ لَنَا
وَتَرْحَمْنَا لَنَكُونَنَّ مِنَ الْخُسْرَيْنِ﴾

¹ Qur'ān, 2:201.

Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves, and if You do not forgive us and do not bless us with mercy, we shall, indeed, be among the losers.¹

Likewise, Allah Most High taught the Prophet ﷺ the following concise *duʿā* for seeking forgiveness:

﴿رَبِّ اغْفِرْ وَارْحَمْ وَأَنْتَ خَيْرُ الرَّحِيمِينَ﴾

My Lord, grant pardon and have mercy, for you are the best of all the merciful.²

The following *duʿās* are also for the same purpose:

﴿وَاعْفُ عَنَّا وَاغْفِرْ لَنَا وَارْحَمْنَا أَنْتَ مَوْلَانَا

فَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ﴾

And pardon us, and grant us forgiveness, and have mercy on us. You are our Lord. So then help us against the disbelieving people.³

﴿رَبَّنَا فَاعْفِرْ لَنَا ذُنُوبَنَا وَكَفِّرْ عَنَّا سَيِّئَاتِنَا وَتَوَقَّنَا مَعَ الْأَبْرَارِ﴾

Our Lord, forgive us, then, our sins, and write off our evil deeds, and make us die only when we have joined the righteous.⁴

﴿أَنْتَ وَلِيِّنَا فَاعْفِرْ لَنَا وَارْحَمْنَا وَأَنْتَ خَيْرُ الْغَفِيرِينَ﴾

1 Qurʿān, 7:23.

2 Qurʿān, 23:118.

3 Qurʿān, 2:286.

4 Qurʿān, 3:193.