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Surah Fateha

سورۂ فاتحہ

> Imam Reza (a) said: Whenever the Holy Prophet (s) would suffer from headache or any other pain, he (s) would raise his hands and recite Surah Fateha and then rub his hands on his face. All the pain of his body would abate. It is narrated from Imam Reza (a): Recite Surah Fateha (https://fzic.org/library/quran/1-fateha-7-1074) 7 times in front of the one who is suffering from any illness. If still it is not cured then recite 70 times. The patient would surely get relief. Exegesis of the Verse (1:2)...

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ رَبِّ الْعٰلَمِيْنَ

AL-HAMDU LILLAAHI RABBI AL-'AALAMEEN

All praise is due to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds.

ساری تعریف اللہ کے لئے ہے جو عالمین کا پالنے والا ہے۔

> Imam Reza (a) narrates from his honorable forefathers (a) that the Commander of the Faithful (Imam Ali) (a) said, In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful' is one of the verses from the Opening Chapter of the Book. This Chapter consists of seven verses which are perfected with 'In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. I heard Holy Prophet (s) say, 'Allah, Mighty and Majestic be He, told me in verse (15:87), 'O Muhammad!...

وَلَقَدْ اٰتَيْنٰكَ سَبْعًا مِّنَ الْمَثَانِيْ وَالْقُرْاٰنَ الْعَظِيْمَ

WALAQAD AATAYNAAKA SAB'AN MINA AL-MATHAANEE WAL-QUR'AANA AL-'AZEEM

And certainly We have given you seven of the oft-repeated (verses) and the grand Quran.

اور ہم نے آپ کو سبع مثانی اور قرآن عظیم عطا کیا ہے۔

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> First Allah honored me with the Opening Chapter and equalled it to the Grand Qur'an. Indeed, the Opening of the Book is the most honorable thing which exists in the Treasures of the Throne. Allah, Mighty and Majestic be He, allocated it especially to Muhammad (s) and honored him with it. Allah (swt) did not make any of the other Prophets, except for Sulaiman, a partner in this honor. Allah (swt) bestowed the verse 'In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful' upon Sulaiman. Quoting Bilqees (Queen of Saba), Allah (swt) says (27:29-30)...

قَالَتْ يٰٓاَيُّهَا الْمَلَؤُا اِنِّيْٓ اُلْقِيَ اِلَيَّ كِتٰبٌ كَرِيْمٌ۔ اِنَّهٗ مِنْ سُلَيْمٰنَ وَاِنَّهٗ بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ۔

QAALAT YAA AYYUHAA AL-MALA'U INNEE ULQIYA ILAYYA KITAABUN KAREEM. INNAHOO MIN SULAYMAANA WA-INNAHOO BISMI ALLAAHI AR-RAHMAANI AR-RAHEEM.

She said: O chief! surely an honorable letter has been delivered to me; Surely it is from Sulaiman, and surely it is in the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful.

اس عورت نے کہا کہ میرے زعماء سلطنت میری طرف ایک بڑا محترم خط بھیجا گیا ہے۔ جو سلیمان کی طرف سے ہے اور اس کا مضمون یہ ہے کہ شروع کرتا ہوں خدا کے نام سے جو بڑا رحمٰن و رحیم ہے۔

> Allah, Mighty and Majestic be He, will grant, whoever recites it along with belief in Muhammad and his Household's Mastery; obeys their orders; believes in their outward appearance and inner characteristics, a reward for each letter of it that is better for him than this world, and all its goods and all the wealth in it. Whoever listens to someone reciting the Holy Qur'an will receive the same reward as the reciter does. Therefore, gain more and more benefits from this good which you have been granted as it is highly valuable. It may become too late and you may feel sorry in your hearts.'"

> A man went to see Imam Reza (a) and said, 'O son of the Prophet of Allah! Please tell me what is the interpretation of the following words of Allah AL-HAMDO LILLAAHE RABBIL A'ALAMEEN?

> The Imam (a) said, "My father (a) narrated that my grandfather (a) quoted on the authority of the Ornament of the Worshippers (Imam Sajjad) (a)), on the authority of his father (a) that a man went to see the Commander of the Faithful (a) and said, 'Please tell me what the interpretation of the following Words of Allah, Mighty and Majestic be He, is, All praise is due to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds. The Commander of the Faithful (a) replied, "'All praise is due to Allah' means that Allah has made His servants recognize some of His Blessings, since they cannot recognize all of His Blessings in detail, because they are much more than to be enumerated or recognized. Thus He says to them, 'Say Praise be to Allah for the Blessings which the Lord of the Two Worlds has bestowed upon us.'

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> All things consist of the created things including the animate and inanimate. He manages the animates with His Power, feeds them their sustenance, protects them behind His Own Shield and plans all of their affairs according to His Own Plans. He maintains the inanimate with His Might. He keeps what is held together from tearing apart and keeps what is in separate parts from collapsing into one. He keeps the sky from falling down except with His Own Permission, and prevents the Earth from sinking in except with His Own Permission, since He is Kind and Merciful to His servants.

> The Imam (a) continued, The Lord of the Worlds' means their Owner, their Creator, and the Provider of their daily bread through ways which they know of and ways which they do not know of. The daily sustenance is divided up. It will reach the Children of Adam no matter which way they go in this world. One's piety will not cause an increase in it, neither will a wicked person's corruption cause a decrease in his share of the daily bread. There is a veil in between one and his share of the daily bread, and he is running after his daily bread. If one tries to escape from his share of the daily bread, it will follow him just as death does.

> Allah, the Exalted the Magnificent, says, 'Say, Praise be to Allah' for the Blessings that He has granted us (the Divine Leaders) and because He has made a good mention of us (the Divine Leaders) in the Books of the past before we were even born. This makes it incumbent upon Muhammad (s) and the nation of Muhammad and their followers to praise Him for the nobilities which Allah has given them. That is why Allah's Prophet (s) said: 'When Allah, Mighty and Majestic be He, appointed Moosa, the son of Imran (a), and chose him to supplicate to Him, Allah rent the sea asunder for him, rescued the Children of Israel, granted him the Torah and the Tablets, Moses (a) saw his rank near his Lord, the Honorable the Exalted, and said, 'O Lord! You have honored me in such a way that You have never honored anyone else before me.'

> Then Allah, the Exalted the Magnificent, said, 'O Moosa! Don't you know that Muhammad (s) is nobler near Me than all My angels and all My creatures?' Moosa (a) said, 'O Lord! Now that Muhammad (s) is nobler for You than all Your creatures, are there any Households among the Households of the Prophets which are nobler for You than my Household?' Then Allah, the Exalted the Magnificent, said, 'O Moosa! Don't you know that Muhammad's Household is nobler than all the Households of the Prophets just as Muhammad (s) is nobler than all the Prophets (a)!' Then Moosa (a) said, O Lord! Now that the Household of Muhammad is as such, is there any nation amongst the nations of the Prophets (a) which is nobler than my nation? You set up the clouds as shadows for them (my nation), sent down the Manna and quails for them and You rent the sea asunder for them.

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> Then Allah, the Exalted the Magnificent, said, O Moosa! Don't you know that the nation of Muhammad is the noblest of all My nations just as Muhammad is the noblest of all My creatures? Then Moosa (a) said, O Lord! I wish I could see them. Then Allah, Mighty and Majestic be He, revealed to Moosa (a), You will not see them. It is not the time for them to come now. But you will see them in the Garden, the Eternal Garden and Paradise. You will see them in the presence of Muhammad. They will live among its Blessings and enjoy its everlasting good. Do you want Me to let you hear their words? Moosa (a) said, Yes, my Lord! Allah, the Exalted the Magnificent, said, Stand in front of Me like a debased servant standing in front of a Magnificent King and stretch out your back. Then Moosa (a) did that. Then our Lord, the Honorable the Exalted, called out, 'O nation of Muhammad!' Then all of them replied from the loins of their fathers and from the wombs of their mothers...

لَبَّيْكَ اَللّٰهُمَّ لَبَّيْكَ لَبَّيْكَ لَا شَرِيْكَ لَكَ لَبَّيْكَ اِنَّ الْحَمْدَ وَالنِّعْمَةَ لَكَ وَالْمُلْكَ لَا شَرِيْكَ لَكَ لَبَّيْكَ۔

LABBAYKA ALLAAHUMMA LABBAYKA LABBAYKA LAA SHAREEKA LAKA LABBAYKA INNA AL-HAMDA WAN-NI'MATA LAKA WAL-MULKA LAA SHAREEKA LAKA LABBAYK.

Here I am, my Lord. Here I am. Here I am, You have no partner. Here I am. Praise, grace, and the kingdom is for You. You have no partner.

میں حاضر ہوں، اے اللہ ! میں حاضر ہوں، میں حاضر ہوں، تیرا کوئی شریک نہیں، میں حاضر ہوں، تمام تعریفیں اور نعمتیں تیرے لئے ہیں اور ملک بھی، تیرا کوئی شریک نہیں، میں حاضر ہوں۔

> Then the Imam (a) added, "Allah, Mighty and Majestic be He, established this as the slogan of the Hajj pilgrims. Then our Lord, the Honorable the Exalted, said, 'O nation of Muhammad! This is My decree for you: My Mercy has overcome My Wrath, and My Forgiveness is ahead of My Chastisement. I will accept your supplications before you call Me. I will grant you (something) before you ask Me. I will take to Paradise whichever of you who visits Me having sincerely testified and practically honored that 'There is no god but Allah; There are no partners for Him; Muhammad is His servant and His Messenger, and Ali ibn Abi Talib (a) is Muhammad's brother, his Trustee and Master after him. It is obligatory to obey Ali (a) just as it is to obey Muhammad (s). After the two of them (Muhammad (s) and Ali (a)) the Masters are the Chosen Masters, the Purified ones, the Cleansed ones, the ones who will inform (the people) about the miracles of Allah and express the Proofs of Allah', even if his sins are as much as the foam on the sea.'" Then the Imam (a) added, "When Allah, Mighty and Majestic be He appointed Muhammad to the Prophethood, He said in (28:46), O Muhammad!...

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وَمَا كُنْتَ بِجَانِبِ الطُّوْرِ اِذْ نَادَيْنَا۔۔۔

WAMAA KUNTA BIJAANIBI AT-TOORI IZ NAADAYNAA…

And you were not on this side of the mountain when We called…

اور آپ طور کے کسی جانب اس وقت نہیں تھے جب ہم نے آواز دی۔۔۔

> that is, We called your (Muhammad) nation with this honor. Then Allah, Mighty and Majestic be He, told Muhammad, ‘Say, ‘Praise be to Allah, the Cherisher and Sustainer of the worlds’ for this nobility which was granted especially to me.”

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