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In the name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful.

Ya Ali Madad! The Diamond Jubilee of Noor Mowlana Shah Karim Al-Hussaini Hazar Imam (a.s.) is only six months away, therefore let us participate in a 7-day project to increase our knowledge and enhance our yearning through Dhikr and Angelic Salwat.



Knowledge Section:

Let us reflect on the following ayat of the Holy Qur'an which declares that Prophet Muhammad has a greater claim on the souls of believers than they have by themselves (33.6):

Transliteration

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

'An-Nabiyyu 'awlaa bil-Mu'-miniina min 'anfusihim wa 'azwaajuhuuu 'ummmahaatu-hum. Wa 'ulul-'arhaami ba'-zuhum 'awlaa bi-ba'-zin-fii Kitaabillaahi minal-Mu'-minii-na wal-Muhaajiriina 'ilaaa 'an taf-'aluuu ilaaa 'awliyaaa-'ikum-ma'-ruufaa: kaana zaalika fil-Kitaabi mastuuraa (33:6)

English Translation

In the name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful

The¹⁸³² Prophet (Muhammad) hath a greater claim on the believers than they have on their own selves, and his wives are (as) their mothers; and bloodrelations have the better claim in respect of one to the other, according to the Book of God, than the (other) believers and the emigrants, save that ye do something good unto your friends; This is Book (of God) is prescribed.

Here are excerpts from the footnote (p.1244-1246) for the above ayat from S. V. Mir Ahmed Ali's translation of the Holy Qur'an:

Vr. 6 **(1832)** This is a very important verse. It gives a definite guiding note to the muslims about the basic factor with which one must be guided about the unique position of the Holy Prophet as well solves the question of the right succession to him. This verse is definite in its declaration that the Holy Prophet Muhammad is superior in authority over the selves or the souls of the believers. It means that the spiritual authority the Holy Prophet is endowed with, is higher in respect to one's own self and that of even the nearest of the blood relatives like the father and the mother. Wherever there seems any conflict of the duties, one has to follow

the word, or the command or the will of the Holy Prophet and never his own or even that of one's own father, mother or other relations. Thus the Holy Prophet is nearer, closer, to our souls and our personal interest, be that secular or spiritual. The Holy Prophet said that there was no believer over whose soul, and in whose matters of this world and the hereafter he did not hold authority, more than the individual himself, and said: "None among you could ever be in fact a believer unless he holds me as the master over his own self more than himself."

On the Day of Ghadeer-e-Khum at the revelation of 5:67 the Holy Prophet first got the acknowledgement of his unique position and authority over the souls of muslims saying, "Alasto Aula bil Momineen min anfusihim?" ("Am I not an authority over your souls more than your own selves?"). The huge crowd unanimously declared "Yes! O' Apostle of God, Yes!" Then he raised Ali with the miraculous strength with his apostolic hands and declared 'Mau kunto Mawlaho fahaza Aliyun Mawlahu' ('Of whomsoever I am the Lord this Ali is his Lord!"). Thus, Ali has to be obeyed as the Holy Prophet should be. The Arabic term which the Prophet used on this occasion was 'Mawla' which has no suitable equivalent in the English language to convey the meaning of term in its fullness than the word Lord or Master. Thus one could not help using the word 'Lord' or 'Master'. The word 'Mawla' ('Lord') is far more superior and more comprehensive in its meaning than the word 'Kalif'. However, an attempt has been made to misinterpret the word 'Mawla' (which actually means Lord) into a Friend. Even then the logical answer to such a misinterpretation would be that Ali would have to be taken in the same sense, the Holy Prophet would be to his followers. Thus according to the proclamation of the Holy Prophet, made at Ghadeer-e-Khum, the Holy Imam Ali has been vested with the authority over the believers as the Holy Prophet held it. It should be noted that the word 'Mawla' has been used for God himself: 'Ne'mal Mawla wa Ne'man Naseer' [What an Excellent Protector! What a Perfect Helper! which is found in Surah al-Anfaal 8:40: 'Wa 'in-ta-wal-law fa'-la-muuu 'annallaaha Mawla-kum—Ni'-mal Mawla wa Mi'-man Nasiir' (If they refuse, be sure that God is your Protector - the best to protect and the best to help)].

Let us reflect on the following ayat of the Holy Qur'an which addresses the responsibilities and rewards for muslim men and muslim women(33:35):

Transliteration

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

'Innal-Muslimiina wal Muslimaati wal-mu'-miniina wal-mu'minaati wal-qaanitiina wal-qaanitaati was-saadiqiina was-saadiqaati was-saabiriina wal-khaashi'iina wal-khaashi'aati wal-mutasaddiqiina wal-mutasaddiqaati was-saaa-'imiina was-saaa'-imaati was-haafiziina furuujahum wal-haafizaati wazzaakiriinallaaha kasiiranw-wazzaakiraati 'a-'addallaahu lahum-magfiratanwwa 'arjan 'aziimaa (33:35)

English Translation

In the name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful

Verily¹⁸⁵⁹ the muslim men and the muslim women, and the believing men and the believing women, and obedient men and obedient women, and the truthful men and the truthful women, and the patient men and the patient women, and the humble men and the humble women, and the alms-giving men and the alms-giving women, and the fasting men and the fasting women, and the men who guard their chastity and the women who guard their chastity, and the men who remember God much and the women who remember God much, for then hath been prepared forgiveness and a great recompense.

Here is the footnote (p.1266) for the above ayat from S. V. Mir Ahmed Ali's translation of the Holy Qur'an:

Vr. 35 (1859) The main or the basic virtues demanded in every muslim man and woman are mentioned alike here; both sexes having equal responsibilities and equal rewards. The spiritual bliss is promised in the life hereafter for one as for the other. The virtues referred to being:—Faith, Truthfulness, Submission to God's Will, Charity, Patience, Piety and Righteousness, Chastity, Modesty, Hope of God's mercy and grace, Dependence upon God's help, Humility, Constancy in remembering God and Prayers to Him, Self-denial, Following the Word of God, Will and Endeavour to get nearer to God—Purity, internal and external.

Dhikr Section: New Luminous Dhikr Titled Noore Ali, Noore Karim

God Himself has established various means by which He is to be approached, as described in the following ayat: 'seek unto Him a means of recourse *(wasila)*' (5:35). In the firman made on December 13, 1964 in Karachi, Noor Mowlana Hazar Imam said that 'his Noor has indicated to you where and in which direction you must turn, so as to obtain spiritual and material satisfaction'. I have taken this firman to my heart and am now doing dhikrs which call on the Noor directly because in my heart, Noor Mowlana Shah Karim Al-Hussaini (a.s.) is the pillar of Light and is represented by the words 'Noore Karim' in the dhikrs. I firmly hold on to this luminous pillar in my dhikrs, e.g., in the new luminous dhikr titled Noore Ali, Noore Karim presented below.

Since we are in the theme of enlightenment, a **new** luminous dhikr titled Noore Ali, Noore Karim has been created. The aspect of Noor (Light) makes the Ismaili Imamat unique, therefore, let us perform the luminous dhikr of Noore Ali, Noore Karim with utmost humility and tenderness of the heart (length 2 min 47 sec; 3.8 MB). Let this dhikr ring in our spiritual hearts and create an aspiration to actualize the Light of the Holy Ahlul-Bait and Noor Mowlana Hazar Imam so that our spiritual hearts get filled with this NOOR and nothing else. Ameen. The lyrics for the 40 beads are given below:

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

In the name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful

Download Noore Ali Noore Karim sound track in mp3 format

Noore Ali, Noore Muhammad; (12 times)
[The Light of Ali and Light of Muhammad (are one)]

Noore Ali, Noore Karim; (12 times)
[The Light of Ali is the Light of Karim Shah (through the Chain of Imamat)]

Noore Karim, Hazar Imam (12 times)
[All the above Lights are One Light which is in Noor Mowlana Hazar Imam]

Noore Ali, Noore Muhammad; (1 time)
[The Light of Ali and Light of Muhammad (are one)]

Noore Ali, Noore Karim; (1 time)
[The Light of Ali is the Light of Karim Shah (through the Chain of Imamat)]

Noore Karim, Hazar Imam (2 times)
[All the above Lights are One Light which is in Noor Mowlana Hazar Imam]

Al-hamdu lillahi rabbil 'alamin

Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds!

Reaffirmation of Baiyat:

Let us also reaffirm our baiyat to our Holy Imam, NOOR Mowlana Shah Karim Al-Hussaini Hazar Imam by reciting the Shahada from the second part of our Holy Dua:

"La ilaha illallah, Muhammadur-Rasoolullah, 'Aliyyun Amirul-Mu'mineen 'Aliyullah, Mowlana Shah Karim ul Hussaini, Al-Imamul Hazarul Maujood."

"There is no deity except Allah, Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, 'Ali - the master of believers - is from Allah. Our Lord Shah Karim Al-Hussaini is our present and living Imam"

Angelic Salwat Nazrana:

Let us now start presenting a nazrana of at least **101 salwats** or **continuous salwat for 3 to 5 minutes** to our beloved NOOR Mowlana Shah Karim Al-Hussaini Hazar Imam for the fulfillment of our noble wishes. May our beloved Mowla continually keep us on the Right Path. Ameen.

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

In the name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful.

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Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (1) (O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (2)

(O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (3)

(O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (4)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (5)

(O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (6)

(O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (7)

(O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (8)

(O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (9)

(O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (10)

(O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Allâhumâ salli alâ Muhammadin wa âle Muhammad (11)

(O Allah! Bestow Peace on and through Muhammad and his Descendants)

Al-hamdu lillahi rabbil 'alamin.

Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds!

May NOOR Mowlana Shah Karim Al-Hussaini Hazar Imam (a.s.) grant peace, prosperity, happiness, barakat, higher spiritual enlightenment, spiritual & luminous tayid (help) and empowerment to you, your family, your Jamat and the worldwide Jamat! Ameen.

Rakh Mowla je Noor te Yaqeen (Certainly, we trust in Mowla's Light only)

Haizinda — Qayampaya (Our Present Imam is Living and His NOOR is Eternal)

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