

Importance and Auspiciousness of Zikr

“I wish to remember you”

In the Quran and hadith, everywhere, the importance and eminence of the remembrance of Allah, and the respect for this remembrance, thus mentioned, indicate your strong inclination to remembering Allah. It has been mentioned that to remember Allah is symbol of your belief. To be lazy or negligent in remembering Allah is the mark of an ungrateful person or a ‘Kaafir’. The sayings and the practical lives of the ‘Sahabaiqram and Auliyaiqram’(saint) are live examples of such a remembrance.

“Ala ba zikrillahe tatmannul qulub”

(Surah raed aayat 28)

Translation: Find satisfaction in the remembrance of God.

Most people, in today’s world, are tense, both in their minds and in their hearts. For these disease, the medical world has invented countless medicines that give you a temporary relief, but have numerous side-effects.

“Here, people plan, but fate laughs at them. ” Along with the waste of your time and money, you lose your health, be thankful to Allah that He has given you, through His remembrance, the solution to your every pain and problem. When you get the wealth of such a peaceful heart, you become rich. It was with His peaceful heart and his full attention on Allah, that an arrow was removed from a foot of Hazrat Ali, who was offering namaz, without his feeling any pain, Allah has said about this remembrance, **“Zikran kasiran”** that you should remember Him more and more, due to this remembrance, you will get plenty of benefits.

(Surah ahzaab aayat 41-42)

**Translation: Ye who believe! Celebrate the praises of God, And do this often;
And glorify Him Morning and evening.**

In one of Paara of the Quran, Allah say's

(surah ahzaab aayat 35)

Translation: For men and women who engage much in God's praise,-for them has God prepared forgiveness and great reward.

What can be a greater gift for a 'momin' man and a 'momin' women then the news that, in this world, they have been forgiven and given peaceful hearts? Here, the remembrances are more, and from their Allah's blessings to you are more. Subhan Allah.

Translation: Celebrate God's praises, standing, sitting down, or lying down on your sides. (Surah Nisa Aayat 103)

Hazrat Ibne Abbas R.D.A had said that Allah has put a limit on every 'farz', except for His remembrance, to which there is no limit. Allah has said that you should remembering Him, when you stand or sit, or when you lie down, whether it is the day or the night; whether you are in riches or in poverty; whether or not you are healthy.

(Surah imran aayat 191)

Translation: Men who celebrate The praises of God, standing, sitting, And lying down on their sides, and contemplate the (wonders of) creation

There is a narrative that an angel who stands erect is praising Allah. Other angels are praising Allah with their heads bowed. Still other angels are praising Him with their heads touching the ground. Every creation of the universe in any of the above three positions. Allah has allowed only human beings to remember Him in all the three positions. The fact that solely humans can remember Allah in any of the three postures is the reason why they are best of Allah's creation. To life of a human being passes in these three positions. At the time of birth, a human child tilts, lying down, to his left, or to his right. After some months the child starts to sit to stand on its own legs. Finally the child, who is now much older returns to

lying-down position. This means that, after death, his new life will start in the same way. First, he will be laid down in his grave. Judgment day, he will stand erect. And, then, he will witness Allah's anger, and sit on his knees. If a person remembers Allah in any of the three positions, if person remembers Him continuously in trio conditions. That person used his power which was given by Allah on right way, because remembrance is a root of thanx.

There is a narrative from Hazrat Abu Huraira R.D.A that Prophet Mohammed had said that, on the day of judgment, the person who gives his voice will give his voice, "where are the wise people?", people will ask, " who are the wise people?", and the reply will come. " those people who remembered Allah while lying down, or sitting, or erect, and who wondered why the skies and the earths were created, and who believed that Allah's creation were made with a reason", are the wise people". We worship You, and please save us from hell. After this, a flag will be made for these people; also, these wise people will be gathered under the flag, and told to go to heaven, for ever. **(Asbehani)**

The Prophet, Mohammed, says that you should love Allah in such a way that people say that you are madly in love with Him. (Masnad Imaam Ahmed)

The Prophet also says that, if you always remember Allah, the angels will shake hand with you on your bed, and on the roads. It is written in a 'hadith' that some simple and solitary persons moved ahead; 'sahaba' asked the prophet, " who are the 'mufrid' or solitary people?" the prophet said, "The 'mufrid' are those who are madly in love with Allah".

Afzalul Amal:

There is a narrative from Hazrat Abu Al Darda R.D.A that Prophet Mohammed says, " should I not show you the work that is dearest to Allah and through which the level of your faith increases, and which is better than gold and silver; and better than dying while hitting your enemies?" Then 'Sahaba' said, "Yaa Rasul Allah, please do show it." The Prophet replied, "Remember Allah always." **(Imaam Ahmed Tarmazi Ibne Maaja Haakim Behqi Abu darda)**

Someone asked Hazrat Salman Farsi R.D.A, "What is the greatest work?" He answered, "Have not read the Quran Sharif?; It is written in the Quran Paak.

“Wala Zikrallahe Akbar”

Tranlation: Remembrance of God is the greatest.

(Surah Anqabut aaayat 45)

Prophet Mohammed says, “The time that you have spent in not remembering Allah will, On the day of judgment, be the cause of your biggest sorrows.”

Shab bedar Zaakir ki fazilat:

(Surah Sajda Aayat 16-17)

Translation: Their limbs do forsake their beds of sleep, the while they call on their Lord, in fear and hope: And they spend (in charity) out of the sustenance which we have bestowed on them.

Now no person knows what delights of the eye are kept hidden (in reserve) for them-as a reward for their (good) deeds.

Allah Taala Zaakrin ka hum nashi:

(Surah Baqra Aayat 152)

Translation: Then do ye remember Me; I will remember you. Be grateful to Me, And reject not faith.

Hazrat Abu Huraira R.Z.A narrates the prophet had said that Allah said, “I treat a person in the same way that he expects; when he remembers me, I am with Him; if he remembers me through his breaths, the I remember him in my ‘Zaat’; if that person remembers me in an assembly, I remember him in the congregation of a angels.

(Bukhari’ Muslim’ Tarmizi’ Ibne maaja’ Behqi)

Hazrat Anas R.Z.A narrates that the prophet said, “Oh people, if you remember me in your heart, then I will remember you in my ‘Zaat’.(Masnad Imaam)

There is 'hadith' that, those who remember me are in my assembly; the Islamic scholars-and-preachers tell people about the divine commands and the necessary things to be done; the preachers tell you to remember Allah only verbally. Only the Saints have the keys to the heart, the soul, and the secrets. A devotee who remembers Allah from his heart, soul, a tongue, and every part of his body is remembered by Allah in many ways that only the 'Ahle Tariqat' knows about.

Lucky are those who have got the gift, from their mentors, of remembering Allah from their hearts, and whose every breath remembers Him, more than this, the lucky people have the gift of being in Allah's vicinity "**Laa khaufun Alahim Walahum Yahzanun**".

Huzur S.A.W ko Zaakrin ki hum nashini ka hukm:

(Surah Kahaf Aayat 28)

Translation: And keep thy soul content with those who call on their Lord morning and evening, seeking His face; and let not Thine eyes pass beyond them.

After the alighting of these 'Aayat' on the earth, Prophet Mohammed set out on a search for these people; he saw an assembly of people who were busy in the remembrance of Allah. Among these people, some had disheveled hair, some had dry skins, and still others had only one cloth on their bodies. When the prophet saw them, he sat next to them, and said, "All praises are of Allah, Who, in my 'Ummat', created such people, whom I am ordered to sit next to." (Ibn jareer' tibrani)

Hazrat Salman Farsi R.Z.A, etcetera, the assembly of 'Sahaba Ikram' who were busy in remembering Allah. When the prophet came there, these people became silent. Prophet Mohammed asked them what they were doing. They said that they were busy remembering Allah. The Prophet said that he saw on them. At that moment, the prophet added that His heart, also, wanted to sit next to them; then he said that it was Allah's blessing to him that, in his 'Ummat' he was ordered to sit next to such people.

It is a very heart-warming news that prophet Mohammed searches for this who remember Allah. The Prophet is thanking Allah for giving him the companionship with these people; whereas, the great worship is to actually see the prophet. Prophet Mohammed is looking for people who remember Allah; he is giving, to those who remember Allah, the good news of his association with them.

For those who are ready to die in the names of Allah and prophet Mohammed, is there any other proof for the auspiciousness of the remembrance of Allah?

The loving hand of Allah is on those who remember Him:-

Allah's loving hand on his remembers:-

The prophet says that, when people gather to remember Allah, the angels surround them. At such a time, Allah's blessings are on them in the assembly of Allah, He remembers such devout people

(Surah Ahzab aayat 43)

Translation: He it is Who sends blessings on you, as do His angels, that He may bring you out from the depths of darkness into light: And He is full of mercy to the believers.

A person who remembers Allah dies of his own wish:-

Imaam Abu Qasim Qasheri R.A says that the 'Malakul Maut' who removes the soul of a person who remembers Allah must remove it as per the wish of that rememberer. **(Risala-e-Qashiriya)**

The last talk:-

Hazrat Maaz Bin R.D.A asked Prophet Mohammed about the work that is dearest to Allah. The Prophet replied, " your death should occur when you remember Allah". (Tibrani w Baheqi)

All the saints understand the meaning of the last talk from a 'hadith'.

“Man kaana aakhiro kalama laa Ilaaha Illalaho Mohammadur Rasoolullahe Dakhalal Jannatah”.

Translation: A person whose last words are “ Laa Ilaaha Illalaho Mohammadur Rasool lullahe” will go to heaven.