

# Pocket *of* Peace



Your Pocket Guide to the  
Last 10 Days of Ramadan



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# The Importance of the Last 10 Days of Ramadan



## THE MOST BLESSED NIGHTS OF THE YEAR

Aisha reported: With the start of the last ten days of Ramadan, the Prophet ﷺ used to tighten his waist belt (i.e. work harder) and used to pray the whole night, and used to keep his family awake for the prayers.

[Bukhari]



Abu Hurayrah relates that the Prophet ﷺ said: “Whoever stands (in the voluntary night prayer of) Ramadan out of faith and in the hope of reward, his previous sins will be forgiven. And whoever spends the night of Lailat Al-Qadr in prayer out of faith and in the hope of reward, his previous sins will be forgiven.”

[Sunan an-Nasa’i]



# What is Laylatul Qadr?



## THE IMPORTANCE OF THE NIGHT OF POWER



This was the night when the first verses of the Holy Qur'an were revealed to the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, by Angel Jibrail. This night falls within the last 10 days of Ramadan, and is considered to be the Holiest night in the Islamic calendar.

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ advised Muslims to "Look for it in the odd nights of the last ten nights of the month of Ramadan." (Bukhari)

Allah ﷻ says in the Qur'an: The Night of Decree is better than a thousand months. The angels and the Spirit descend therein by permission of their Lord for every matter. Peace it is until the emergence of dawn. [Qur'an: 97:3-5]



# Better Than 1000 Months

# Worship Plan

## For the Last Ten Days



MAXIMISE YOUR  
REWARD

END RAMADAN  
STRONG



# One | Renew & Purify Your Intentions

## ENSURING THAT OUR EFFORTS DON'T GO TO WASTE

All of our actions are judged by intentions. The first step in taking any course of action, specifically in our acts of worship, is setting the right intention. Throughout Ramadan, we need to continually check and renew our intentions to ensure that every deed we do is purely for the sake of Allah and to attain His pleasure.

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, “The reward of deeds depends upon the intentions and every person will get the reward according to what he has intended...” [Sahih al-Bukhari]



Intentions are the roots of every action and they reflect the underlying motives of the actions we take. Intentions are formed in the heart, so the state of our heart has the power to influence our intentions. The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ mentioned, “...in the body there is a piece of flesh; if it is sound, the whole body is sound, and if it is corrupt the whole body is corrupt. Truly, it is the heart.” [Sahih Bukhari]

## Du'a for Our Hearts

اللَّهُمَّ مُصَرِّفَ الْقُلُوبِ صَرِّفْ قُلُوبَنَا عَلَى طَاعَتِكَ

‘O Allah! The controller of the hearts,  
direct our hearts to Your obedience.’

# Two | Increase in Your Prayers

## FOCUS ON QUALITY AND CONNECTION IN PRAYER

“... And the most beloved things with which My slave comes nearer to Me, is what I have enjoined (obligatory) upon him; and My slave keeps on coming closer to Me through performing nawafil (praying or doing extra deeds besides what is obligatory) till I love him...” [Sahih Bukhari]



During the last ten days, most Muslims focus on voluntary acts of worship. In doing so, do not forget the obligatory acts of worship. Don't miss your five daily prayers to stand all night in tahajjud. Pray on time, increase your khushu (concentration) in prayer, and slowly add more voluntary prayers.

“Whoever stands in the night prayer during Ramadan out of faith and seeking his reward, then all of his previous sins will be forgiven.” [Sahih Bukhari]

## Night Prayers

The last ten nights are the best time to increase in night prayer, Tahajjud, especially in the last third of the night. Although the time for night prayer extend between Isha and Fajr, the last third of the night is extra special. “Our Lord Almighty descends to the lowest heaven in the last third of every night, saying: Who is calling upon Me that I may answer him? Who is asking from Me that I may give him? Who is seeking My forgiveness that I may forgive him?”

# Three Du'a, Dhikr & Forgiveness

## THE STRONGEST WEAPONS OF A BELIEVER

Ramadan is a month of blessings, when the reward for our good deeds are multiplied by 70 and our sins are forgiven. There is no better time to make du'a, increase in dhikr and seek forgiveness.

### Du'a for the Last Ten Days

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ advised Aisha (RA) to read the following du'a on Laylatul Qadr, so it best to continually recite it in search of the blessed night:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ عَفُوفٌ تُحِبُّ الْعَفْوَ فَاعْفُ عَنِّي

“O Allah, You are the Most forgiving, and You love to forgive, so forgive me.”

And when My servants ask you, [O Muhammad], concerning Me - indeed I am near. I respond to the invocation of the supplicant when he calls upon Me. So, let them respond to Me [by obedience] and believe in Me that they may be [rightly] guided. [Qur'an 2:186]

In these last ten days, use your time to our your heart out in du'a and remembrance of Allah. Allah loves it when we turn to Him and He loves answering the du'a of the believers. Ask Him for anything and show gratefulness to Him through dhikr. Allah says: "Unquestionably, by the remembrance of Allah hearts are assured."



# Four Reconnect with the Qur'an

## RAMADAN IS THE MONTH OF THE QUR'AN

Ramadan is the month the Qur'an was first revealed and it plays an important role in the month. Many Muslims spend this month reconnecting with the Qur'an because of how the reward for good deeds are amplified during this time. However, one should not race to finish reading the Qur'an without taking the time to reflect the words of Allah.

## Reflect the Words of Allah

“It is a Book that We have sent down to you blessed, so that they may contemplate its verses and so that people of understanding may take heed.” [Qur'an 38:29]

It is beneficial to recite the Qur'an even if you don't understand it or struggle with reading it. The reward is multiplied for those who persist in reading despite difficulty. However, the ultimate purpose of its revelation was for us to learn its teachings and incorporate them into our lives. Start reading the Qur'an's translation.



“Verily the one who recites the Qur'an beautifully, smoothly, and precisely, he will be in the company of the noble and obedient angels. And as for the one who recites with difficulty, stammering or stumbling through its verses, then he will have TWICE that reward.” [Sahih Bukhari]



# Five

# Give From What You Love

## THE MONTH OF GENEROSITY AND GIVING



The reward for Zakat and Sadaqah are multiplied in Ramadan, and even more so on the Night of Power, so donate money each day to maximise your chances of catching the reward. Many Muslims use this time to pay their annual Zakah. Zakah literally means 'to cleanse' or 'that which purifies,' and there's no better time to purify your wealth than these last ten days.

**“O you who have believed, spend from the good things which you have earned and from that which We have produced for you from the earth. And do not aim toward the defective therefrom...” [Qur’an 2:267]**

You don't have to be rich to give charity. Many times, people think that they don't have enough money to be able to give charity. The Prophet Muhammad said “Charity does not decrease wealth...” The more you give, the more blessings you will see in your wealth and in your life. Charity doesn't need to be money. It can be helping somebody, feeding somebody, or even just smiling at someone. The important thing is to be sincere and to give from what you love, not giving something unwanted.

**“Your smile for your brother is a charity. Your removal of stones, thorns or bones from the paths of people is a charity. Your guidance of a person who is lost is a charity.” [Bukhari]**

# Six

# Reflect, Reflect, Reflect

## ALLAH LOVES THOSE WHO REFLECT

“Surely in the creation of the heavens and the earth, and the alternation of the night and day are signs for people of understanding, those who remember Allah while standing, sitting or reclining, and reflect in the creation of the heavens and the earth, (saying): “Our Lord! You have not created this in vain. Glory to you! Save us, then, from the chastisement of the Fire!” [Qur'an 3:190-191]

Allah has bestowed on us the capability of thinking and reasoning, which differentiates us from other creatures and enables us with the ability of free will. It's this thinking, reasoning and reflecting is the essential key that leads us to Allah and allows us to attain salvation. In addition to spending these last ten nights in worship, it's important to spend this time reflecting as well. Reflect on the blessings that Allah has bestowed upon us, His magnificent creations, His mercy, His names, and your love for Him. It's through this reflection that realize our blessings and we turn back to Him.



## Reflect on Ourselves

In surah Rum, the disbelievers are questioned: “Do they not reflect upon themselves?” The changes we make during these last day to improve our connection with Allah are changes that we should make in our lives permanently. Take time to reflect on your actions and habits, internalize the changes you make during this time and make the commitment to Allah to continue with your efforts sincerely.

# Dua's and Reflections

WRITE DOWN ANY DU'AS YOU WANT TO REMEMBER TO MAKE AND ANY REFLECTIONS FROM THESE BLESSED DAYS



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