

Dua When Visiting Graveyard

Imam `Ali (a.s), is reported to have said that whoever enters a graveyard and says the following words, Almighty Allah (s.w.t) will grant him the reward of fifty years of worship and erases from him and his parents the punishment of fifty years of wrongdoings:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Bismillāhir Raḥmānir Raḥeem

In The Name Of Allah, The Beneficent, The Merciful

الْسَّلَامُ عَلَى أَهْلِ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

Assalamu `ala ahli laa ilaha illallah

Peace be upon the group of “There is no god save Allah”

مِنْ أَهْلِ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

min ahli laa ilaha illallah

from the group of “There is no god save Allah.”

يَا أَهْلَ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

ya ahla laa ilaha illallah

O group of “There is no god save Allah,”

بِحَقِّ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

bihaqqi laa ilaha illallah

in the name of “There is no god save Allah,”

كَيْفَ وَجَدْتُمْ قَوْلَ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

kayfa wajadtum qawla laa ilaha illallah

how have you found the testimony of “There is no god save Allah”

مِنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

min laa ilaha illallah

from “There is no god save Allah?”

يَا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

ya laa ilaha illallah

O the One “There is no god save Allah”

بِحَقِّ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

bihaqqi laa ilaha illallah

I beseech You in the name of “There is no god save Allah”

أَعْفِرْ لِمَنْ قَالَ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

ighfir liman qaala laa ilaha illallah

forgive the one who professed that “There is no god save Allah”

وَأَحْشِرْنَا فِي زُمْرَةِ مَنْ قَالَ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

wahshurna fi zumrati man qaala laa ilaha illallah

and include us in the group of those who professed that “There is no god save Allah.

مُحَمَّدٌ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ عَلِيٌّ وَليُّ اللَّهِ

muhammadun rasulullah, `aliyyun waliyullah

Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, `Ali is the authority from Allah.

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Abdullah ibn Sinan has reported that he asked Imam al- Sadiq (a.s) to teach him how to salute the inhabitants in graves. The Imam (a.s) replied that he might say the following words:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Bismillāhir Raḥmānir Raḥeem

In The Name Of Allah, The Beneficent, The Merciful

السَّلَامُ عَلَى أَهْلِ الدِّيَارِ مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ

Assalamu `ala ahliiddiyari min almu'minin walmuslimin

Peace be upon the inhabitants of these graves, the faithful believers and Muslims.

أَنْتُمْ لَنَا فَرَطٌ

antum lana faratum

You have preceded us,

وَنَحْنُ إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ بِكُمْ لَاحِقُونَ

wa nahnu inshaAllahu bikum lahiqun

and we, Allah willing, shall join you.

Imam al-Husayn (a.s), is reported to have said that whoever enters a graveyard and says the following words, Almighty Allah (s.w.t) will record for him rewards that are as many as the creatures from the time of (Prophet) Adam up to the coming of the Hour (of Resurrection):

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Bismillāhir Raḥmānir Raḥeem

In The Name Of Allah, The Beneficent, The Merciful

اللَّهُمَّ رَبِّ هَذِهِ الْأَرْوَاحِ الْفَانِيَةِ

allahumma rabba hadhihil arwahil faniya

O Allah, Lord of these extinct souls,

وَالْأَجْسَادِ الْبَالِيَةِ

wal-ajsadil baliya

rotten bodies,

وَالْعِظَامِ النَّخْرَةِ

wal `idhamil nakhira

and crumbled bones

الَّتِي خَرَجْتَ مِنَ الدُّنْيَا وَهِيَ بِكَ مُؤْمِنَةٌ

allati kharajat minaddunya wa hiya bika mu'minatun

that left this worldly life bearing faith in You,

أَدْخِلْ عَلَيْهِمْ رَوْحاً مِنْكَ وَسَلَاماً مِنِّي

adkhil `alayhim rawhan minka wasalaman minni

(please) insert into them rest from You and salutation from me.