

Dua-e-Sanam-e-Quraish¹

Introduction & Merits of Reciting Dua-e-Sanam-e-Quraish

The prayer of Sanam-e-Quraish (the idols of Quraish) is a very authentic prayer of Amir-ul-Momineen Hazrat Ali bin Abi Talib^{asws} and so has been recognised by all renowned Shia historians and narration of traditions.

It has been narrated by Abdullah bin Abbas that one night I went to the masjid-e-Nabbivi to offer my late-night prayers and saw Amir-ul-Momineen^{asws} offering his supplications. I decided to sit in a corner and listen to Mola Ali^{asws}'s recitation of Quran and prayers. After completing Salat, Mola^{asws} recited supplications which I had never heard before. Later, I approached Imam Ali^{asws} and said may I be your ransom, please tell me more about those prayers which I have never heard in my life before.

Mola Ali^{asws} then replied, it was 'Dua-e-Sanam-e-Quraish' and added, by Allah^{azwj}! Who owns the lives of Mohammed^{saww} and Ali^{asws}, whoever would recite this prayer will get an extra-ordinary reward from the Lord; similar to assisting Prophet Mohammed^{saww} during the battles of 'Ohad and Tabooq' and would achieve the martyred status in the presence of His prophet^{saww}. And the reward of 100 Hajj and Umara as an associate of Prophet Mohammed^{saww} as well as 'Sawab' of 1000 months of fasting. In addition, one will be on the side of Rasool Allah^{saww} and Aimah Masomeen^{asws} on the day of judgement and Allah^{azwj} will forgive all his/her sins, despite the fact if his/her committed sins are equivalent to the stars in the sky, grains of sand in the wilderness and leaves of all trees. Also the reciter will be saved from punishment in the grave and a window from heaven will be installed in his/her grave.

InShaAllah, prayers will be rewarded, through the sanctity of the supplication, and Oh! Ibna Abbas if any of our friends is, in particular, engulfed by hardship, he/she would surely find a refuge through recitation of this prayer.

Ref: Misbah al Kafami Page 552 Bihar ul Anwaar vol 82/85 page 260

Another narration from Mola Ali^{asws} says:

"He who recites this Dua is (in terms of reward) like a marksman who have shot 1000 arrows in the battle of Badr and Ohad beside the Prophet^{saww}."

- Mustadrak al-Wasa'il, v4, p405, Hadith #5021
- Bihar al-Anwar, v82/85, p260, Hadith #5

¹ Misbah Al Kafami Page-552 . Bihar. Vol-82,Page-260, also see Ref: Wazaif-al-Abrar, Toufatul Awam Urdu versions, English <http://www.duas.org/alaviya/dua-120.htm>

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The Arabic text of the Dua given in this book is taken from Misbah al Kafami (page 552) and Bihar ul Anwaar (Vol 82, Page 260). This is the complete Dua as narrated by Amir ul Momineen^{asws} and it is worth mentioning here there the rest of the portion given in most of the books has been added by Ibn e Taus^{ra}.

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Ya Allah^{azwj}! Send your blessings and salutations to Mohammed^{saww} and descendents of Mohammed^{asws}.

Ya Allah! Curse the two idols of Quraish and their two magicians, their two rebellious people, their two accusers and their two daughters. Rebuke them, they have consumed Your sustenance and have denied Your obligations, both have discarded Your commands, have rejected Your revelation, have disobeyed Your Prophet, have destroyed Your religion, have distorted Your book, have made Your laws ineffective, have declared Your obligatory actions as incorrect, have disbelieved in Your signs, have oppressed Your friends, have favoured Your enemies, have spread corruption among Your people, have made Your world unstable and subject to loses.

O Allah^{azwj}! Send Your curses on them and their helpers as they have ruined the house of Your prophet^{saww}, have dug the door of his house, broken the roof, have brought down the walls, have turned upside down the highly respected symbols (i.e. skies) to the lower status (i.e., ground). His explicit laws to the implicit jargon, have destroyed Your 'selected' inhabitants, have killed their supporters have put righteous to death, their children have been killed and confiscated His Prophet^{saww}'s pulpit and denied rights of the successors of Prophet's knowledge to the divine pulpit, they themselves have desired for the prophet-hood, have ascribed a partner to their Lord, thus consider their sins to be absolute, and make their abode in 'saqar' forever, and You know what 'saqar' does to its inhabitants!'

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It leaves nothing, nor lets anything remain intact. O Allah, send Your chastisement on them; to the extent of the sins of every disobedient, and the covering of the truth, and all the pulpits which they have used, and the believers whom they have hurt and the disbelievers whom they have rewarded,

And to the number of pious people whom they have troubled, and those who have driven out of their cities, and their support for the disbelievers, and their atrocities towards (Your appointed) Imam and have changed the obligatory laws, and have destroyed the traditions of the Holy Prophet, and whatever evils they have concealed, the blood which they shed, have changed the goodness and have altered the commands, have created disbelief, the lie for which they have cheated, the inheritance which they have plundered, and stopped the booties from them and have consumed the prohibited wealth,

And that 'Khums' (the fifth part) which they considered as lawful for them, and those evils which they planted, and that cruelty which they regularly practised, that oppression, which they spread, those promises, which they dishonoured, those covenant which they broke, those lawful matters which were reverted to be unlawful, and those forbidden acts which were made lawful,

That hypocrisy which they have concealed in their hearts, and to the amount of treachery which they bore in their hearts, and that atrocity which targeted Masooma^{asws}'s stomach and inflicting lethal harm, and that 'pahlu' which they broke, and that door which they burnt-down, the Prophet's writing which

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they shredded and those 'haq' gatherings which they dispersed and those degraded ones which were honoured, and those honourables who were insulted,

And (curse them) by the number of rights which they have usurped, and the orders of (Your) Imam which they opposed, impinge Your wrath on them to the extent of their atrocities.

O Allah! Implicate Your curses on them to the extent of alterations they have introduced in Quran and the cover-ups in their lies, tempering with the divine wills, Lords deeds which were made redundant , and those promises which were disregarded, and those verdicts which were made void. Refusal of their allegiances, presentation of excuses, introduction of breach of trust, their acts of climbing on hills (for their lives) and those fixed rules which they turned other way round and all that defects which they possessed. Bestow Your curses on them.

O Allah curse those two, secretly as well as

openly, persistently, everlasting, non-stoppable one and innumerable

times. Such a whipping that commences in the morning but does not ends at night.

Such a beating should be on those tyrants, and their helpers, their associates, their friends and their fans ('Muslameen'), those who have attracted to them and those who acknowledge their deeds, those who

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present proof for them, and on those who standby their followers and those who follow their words, and those who approve their actions.

(Then recite four times).

O Allah! Send such a harsh chastisement upon them, that the dwellers of Hell start screaming for mercy, O Lord of the Universe! Accept this prayer from me.

End of Mola's prayer, below is reciter's prayer as ascribed by Mola^{asws}.

(Dua-e-Sanam-e-Quraish finishes here, the rest of the part has been added by Ibne Taus^{ra} , see Misbah al Kafami Page-552 . Bihar. Vol-82,Page-260)