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Abbreviations:

\texttt{\textit{saww}}: Sal lal la ho Allay hay \textit{Wa} Aal lay he \textit{Wasallam}
\texttt{azwj}: Az Za Wa Jalla
\texttt{asws}: Allay hay Salawat Wass Salam
\texttt{AJFJ}: Ajal Allah hey wa Fara Jaak
\texttt{ra}: Razi Allah\textsuperscript{azwj}
\texttt{La}: Laan Allah\textsuperscript{azwj}
In the Name of Allah\textsuperscript{1}, the Beneficent, the Merciful. The Praise is for Allah\textsuperscript{2} Lord of the Worlds, and Blessing be upon our Chief Muhammad\textsuperscript{3} and his Purified Progeny\textsuperscript{4}, and greetings with abundant greetings.

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Some Ahadith are presented regarding Ziyarah of Masomeen\textsuperscript{5} under distress and difficult times.

Imam Baqir\textsuperscript{5} was asked, “What do you\textsuperscript{5} say about one who goes to the Ziyarah of your (grand) father [Imam Husain\textsuperscript{5}] during difficult times?” Imam\textsuperscript{5} replied, “On the day of great terror (Judgment Day) Allah\textsuperscript{8} will Keep him safe and the angels will welcome him. They will give glad tidings saying, “Don’t be afraid or distressed (by the difficult situation), this is the day (having to put up with difficulties in Ziyarah) of your success.”\textsuperscript{5}1

(The narrator) said to Imam Sadiq\textsuperscript{9}, “I often travel to Arjan and my heart pulls me to the Ziyarat of Imam Hussain\textsuperscript{5}; but when I go, I am afraid of the rulers (hostilities), their governors and their guards until I return.”

Imam\textsuperscript{5} said: Ibne Bukair! Don’t you want Allah to See you in fear for us\textsuperscript{5}? Don’t you know that Allah\textsuperscript{2} will Shelter one who is in fear because of us\textsuperscript{5}, under the shade of His Throne and that Imam Hussain\textsuperscript{5} will be speaking to him under the throne? That Allah\textsuperscript{2} will Keep him safe from terrors of Judgment Day? He will not be afraid whereas others will be terrified. And if he is scared, angels will pacify him and soothe his heart by giving glad tidings.\textsuperscript{2}2

\textsuperscript{1} كامل الزيارات، النص، ص: 126, H. 1. \\
\textsuperscript{2} كامل الزيارات، النص، ص: 126, H. 2
Imam Sadiq\textsuperscript{asws} was asked, “May I be sacrificed on you, how should one perform the Ziyarat of Imam Hussain\textsuperscript{asws} in Taqayyah (when it becomes very difficult)?” Imam\textsuperscript{asws} replied: Perform a Ghusl in Euphrates and put on your most purified clothes. Then pass by the grave saying:

\textit{صلاح الله عليك يا ابنا عبد الله صلى الله عليه وسلم يا ابنا عبد الله}

Allah\textsuperscript{azwj}'s Blessing be on you, O Abu Abdullah! Allah\textsuperscript{azwj}'s blessings be on you, O Abu Abdullah!

\textit{فقد قال زمانه}

“And your Ziyarat will be correct and complete,” said the Imam\textsuperscript{asws}. \textsuperscript{3}

Imam Baqir\textsuperscript{asws} asked, “Do you visit the tomb of Imam Hussain\textsuperscript{asws}?” I replied, “Yes, but in fear and trepidation.” Imam\textsuperscript{asws} said: The reward for his Ziyarat is proportionate to the degree of fear involved; the greater the fear, the greater the reward! On Judgment Day, when people are raised for accounting for the Lord of the Worlds, Allah will make the hearts of one who has gone fearfully to the Ziyarat of Imam Hussain\textsuperscript{asws}, peaceful. One who performs the Ziyarat of Imam Hussain\textsuperscript{asws} in fear will return forgiven. The angels salute him and Allah’s Messenger will go to his Ziyarat and pray for him. \textit{So they returned with favour from Allah and (His) grace, no evil touched them and they followed the pleasure of Allah} (3:174)\textsuperscript{4}

\textsuperscript{3} كامل الزيارات، النص، ص: 126, H. 4
\textsuperscript{4} كامل الزيارات، النص، ص: 126, H. 5
What One Should do When it Becomes Impossible to Visit the Holy Shrines:

Muhammad Bin Yahya, from Salma Bin Al Khattab, from Abdullah Bin Al Khattab, from Abdullah Bin Muhammad Bin Sinan, from Misma’a, from Yunus Bin Abdul Rahman, from Hanaan, from his father who said,

‘Abu Abdullah asws said: ‘O Sadeyr! Do you visit the grave of Al-Husayn asws every day?’ I said, ‘May I be sacrificed for you asws, No’. He asws said: ‘So how discourteous you are. So, do you visit it every Friday?’ I said, ‘No’. He asws said: ‘So do you visit it every month?’ I said, ‘No’. He asws said: ‘So do you visit it every year?’ I said, ‘That some (years) may happen to be’.

He asws said: ‘O Sadeyr! How discourteous of you towards Al-Husayn asws. Do you not know that Allah azwj Mighty and Majestic Has two million Angels, dishevelled, dusty, crying and performing his asws Ziyarah, not wavering. And it is not (difficult) upon you, O Sadeyr, that you should be visiting the grave of Al-Husayn asws five times every week, and once every day’. I said, ‘May I be sacrificed for you asws! In between us and him asws there are a lot of Farsakhs (travel distance)’.

So he asws said to me: ‘Ascend above your roof, then turn towards the right and the left, then raise your head towards the sky, then face towards the grave and you should be saying:

The greetings be upon you asws, O Abu Abdullah asws! The greetings be upon you asws, and the Mercy of Allah azwj, and His aswj Blessings – there would be Written for you a Ziyarah, and the Ziyarah of the Hajj, and Umra’. 

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Sadeyr said, ‘So I used to do it during the month, more than twenty times’.  

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5 Al Kafi – V 4 – The Book of Hajj Ch 234 H 8