

## DUA BETWEEN SUNSET AND BEDTIME

Be it known to you that the first thing you should do at sunset is to hurry to the mosque. When the sun is colored yellowish, you may say the following supplication:

أَمْسَى ظُلْمِي مُسْتَجِيرًا بِعَفْوِكَ وَأَمَسْتُ ذُنُوبِي مُسْتَجِيرَةً  
بِمَغْفِرَتِكَ وَأَمْسَى خَوْفِي مُسْتَجِيرًا بِأَمَانِكَ وَأَمْسَى ذُلِّي  
مُسْتَجِيرًا بِعِزِّكَ وَأَمْسَى فَقْرِي مُسْتَجِيرًا بِغِنَاكَ وَأَمْسَى  
وَجْهِي الْبَائِي مُسْتَجِيرًا بِوَجْهِكَ الدَّائِمِ الْبَاقِي اللَّهُمَّ  
الْبِسْنِي عَافِيَتَكَ وَعَشِّنِي بِرَحْمَتِكَ وَجَلِّلْنِي كَرَامَتَكَ  
وَقِنِّي شَرَّ خَلْقِكَ مِنَ الْجِنِّ وَالْإِنْسِ يَا اللَّهُ يَا رَحْمَنُ يَا  
رَحِيمُ-

At that time, it is highly advisable to engage yourself in uttering expressions of glorification of Almighty Allah and implorations for His forgiveness, because this hour is as same honorable and estimable as the pre-sunrise hour, as Almighty Allah has said in the Holy Qur'an:

وَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ قَبْلَ طُلُوعِ الشَّمْسِ وَقَبْلَ الْغُرُوبِ-

Imam al-Sadiq(a.s.) is reported to have said, "When the color of the sun changes (i.e. the sun is about to set), you must remember Allah the Almighty and Majestic. If you

are at that hour with one who preoccupies you from this, you must leave him and supplicate.”

## SUNSET SUPPLICATION

The supplication to be said at sunset is the following:

يَا مَنْ خَتَمَ النَّبُوَّةَ بِمُحَمَّدٍ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ إِخْتِمًا لِي  
فِي يَوْمِي هَذَا بِخَيْرٍ وَشَهْرِي بِخَيْرٍ وَسَنَتِي بِخَيْرٍ وَعُمْرِي  
بِخَيْرٍ

## rites at sunset

You may say the words of professing that there is no god save Allah and the words of seeking His protection, which will be mentioned in the coming chapter about the supplications in mornings and evenings. You may then put your hand on the head and pass it over your face. You may then hold your beard and say the following:

أَحَطْتُ عَلَى نَفْسِي وَأَهْلِي وَمَالِي وَوَلَدِي مِنْ غَائِبٍ وَشَاهِدٍ  
بِاللَّهِ الَّذِي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ عَالِمُ الْغَيْبِ وَالشَّهَادَةِ الرَّحْمَنُ  
الرَّحِيمُ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ لَا تَأْخُذُهُ سِنَّةٌ وَلَا نَوْمٌ---

continues till

الْعَلِيِّ الْعَظِيمِ-