

MERITS OF RECITING AYAH KURSI (2:255), AYAH AL SHAHADAH, AYAH AL MULK AFTER EVERY NAMAZ

Eighth: Through an authenticated (i.e. muwatthaq) chain of authority, Imam al-Sadiq(a.s.) is reported to have said:

When the following verses (of the Holy Qur'an) were ordered by Allah, the Almighty and Majestic, to descend to the earth, they held fast to the Divine Throne and said, "O Lord! Where are ordering us to descend? Is it to the people of evildoings and sins?" Therefore, Allah, the Almighty and Majestic, revealed to them, saying, "Descend! By My Almightyness and Majesty I take this oath; no one of Muhammad's family and their adherents (Shi'ah) reads you but that I shall most certainly look at him with my Hidden Eye seventy times every day. In each look, I settle seventy of his needs and accept him despite of his acts of disobedience (to Me)."

According to another form of the same tradition, Almighty Allah has said, "Whoever recites these verses immediately after each prayer, I will allow him to dwell under the shed of My Sacredness despite of his acts of disobedience to Me. If I do not do that, I will settle seventy of his needs every day, the least of which is that I forgive his sins. If I do not do that either, I will protect him from Satan and from every enemy of his, I will grant him victory against these enemies, and nothing will prevent him from entering Paradise except death."

These verses are the following:

- (1) Surah al-Faatehah.
- (2) Ayah al-Kursi along with the two verses (2:255-257)

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ ۚ لَا تَأْخُذُهُ سِنَّةٌ وَلَا نَوْمٌ ۚ
 لَهُ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ ۗ مَنْ ذَا الَّذِي يَشْفَعُ
 عِنْدَهُ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِهِ ۗ يَعْلَمُ مَا بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَمَا خَلْفَهُمْ ۗ وَلَا
 يُحِيطُونَ بِشَيْءٍ مِّنْ عِلْمِهِ إِلَّا بِمَا شَاءَ ۗ وَسِعَ كُرْسِيُّهُ
 السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ ۗ وَلَا يَئُودُهُ حِفْظُهُمَا ۗ وَهُوَ الْعَلِيُّ
 الْعَظِيمُ

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لَا إِكْرَاهَ فِي الدِّينِ ۗ قَدْ تَبَيَّنَ الرُّشْدُ مِنَ الْغَيِّ ۗ فَمَنْ
 يَكْفُرْ بِالطَّاغُوتِ وَيُؤْمِنْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدِ اسْتَمْسَكَ بِالْعُرْوَةِ
 الْوَثْقَىٰ لَا انْفِصَامَ لَهَا ۗ وَاللَّهُ سَبِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ

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اللَّهُ وَلِيُّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا يُخْرِجُهُم مِّنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ ۗ
 وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا أَوْلِيَّتُهُمُ الطَّاغُوتُ ۗ يُخْرِجُونَهُم مِّنَ
 النُّورِ إِلَى الظُّلُمَاتِ ۗ أُولَٰئِكَ أَصْحَابُ النَّارِ ۗ هُمْ فِيهَا
 خَالِدُونَ

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(3) Verses of Bearing Witness (Ayah al-Shahadah; 3:18-19):

شَهِدَ اللَّهُ أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ وَالْمَلَائِكَةُ وَأُولُو الْعِلْمِ قَائِمًا
بِالْقِسْطِ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ إِنَّ الدِّينَ عِنْدَ
اللَّهِ الْإِسْلَامُ وَمَا اخْتَلَفَ الَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْكِتَابَ إِلَّا مِنْ
بَعْدِ مَا جَاءَهُمُ الْعِلْمُ بَغْيًا بَيْنَهُمْ وَمَنْ يَكْفُرْ بِآيَاتِ
اللَّهِ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ سَرِيعُ الْحِسَابِ-

(4) Verses of Kingdom (Ayah al-Mulk; 3:26-27):

قُلِ اللَّهُمَّ مَالِكِ الْمُلْكِ تُؤْتِي الْمُلْكَ مَنْ تَشَاءُ وَتَنْزِعُ
الْمُلْكَ مِمَّنْ تَشَاءُ وَتُعْزِزُ مَنْ تَشَاءُ وَتُذِلُّ مَنْ تَشَاءُ
بِيَدِكَ الْخَيْرُ إِنَّكَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ تُوَلِّجُ اللَّيْلَ فِي
النَّهَارِ وَتُوَلِّجُ النَّهَارَ فِي اللَّيْلِ وَتُخْرِجُ الْحَيَّ مِنَ الْمَيِّتِ
وَتُخْرِجُ الْمَيِّتَ مِنَ الْحَيِّ وَتَرْزُقُ مَنْ تَشَاءُ بِغَيْرِ
حِسَابٍ-