



SALUTATIONS WHEN VISITING  
THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH



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The concise work before us is a selection from the *Ihya 'Ulum al-Din* (*The Revival of the Religious Sciences*) by Imam al-Ghazali. In this work, the great scholar shares a litany of salutations to recite when visiting the resting place of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. By publishing these salutations, which Imam al-Ghazali himself authored, I pray that readers will follow in his footsteps as they embark on their own blessed journey through the door of peace (*Bab as-Salam*) and stand in the presence of the Messenger of Allah ﷺ.

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السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Messenger of Allah



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَبِيَّ اللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Prophet of Allah



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَمِينَ اللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Trustee of Allah



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا حَبِيبَ اللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Beloved of Allah



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا صَفْوَةَ اللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Elect of Allah



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا خَيْرَةَ اللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O Choicest of Allah's creation



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَحْمَدُ

Peace be upon you, O Master Ahmad



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا مُحَمَّدُ

Peace be upon you, O Master Muhammad



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَبَا الْقَاسِمِ

Peace be upon you, O Abul Qasim



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا مَاحِي

Peace be upon you, O Eradicator



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا عَاقِبُ

Peace be upon you, O Last



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا حَاشِرُ

Peace be upon you, O Gatherer



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَشِيرُ

Peace be upon you, O Giver of Glad Tidings



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَذِيرُ

Peace be upon you, O Warner



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا طَهْرُ

Peace be upon you, O Purity



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا طَاهِرُ

Peace be upon you, O Pure



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا أَكْرَمَ وَلَدِ آدَمَ

Peace be upon you, O Noblest Son of Adam



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا سَيِّدَ الْمُرْسَلِينَ

Peace be upon you, O Master of the Messengers



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا خَاتَمَ النَّبِيِّينَ

Peace be upon you, O Seal of the Prophets



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَسُولَ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

Peace be upon you, O Messenger of the Lord of the Worlds



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا قَائِدَ الْخَيْرِ

Peace be upon you, O Leader of Goodness



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا فَاتِحَ الْبِرِّ

Peace be upon you, O Opener of Virtue



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَبِيَّ الرَّحْمَةِ

Peace be upon you, O Prophet of Merciful-Love



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا هَادِيَ الْأُمَّةِ

Peace be upon you, O Guide of the Ummah



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا قَائِدَ الْغُرِّ الْمُحَجَّلِينَ

Peace be upon you, O Leader of the Radiant and Beautiful



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَى أَهْلِ بَيْتِكَ الَّذِينَ  
أَذْهَبَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ الرَّجْسَ وَطَهَّرَهُمْ تَطْهِيراً

Peace be upon you and upon the members of your Household, whom Allah has saved from disgrace and purified completely.



السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَى أَصْحَابِكَ الطَّيِّبِينَ  
وَعَلَى أَزْوَاجِكَ الطَّاهِرَاتِ أُمَّهَاتِ  
الْمُؤْمِنِينَ، جَزَاكَ اللَّهُ عَنَّا أَفْضَلَ مَا جَزَى  
نَبِيًّا عَن قَوْمِهِ وَرَسُولًا عَن أُمَّتِهِ

Peace be upon you, and upon your virtuous Companions, and upon your pure wives, the Mothers of the Believers. May Allah reward you, on our behalf, better than any Prophet has been rewarded on behalf of his people or any Messenger on behalf of his nation.





وَصَلَّى عَلَيْكَ كُلَّمَا ذَكَرَكَ الذَّاكِرُونَ، وَكُلَّمَا  
 غَفَلَ عَنْكَ الْغَافِلُونَ، وَصَلَّى عَلَيْكَ فِي الْأَوَّلِينَ  
 وَالْآخِرِينَ أَفْضَلَ وَأَكْمَلَ وَأَعْلَى وَأَجَلَّ وَأَطْيَبَ  
 وَأَطْهَرَ مَا صَلَّى عَلَى أَحَدٍ مِنْ خَلْقِهِ، كَمَا  
 اسْتَنْقَدْنَا بِكَ مِنَ الضَّلَالَةِ وَبَصَّرْنَا بِكَ مِنَ  
 الْعَمَايَةِ وَهَدَانَا بِكَ مِنَ الْجَهَالَةِ

May Allah send blessings upon you whenever you are  
 remembered by those who remember, and whenever you  
 are forgotten by those who are forgetful. May He send  
 blessings upon you among the first and the last – the best  
 and the most complete, the highest and the most sublime,  
 and the sweetest, most pure blessings that have ever been  
 bestowed upon any of His creation, just as He has saved us  
 from error, through you; and from [spiritual] blindness,  
 gave sight to us, through you; and from ignorance,  
 guided us, through you.



أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ،  
وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ وَأَمِينُهُ وَصَفِيُّهُ  
وَخَيْرَتُهُ مِنْ خَلْقِهِ

I testify that there is none to be worshiped besides Allah, who is singularly worthy of worship, without partner. And I testify that you are His servant, messenger, trustee, pure one, and choicest of His creation.



وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ قَدْ بَلَغْتَ الرِّسَالََةَ وَأَدَيْتَ الأَمَانَةَ  
وَنَصَحْتَ الأُمَّةَ وَجَاهَدْتَ عَدُوَّكَ وَهَدَيْتَ  
أُمَّتَكَ وَعَبَدْتَ رَبَّكَ حَتَّى أَتَاكَ اليَقِينُ فَصَلَّى  
اللَّهُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَى أَهْلِ بَيْتِكَ الطَّيِّبِينَ وَسَلَّمَ  
وَشَرَّفَ وَكَرَّمَ وَعَظَّمَ

I testify that you have conveyed the message, fulfilled the Divine Trust, advised the Ummah, struggled against your enemy, guided your nation, and served your Lord until certainty [death] came to you. May Allah bless you and the pure members of your household, and grant you [all] honor, nobility, and greatness.



اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ قَدْ قُلْتَ وَقَوْلُكَ الْحَقُّ (وَلَوْ أَنَّهُمْ إِذْ  
 ظَلَمُوا أَنفُسَهُمْ جَاءُوكَ فَاسْتَغْفَرُوا اللَّهَ وَاسْتَغْفَرَ  
 لَهُمُ الرَّسُولُ لَوَجَدُوا اللَّهَ تَوَّابًا رَحِيمًا) اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا قَدْ  
 سَمِعْنَا قَوْلَكَ، وَأَطَعْنَا أَمْرَكَ، وَقَصَدْنَا نَبِيَّكَ،  
 مُتَشَفِّعِينَ بِكَ إِلَيْكَ فِي ذُنُوبِنَا وَمَا أَثْقَلَ ظُهُورَنَا مِنْ  
 أَوْزَارِنَا، تَائِبِينَ مِنْ زَلَلِنَا، مُعْتَرِفِينَ بِخَطَايَانَا  
 وَتَقْصِيرِنَا، فَتُبِ اللَّهُمَّ عَلَيْنَا، وَشَفِّعْ نَبِيَّكَ هَذَا  
 فِيْنَا، وَارْفَعْنَا بِمَنْزِلَتِهِ عِنْدَكَ وَحَقِّهِ عَلَيْكَ

O Allah, You have surely said, and Your words are ever true: *And if only, whenever they wronged themselves, they had come to you at once [O Muhammad] and sought Allah's forgiveness, and the very Messenger sought Allah's forgiveness for them, they would have found Allah Ever-Forgiving, Lovingly-Merciful.* O Allah, we have heard Your Words and obeyed Your command, and we journeyed to Your Prophet, interceding to You, by him, for our sins and that which has weighed us down of burdens. And we have turned to You in repentance for our slip-ups, acknowledging our mistakes and shortcomings. O Allah, turn to us in repentance and allow this [blessed and noble] Prophet of Yours to intercede on our behalf, and raise us in ranks on account of his position with You and his right upon You.



اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُهَاجِرِينَ وَالْأَنْصَارِ وَاغْفِرْ لَنَا  
 وَإِخْوَانِنَا الَّذِينَ سَبَقُونَا بِالْإِيمَانِ، اللَّهُمَّ لَا  
 تَجْعَلْهُ آخِرَ الْعَهْدِ مِنْ قَبْرِ نَبِيِّكَ وَمِنْ حَرَمِكَ يَا  
 أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ

O Allah, forgive the emigrants [Muhājirīn] and the helpers [Anṣār] and forgive us and our brothers who have preceded us in faith. O Allah, do not make this the last of our visits to the tomb of Your Prophet and Your Holy Sanctuary,  
 O Most Lovingly-Merciful of those who show merciful-love.

