

Virtues of Dhikr (Remembrance of Allah)

Allah the Almighty says:

“So remember Me; I will remember you. And be grateful to Me and do not deny Me.”

(Surah Al-Baqarah, 2:152)

“O you who believe! Remember Allah with much remembrance.”

(Surah Al-Ahzab, 33:41)

“And the men who remember Allah much and the women who do so – Allah has prepared for them forgiveness and a great reward.”

(Surah Al-Ahzab, 33:35)

“And remember your Lord within yourself, humbly and fearfully, and in a low voice; morning and evening. And do not be among the heedless.”

(Surah Al-A‘raf, 7:205)

Sayings of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ:

1. **“The difference between the one who remembers his Lord and the one who does not is like the difference between the living and the dead.”**

(Bukhari, 6407; Muslim, 779)

2. **“Shall I not inform you of the best of your deeds, the purest of them with your Master, the highest in your ranks, better for you than giving gold and silver, and better than meeting your enemies in battle, striking their necks and they striking yours?”**

They said: "Yes!"

He ﷺ replied: **“The remembrance of Allah.”**
(Tirmidhi, 3377; Ibn Majah, 3790)

3. **“Allah says: ‘I am as My servant thinks of Me, and I am with him when he remembers Me. If he remembers Me in himself, I remember him in Myself. If he remembers Me in a gathering, I remember him in a better gathering. If he comes closer to Me by a hand span, I come closer to him by an arm’s length; and if he comes to Me walking, I come to him running.’”**
(Bukhari, 7405; Muslim, 2675)

4. A man once said: **“O Messenger of Allah, the commands of Islam are too many for me. Tell me something I can hold onto firmly.”**
The Prophet ﷺ replied: **“Keep your tongue moist with the remembrance of Allah.”**
(Tirmidhi, 3375; Ibn Majah, 3793)

5. **“Whoever recites one letter from the Book of Allah, he will get one reward, and that reward will be multiplied by ten. I do not say ‘Alif Laam Meem’ is one letter, but ‘Alif’ is one letter, ‘Laam’ is one letter, and ‘Meem’ is one letter.”**
(Tirmidhi, 2910)

6. Uqbah ibn Amir (RA) said: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ once came out while we were in the courtyard of the mosque. He said: **“Which of you would like to go out every morning to Buthan or Al-Aqiq and bring back two large-humped she-camels without committing sin or severing ties of kinship?”**

We said: “O Messenger of Allah, we would love that.”

He said: **“Then let one of you go to the mosque and learn or recite two verses from the Book of Allah, for that is better than two she-camels. And three verses are better than three she-camels, and so on.”**

(Muslim, 803)

7. **“Any gathering in which Allah is not remembered will be a source of regret and sorrow for the people in it.”**

(Abu Dawood, 4856)

8. **“If a group sits in a gathering and does not remember Allah or send blessings upon their Prophet, that gathering will be a source of regret. Allah may punish them, or He may forgive them.”**

(Tirmidhi, 3380)

9. **“Any people who sit in a gathering where Allah is not remembered – it is as if they were sitting near the corpse of a donkey, and it will be a cause of regret for them.”**

(Abu Dawood, 4855; Ahmad, 10680)

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