

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

There is no deity worthy of worship except Allah.

The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said:

- O people! Say, لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ you will be successful. [Musnad Ahmad: 376]
- The best remembrance is لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ. [Sunan al-Tirmidhī: 3383]
- He who dies knowing لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ fully well shall enter Paradise. [Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim: 134]
- If anyone's last words are لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ he will enter Paradise. [Sunan Abī Dawūd: 3116]
- The bondsman who said, لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ and died in this state will enter Paradise. [Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim: 94]
- Whoever says, لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ - There is none worthy of worship except Allah, and Allah is the Greatest. His Lord affirms his statement.

and when he say, لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ - There is none worthy of worship except for Allah, Alone. Allah says, There is none worthy of worship except for Me and I am Alone.

and when he say, لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ - There is none worthy of worship except for Allah, Alone, without partner. Allah says, There is none worthy of worship except Me, Alone, I have no partner.

And when he say, لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ - There is none worthy of worship except for Allah, to Him belongs all dominion, and to Him is all praise. Allah says, There is none worthy of worship except Me, to Me belongs all dominion, and to Me is all praise.

And when he says, لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَلَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ - There is none worthy of worship except Allah, and there is no might or power except by Allah. Allah says, There is none worthy of worship except Me, and there is no might or power except by Me.

Whoever says it in his illness, then dies, the Hellfire shall not consume him.

[Sunan al-Tirmidhī: 3430]

- ♦ Whoever is stingy about spending his wealth and fears to fight the enemy and is in terror of enduring the night should repeat frequently,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَاللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ .

There is no deity worthy of worship but Allah. Glory be to Allah. Praise be to Allah, and Allah is the Greatest. [*Al Adab al-Mufrad*: 275]

There is not anyone upon the earth who says,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَلَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ .

None has the right to be worshipped but Allah, and Allah is the Greatest, and there is no might nor power except by Allah, except that his sins shall be pardoned, even if they were like the foam of the sea. [*Sunan al-Timidhī*: 3460]

- ♦ When you get up in the morning, charity is due from each of your joints. There is charity in every utterance of سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ ; there is charity in every utterance of اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ ; there is charity in every expression of الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ ; there is charity in every declaration of لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ ; there is charity in enjoining good; there is charity in forbidding evil. [*Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim*: 1671]

- ♦ Whoever says, سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ one hundred times following the morning prayer, and لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ one hundred times, he will be forgiven his sins even if they are like the foam of the sea. [*Sunan al-Nasa'ī*: 1355]

- ♦ Whoever says in the morning,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ .

There is no true deity except Allah, alone, He has no partners. To Him belongs the dominion and to Him is due all praise and He is upon all things Always All Able, will be rewarded for freeing a slave from the children of Ismail, ten good deeds will be recorded for him and ten bad deeds will be wiped away from his account, and his ranks will be raised ten times, and he will gain refuge from the Satan until evening, and he will have the same (benefit) until morning if he says them in the evening. [*Sunan Abī Dawūd*: 5077]

- ♦ Whoever says ten times in the morning,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ .

There is no true deity except Allah, alone, He has no partners. To Him belongs the dominion and to Him is due all praise and He is upon all things Always All Able, Allah will record ten good deeds for him due to it, ten bad deeds will be wiped out from him, and his ranks will be raised ten times, he gets the same reward as given for manumitting four slaves, and these words protect him till the evening, and he will have the same (benefit) until morning if he says them after the Maghrib Prayer.

[*Ṣaḥīḥ al-Targhīb wa al-Tarhīb*: 474]

- ♦ Whoever says ten times after the morning prayer,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ بِيَدِهِ الْخَيْرُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ.

There is no true deity except Allah, alone, He has no partners. To Him belongs the dominion and to Him is due all praise, in His hand is all good, and He is upon all things Always All Able, he is given seven things due to it: Allah will record ten good deeds for him due to it, ten bad deeds will be wiped out from him, and his ranks will be raised ten times, he gets the same reward as given for manumitting ten lives, he is protected from Satan, he is shielded from every abominable thing, all his sins of the day other than associating partners with Allah are forgiven, and the one who says them after Maghrib Prayer will have the same (benefit). [*Ṣaḥīḥ al-Targhīb wa al-Tarhīb*: 475]

- ♦ Whoever says:

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ.

There is no true deity except Allah, alone, He has no partners. To Him belongs the dominion and to Him is due all praise and He is upon all things Always All Able, one hundred times will get the same reward as given for manumitting ten slaves, and one hundred good deeds will be written in his accounts, and one hundred sins will be deducted from his account, and it (his saying) will be a shield for him from Satan on that day till night, and nobody will be able to do a better deed except the one who does more than he. [*Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī*: 6403]

- ♦ I sit and remember Allah (saying), اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ، لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، till sunrise. It is more beloved to me than freeing two or more slaves from the children of Isma'il and (to remember Allah) after 'asr till sunset is more beloved to me than freeing four slaves from the children of Isma'il. [*Musnad Aḥmad*: 22194]

- ♦ Who ever says ten times after the Maghrib prayer,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ يُحْيِي وَيُمِيتُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ.

There is no true deity except Allah, alone, He has no partners. To Him belongs the dominion and to Him is due all praise, He gives life and causes death, and He is upon all things Always All Able, Allah shall send for him protectors to guard him from Satan until he reaches morning.

[*Sunan al-Tirmidhī*: 3534]

- ♦ The sins of a person who says the following after laying on his bed will be forgiven even if they were equal to the foam of the sea,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ،

لَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ، وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَلَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ.

There is no true deity except Allah, alone, He has no partners. To Him belongs the dominion and to Him is due all praise and He is upon all things Always All Able. There is no might nor power except by Allah, glory be to Allah and praise be to Allah and there is none worthy of worship except Allah, and Allah is the Greatest. [*Ṣaḥīḥ ibn Hibbān*: 5528]

- Whoever gets up at night and says,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ، وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ،  
الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَلَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ وَلَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ.

There is no true deity except Allah, alone, He has no partners. To Him belongs the dominion and to Him is due all praise and He is upon all things Always All Able. Praise be to Allah and glory be to Allah and there is none worthy of worship except Allah, and Allah is the Greatest. And then says,

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِي O Allah! Forgive me or invokes (Allah), he will be responded to and if he performs ablution (and prays), his prayer will be accepted. [Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī: 1154]

- When he ﷺ turned sides at night due to severe hunger he said,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ الْوَاحِدُ الْقَهَّارُ رَبُّ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا الْعَزِيزُ الْغَفَّارُ.

There is no true deity except Allah, The One, The Prevailing, Lord of the heavens and the earth and whatever is between the two, Exalted in Might, The Perpetual Forgiver.

[Al-Silsilah al-Ṣaḥīḥah: 2066]

- Allah's Messenger ﷺ used to say at a time of distress,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ الْعَظِيمُ الْحَلِيمُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيمِ  
لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ رَبُّ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَرَبُّ الْأَرْضِ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ الْكَرِيمِ.

There is no true deity except Allah, the Most Grand, the Ever Forbearing. There is no true deity except Allah, Lord of the magnificent Throne. There is no true deity except Allah, Lord of the heavens, Lord of the earth and Lord of the noble Throne. [Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim: 69]

- 'Alī bin Abū Ṭalib narrated, 'The Messenger of Allah ﷺ taught me these words and commanded me to read them in a time of distress or during any hardship,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ الْحَلِيمُ الْكَرِيمُ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَتَبَارَكَ اللَّهُ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيمِ  
وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ.

There is no true deity except Allah, the Ever Forbearing, the Generous One, glorified is Allah and blessed is Allah, the Lord of the magnificent Throne and all praise is for Allah, Lord of the worlds.

[Musnad Aḥmad: 701]

The best of supplication is the supplication of the Day of 'Arafah. The best of what I and the prophets before me have said is,

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ.

None has the right to be worshipped but Allah, Alone, without partner, to Him belongs all that exists, and to Him belongs the Praise, and He is powerful over all things. [Sunan al-Tirmidhī: 3585]