Virtues of Tahajjud Salaah

عَنْ أَبِيْ هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ أَفْضَلُ الصَّلَاةِ بَعْدَ الْفَرِيْضَةِ صَلَاةُ اللَّيْل (مسلم # 1163)

It is reported from Hadhrat Abu Hurayrah (radiyallahu anhu) that Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said: "The best Salaah after the Faraaidh is Tahajjud Salaah."

عَنْ بِلَالِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ اَنَّ رَسُولَ اللهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ عَلَيْكُمْ بِقِيَامِ اللَّيْلِ فَإِنَّهُ دَعْبُ الصَّالِحِيْنَ قَبْلَكُمْ وَإِنَّ قِيَامَ اللَّيْلِ قُرْبَةٌ إِلَى اللهِ وَمِنْهَاةٌ عَنِ الْإِثْمِ وَتَكْفِيرٌ لِلسَّيِّئَاتِ وَمَطْرَدَةٌ لِلدَّاءِ عَنِ الْجُسَدِ (الترمذي # 3549)

It is reported from Hadhrat Bilaal (radiyallahu anhu) that Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said: "Make it a point to read Tahajjud Salaah, for it was the practice of the pious before you. It is a means of gaining closeness to Allah Ta'ala, a prevention from evil, a recompense for sins and a protection from sicknesses."

عَنْ أَبِيْ سَعِيْدِهِ الْخُدُرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ إِنَّ اللهَ لَيَضْحَكُ إِلَى ثَلَاثَةٍ لِلصَّفِّ فِي الصَّلَاةِ وَلِلرَّجُل يُصَلَّى فِيْ جَوْفِ اللَّيْلِ وَلِلرَّجُلِ يُقَاتِلُ أَرَاهُ قَالَ خَلْفَ الْكَتِيبَةِ (ابن ماجة # 200)

Hadhrat Abu Sa'eed Khudri (radiyallahu anhu) has narrated that Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said: "Allah Ta'ala smiles [becomes pleased] with three categories of people; The rows in Salaah [i.e. when people form the rows for Jamaat Salaah], at the person who offers Tahajjud Salaah in the middle of the night and with the person who fights at the back of the contingent [after they have achieved victory]."

وَرُويَ عَنْ اَسْمَاءَ بِنْتِ يَزِيْدَ رَضِي اللَّهُ عَنْهَا عَنْ رَسُولِ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ يُحْشَرُ النَّاسُ فِيْ صَعِيْدٍ وَاحِدٍ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فَيُنَادِيْ مُنَادٍ فَيَقُولُ اَيْنَ الَّذِيْنَ كَانُوْا تَتَجَافَى جُنُوْبُهُمْ عَنِ الْمَضَاجِعِ فَيَقُوْمُوْنَ وَهُمْ قَلِيْلٌ فَيَدْخُلُوْنَ الْجَنَّةَ بِغَيْر حِسَابِ ثُمَّ يُؤْمَرُ بِسَابِر النَّاسِ إِلَى الْحِسَابِ (الترغيب والترهيب # 912)

It is reported from Hadhrat Asma Bint-e-Yazeed (radiyallahu anha) that Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said: "Allah Ta'ala will gather all the people on one plain on the day of Qiyaamah and a caller will call out, 'Where are those who would separate from their beds [to perform Tahajjud Salaah]?' To which a few people will get up and then they will be instructed to go to Jannah without any reckoning where as everyone else will be ordered to come for the reckoning."

عَنْ آبِيْ أَمَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ قِيلَ لِرَسُولِ اللهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ أَيُّ الدُّعَاءِ اَسْمَعُ قَالَ جَوْفَ اللَّيْلِ الْأَخِر وَدُبُرَ الصَّلَوَاتِ الْمَكْتُوبَاتِ (الترمذي # 3499)

Hadhrat Abu Umaamah (radhiyallahu anhu) reports that on one occasion Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) was asked: "Which dua is most heard (and readily accepted)?" Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) replied: "The dua made in the last portion of the night, and after the fardh salaah."