

# Ramaanaan The Month of Blessings

#### Introduction

Ramadhaan is a special month for every Muslim. Allah Ta'ala locks-up the Shayaateen and multiplies the reward of our actions. Rasulullah صَرَّاتِلَهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَمٌ said: If my ummah knew the great virutes and blessings of Ramadhaan, they would have wished that the entire year be Ramadhaan.

Fasting in the month of Ramadhaan is an important pillar of Islam. Allah Ta'ala mentions in the Qur-aan-e-Kareem:

## يَّا يُّهَا الَّذِيْنَ امَنُوْا كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الصِّيَامُ كَمَا كُتِبَ عَلَى الَّذِيْنَ مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ

"O You who believe, fasting has been made compulsory upon you like how it was made compulsory on the people before you."

#### Fasting An Important Pillar of Islam

Once a year, during Ramadhaan, we are given a chance to uphold this pillar. We should try our best to keep all our fasts and encourage others to do the same. By doing this, we will actually be upholding and protecting the Deen of Islam.

#### V.I.P Entry

There are 8 doors in Jannah. One door is called Rayyaan. Only those who fast will have the honour of entering through this door. Let us not miss this great opportunity!

### Challenge!

Talimi Board has prepared a Ramadhaan chart for all our shining stars. Let us see who can get all their arrows on the target this Ramadhaan. We should only colour-in an arrow after keeping the fast. Remember, Allah Ta'ala is watching, so no cheating!



#### Taraaweeh Salaah

Taraaweeh Salaah is a special salaah which can only be performed in the Mubaarak

month of Ramadhaan. It is important for us to read **20 rakaats** of Taraaweeh after our Esha Salaah during every night of Ramadhaan. Rasulullah صَاَّ التَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَالًا said:

## مَنْ قَامَ رَمَضَانَ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا, غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ

"Whoever stands in salaah during Ramadhaan sincerely hoping to get reward, all his previous sins will be forgiven."

#### Acts of Ibaadat we can Engage in during Ramadhaan

Tilaawat: Ramadhaan is the month of the Qur-aan. We should try and read as much Qur-aan as possible. Those of us who can read Qur-aan, should make at least one khatam of the Qur-aan during this Mubaarak month.

Zikr: Try and read the first kalimah, istighfaar and durood shareef as much as possible.

Dua: Ramadhaan is also a month of dua. The duas of a fasting person are accepted very quickly by Allah Ta'ala. Everyday, we must take out a few minutes to make dua especially at the time of sehri and before iftaar. Let us not forget to make dua for

ourselves, our parents, our teachers and the Muslims all over the world. Also make Dua for protection from Jahannam and entry into Jannatul Firdous.

#### Sehri and Iftaar

Sehri is a special meal eaten before starting the fast. Allah Ta'ala has put alot of barakah (blessings) in sehri. If we eat sehri, we will get the blessings of Allah Ta'ala and the angels.

## lftaar

It is Sunnah to break our fast with Kajoor and Zam-Zam/water.

Let us share our Iftaar with other people also. By doing this, we will get the reward for their fast also. Don't forget to read the dua when breaking your fast:

Dua:

O Allah Ta'ala, I fasted for You. In You do I believe, and with Your provision (food) do I break my fast

## Laylatul Qadr:

#### "A night Better than a thousand months"

The greatest night in the life of a Muslim is Laylatul Qadr. Allah Ta'ala revealed and named a whole surah in the Qur-aan after this night. Any person who makes ibaadat on this night gets the reward of making ibaadat for over a thousand months (83 years). We should search for this night by making extra ibaadat on the odd nights during the last ten nights of Ramadhaaan. May Allah Ta'ala accept all our ibaadat. Aameen.

# Breaking the Fast for No Reason !!!

عَنْ آبِيْ هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِىَ اللهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ مَنْ اَفْطَرَ يَوْمًا مِنْ رَمَضَانَ مِنْ غَيْرِ رُخْصَةٍ وَلَا مَرَضٍ لَمْ يَقْضِهِ عَنْهُ صَوْمُ الدَّهْرِ كُلِّهِ وَإِنْ صَامَهُ

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Hadhrat Abu Hurayrah وَضَالِتُكُهُ reports that Rasulullah مَعَالِتُهُ عَلَيْهُ عَلَيْهُ reports that on one day of Ramadhaan without a valid reason (which is acceptable in Shariah), shall never be able to cover-up for that day even by fasting for the rest of his life."

#### General Advice

- When the month of Ramadhaan comes, a Muslim should fast happily with a good spirit. It must not be taken as a burden and must not be done with a heavy heart. Otherwise all the reward will be lost.
- Fasting strengthens the body and the mind. One who fasts, enjoys good health.

#### Audio:

Fasting, an Important Pillar of Deen (Duration: 24 min)

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#### Most beloved Children

Assalamu alaykum wa Rahmatullahi wa barakaatuhu.

I'm sure we all can feel the excitement in the air.

Ramadhaan is here once again. The month of Mercy and blessings. The month which is full of barakah. Allah Ta'ala loves those who fast. He opens the doors of Jannah for them. Many children all over the world also fast in Ramadhaan upholding this great pillar of Islam. Will you be fasting this Ramadhaan? I'm sure you will. Allah Ta'ala will certainly love you. Encourage your brothers, sisters and everyone else at home to keep all their fasts. Don't forget to perform your Taraaweeh Salaah every night. Taraaweeh is a special Ibaadah of Ramadhaan, so don't miss it. Take out time daily to make dua to Allah Ta'ala. The time before Iftaar is a special time when Allah Ta'ala accepts our duas.

Try to engage in as much tilaawah of the Qur-aan daily as possible. Those of us who are already in Qur'aan should make at least one khatam of the entire Qur-aan during Ramadhaan.

May Allah Ta'ala bless us all this Ramadhaan and forgive the entire Ummah of Rasulullah صَيَّالِتُهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَمٌ Aameen.

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