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Salatull Fatih

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
وَالصَّلَاةِ وَالسَّلَامِ عَلَى رَسُولِهِ الْكَرِيمِ

*Bismillahi Rahmaani Raheem
wa Salaatu wa Salaamu ala Rasulihil Kareem*

Al-Hamdu Lillah.

Here is a modest short supplication inspired by the renowned prayer known as “**Salat-ul Fatih.**” Our blessed master the holy Prophet Muhammad, upon whom be peace once taught this beautiful salawāt to our sire Ali, may Allah be forever pleased with him. Tens of books were written on its meanings, and only Allah (swt) knows its innermost true meaning. The reward for reciting it equals 600,000,000 times the reward for the common salawāt prayers we are told by our blessed shuyoukh from old. The complete and true interpretation and meaning of this magnificent salawāt is infinite, and its reward is beyond reckoning.

As our Lord says: “Surely Allah and His angels and constantly blessing the prophet, O ye who believe recite Salawaat upon him and accept it with peace.”

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا

(Recite it 33 times in morning after Fajr, or in the evening up to before retiring to bed. Should the seeker miss reading it as a regular daily recitation, then recite it the next day.)

A'outhu billaahi minash-shaitaani rajeem (1 time)

Bismillaahi Rahmaani Raheem (1 time)

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ
الْفَاتِحِ لِمَا أُغْلِقَ
وَالْخَاتِمِ لِمَا سَبَقَ
نَاصِرِ الْحَقِّ بِالْحَقِّ
وَالْهَادِي إِلَى صِرَاطِكَ الْمُسْتَقِيمِ
وَعَلَى آلِهِ حَقَّ قَدْرِهِ وَمِقْدَارِهِ الْعَظِيمِ

Transliteration:

Allaahumma salli 'alaa Sayyidinaa Muhammaden

Alfaatihi limaa ughliqa

Wal-khaatimi limaa sabaqa

Nasir-il haqqi bil haqq

Wal haadee illaa siratikal mustaqeem

Wa 'alaa aalihi haqqa qadrihi wa miqdarihil 'athzeem

Basic Translation of the Arabic text:

Our Sovereign Lord, shower Your blessings upon our Master Muhammad, the opener of what was sealed, and the seal of what preceded him, the supporter of truth through justice and the guide to Your straight path; Our Lord, and equally bless his family, blessings to meet with his most exalted station and magnificent stature in Your sight.

Short Notes:

Oh Allah, shower Your blessings and bestow Your infinite Grace upon our master Muhammad upon whom be peace. Oh Allah, behold continuously with Your Holy Gaze our Sire and Master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who opened what was sealed, who came as the Seal of Your messengers, the last of Your prophets. Our Master Muhammad (peace be upon him), confirmed the earlier missions of Your prophets and messengers, whom you brought before Your Holy Presence during the nocturnal journey and who revealed many of the inner secrets of the seven upper heavens, its creations and heavenly beings. Our Master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who You let to visit the sealed secrets of Your Paradise and its infinite wonders, who brought down Your Sacred Sayings, who explained the innermost meanings of Your Wahi revelations, to whom You sent down the archangel Gabriel, peace be upon him, with Your Command to relate Your Sacred Holy Speech and Your Holy message to humanity. Oh Allah, behold continuously with Your Holy Gaze our Sire and Our Master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who explained the meanings and innermost secrets of Your Holy Qur'an, who echoed the Resonance of Your Divine Speech from pre-eternal times and up to infinite eternity, whom You made to know himself, his reality, and his role and mission to humanity and to others. Our Master Muhammad (peace be upon him) whom You endowed with the highest level of knowledge and wisdom, whose private personal spiritual achievement

became public knowledge by Your Decree. Our Master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who regularly related his innermost feelings and perception to his blessed companions, who awakened the innermost spirits that previously laid in slumber, who helped his most blessed companions Abu Bakr, Omar, Uthman, and Ali (ral) as well as others to know themselves, to realize their ranks as his companions in this life and in the hereafter. Moreover, to realize what blessings You bestowed upon them, and the infinite grace You reserved for them in eternity.

Oh Allah, bless our Master Muhammad (peace be upon him) the primal light You created and whose secrets You alone knew, the secret knowledge of which was only revealed to humanity through his mission. Oh Allah, bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him), the holy prophet and the seal of Your messengers to humanity, whom You sent as Divine Mercy to all creations, the carrier of glad tidings to the believers, and the warner to the heedless to rethink and to ponder. Oh Allah, bless our Master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who explained to Your creation who they are and the reason behind their creation and their temporary dwelling in this lower world. Oh Allah, bless our Master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who guided the hearts of the believers to realize what is awaiting them of what no eye has ever seen, what no ear has ever heard of, and what no human thoughts or intentions could conceive. All that was unknown became public knowledge through his message. All that was hidden is now revealed through his message. The inner hearts that were in slumber are now awakened. The inner perceptions that were blinded are now open by Your Grace. The visions that could not discriminate truth from falsehood are now clear. The lapse from the time of earlier revelations has now come to conclusion with Your final message to humanity to heed Your Holy Commands, to obey Your orders, to walk on the Straight Path You designated for success in this life journey, the path of those You blessed and their eternal happiness thereafter. Oh Allah, shower Your infinite blessings upon our master Muhammad

(peace be upon him) who is the true example and model of what humans should be, and whose life is a portrayal of how true humans should live and behave themselves. Oh Allah, bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who demonstrated how a true human being should maintain his devotion in relationship to his Lord publicly and privately.

O Allah, shower Your infinite blessings upon our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) whom You sent as the seal of Your messengers, upon all of whom be peace. O Allah, shower Your infinite blessings upon our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who revealed realities that were misconceived by people, who explained about the reality of continuous communication between the upper and the lower heavens. Who made the secret presence of the heavenly companions, who constantly record human actions known, who explained their interaction with people's private and public lives, who told us about their creation and existence prior to the creation of humanity, their previous understanding of what would happen should human come to exist and live as Allah's vicegerent on this earth, and their final submission to Allah's (SWT) command to bow before Adam in paradise once the Divine Spirit was breathed into him. Oh Allah, bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who revealed that knowledge of the unseen to humanity what was already known to many ranks of heavenly beings whose light is from His Light, whose aptitude of maintaining knowledge of the upper and the lower heavens is innate, whose level of readiness to serve the Holy command of their Lord is ultimate, whose devotion to the Holy Presence and only Him is natural. Oh Allah, bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who revealed his knowledge of his daily interaction with the holy spirit, the archangel Gabriel, upon whom be peace, and many of the heavenly angels about whom he also spoke. Oh Allah, bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) whose mere coming is the ultimate salvation of our souls, whose promise as our intercessor is maintained exclusively by Your Divine Holy promise for those who follow and

obey his commands, walk in his footsteps and emulate his most blessed most beautiful character. His beautiful character is the ultimate model and portrayal of the true human being.

Oh Allah, the Most Merciful and Most Compassionate, the sole Sovereign and Sustainer of everything, our Creator and Cherisher, our Maintainer and Guide, shower Your infinite blessings upon our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who is the seal of Your messengers, upon whom You revealed Your final decree and whom You sent as the final warner to humanity when times have reached near their end, and proximity to the promised Day of Judgment became evident by its accompanying minor and major signs he foretold. Oh Allah, bless our master and intercessor Muhammad (peace be upon him). Our Master and intercessor Muhammad (peace be upon him) once said: “I was sent along with the final Last Hour like that...” as he pointed his blessed index and middle fingers to demonstrate the parallel inevitable promised event. That is the moment when each person's deeds are brought to judgment and when regret for failure to obey does not help, where previously held stature in this life cannot be reversed, and each minute deed is reckoned with Divine Justice. That is when each person has to pay back what he owes, and the only means of exchange is unconditional consent to barter according to the preset balance of Divine Justice. Oh Allah please bless our master and intercessor Muhammad (peace be upon him).

Oh Allah, shower Your infinite blessings upon our master Muhammad (peace be upon him), whom You sent as a mercy to all creations, who is the glad tidings of every prophet and messenger that came before him, all of whom had consented before Your Holy Presence to believe in him and to support him, and all of whom had announced his coming as the final saviour to their nations, and all of whom had his name and attributes detailed in their books of revelations.

Oh Allah, bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) whom You inspired to know You prior to the ultimate revelation You sent him at the top of the holy mount of Light. That is where You guided him to spend months at length and to carry his devotion for years in that tiny cave of Hira before You commanded him to reveal your Holy message and to carry it to humanity. Oh Allah, You are indeed most magnificent, for none except You can open the hearts of people to hear and heed Your Holy message. No one but You can guide whoever You want to solicit Your mercy and compassion. You assigned him, our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) to be the final guide, and from inspiration to revelation, only You can maintain the Divine Promise. You alone are indeed the ultimate Guide, and only You can instill such acknowledgment in the hearts of the believers to walk on Your Straight Path, to recognize You, to worship You, to bow in Your Holy Presence. Only You cause prostration among the countless prostrating believers in the heavens and on earth, to follow in the footsteps of Your beloved messenger (upon whom be peace). Oh Allah, the most cherished gift You promised You fulfilled, and who but You our Lord fulfills his promises. You promised us total forgiveness and the erasing of our sins once we hearken to his call and follow his call to You. Our most Holy Lord, You alone can endow the hearts of the believers with the gift of Your Holy Presence. You alone can maintain such faith for You indeed know Your Holy reality and magnificence, and You have the power to manifest Your Will as Your Holy wisdom decrees. Our Lord, strengthen our faith with true following of our most blessed guide the holy prophet Muhammad (upon whom be peace), our intercessor and shield from the wrath that befalls those who disobey his call. Help us and grant us the needed knowledge and certitude and make our determination Your Will to support Your blessed Messenger Muhammad (upon whom be peace). Our Lord, You are the sole sovereign guide and the sustainer of our faith and You alone can maintain and sustain our faith. Our Lord, only You know Your Holy Reality, and Your help alone do we seek. We implore You to keep us among those You blessed and to never reverse

our faith nor let us ever go astray. Oh Allah, You are strong, and we are Your dependents. Oh Allah, You are the Holy One, and we are your creation. Oh Allah, You are the Most Merciful, the Most Compassionate. Have mercy on us and grant us the ultimate salvation of being true followers of Your holy Prophet Muhammad (upon whom be peace), to always stand behind him in this life and in the next to come. Accept us as his supporters, and You are indeed his ultimate supporter. Our Lord, make us the bearers of witnesses as You made the angels and those whom You endowed with knowledge to bear witness. You are indeed the Holy Witness. Oh Allah, Allah, Allah.

Oh Allah, bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) who supports truth in truth and justice by justice and who is the primal and the final witness for the believers. Bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) whose believers love him for his love for them and by Your love for him. Bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) our guide to Your Straight Path. Bless the believers You guided to follow him and to bear witness to Your sole sovereignty and lordship and to his message. Our Lord, mark our testimony and make it our flagship in this life and on the day of our resurrection. Instil Your holy peace in our hearts and expand them with every breath through calling for Your blessings to be everlasting upon our master Muhammad (upon whom be peace), and upon his blessed family, companions and followers.

Oh Allah, bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him), the clarity of whose vision is wholly supported by the evidence of Your message, whose blessed speech is supported by Your sacred revelation and maintained eternally as Your final proof. Oh Allah, bless our master Muhammad and grant him the ultimate victory You promised him in eternity. Surely our Lord never fails His promise. You are indeed the sole Divine Sovereign Lord and Sustainer of all creations.

Oh Allah, shower Your blessings upon our master Muhammad (peace be upon him). Bless our master Muhammad (peace be upon him) with blessings to equal the number of Your creations and the number of your infinite words. Oh Allah, Make Your blessings upon him balance the weight of Your Holy Throne, for You alone know his true worth. Our lord, multiply Your Holy blessings upon him with an infinite number You alone can reckon, and shower equal blessings upon his most blessed family, his companions and followers to match Your everlasting infinite Grace.

Our Lord, grant us the benefits of good deeds in this life and in the hereafter, and safeguard us from ever suffering in hellfire.

Glory be to our Lord, the Lord of Divine Mercy and Grace, far He is from what some may ascribe to Him, and peace be upon His messengers, and all praises are due to Him Lord and Sustainer of all creations.

The needy of the Mercy of his Lord
Al-faqir ila Rahmati Rabbihi
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