

Ziyarat of Arbaeen

Arbaeen is a commemoration held on the 40th day of martyrdom of Imam Husain (AS) in Karbala. Imam Jafar As Sadiq (as) has advised to recite the following Ziarat on the day of Arbaeen.

زيارت اربعين

السَّلَامُ عَلَى وَلِيِّ اللَّهِ وَحَبِيبِهِ

Peace be upon the intimate servant of Allah and His most-beloved.

السَّلَامُ عَلَى خَلِيلِ اللَّهِ وَنَجِيبِهِ

Peace be upon the friend of Allah and His elite.

السَّلَامُ عَلَى صَفِيِّ اللَّهِ وَأَبْنِ صَفِيِّهِ

Peace be upon the choice of Allah and son of His choice.

السَّلَامُ عَلَى الْحُسَيْنِ الْمَظْلُومِ الشَّهِيدِ

Peace be upon al-Husayn the wronged and martyred.

السَّلَامُ عَلَى اسِيرِ الْكُرْبَاتِ

Peace be upon the captive of agonies

وَقَتِيلِ الْعَبَرَاتِ

and victim of the shed tears.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَشْهَدُ

O Allah, I do bear witness

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَشْهَدُ أَنَّهُ وَلِيُّكَ وَأَبْنُ وَلِيِّكَ

that he is verily Your deputy and son of Your deputy,

وَصَفِيُّكَ وَأَبْنُ صَفِيِّكَ

Your choice and son of Your choice

الْفَائِزُ بِكَرَامَتِكَ

and the winner of Your honoring

اِكْرَمْتَهُ بِالشَّهَادَةِ

You have honored him with martyrdom,

وَحَبَوْتَهُ بِالسَّعَادَةِ

endued him with happiness

وَأَجْتَبَيْتَهُ بِطَيْبِ الْوِلَادَةِ

privileged him with legitimate birth

وَجَعَلْتَهُ سَيِّدًا مِنَ السَّادَةِ

made him one of the chiefs

وَقَائِدًا مِنَ الْقَادَةِ

one of the leaders

وَذَائِدًا مِنَ الدَّادَةِ

and one of the defenders (of Your religion)

وَأَعْطَيْتَهُ مَوَارِيثَ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ

gave him the inheritances of the Prophets

وَجَعَلْتَهُ حُجَّةً عَلَى خَلْقِكَ مِنَ الْأَوْصِيَاءِ

and chose him as argument against Your created beings and one of the Prophets' successors.

فَاعْذَرَ فِي الدُّعَاءِ

So, he called to you flawlessly,

وَمَنْحَ النَّصْحِ

gave advices

وَبَذَلَ مُهْجَتَهُ فِيكَ

and sacrificed his soul for You

لِيَسْتُنْقِذَ عِبَادَكَ مِنَ الْجَهَالَةِ

to save Your servants from ignorance

وَحَيْرَةِ الضَّلَالَةِ

and the confusion of straying off

وَقَدْ تَوَازَرَ عَلَيْهِ مَنْ غَرَّتْهُ الدُّنْيَا

Yet, those who were seduced by this worldly life,

وَبَاعَ حَظَّهُ بِالْأَرْذَلِ الْأَدْنَى

who sold their share (of reward) with the lowliest and meanest,

وَشَرَىٰ آخِرَتَهُ بِالْثَمَنِ الْأَوْكَسِ

retailed their Hereafter with the cheapest price,

وَتَغَطَّرَسَ وَتَرَدَّىٰ فِي هَوَاهُ

acted haughtily, perished because of following their desires,

وَأَسْخَطَكَ وَأَسْخَطَ نَبِيَّكَ

brought to themselves Your wrath and the wrath of Your Prophet,

وَاطَاعَ مِنْ عِبَادِكَ أَهْلَ الشَّقَاقِ وَالنِّفَاقِ

and obeyed the dissident and hypocritical servants of You

وَحَمَلَةَ الْأَوْزَارِ الْمُسْتَوْجِبِينَ النَّارَ

and the bearers of the burdens (of sins) who deserve Hellfire—all those supported each other against him.

فَجَاهَدَهُمْ فِيكَ صَابِرًا مُّحْتَسِبًا

However, he fought against them painstakingly with steadfastness expecting Your reward

حَتَّىٰ سُفِكَ فِي طَاعَتِكَ دَمُهُ

until his blood was shed on account of his obedience to You

وَأُسْتُبِيحَ حَرِيمُهُ

and his women were violated.

اللَّهُمَّ فَالْعَنُوهُمْ لَعْنًا وَبِيلاً

So, O Allah, pour heavy curses on them

وَعَذِّبْهُمْ عَذَابًا أَلِيماً

and chastise them with painful chastisement.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

Peace be upon you, O son of Allah's Messenger.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ سَيِّدِ الْأَوْصِيَاءِ

Peace be upon you, O son of the chief of the Prophets' successors.

أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ أَمِينُ اللَّهِ وَأَبْنُ أَمِينِهِ

I bear witness that you are verily the trustee of Allah and the son of His trustee.

عِشْتَ سَعِيداً

You lived with happiness,

وَمَضَيْتَ حَمِيداً

passed away with praiseworthiness,

وَمُتَّ فَقِيْداً مَظْلُوماً شَهِيداً

and died missed, wronged, and martyred.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ اللَّهَ مُنْجِزُ مَا وَعَدَكَ

I also bear witness that Allah shall inevitably fulfill His promise to You,

وَمُهِلِّكَ مَنْ خَذَلَكَ

exterminate those who disappointed you,

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ وَفَيْتَ بِعَهْدِ اللَّهِ

I also bear witness that you fulfilled your pledge to Allah

وَجَاهَدْتَ فِي سَبِيلِهِ حَتَّى أَتَاكَ الْيَقِينُ

and strove hard in His way until death

فَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ مَنْ قَتَلَكَ

So, may Allah curse those who slew you.

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ مَنْ ظَلَمَكَ

May Allah curse those who wronged you

وَلَعَنَ اللَّهُ أُمَّةً سَمِعَتْ بِذَلِكَ فَرَضِيَتْ بِهِ

May Allah curse the people who, when informed about that, were okay with it.

اَللّٰهُمَّ اِنِّيْ اَشْهَدُكَ

O Allah, I do ask You to witness for me that

اَنَا وَلِيٌّ وَلِيٌّ لِمَنْ وَالَاهُ

I am loyal to those who are loyal to him

وَعَدُوٌّ لِمَنْ عَادَاهُ

and enemy of his enemies.

بَابِي اَنْتَ وَ اُمِّي يَا بَنَ رَسُوْلِ اللّٰهِ

May my father and mother be your ransoms, O son of Allah's Messenger

اَشْهَدُ اَنَّكَ كُنْتَ نُوْرًا فِي الْاَصْلَابِ الشَّامِخَةِ

I bear witness that you were light in the sublime loins

وَالْاَرْحَامِ الْمُطَهَّرَةِ

and purified wombs

لَمْ تُنَجِّسْكَ الْجَاهِلِيَّةُ بِاَنْجَاسِهَا

the impurities of the Ignorance Era could not subject you to filth

وَلَمْ تُلَيِّسْكَ مِنْ مُدْلِهَمَّاتِ ثِيَابِهَا

nor could its murky clothes dress you

وَأَشْهَدُ اَنَّكَ مِنْ دَعَائِمِ الدِّينِ

I also bear witness that you are one of the mainstays of the religion,

وَأَرْكَانِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

the supports of Muslims,

وَمَعْقِلِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

and the haven of the believers

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ الْإِمَامُ الْبَرُّ التَّقِيُّ

I also bear witness that you are the Godfearing, pious,

الرَّضِيُّ الزَّكِيُّ

pleased, immaculate

الْهَادِي الْمَهْدِي

a guide, and a well-guided Imam

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ الْأَئِمَّةَ مِنْ وُلْدِكَ

And I bear witness that the Imams from your progeny

كَلِمَةُ التَّقْوَى

are the words of piety,

وَأَعْلَامُ الْهُدَى

the signs of guidance,

وَالْعُرْوَةُ الْوُثْقَى

the firmest handle (to Allah)

وَالْحُجَّةُ عَلَى أَهْلِ الدُّنْيَا

and the decisive Argument against the inhabitants of the world.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنِّي بِكُمْ مُؤْمِنٌ وَبِإِيَّاكُمْ مُوقِنٌ

I also bear witness that I believe in you all and in your Return,

مُوقِنٌ بِشَرَائِعِ دِينِي وَخَوَاتِيمِ عَمَلِي

I have full confidence in the laws of my religion and in the seals of my deeds,

وَقَلْبِي لِقَلْبِكُمْ سَلَمٌ

my heart is at peace with you all,

وَأَمْرِي لِأَمْرِكُمْ مُتَّبِعٌ

all my affairs are based on your commands,

وَنُصْرَتِي لَكُمْ مُعَدَّةٌ

and my support for you all is already all set

حَتَّىٰ يَأْذَنَ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ

until Allah permits you.

فَمَعَكُمْ مَعَكُمْ

So, I am with you. I am with you,

لَا مَعَ عَدُوِّكُمْ

not with your enemies

صَلَوَاتُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْكُمْ

Allah's blessings be upon you

وَعَلَىٰ أَرْوَاحِكُمْ وَعَلَىٰ أَجْسَادِكُمْ

upon your souls, upon your bodies,

وَشَاهِدِكُمْ وَغَائِبِكُمْ

upon the present and the absent from you,

وَزَاهِرِكُمْ وَبَاطِنِكُمْ

and upon the apparent and the invisible from you.

آمِينَ رَبَّ الْعَالَمِينَ

Respond to us, O Lord of the Worlds
