

I

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.
Make my faith reach perfection, and make my conviction be the best kind of conviction. Make my intention reach the [level of the] best of intentions, and my deeds, the [level of the] best of deeds.

II

O God! By your grace, guard my intention. And, through what [permanence] is with you, maintain my conviction. And through your omnipotence, reform that from me which is corrupt.

III

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.
Spare me those affairs that occupy me when I concern myself with them, and employ me in those duties about which you will question me tomorrow. Free up my days [of mundane duties, and let me spend them instead] in that for which you have created me.

Suffice me [of my needs], and expand your provision [toward me], but do not afflict me with exultation.

Give me dignity, but do not afflict me with pride.

Employ me in your worship, but do not [let me] corrupt my worship with conceit.

Let goodness pass to people through my hands, but do not [let me] nullify [my reward for] it by making them feel beholden to me.

Grant me the loftiest of character traits, but protect me from boastfulness.

IV

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.
Do not raise me even a degree in the eyes of people without lowering me to an equal degree in my own eyes. And do not bring me any outward dignity without bringing me an equal amount of inward abasement.

V

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.
Avail me of good guidance which I never seek to replace; and a path that leads to truth from which I never veer; and well-guided resolve with which I never doubt.
Keep me alive as long as my life is consigned to your obedience. But if my life is [on the verge of] becoming like a pasture for Satan [to graze in], then take me and bring me back to you before your wrath overtakes me and before your anger coalesces upon me.

VI

O God! Do not leave [in me] a single trait for which I could be faulted without correcting it; not a single fault for which I could be blamed without improving it; not a single virtue that remains deficient within me without perfecting it.

VII

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.
Replace the anger of those with enmity [toward me] with love; the envy of those

who [wish to] wrong [me] with devotion; the suspicions of those who are righteous with trust; the enmity of those who are close with friendship; the severed ties with my blood relatives with reunion; the abandonment of these relatives with their help; the [pretense of] love of those who are given to formalities with true love; the rejection of comrades with good companionship, and the bitterness of fearing wrongdoers with the sweetness of security.

VIII

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.

Give me the upper hand over him who has wronged me; a [fluent] tongue [to defend myself] against him who has indicted me; victory over him who has defied me.

Grant me a guile [to outscheme] him who has schemed against me; power over him who has subjugated me; [the power] to refute him who has reviled me; refuge from him who has threatened me.

Make me successful in obeying him who seeks to rectify me; in following him who guides me.

IX

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.

Strengthen me to repel him who deceives me with good will, to repay him who abandons me with kindness, to reward him who denies me with generosity, to counter him who severs ties with me by reconnecting, to oppose him who slanders me with high praise, and to thank a goodness [done to me], and to turn a blind eye to a wrong [done to me.]

X

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.

Adorn me with the adornment of the righteous, and clothe me in the ornaments of the God-fearing [by allowing me] to spread justice, suppress my rage, extinguish the flames of animosity [within me], bring together people who are estranged, foster reconciliation between them, make known their goodness, and conceal their faults; and [by allowing me] to be mild tempered, to be humble, to have good conduct, to be demure, to be affable in my social dealings, to race toward virtue, to choose a path of kindness, to abandon stinginess and bestowal upon the undeserving; and [by allowing me] to speak the truth though it be difficult, to make little of my good words and deeds though they be many, and to make much of my evil words and deeds though they be few. Complete these virtues for me by making me perpetually obedient to you and unfailingly aligned with the community of [rightly guided] Muslims, and by guiding me to reject those who bring innovation to the religion and employ their novel opinions [in religious matters].

XI

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.

Let your most extensive provisions for me come to me when I am old. [Let] the greatest strength you can instill in me come to me when I am exhausted. Do not afflict me with laziness that thwarts me from worshipping you, or blindness that keeps me from the

path that leads to you. [Do not afflict me] by letting me engage in anything that does not gain me your love, or by joining with anyone who has abandoned you, or by abandoning anyone who has joined with you.

XII

O God! Make me attack with your help when I am desperate. [Make me] beg you when I have need. [Make me] grovel before you when I am destitute. And do not tempt me to seek the help of others when I am desperate, or to degrade myself by asking others when I have need, or to grovel before one who is less than you when I am fearful, lest I earn your desertion, your deprivation, and [worse than all that] I cause you to turn away from me, O most merciful God!

XIII

O God! Replace whatever farfetched wishes, suspicions, and jealousy Satan casts into my thoughts with remembrance of your greatness, contemplation of your power [manifested in your creation], and strategic planning against your enemies. And [replace] whatever indecent words, idle talk, derogatory comments, false testimony, and backbiting of absent believers, or maligning of present ones, and anything else like these, which Satan causes my tongue to utter, with utterances of praise for you, with lengthy exaltations of you, with endeavors to glorify you, with gratitude for your blessings, with admission of your kindness, and with [heroic] attempts to enumerate your favors.

XIV

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.
Let me not be wronged as long as you are able to protect me, and let me not wrong [others] as long as you have the power to seize me and prevent me [from doing so]. Let me not go astray as long as you are able to guide me. Let me not be poor as long as my sustenance is from you. And let me not transgress [in exultation] as long as all that I have is from you.

XV

O God! It is to your forgiveness that I have come. It is your absolution that I seek. And it is that you will forgo [my sins] that I desire. And [in all this] it is upon your grace that I rely, since I possess nothing that guarantees your forgiveness, and among my deeds there is nothing by which I have earned your absolution. After having judged myself thus, [I realize that] I have only your grace [upon which to depend]. So shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family, and be gracious with me.

XVI

O God! Make me speak with [words of] guidance. Inspire me with fear of you. Grant me success to do what will bring me the most reward. And employ me in that which is most pleasing to you.

XVII

O God! Make me tread upon the best path, and let me live and die firmly upon the religion you have ordained [for me].

XVIII

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.

Let me enjoy [my life] through moderation. Make me among the righteous, among the guides to the truth, and among your righteous servants. Grant me success on the [Day of] Resurrection and safety from [the fire of hell] where the angels of punishment lie in ambush.

XIX

O God! Take for yourself from me what will purge me, and leave for me from myself what will sustain me, for I shall inevitably perish unless you protect me.

XX

O God! You are my provision in case I am looted. You are my hope in case I am denied. From you do I seek aid when I am troubled. With you is the replacement for what is lost, and the reformation of what is corrupt.

Since you can change what you dislike, favor me with well-being without affliction; with sufficiency without my having to seek; and with guidance without my having to be lost.

Spare me the burden of enduring others' abuses.

Grant me safe passage on the Day of Resurrection, and provide me with good guidance [through the trials of that day and into paradise].

XXI

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.

Shield me [from all harm] through your kindness. Feed me through your blessing. Reform me through your magnanimity. Cure me through your kindness. Admit me into your shade. Envelope me in your pleasure.

Grant me success, when ideas confuse me, to choose what is most in line with your guidance; when various courses of action seem similar, to choose the most beneficial; when religious persuasions conflict, to choose what is most pleasing to you.

XXII

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.

Honor me by sufficing me [of all my needs]. Mark me as one who lives under your guardianship. Grant me true guidance [after which I shall never veer]. However, let the vastness [of your gifts] not be a source of temptation. Grant me a life of ease, and do not make my life an endless struggle [for sustenance]. Do not reject my supplication, for I do not consider anyone to be your rival, and I do not supplicate any beside you.

XXIII

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.

Prevent me from being excessive and wasteful. Guard my provisions against ruin. Increase what I possess by blessing it. Set me on a guided course to spend for goodness.

XXIV

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.

Spare me the burden of working for a living. Provide for me without limit lest I be distracted by seeking [my sustenance] from worshipping you and bear the ill-effects of

earning.

XXV

O God! Grant me what I seek through your power. And grant me refuge from what I fear through your invincibility.

XXVI

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.
Guard my honor by making me well-off, and do not dishonor me by depriving me [of wealth], lest I [be tempted to] seek sustenance from those who are themselves dependent on you for their sustenance and ask for what I need from the worst of your creatures, for [if I do,] I shall be tempted to praise him who gives me, and I shall be tormented by the derision of him who denies me, while you, and not them, are the master of giving and denying.

XXVII

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.
Provide me with sound health with which I worship you; and free time during which I remain indifferent [to the pleasures of the temporal world]; and knowledge that I put to good use; and abstinence [from sin] that I exercise with grace.

XXVIII

O God! Seal my lifespan with your forgiveness. Fulfill my hope in [attaining] your mercy. Pave the way for me to reach your pleasure. And make my actions good under all circumstances.

XXIX

O God! Shower your mercy upon Muḥammad and his family.
Awaken me to remember you at times when I am heedless of you. Employ me in your obedience in the days left to me [before death]. Show me an easy path to [attain] your love; through that path, assemble for me the best of this world and the next.

XXX

O God! Shower upon Muḥammad and his family mercy better than any mercy you have showered upon any of your creatures before him and will shower upon anyone after him. And give us goodness in this world and goodness in the hereafter, and, through your mercy, deflect from me the punishment of hellfire.