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This month's focus on:

Islam aur Rahbaniyyat! (Islam and Priestly Seclusion)

Virtues of *Jamadi Al-Awwal*

Jawahir Ghaibi has it that whoever prays four *rak'ats* on the first night of this month, reciting *Surah al-Ikhlās* eleven times in each *raka'at*, will have Allāh the Almighty writing in the good deeds and removing the same number of bad deeds from across ninety thousand years his deeds sheet. The book has it if one prays eight *nawafil* after the *maghrib* prayer of the first night of this month, reciting eleven times *Surah al-Ikhlās* after *Surah Fatiha* in each *raka'at*, will receive great recompense. He who starts with any practice related to the Almighty Allāh during this month will have his objective met with fairly soon.

Salat Al-Liyali As-Saba' (My Prayers for Seven Nights of the week)- *continued*:

Corrections: Saturday must be read as **Saturday Night**
Sunday must be read as **Sunday Night**

Monday Night

Nawafil: 4 Raka'ats

Ḥaḍrat A'amish رَضْوَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ سَلَامٌ has related Ḥaḍrat Anas رَضْوَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ سَلَامٌ reporting the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ as saying: "Whoever performs four *raka'ats* of *nawafil* on the Monday night, reciting after *Surah al-Fatiha* *Surah al-Ikhlās* in the first, second, third and fourth ten, twenty, thirty and forty times respectively, sitting in *tashshad* and the finishing salute followed by recitation of *Surah al-Ikhlās* seventy five times and beseeching Allāh the Almighty seventy five times for the forgiveness of his parents as follows, followed by darud on to the Holy Messenger صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ and seeking for fulfillment of his objective, Allāh the Almighty, the Most High and the Majestic, will in His Truth fulfill it. This prayer is called *Salat al-Hajat* (Supplication).

أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ تَعَالَى لِنَفْسِي وَلِوَالِدَيَّ

Astaghfirullah ta'ala li-nafsi wali walidiyya! (I seek forgiveness of Allāh the Almighty for my self and my parents!) – (*Ghunyat al-Talibin*, pp 572/573, Siddiqui Publishers, Lahore, 1323 AH/Tartib Sharif, p 173)

Tuesday Night

Nawafil: 12 Raka'ats

The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ, the pure, the beautiful and the sanctified, said: "Whoever performs twelve *raka'ats* on the

night of Tuesday, reciting after *Surah al-Fatiha* once in each *raka'at* ... idhaja'a nasrullahi (when comes the help of God!) five times will have Allāh the Almighty building in the Paradise for him a house as big in length and breadth as seven worlds." – (*Ghunyat al-Talibin*, p 573, Siddiqui Publishers, Lahore, 1323 AH/Tartib Sharif, p 174).

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7702. ALLĀH the Almighty: *Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!*

We simply praise and glorify You and nothing else!

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7703. THE morning dawns and everyone gets engaged in his jobs. What is he who has no job?

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7704. ... *BISMILLAH-ir Rahman-ir Rahim* (In the Name of Allāh, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful!) is the soul of every knowledge; every branch of knowledge honours it.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7705. WE have set out in the Path of Allāh the Almighty and for Him only, but we do not exactly attend to the Almighty Allāh's jobs. We remain occupied in jobs other than for Allāh the Almighty. This is the reason why mercy and grace remain far away.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7706. THE anecdotes of the past are but old and for pastime!

The present is but the most powerful of the hearts!

Taqwah is but the soul of *tabligh* (preaching)!

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7707. THERE is not the least sign of enthusiasm in your preaching. Preaching sets in consternation in the Universe.

The current administration of preaching is desirous of innovation; it is as yet remorseful. That is, it is stationary, awaiting the freshly restructured administration.

Preach the Almighty Allāh's *Dīn*, caring not at all for the worldly issues. Come along to this place for preaching Then waits for the order to go not to a specific village but everywhere. Do not care for the invitations. Eat your own food and work hard. This is preaching. Some of you may go for three days, some for seven days and others for ten days. Preach to refrain from the forbidden and punctuality of the commandments of the *Dīn*. Impress upon saying of prayers and teach to refrain from telling lies, carrying tales, back-biting and jealousy.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7708. A gentleman went along to the *hajj*. *Ma sha Allāh! Mubarakan! Mukarraman! Musharrafan!* Do not take things in to your own hands in his absence. Also, there does live an angel inside the house; not one but many of them. Do not make a mistake thinking that he is absent.

The house owner has gone for the *hajj*. In other words he has gone on to the path of Allāh the Almighty. If at all angels guard it why should they not do it? They will certainly do it. *Mā shā Allāh!*

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

Forthcoming Events:

21 April 10	Birthdays of Ḥaḍrat Jamal-ud-Din Multani رَضْوَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ سَلَامٌ / Dr Muhammad Iqbal Lahori رَضْوَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ سَلَامٌ.
04 May 10	Birthday of Ḥaḍrat Fatima-tuz-Zuhra رَضْوَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهَا سَلَامٌ.
12 May 10	Birthday of Ḥaḍrat Sultan Ibrahim bin Adham رَضْوَاللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ سَلَامٌ.

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Islam does not teach priestly renunciation of the world. Rather, it commands the punctuality at the simple and straight commandments. Simplicity and equality are the teachings of Islam. The taste and tranquility there is in simplicity is not there in formalism.

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7709. THE angels, the *jinns*, the carnivores, the grazers, the reptiles and the birds are there present in the world in numbers equivalent to the number of human beings. Only Allāh the almighty knows the exact number of His creatures.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7710. WHEN sins take leave of the grand sire Bulande, *taqwah* too takes leave; it may be there but only scantily.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7711. THE servant was born to worship; but he does not worship.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7712. SERVANTSHIP is granted to the servants as a legacy.

Your praise and glory is my servanthship and habit and nature too, as a legacy. How come, I refrain from it!

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7713. WHOEVER does not attend to anything at all other than his job is successful

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7714. WHAT relationship paddling and lathing have between them?

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7715. MUJAHIDS are there in *jehad*, not the artists.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7716. THE history has in its lap incidents, wonder striking and lesson teaching. Ḥaḍrat S'ad abi Waqas's (رضي الله عنه) son shot the first arrow at the Prince of the Worlds and the Martyr of Karbala (عليه السلام), the grandson of the Holy Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم), may my soul be sacrificed for him.

O the unfortunate of the world! This of your arrow drew holes after holes in your Faith, the World and the Hereafter.

I do not know anything more than this. Nor shall I write.

Hearing this, the Determiner of Fortunes could not bear it, rather wept most bitterly.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7717. THIS crying is not mine alone; it is from every man of heart, every tree and every stone that comes to fore often.

When it comes, it is non-stop, setting the rivers in flow and bathing in it the contaminations, and dirt of the outward and the inward is cleansed as the washer man washes off the dirt of clothes.

When the water of the eyes becomes dry after profuse rolling down, they roll down the tears of blood from the very heart.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7718. WHAT is the preaching like if the listener is not made to practice?

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7719. THE human being does not concord with the destiny though concordance is the source of blessings.

Objection destroys the blessings of concord.

Whoever worked in concordance of the destiny, the Most Powerful changed the destiny. The Nature was compelled to change it, not only changed of the one but to the good fortune. This is the character of Nature that it renders the deprived the blessed.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7720. THE sacred offerings remain safe in the custody of Allāh the Almighty, the writings are safeguarded the most of all.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7721. AN unparalleled state descended unto the Prophet Ḥaḍrat Ibrahim (عليه السلام), the progenitor of the prophets for the renaissance of the Faith of Islam. *Allāh! Allāh! Ma sha Allāh!*

... *Allāhu Allāhu rabbi lā ushrika behi shay'in!* (Allāh and Only is my Lord; nothing is a partner unto Him!)

The enemy of the Faith, Nimrod, came in to the field, the Satan, the outcast, accompanied him. The fire spreading over miles was organized. Millions of people were burnt to ashes in this fire.

How was he thrown in to this conflagrating fire?

The Satan was the special adviser. He advised that he should be seated in a catapult, hence thrown this way.

When all the arrangements were complete, Ḥaḍrat Ibrahim (عليه السلام) was seated in the catapult to be thrown in to the fire, *Sayyiduna* Jibril (عليه السلام) along with innumerable angels came along and offered the help to rescue. He (عليه السلام) said: "What is this helpless fire to us? We can render cold the fires of the whole of the world."

Ḥaḍrat Ibrahim (عليه السلام) said: "I need no help of anyone at all. My Allāh the Almighty is sufficient for me!"

As soon as he had said this, the blazing chunks of fire changed in to flowers.

If you are only content at the favour of Allāh the Almighty, the Majestic the Honoured, as you claim that you do recite as Ḥaḍrat Ibrahim (عليه السلام) did:

... *HasbunAllāhu wa na'im al-wakil!* (I seek the Almighty Allāh's help Who is the blessed Supporter!)"

If in spite of this you do not receive the Almighty Allāh's help, you may die, be wiped out and cut to pieces, but do not at all care for anyone else's help!

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7722. WHETHER or not there remains anything, may awaiting the hope of Your help ever remain! May Your Honour never be dented!

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7723. CHANGE is the eternal nature of the world. Changing continually is the habit.

Whoever does not change does not progress, ever remains the same like the cut off trunk.

A traveller investigated in a glance the historical preservation at a place and said: "I saw this place severally established and devastated; sometimes the river flowed there and sometimes the city established.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7724. RAISING hands in kindness and supplicating for someone amounts to the best form of silence.

Yā-Ḥayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7725. WHO says that absorption has no vision? When

it lands at a place of indignation, it makes one forgetful of everything.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7726. IT makes sacrifices for each and everyone. The other (an alien) does not bear to watch it.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7727. SUBJECT to the Eternal Intention, the Satan remained deprived of the blessing of prostration (*sajdah*). Had You the intention, how dare he did not prostrate?

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7728. WE have seen having said it. Everything takes place at Your command, but not at anyone else's.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7729. WHATEVER my Allāh the Almighty intends to do, there is no formality or any labour whatever (incurred to do it).

When He says *Kun* (Be!), it becomes straightaway!

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7730. WHOEVER becomes absorbed in the Almighty Allāh's jobs, Allāh the Almighty becomes absorbed in his jobs. Have you not seen that a cloud is ordered: "Descend rainfall here!" It rains straightaway!

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7731. WHOEVER has the heart set at *Ka'aba* is not named Haji though he has put an end to all his needs.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7732. WHEN all the evils spread throughout the Earth and Sky become the stumbling block for those set out on the path of Allāh the Almighty, I swear by Allāh the Almighty, He burns them all to ashes, the evils devour the evils. This alone is the dignity of the honour and excellence of the preaching of the Almighty Allāh's Faith, and this alone is the explanation of the term *Jabarut* (Power).

Wallāh! Billah! Tallāh! Mā shā Allāh!

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7733. THE Farewell Message of my master ﷺ, may my soul be sacrificed for him, has been ... *ballighu 'anni wa lo āyatehi* (Help preach even though it may only be one *āya*!) that is applicable to each and every *ummate*. When a Muballigh sets out in the path of Allāh the Almighty, the evil does not bear with its majesty, hence burns to ashes. And beauty overwhelms every creature, terrestrial or fiery, earthly or aquatic.

He is the *Muballigh* whose eyes, tongue, hands, and feet are not headstrong, rather they are subservient to the command of Allāh the Almighty, does not deflect from his path, does not stop short, does not tire, rather continues with his task with firm intention in all circumstances.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7734. EVERYTHING is in the open, nothing at all is hidden, just the same inside as also outside.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7735. FORGIVENESS is not bound by any standard time table. Nor is it dependent on any servanthship.

The greatest of the great things are glanced over; the smallest of the small earns the reward.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7736. WHEN Ḥaḍrat Musa ﷺ were to be honoured with the Divine conversation, firstly the Mount of Sinai was covered in darkness. The angels, the jinns and the devils were pushed far away that no creature could hear the conversation. In other words, solitude is the base of the meeting.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7737. WHEN the world issues get in to the path of preaching, it becomes the politics.

Preaching wept at the state of the *Muballigh* and said: "You

are the liar. You had set out in the path of Allāh the Almighty, but have got engaged in the worldly jobs. This is why the blessings of preaching have taken leave."

Were you engaged in the path of Allāh the Almighty only, the devils would not have borne with the majesty of your preaching and burnt to ashes. And the Almighty Allāh's help and blessing would have welcomed.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7738. MY own self is my greatest enemy. The Satan has no power over anything. He is the adviser to my self.

O Allāh the Almighty! Make my self subservient to me.

When the self is purified, it becomes free from all contamination.

This alone was called the clearest conquest of *Jihad Al-Akbar*

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7739. WHOEVER saw something saw it in the servant (of Allāh the Almighty).

Whenever something was shown, it was shown by the servant.

Everything is within the servant, there is nothing outside.

You alone are in the *Nasut* (World), in *Malakut* (Royalty), in *Jabarut* (Power) and *La-Hut* (Divinity) too.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7740. ... O THE ETERNAL! None except Allāh the Almighty can be called the eternal.

When Allāh the Almighty completes any character, He honours it with eternity. What we call as eternal does not amount to naught as the lexicon has it; rather it is 'the living and the lasting'!

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7741. I have not Allāh the Almighty with me, but I have the complete message to attain Allāh the Almighty! *Mā shā Allāh!*

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7742. ALL the numbers and numerals are based on number 9 (nine).

The human physical body has nine doors altogether. When a door submits completely to the Almighty Allāh's command, it opens up.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7743. THE living does not value life.

The dead spoke: "Were Allāh the Almighty grant us life, we would worship Him to no end!"

A living soul was listening to the conversation of the dead. Seeing their state and not bearing with it, he began to live like the dead.

The dead has no power to do anything at all. Whatever he has he distributes among the living so much that he does not keep anything except the shroud with him.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7744. THE Satan said: "I am the secret bearer of the reality of this world."

"Why did you not regard this world as the dead?"

He replied: "I fear Allāh the Almighty. Why did you not? The fault lies with you and not me."

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7745. THE world you hanker after to gain desperately, the *Dīn* has declared it as the cursed and the dead.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7746. ALTHOUGH the Almighty Allāh's world is vast and expansive, even then if a servants' living becomes difficult and there is no way out, he is forced to migrate. And this is the most worrying state of the helpless servant..

Allāh the Almighty, the Majestic the Honoured, has through His utmost wisdom and power, honoured this servant (the author) the blessing of migration after migration.

Having granted it again and again, He rewarded unlimited and I had no bounds to my joy over the migration. The world did cast aspersion to no end at my migration. I thanked thinking it the highest honour from this Divine wisdom and power. Each time I had migrated, I did so for Allāh the Almighty, His *Dhikr*, preaching of the Faith of Islam and service to His creatures.

Migration purifies one from sins.

There are innumerable blessings of migration.

He who is compelled to migrate for the sake of Allāh the Almighty and in His path, Allāh the Almighty forgives him, settles the difficulties that had never been soluble, makes him *Mutawakkal il-Allāh*, grants such livelihood as comes from *Tawakkaltu il-Allāh* that cannot be imagined.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7747. *MUHAJIR IL-ALLĀH* is a gypsy, stranger to the country, neighbourhood, friends and foes. The nature of wisdom and the Divine Wisdom takes him wherever it wishes, never letting anyone else's will to prevail.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7748. WHAT do you know as to what migration is? Migration amounts to sacrificing everything except the soul.

It becomes the indemnity, *Mā shā Allāh*, of every sin of the migrant. Allāh the Almighty through His grace and blessing purifies him of his sins.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7749. MIGRATION is the commentary personified of separation.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7750. UNTIL you love my master ﷺ, may my soul be sacrificed for him, you cannot find Allāh the Almighty.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7751. THE lion himself does not have the idea of his own strength. This is the reason that because of the natural awe of the creatures, he lives hiding in his den.

One said: "The lion's strength will be known on the Day of Judgement. The Earth will not move under his feet."

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7752. THERE is nothing outside. Even the matter of the fiery evil is present within. Whenever it is required, it recurs.

Becoming aware of the fiery evil alone helps with manifestation of peace and comfort.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7753. ALLĀH THE ALMIGHTY appointed the conscience inside the physical body of the human being for guidance at all times:

This is evil, and this good!

This is good and this is bad!

This is pleasant some and this is grief!

This is comfort and this is torture!

The conscience pinpoints them all!

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7754. O MY YOUTH! You are not presenting any example, neither the worldly nor the religious. Is there anyone empty handed like your?

To add, you have no consciousness of this deprivation.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7755. THE loftiest example of the humanity is *sidq* (truthfulness). Nobody has any command over this except as it pleases Allāh the Almighty.

The example descends in the field. As soon as the bud blossoms, it is muscled.

Sidq has been waiting far too long that Allāh the Almighty might bring someone in the field. And only a *sadiq* (truthful), and no one else, can offer an example of truthfulness!

Until it comes to the field, the false cannot disappear, cannot at all!

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7756. TRUTHFULNESS is the most prominent quality of humanity, the highest example of human-ness and the nicest of the character of the mortal being.

The whole era is its claimant, but its practitioners very rare, indeed.

Truthfulness has been waiting far long and most anxiously the one persevering at his saying, steadfast at his promise, and keeper of what he says.

His example and only overwhelms every example.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7757. WHEN any of the servants learns by heart the lesson of truth, he is regarded as the manifestation of truthfulness and a member of the dwellers of being.

All the modes of truthfulness prevail upon him.

If it is completely perfect it leads by example.

Truthfulness falsifies the false.

You call it *sidq* and *sidq* again. Only the Prophets, peace be upon them, and after them only a few in number servants have presented the practical example.

Three to four thousand years ago Allāh the Almighty selected a young man in order to offer the example of truthfulness.

Everything of the Earth and the Sky said *Labbek* (Here I am!) to it. He was a prince. Likewise, five thousand years before Allāh the Almighty kept alive and established for ever a firm intention of a prince.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7758. AN account of truthfulness is, in fact, an account of Allāh the Almighty, never lost in any era at all. Rather, it remains alive and established for the rest of the world. That what is lost is not an account.

Allāh the Almighty likes the account of truthfulness so much that he does not allow the memory of the remembered forgettable.

And in this Universe there are only a few accounts that can be counted on fingers.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7759. LIE is an opposite of truth.

The boat of the lie tumbles, drowning at the end and surrounded in a whirlpool.

Truth got across whatever carrier it got on.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7760. *DHIKR* and its conquests for the poor are inseparable from each other.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!

7761. WHATEVER is handed to the trust of Allāh the Almighty, Allāh the Almighty alone must be its keeper, helper and supporter.

Yā-Hayyu yā-Qayyūm!



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