

“*VERILY, WE ARE ALL FROM ALLAH, AND TO HIM IS OUR RETURN.*”

Holy Quran

DUA FOR PERSONS UNDER THE PANGS OF DEATH

It is incumbent on those present to lay flat on the back the person suffering from the pangs of death so that the face and the soles of the person be facing the Qibla [Makkah]. As a matter of scrupulosity, the person suffering from the pangs of death should so lay himself or herself unless it is impossible for the person to do so. The corpse should preferably be kept in this posture till the bath is completed. After the corpse is covered with *Kafan* (covering of the dead) it should be laid in the same posture for the funeral prayers (so that the Qibla is on the right side of the corpse).

At the time of one's suffering from the pangs of death the following acts are *mustahab* (commendable):

- To teach and make the dying person recite the testimonies (belief about the Unity of God, the Prophethood of Muhammad (pbuh&hf) and Imamate and the Vicegerent, of the holy Imams (as) and also to teach other fundamentals of the true religion
- To make the dying person recite the following:

LAA ILAAHA ILLALLAAHUL H'ALEEMUL KAREEM... LAA ILAAHA ILLALLAAHUL A'LIYYUL A'Z'EEM. SUBH'AANALLAAHI RABBIS SAMAAWAATIS SAB-I' WA RABBIL ARZ'EENAS SAB-I' WA MAA BAYNAHUMAA WA RABBIL A'R SHIL A'Z'EEM WAL-H'AMDU LILLAAHI RABBIL A'ALAMEEN.

There is no God except Allah the Generous and Patient There is no God except Allah the Almighty and All-Wise. Pure is that Allah Who is Creator of the seven heavens and the seven earths and all that is in them and between them; He is the Lord of all these things and the Arsh and all praise is due to Allah Who is the Lords of all the worlds.

ALLAAHUMMAGH FIRLIYAL KATHEERA MIM MAA' S'IYATIKA WA IQBAL MINNIYAL YASEERA MIN T'AA-A'TIKA.

O "Allah! Pardon my sins which are many and accept my deeds which are very little.

YAA MAN YAQBALUL YASEERA WA YAA'-FU A'NIL KATHEERI IQBAL MINNIL YASEERA WAA'-FU A'NNIL KATHEERA INNAKA ANTAL GHAFOORUR RAH'EEM.

O Who accepts even a little amount and forgives an amount of evil, accept my little good and forgive the large amount of my evil. Undoubtedly Thou art the Great Forgiver and the Dispenser of Mercy.

ALLAAHUMMAR-H'AMNEE FA-INNAKA RAH'EEM.

O Allah! Be Merciful to me, indeed Thou art Merciful.