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Eighth: It is recommended, thereafter, to offer the 'Id Prayer (Salat al-'Id), which consists of two units. In the first unit, recite Surah al-Faatehah and Surah al-A'la (No. 87). After the recitation of these Surahs, say the Takbir statement (i.e. Allahu-akbar) five times and raise your hands for Qunut after each Takbir, saying:

ٱللُّهُمَّ ٱهُلَ الْكِبُرِيَآءِ وَ الْعَظَيَةِ وَ ٱهْلَ الْجُوْدِ وَ الْجَبَرُوْتِ وَ اَهْلَ الْعَفُو وَ الرَّحْمَةِ وَ اَهْلَ التَّقُوٰى وَ الْمَغْفِرَةِ اَسْأَلْكَ بِحَتِّ هٰنَا الْيَوْمِ الَّذِي جَعَلْتَهُ لِلْمُسْلِمِيْنَ عِيْمًا وَلِمُحَمَّدِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَ اللهِ ذُخُرًا وَ شَرَفًا وَ مَزِيْدًا أَنُ تُصَلِّي عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَالِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَأَنْ تُدُخِلَنِيُ فِي كُلِّ خَيْرِ أَدْخَلْتَ فِيْهِ مُحَمَّدًا وَ ال مُحَمَّدِ وَ أَنْ تُخْرِجَنِيْ مِنْ كُلِّ سُوَّءٍ أَخْرَجْتَ مِنْهُ مُحَمَّدًا وَالَ مُحَمَّدِ صَلَوَ اتْكَ عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَيْهِمُ أَجْمَعِيْنَ اَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي اَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرَ مَا سَالَكَ مِنْهُ عِبَادُكَ الصَّالِحُونَ وَ آعُوْذُ بِكَ فِيُهِ مِمَّا اسْتَعَاذَ مِنْهُ عِبَادُكَ الصَّالِحُوْنَ ﴿ الْمُخْلِصُونَ ﴿

You may then say the Takbir statement for the sixth time, do the genuflection (ruku'), and prostrate yourself (sujud). When you stand up for the second unit, recite Surah al-





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Faatehah and Surah al-Shams (No. 91) and then say the Takbir statement four times only raising the hands for Qunut after each statement. After that, say the fifth Takbir statement and continue the prayer. After accomplishment of the prayer, say the famous Tasbih al-Zahra'(a.s.).

Narrations have mentioned many supplicatory prayers to be said after the 'Id Prayer; rather, the best of them may be the forty-sixth supplication of al-Sahifah al-Kamilah al-Sajjadiyyah

It is also recommended to offer the 'Id Prayer outdoors, directly on the ground without putting a carpet or any other thing under the feet, to return from a way other than the one taken in the coming, and to pray Almighty Allah for accepting the acts of one's brethren-in-faith.

Ninth: It is recommended to visit the holy tomb of Imam al-Husayn (a.s.).

Tenth: It is recommended to say the famous supplicatory prayer known as Dua al-Nudbah, which will be cited later on in this book. Sayyid Ibn Tawus has instructed, saying: After saying Dua al-Nudbah, prostrate yourself and say the following:

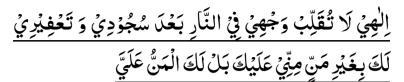
آعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنْ نَارٍ حَرُّهَا لَا يُطْفَى وَ جَدِيْدُهَا لَا يَبْلَى وَ عَطْشَانُهَا لَا يَبْلَى وَ عَطْشَانُهَا لَا يَرُولَى

You may then put your right cheek on the ground and say the following:





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You may then put your left cheek on the ground and say the following:

إِرْ حَمْ مَنْ أَسَاءَ وَاقْتَرَفَ وَاسْتَكَانَ وَاغْتَرَفَ.

You may then return to the (ordinary) prostration and say the following:

اِنْ كُنْتُ بِئْسَ الْعَبْدُ فَأَنْتَ نِعُمَ الرَّبُّ عَظْمَ الذَّنْبُ مِنُ عَبْدِكَ فَالْمَ الذَّنْبُ مِنُ عَبْدِكَ يَاكُرِيْمُ

You may then repeat the following word one hundred times:

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Sayyid Ibn Tawus then adds, "Do not spend this day with entertainment and negligence while you do not know whether your deeds have been accepted or rejected. Rather, if you hope for acceptance of your deeds, you must show thanks; and if you anticipate rejection, you must be intensely sad."



