

NAMAZ OF JAFAR E TAYYAR

Ja'far al-Tayyar's Prayer is as precious as gold, since it is the most magnificent recommended devotional rite. Altogether with its great merits the most important of which is that it erases major sins, this prayer has been reported through authenticated chain of authority. The best time of its performance is the first hours of daylight on Fridays. It consists of four units with two Tashahhuds (i.e. the part of prayers in which the two creeds of Islam are recited) and two Taslims. In the first unit, Surahs al-Faatehah and al-Zalzalah are recited, in the second, Surahs al-Faatehah and al-'Adiyat, in the third, Surahs al-Faatehah and al-Nasr, and in the fourth, Surahs al-Faatehah and al-Tawheed. In each unit, after the recitation of the Surahs and before the genuflection (ruku'), the following litany (Tasbihat) should be repeated fifteen times:

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَلَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ-

The same litany (Tasbihat) is repeated, yet ten times only, during the Ruku', after the Ruku' while standing erect, during the prostration (Sujud), after the first Sajdah, during the second Sajdah, and after the second Sajdah. The same thing is repeated in all of the four units of the prayer. Hence, the litany will have been repeated three hundred times.

Shaykh al-Kulayni has narrated that Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq(a.s.) said to Abu-Sa'id al-Mada'ini, "May I teach you something that you should recite in Ja'far al-Tayyar's Prayer?" As the man answered in the affirmative, the

Imam (a.s.) said: After you say the Tasbihat in the second Sajdah of the fourth unit, say the following litany:

سُبْحَانَ مَنْ لَيْسَ الْعِزُّ وَالْوَقَارُ سُبْحَانَ مَنْ تَعَطَّفَ
بِالْمَجْدِ وَتَكْرَّمَ بِهِ سُبْحَانَ مَنْ لَا يَنْبَغِي التَّسْبِيحُ إِلَّا
لَهُ سُبْحَانَ مَنْ أَحْضَى كُلَّ شَيْءٍ عِلْمُهُ سُبْحَانَ ذِي الْمَنِّ وَ
النِّعَمِ سُبْحَانَ ذِي الْقُدْرَةِ وَالْكَرَمِ اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ
بِمَعَاقِدِ الْعِزِّ مِنْ عَرْشِكَ وَ مُنْتَهَى الرَّحْمَةِ مِنْ كِتَابِكَ وَ
أَسْئَلُكَ الْأَعْظَمِ وَكَلِمَاتِكَ التَّامَّةِ الَّتِي تَمَّتْ صِدْقًا وَعَدْلًا
صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَ أَهْلِ بَيْتِهِ وَ افْعَلْ بِي كَذَا وَ كَذَا-

Then, you may mention your needs in the form of supplication.

Shaykh al-Tusi and Sayyid Ibn Tawus both narrated that al-Mufaddal ibn `Umar said that he heard Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq(a.s.) saying the following supplicatory prayer after accomplishing Ja'far al-Tayyar's Prayer:

«يَا رَبِّ يَا رَبِّ»

Say it as many times as possible in one breath.

«يَا رَبَّاهُ يَا رَبَّاهُ»

Say it as many times as possible in one breath.

«رَبِّ رَبِّ»

Say it as many times as possible in one breath.

«يَا اللَّهُ يَا اللَّهُ»

Say it as many times as possible in one breath.

«يَا حَيُّ يَا حَيُّ»

Say it as many times as possible in one breath.

«يَا رَحِيمُ يَا رَحِيمُ»

Say it as many times as possible in one breath.

«يَا رَحْمَنُ يَا رَحْمَنُ»

Repeat it seven times.

«يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ»

Repeat it seven times.

Then, say the following:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَفْتَحُ الْقَوْلَ بِحَمْدِكَ وَ أَنْطِقُ بِالثَّنَاءِ عَلَيْكَ وَ
أُمَجِّدُكَ وَ لَا غَايَةَ لِمَدْحِكَ وَ أَشْنِي عَلَيْكَ وَ مَنْ يَبْلُغُ غَايَةَ
ثَنَائِكَ وَ أَمَدَ مَجْدِكَ وَ أَنِي لِخَلِيقَتِكَ كُنُهُ مَعْرِفَةَ مَجْدِكَ

وَأَيَّ زَمَنٍ لَمْ تَكُنْ مَمْدُوحًا بِفَضْلِكَ مَوْصُوفًا بِمَجْدِكَ
 عَوَادًا عَلَى الْمُذْنِبِينَ بِحَبْلِكَ تَخَلَّفَ سُكَّانُ أَرْضِكَ عَنْ
 طَاعَتِكَ فَكُنْتُ عَلَيْهِمْ عَطُوفًا بِجُودِكَ جَوَادًا بِفَضْلِكَ
 عَوَادًا بِكَرَمِكَ يَا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ الْمَنَّانُ ذُو الْجَلَالِ وَ
 الْإِكْرَامِ-

Al-Mufaddal then added: Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq(a.s.) then said to me, "If you have a significant request and you want it to be granted, you may offer this prayer, say this supplication, and implore Almighty Allah to respond to you. If you do, it will be granted, Allah willing."

Shaykh al-Tusi has narrated that Imam al-Sadiq(a.s.) recommended the following supplicatory prayer for having one's requests granted:

Observe fasting on consecutive Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. At Thursday evening, give half bushel of food for ten poor people as alms. On Friday, wash yourself and go out to a wasteland and offer therein Ja'far al-Tayyar's Prayer sticking your knees to the ground after you uncover them. You may then say the following supplicatory prayer:

يَا مَنْ أَظْهَرَ الْجَمِيلَ وَ سَتَرَ [عَلَيَّ] الْقَبِيحَ يَا مَنْ لَمْ
 يُوَاخِذْ بِالْجَرِيرَةِ وَ لَمْ يَهْتِكِ السِّتْرَ يَا عَظِيمَ الْعَفْوِ يَا

حَسَنَ التَّجَاوُزِ يَا وَاسِعَ الْمَغْفِرَةِ يَا بَاسِطَ الْيَدَيْنِ
بِالرَّحْمَةِ يَا صَاحِبَ كُلِّ نَجْوَى وَ مُنْتَهَى كُلِّ شَكْوَى يَا
مُقِيلَ الْعَثَرَاتِ يَا كَرِيمَ الصَّفْحِ يَا عَظِيمَ الْمَنِّ يَا
مُبْتَدئًا بِالنِّعَمِ قَبْلَ اسْتِحْقَاقِهَا يَا رَبَّاهُ يَا رَبَّاهُ يَا رَبَّاهُ،

Repeat this statement ten times.

«يَا اللَّهُ يَا اللَّهُ يَا اللَّهُ»

Repeat it ten times, too.

«يَا سَيِّدَاهُ يَا سَيِّدَاهُ»

Repeat it ten times.

«يَا مَوْلَايَاهُ، يَا مَوْلَايَاهُ»

Repeat it ten times.

«يَا رَجَاءَهُ»

Repeat it ten times.

«يَا غِيَاثَهُ»

Repeat it ten times.

«يَا غَايَةَ رَعْبَتَاهُ»



Repeat it ten times.

«يَا رَحْمَنُ»

Repeat it ten times.

«يَا رَحِيمُ»

Repeat it ten times.

«يَا مُعْطَى الْخَيْرَاتِ»

Repeat it ten times.

«صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ كَثِيرًا طَيِّبًا كَأَفْضَلِ مَا
صَلَّيْتَ عَلَى أَحَدٍ مِنْ خَلْقِكَ»

You may then mention your requests.

Many narrations have mentioned emphatically fasting on these three days and then performance of a two-unit prayer at midday (zohr) on Friday so that one's requests are granted.

