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SHAB-E-BARAAT 15TH NIGHT OF SHA'BAAN

All praises are due to Allah the Creator of the entire universe, Endless Salutations be upon our Blessed Master Hazrat Muhammad (P.B.U.H) who is the greatest teacher of mankind.

Sha'baan is the 8th month of the Islamic calendar. The 15th night of this month is filled with divine mercy and great rewards.

HOLY QURAN

Allah Almighty states in (S:44:V:2) “ Undoubtedly we sent it (the book) down in a ***Blessed Night.***”

This blessed night according to the great commentators of the Holy Quraan is the 15th night of Sha'baan. Although there is the opinion “the blessed night” from this Ayah is Laylatul Qadr, we must know at the same time the 15th night of Sha'baan is undoubtedly confirmed by Rasoolullah (S.A.W).

I will cite a few commentaries in which the 15th night of Sha'baan is mentioned in. TAFSEER: Jalalain, Nasafi, Roohul Ma'aani, Al-Baghwi, Al-Baydhawi, Al-Kabeer, Abi As-Sa'ood, Al-Madeed, Al-Wajeez, At-Threer wat Tanweer, Al-Waseet, Al- Kashaaf, Ibn Abdus Salaam, etc.

NAMES OF THE 15TH NIGHT OF SHA'BAAN.

Laylatul Mubarakah. (Blessed Night)

Laylatut Takfeeruz Zunoob. (Night of wiping out sins)

Laylatush Shafa'ah. (Night of Intercession)

Laylatul Ghufraan (Night of Forgiveness)

Laylatul Bara ah (Night of Salvation). It is written for the believers protection from the fire of Jahannam.

Laylatul H ayaat. (Night of Life) because Nabi (S.A.W) Siad: whosoever makes Alive the nights of Eid and the night of 15th Sha'baan, his heart will not die on the day when the hearts die (due to love of the dunya).

(Tareekhul Munzari).

AHADEETH ABOUT THE VIRTUES OF 15TH SHA'BAAN & THE UNFORTUNATE ONES .

There are many Ahadeeth mentioning the specialties and virtues of the 15th Night of Sha'baan. Which is reported by none less than 13 companions of Nabi (S.A.W). Just a few names : Hazrat Mu'aaz bin Jabal, Abu Tha'labah Al-Khashni, Abdullah bin Amr, Abu Moosa Al Ash'ari, Abu Hurairah, Abu Bakr As-Siddiq, Auf bin Maalik, & Sayyidah Aisha (R.A)

Alhamdulillah both the Sunnis and Tablighi Muslims of South Africa commemorate and show importance to this great night, by seeking the blessings of Allah Almighty. These Ahadeeth Are Saheeh(sound) or Hassan (good). A point worth mentioning is that Allamah Albaani also mentions in his 'As-Silsilah As-Saheehah' collection of accurate ahadeeth (V:3/135 &218) about the benefits of the 15th night of Sha'baan.

Hazrat Muaaz (R.A) reported that Nabi (S.A.W) Said: “Allah looks upon His creation on the 15th of Sha’baan, Forgives all His creation except **Mushrik** (one who Associates Partners with Allah) & **A Spiteful Person**.

(Saheeh Ibn Habaan V.12/481) (Baihaqi V:3/378) (Tabraani Al Awsat 7/36)

Hazrat Uthmaan bin Abil Aas (R.A) reports that Nabi (S.A.W) Said: when it’s the 15th of Sha’baan, Allah calls out: is there anyone who seeks forgiveness so that I may forgive him? Is there anyone who is need of anything so that I may give him? And Allah gives each one what they ask for except **An Adulterer** or **A Mushrik** .

(Hadeeth Saheeh, Jaami’us Sagheer (1/76) Musaaawi ul Akhlaaq (1/496)

Hazrat Abu Tha’labah reports that Nabi (S.A.W) Said: when it’s the 15th of Sha’baan, Allah looks upon His creation on the 15th of Sha’baan, forgives the believers and leave the jealous people with their jealousy.

(At-Targheeb wat Tarheeb, Al-Jaami’us Sagheer, Tibraani , Baihaqi)

Hazrat Aisha (R.A) Mentions that Nabi (S.A.W) Said: Surely Allah descends to the lowest heaven on the 15th night of Sha’baan, and forgives more than the amount of hair on the cattle of Bani Kalb(This was a tribe that had a great quantity of cattle)

(Hadeeth Hassan, Al-Jaami’us Sagheer)

OUR IMAAMS AGREED THAT THE 15TH NIGHT OF SHA’BAAN HAS GREAT IMPORTANCE

Two of the four Imams spoke very clearly about this night. Imaam Shafa’ee (R.A) Says in his famous book : Dua is accepted on five nights : Thursday night, both eves of eid, first night of Rajab and the 15th night of Sha’baan.

Al Umm’(1/231)

Imam Tibraani mentions: Abdullah son of Imaam Ahmed bin Hambal heard his father narrating the hadith of the 15th night of Sha’baan

book of Dua (1/195)

Also great scholars of Hanafi & Maliki School are in the affirmative of this night. E.g. Ibn Nujaim Al Hanfi in

Al-Bahrur Raaiq(2/56)

& Ibnul Haaj Al Maaliki in His book

Al-Madkhal (1/299) and also in Mawahibul Jaleel(2/74)

PROOF FOR VISITING THE CEMETARY ON THE 15TH NIGHT OF SHA’BAAN

Hazrat Aisha (R.A) Mentions that on the 15th night of Sha’baan, Rasoolullah (S.A.W) was at her place. She says during the night I did not find Nabi (S.A.W) I went to find him and he was at Al Bagee (cemetery of Madinah) with His head towards the sky...

(Ibn Abi Shaiba (6/108) Musnad Imam Ahmed(6/238), Ad-Daru Qutni)

WHY FAST ON THE 13TH ,14TH , 15TH OF SHA’BAAN & ITS WISDOM.

It has been narrated from Imaam Ali (R.A) that Nabi (S.A.W) said: when the 15th night of Sha’baan comes, then spend it in Ibadat (worship) and the day in fasting, because from the time of sunset on this auspicious night Allah Almighty descends to the lowest heaven and proclaims: “ Is there anyone who seeks forgiveness so that I may forgive him? Is there anyone who wants me to give him rizq(sustenance)? Is there anyone in need of a cure to an illness, so that I may bestow upon them good health? And this Announcement will continue until dawn the next day.

(Ibn Majah & Baihaqi)

Hazrat Abu Zarr (R.A) Said that Nabi (S.A.W) Said: “ If you want to observe *Saum* (Fast) on three days in a month, then fast on the 13th, 14th, &15th.(Tirmizi) note that this hadith also includes the month of Sha’baan.

Hazrat Usamah bin Zaid (R.A) Said: I did not see You Oh Messenger Of Allah, fasting in any other month as you do in Sha’baan. Rasoolullah (S.A.W) Replied: “ This is such a month, that people are unmindful of it, it’s between Rajjab & Ramadaan. It is a month in which deeds are presented to Allah and I Wish My Deeds Be Presented to Allah WHILST I AM FASTING

(Musnad Imaam Ahmad 5/201)

MAY ALLAH ALMIGHTY GUIDE OUR HEARTS TO HIS WORSHIP ON THIS NIGHT AND MAKE US LIVE AS PRACTICING MUSLIMS. AMEEN!!! {06-08-2009- No:21}