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It is recommended to offer a prayer of fourteen units and to recite Surah al-Faatehah once, Ayah al-Kursi once, and Surah al-Tawheed three times at each unit. The reward of offering each unit of this prayer is as same as the reward of forty-year worship as well as the reward of .each and every one who has observed fasting and offered prayers in this month

Tenth In Misbah al-Mutahajjid, Shaykh al-Tusi says At the last hour of this night, you may .bathe yourself and sit in your prayer-place until dawn

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The devotional acts on the 'Id al-Fitr Day, the first of Shawwal, are as follows

First It is recommended to say the supplicatory prayer that has been mentioned within the acts of the 'Id al-Fitr Night to be said after the obligatory prayers and that begins with .(AllahuakbarAllahu akbar) after the Fajr Prayer and after the 'Id al-Fitr Prayer

Second It is recommended to say, after the Fajr Prayer, the supplicatory prayer, which begins with the following statement

اللّٰهُمَّ انِّي تَوَجّهُ إِلَيْكَ بِمُحَمَّدٍ أَمَّا مِنْ

This supplicatory prayer has been mentioned by Sayyid Ibn Tawus. However, Shaykh al-Tusi .(has mentioned that this prayer is said after the 'Id al-Fitr Prayer (Salat al-'Id

Third It is obligatory to defray Zakat al-Fitr as a single sa' (a measure) for each person before the time of the 'Id al-Fitr Prayer with details shown in books of Muslim jurisprudence. It is worth mentioning that Zakat al-Fitr is one of the confirmed obligations, since the acceptance of one's fasting is dependent upon the defrayment of this alms. It is also security

against death up to the next year. In the following verses of the Holy Qur'an, Almighty Allah has mentioned Zakat before the prayers

He indeed shall be successful who pays Zakat, magnifies the name of his Lord, and prays."

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Fourth It is recommended to bathe oneself on this day. It is more preferable to bathe oneself in a river, if possible. In the word of Shaykh al-Tusi, the time of bathing is the period between dawn and the 'Id al-Fitr Prayer. According to a Hadith, when you want to bathe yourself (in a river), try to be under shadow or under a wall. When you intend to begin the bathing, you may say the following

اللَّهُمَّ إِيمَانًا بِكَ وَ تَصْدِيقًا بِكِتَابِكَ وَ اتِّبَاعَ سُنَّةِ نَبِيِّكَ مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَ آلِهِ

. You may then mention the Name of Almighty Allah and bathe yourself

After accomplishment, you may say the following

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْهُ كَفَارَةً لِذُنُوبِي وَ طَهُرْ دِينِي اللَّهُمَّ اذْهِبْ عَنِي الدَّنَسَ .

Fifth It is recommended to put on the best clothes, apply perfumes, and offer the prayer in an open place, other than Holy Makkah

Sixth It is recommended to eat something, as a breaking of the fast, before the 'Id al-Fitr Prayer. It is preferable to break the fast with some dates or a piece of candy. Shaykh al-Mufid has mentioned that it is advisable to swallow a piece of the soil of Imam al-Husayn's tomb, for .it is remedy for all illnesses

Seventh It is recommended not to leave one's house for joining the congregational 'Id al-Fitr Prayer before sunrise. It is also recommended to say the supplicatory prayers that have been mentioned by Sayyid Ibn Tawus in Iqbal al-A'mal. Among these supplicatory prayers is the one

that Abu-Hamzah al-Thumali has reported Imam Muhammad al-Baqir (a.s.) as saying Whey you ready yourself for joining the congregational Friday Prayers and the 'Id Prayers, you may say the following supplicatory prayer

اللَّهُمَّ مَنْ تَهْيَّا فِي هَذَا الْيَوْمِ أَوْ تَعْبَأْ أَوْ أَعْدَّ وَ اسْتَعْدَدْ لِوْفَادَةِ إِلَى مَخْلُوقِ رَجَاءِ رِفْدِهِ وَ نَوَافِلِهِ وَ فَوَاضِلِهِ وَ عَطَايَاهُ فَإِنَّ إِلَيْكَ يَا سَيِّدِي تَهْيَّتِي وَ تَعْبَتِي وَ اعْدَادِي وَ اسْتِعْدَادِي رَجَاءِ رِفْدِكَ وَ جَوَائِرِكَ وَ نَوَافِلِكَ وَ فَوَاضِلِكَ وَ فَضَائِلِكَ وَ عَطَايَاكَ وَ قَدْ عَدَوْتُ إِلَى عِيدٍ مِنْ أَعْيَادِ أُمَّةِ نَبِيِّكَ مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَوَاتُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَ عَلَى آلِهِ وَ لَمْ أَفْدُ إِلَيْكَ الْيَوْمَ بِعَمَلٍ صَالِحٍ أَتُقْبِلُ بِهِ قَدْمَتُهُ وَ لَا تَوَجَّهْتُ بِمَخْلُوقٍ أَمْلَتُهُ وَ لَكِنْ أَتَيْتُكَ حَاضِرًا بِذُنُوبِي وَ اسْأَءَتِي إِلَى نَفْسِي فَيَا عَظِيمُ يَا عَظِيمُ يَا عَظِيمُ اغْفِرْ لِي الْعَظِيمَ مِنْ ذُنُوبِي فَإِنَّهُ لَا يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ الْعِظَامَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ يَا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ.

EID PRAYER

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

اللَّهُمَّ [إِنْتَ أَهْلُ] أَهْلَ الْكِبْرِيَاءِ وَ الْعَظَمَةِ وَ أَهْلَ الْجُودِ وَ الْجَبَرُوتِ وَ أَهْلَ الْعَفْوِ وَ الرَّحْمَةِ وَ أَهْلَ التَّقْوَى وَ الْمَغْفِرَةِ أَسْأَلُكَ بِحَقِّ هَذَا الْيَوْمِ الَّذِي جَعَلْتَهُ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ عِيدًا وَ لِمُحَمَّدٍ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ ذُخْرًا وَ شَرْفًا وَ مَزِيدًا أَنْ تُصَلِّيَ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَ أَنْ تُذْخِلَنِي فِي كُلِّ خَيْرٍ أَدْخَلْتَ فِيهِ مُحَمَّدًا وَآلَ مُحَمَّدٍ وَ أَنْ تُخْرِجَنِي مِنْ كُلِّ سُوءٍ أَخْرَجْتَ مِنْهُ مُحَمَّدًا وَآلَ مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَوَاتُكَ عَلَيْهِ وَ عَلَيْهِمْ أَجْمَعِينَ اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرَ مَا سَأَلَكَ مِنْهُ عِبَادُكَ الصَّالِحُونَ وَ أَعُوذُ بِكَ فِيهِ مِمَّا اسْتَعَاذَ مِنْهُ عِبَادُكَ الصَّالِحُونَ 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-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

أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ نَارِ حَرْثَهَا لَا يُطْفَى وَ جَدِيدُهَا لَا يَبْلِى وَ عَطْشَانُهَا لَا يَرْوَى

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

إِلَهِي لَا تُقَلِّبْ وَجْهِي فِي النَّارِ بَعْدَ سُجُودِي وَ تَعْفِيرِي لَكَ بِغَيْرِ مَنْ مِنِّي عَلَيْكَ بَلْ لَكَ الْمَنْ عَلَيَّ

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

أَرْحَمْ مَنْ أَسَاءَ وَ اقْتَرَفَ وَ اسْتَكَانَ وَ اعْتَرَفَ.

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

إِنْ كُنْتُ بِئْسَ الْعَبْدُ فَإِنَّ رَبَّنِي عَظِيمٌ الْذَّنْبُ مِنْ عَبْدِكَ فَلِيَحْسُنِي الْعَفْوُ مِنْ عِنْدِكَ يَا
كَرِيمُ

You may then repeat the following word one hundred times

الْعَفْوُ الْعَفْوُ

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

THE TWENTY-FIFTH OF SHAWWAL

According to some narrations, Imam Ja'far ibn Muhammad al-Sadiq(a.s.) departed life on the twenty fifth of Shawwal, AH 148. However, other historians have decided that he departed life on the fifteenth of Rajab. The reason of his death was that he was offered poisoned grapes. It has been also narrated that at his last hours, he (a.s.) gathered all his relatives and said to them, "Our Intercession (shafa'ah) shall not be won by him who belittles his prayers and who ".does not care for them

Source: Mafatih al-Jinan (Keys to Heavens), Sheikh Abbas Al-Qummi