

## A Covenant with Allah

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ -

اللَّهُمَّ فَاطِرَ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ، عَالِمَ الْغَيْبِ وَالشَّهَادَةِ، إِنِّي أَعْهَدُ إِلَيْكَ بِأَنِّي أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ وَحَدَّكَ  
لَا شَرِيكَ لَكَ وَأَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُكَ وَرَسُولُكَ وَأَنَّكَ إِن تَكَلَّمْتَنِي إِلَى نَفْسِي تُقَرِّبْنِي مِنَ الشَّرِّ وَتُبَاعِدْنِي مِنَ الْخَيْرِ  
وَإِنِّي لَا أَثِقُ إِلَّا بِرَحْمَتِكَ فَجْعَلْ لِي عِنْدَكَ عَهْدًا تُوفِّيهِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ إِنَّكَ لَا تُخْلِفُ الْمِيعَادَ.

*O' Allah! the Creator of the Heavens and the earth. The Knower of the manifest and the hidden. I make a covenant with You, and I testify that there is no god besides You; You are the One and the only; You have no partner, and Muhammad (pbuh&p) is Your servant and messenger. If You relegate me to my Nafs, then it will make me inclined towards the evil and make me disinclined towards the good. I trust Your Mercy, so You safekeep this covenant, and on the Day of Judgment protect me because of it. Verily, You fulfil your promises.*

HADITH. Ibne Masood RA reported that one day Prophet pbuh&p asked his companions if it would be hard for them to make a covenant with Allah morning and evening. Then he recited the above.

According to the hadith when a person makes this covenant, it is sealed and saved in the heavens. On the Day of Judgment a voice will call, "Where are those who made the covenant with Allah." Then they will be escorted to the paradise.

Ref. Tafseer Noorul Saqlain. Reported by Ibne Masood in Jawame Jamai.

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