

## The Third Day of Shaban

- Fast
- Recite the following duas

This is an auspicious day, and according to Shaykh Tusi, Imam al-Husayn ibn Ali (as) was born on this day. In a message sent by the Imam of the Era (as) to Qasim b. 'Ala' Hamdani, a representative of the Imam Hasan al-'Askari (as), it was stated: "Our master al-Husayn (as) was born on Thursday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> of Sha'ban. Therefore, fast on that day and recite this supplication:'

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ بِحَقِّ الْمَوْلُودِ فِي هَذَا الْيَوْمِ الْمَوْعُودِ بِشَهَادَتِهِ قَبْلَ اسْتِهْلَالِهِ  
وَوِلَادَتِهِ، بَكَتُهُ السَّمَاءُ وَمَنْ فِيهَا، وَالْأَرْضُ وَمَنْ عَلَيْهَا، وَلَمَّا يَطَأُ لَابَتَيْهَا قَتِيلِ  
الْعَبْرَةِ، وَسَيِّدِ الْأُسْرَةِ، الْمَمْدُودِ بِالنُّصْرَةِ يَوْمَ الْكُرَّةِ، الْمَعْوُضِ مِنْ قَتْلِهِ أَنَّ الْأَيِّمَةَ  
مِنْ نَسْلِهِ، وَالشِّفَاءِ فِي تُرْبَتِهِ، وَالْفَوْزِ مَعَهُ فِي أُوبَتِهِ، وَالْأَوْصِيَاءِ مِنْ عِثْرَتِهِ بَعْدَ  
قَائِمِهِمْ وَغَيْبَتِهِ، حَتَّى يُدْرِكُوا الْأُوتَارَ، وَيَثَارُوا الثَّارَ، وَيُرْضُوا الْجَبَّارَ، وَيَكُونُوا  
خَيْرَ أَنْصَارٍ، صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ مَعَ اخْتِلَافِ اللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ

O God, I ask You by the right of him who was born on this day, to whom martyrdom was promised before he appeared and was born, for whom the heavens and its denizens wept and so did the earth its denizens before he had even trodden its stony grounds, He is the slain one for whom the tears flow, the head of the family who will be aided on the Day of the Return. His restitution for having been slain is that the Imams are from his descent, healing lies in the dust of his shrine, and triumph will accompany him and the legatees of his, line at his return, after their ea'im and his occultation, until they avenge the blood of the martyrs, pleasing God, and being the best of helpers. May Allah's blessings be upon them as long as night and day follow one another.

اللَّهُمَّ فَبِحَقِّهِمْ إِلَيْكَ أَتَوَسَّلُ وَأَسْأَلُ سُؤَالَ مُقْتَرِفٍ مُعْتَرِفٍ مُسِيءٍ إِلَى نَفْسِهِ  
مِمَّا فَرَّطَ فِي يَوْمِهِ وَأَمْسِهِ، يَسْأَلُكَ الْعِصْمَةَ إِلَى مَحَلِّ رَمْسِهِ؛ اللَّهُمَّ فَصَلِّ عَلَى  
مُحَمَّدٍ وَعِثْرَتِهِ، وَاحْشُرْنَا فِي زُمْرَتِهِ، وَبَوِّئْنَا مَعَهُ دَارَ الْكِرَامَةِ، وَمَحَلَّ الْإِقَامَةِ.

O Allah, by their right with you, I seek recourse to you, beseeching You as someone who admits his guilt and the wrong he has done himself through negligence, day after day, to grant me protection until I reach my grave.

O Allah, send salutations upon Muhammad and his descendants and gather us at resurrection in his fold and settle us with him in the abode of dignity and permanence.

اللَّهُمَّ وَكَمَا أَكْرَمْتَنَا بِمَعْرِفَتِهِ فَأَكْرَمْنَا بِرُفَّتِهِ، وَأَرْزُقْنَا مُرَافَقَتَهُ وَسَابِقَتَهُ، وَاجْعَلْنَا  
مِمَّنْ يُسَلِّمُ لِأَمْرِهِ، وَيُكَثِّرُ الصَّلَاةَ عَلَيْهِ عِنْدَ ذِكْرِهِ، وَعَلَى جَمِيعِ أَوْصِيَاءِهِ وَأَهْلِ  
أَصْفِيَاءِهِ، الْمَمْدُودِينَ مِنْكَ بِالْعَدَدِ الْاِثْنَى عَشَرَ، النُّجُومِ الزُّهْرِي، وَالْحُجَجِ عَلَى  
جَمِيعِ الْبَشَرِ

O Allah, just as you honored us with our knowledge of him, honor us also with nearness to him, grant us his companionship and precedence. Appoint us to among those who submit to his command, invoke much blessings on him when he is mentioned, as well as on all his successors and his elect, made by you twelve in number, the bright stars and your testaments to all mankind.

اللَّهُمَّ وَهَبْ لَنَا فِي هَذَا الْيَوْمِ خَيْرَ مَوْهَبَةٍ، وَأَنْجِحْ لَنَا فِيهِ كُلَّ طَلِبَةٍ، كَمَا وَهَبْتَ  
الْحُسَيْنَ لِمُحَمَّدٍ جَدِّهِ، وَعَادَ فُطْرُسُ بِمَهْدِهِ، فَنَحْنُ عَائِدُونَ بِقَبْرِهِ مِنْ بَعْدِهِ  
نَشْهَدُ تَرْبَتَهُ وَنَنْتَظِرُ أَوْبَتَهُ، آمِينَ رَبَّ الْعَالَمِينَ

O Allah, confer on us the best of gifts today, and grant us success in whatever we seek, just as you gave Husayn to Muhammad, his grandfather. The Angel Futrus sought refuge by Husayn's cradle, and we seek shelter by his tomb. Being present at his graveside, we await his return. Amen, O Lord of all the worlds."

## Dua of Imam Husayn (as)

Then recite the Supplication of Imam al-Husayn (as), which is his last supplication, made when surrounded by the hordes of enemies on the Day of Ashura.

اللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ مُتَعَالَى الْمَكَانِ، عَظِيمُ الْجَبْرُوتِ، شَدِيدُ الْمِحَالِ غَنِيٌّ عَنِ الْخَلَائِقِ  
عَرِيضُ الْكِبْرِيَاءِ، قَادِرٌ عَلَى مَا تَشَاءُ، قَرِيبُ الرَّحْمَةِ، صَادِقُ الْوَعْدِ سَابِعُ  
النُّعْمَةِ، حَسَنُ الْبَلَاءِ، قَرِيبٌ إِذَا دُعِيتَ، مُحِيطٌ بِمَا خَلَقْتَ، قَابِلُ التَّوْبَةِ لِمَنْ  
تَابَ إِلَيْكَ، قَادِرٌ عَلَى مَا أَرَدْتَ، وَمُدْرِكٌ مَا طَلَبْتَ، وَشَكُورٌ إِذَا شُكِرْتَ وَذَكُورٌ  
إِذَا ذُكِرْتَ، أَدْعُوكَ مُحْتَاجًا، وَأَرْغَبُ إِلَيْكَ فَقِيرًا، وَأَفْزَعُ إِلَيْكَ خَائِفًا وَأَبْكَى إِلَيْكَ  
مَكْرُوبًا، وَأَسْتَعِينُ بِكَ ضَعِيفًا، وَأَتَوَكَّلُ عَلَيْكَ كَافِيًا، احْكُمْ بَيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَ قَوْمِنَا

بِالْحَقِّ ، فَإِنَّهُمْ غَرُّونا وَخَدَعُونَا وَخَذَلُونَا وَغَدَرُوا بِنَا وَقَتَلُونَا، وَنَحْنُ عِثْرَةُ نَبِيِّكَ  
وَوَلَدُ حَبِيبِكَ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ الَّذِي اصْطَفَيْتَهُ بِالرِّسَالَةِ وَائْتَمَنْتَهُ عَلَيَّ  
وَخِيكَ، فَاجْعَلْ لَنَا مِنْ أَمْرِنَا فَرَجاً وَمَخْرَجاً بِرَحْمَتِكَ يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ.

O Allah, exalted is Your station, supreme is Your power, and stupendous Your might! You have no need of the creatures, Your supremacy is all-embracing, and , You have the power to do whatever You wish. Your mercy is near, Your promise is true, Your blessings are plenteous, and Your tests are fair.

You are near when called, and You encompass all that You have created, You accept the repentance of those who turn to You penitently. You are able to carry out whatever You will and achieve whatever You want. You appreciate when thanked and remember those who remember You! I call You in the hour of my need and beseech You in the moment of my destitution! I seek shelter in You in my fear and bewail before You in my distress! I turn to Your help in my weakness and put my trust in You as being sufficient for me. Judge between us and our people (with justice), for indeed they have dealt with us deceitfully and treacherously, forsaken us and betrayed us, and spilled our blood though we are the kindred of Your Prophet and the Progeny of Your beloved, Muhammad ibn Abdillah, whom You chose for You're apostleship and trusted with Your revelation. So appoint us relief and release in our affair, with Your mercy, O Most Merciful of the merciful!

Ibn 'Ayyash says, "I heard from al-Husayn b Ali b Sufyan Bazaufari that Imam Ja'far al Sadiq (as) used to recite this supplication on this day he would remark that it is one of the duas of the 3rd day of Sha'ban, the birthday of al-Husayn (as)""