

Dua for Istisqa (Seeking Rain)

1. *Hadh'rat Ayesha RadhiAllahu Anha* narrated that people complained of draught to Allah's Messenger *SallAllahu Alaihi Wasallam*, upon which, He *SallAllahu Alaihi Wasallam* ordered them to install a pulpit in the masjid, and appointed a day for this purpose. People gathered at the sunrise at the venue. Allah's Messenger *SallAllahu Alaihi Wasallam* ascended the pulpit, praised Allah and glorified Him. He *SallAllahu Alaihi Wasallam* then recited this Dua (supplication):

«الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ مَلِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ، لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، يَفْعَلُ مَا يُرِيدُ،
اللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ اللَّهُ، لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ، أَنْتَ الْغَنِيُّ وَنَحْنُ الْفُقَرَاءُ، أَنْزِلْ عَلَيْنَا الْغَيْثَ، وَاجْعَلْ مَا
أَنْزَلْتَ لَنَا قُوَّةً وَبَلَاغًا إِلَى حِينٍ» (أبو داود)

Alhamdu lillahe rabbil aalameen, Ar-Rahma nir Raheem, Maleki yaumid deen, la ilaha illallahu, yaf'alo ma yureedo, Allahumma Ant-Allahu la ilaha illah Anta, Antal Ghaniyyu wa nahnul fuqara'ao, Anzil alainal ghaisa, waj'al ma anzalta lana quwwata wa balaghan ila heen.

Translation: *All praise is due to Allah, the Lord of the Universe, the Compassionate, the Merciful, the Master of the Day of Judgment. There is no god but Allah Who does what He wishes. O Allah, You are Allah, there is no deity but You, the Rich, while we are the poor. Send down the rain upon us and make what You send down a strength and satisfaction for a time.* (Abdu Dawood)

2. *Hadh'rat Ayesha RadhiAllahu Anha* narrated that whenever Allah's Messenger *SallAllahu Alaihi Wasallam* saw rain pouring down, he *SallAllahu Alaihi Wasallam* would recite this Du'a (Supplication):

«اللَّهُمَّ صَيِّبًا نَافِعًا» (البخاري)

“Allahumma sayyeban nafe'aa”.

Translation: *'O Allah, may it be a beneficial rain cloud.* (Bukhari)

3. Amr bin Shu'aib narrated on his father's authority, quoted his grandfather as saying when the Messenger of Allah (*SallAllahu Alaihi Wasallam*) prayed for rain, he said

«اللَّهُمَّ اسْقِ عِبَادَكَ، وَبَهَائِمَكَ، وَأَنْشُرْ رَحْمَتَكَ، وَأَخِي بَلَدَكَ أَلْمِيَّتَ» (أبو داود)

Allahummasqi ibadaka wa baha'emaka, wanshur rahmataka, wa ah'iee baladaka mayyita.

Translation: 'O Allah, provide water for Your servants and Your cattle, spread out Your mercy and resurrect Your dead land.' (Abu Dawood)

4. *Hadhrat Jabir RadhiAllahu Anhu* narrated: The people came to the Prophet (*SallAllahu Alaihi Wasallam*) weeping (due to drought). He said (making supplication):

«اللَّهُمَّ اسْقِنَا غَيْثًا مُغِيثًا، مَرِيئًا مَرِيئًا، نَافِعًا غَيْرَ ضَارٍّ، عَاجِلًا غَيْرَ آجِلٍ» (أبو داود)

Allahummasqena ghaisan mugheesan mari'an mari'an, nafe'an ghaira dharrin, aajelan ghaira aajil.

Translation: O Allah, send upon us helpful, wholesome and healthy rain, beneficial not harmful rain, now, not later. (Abu Dawood)

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