Dua Alqamah

Dua to be recited after the recitation of Ziarat Ashura

Alqamah said that Imam Baqir (asws) had told him, "If you can perform the ziyarat of the Imam Hussain (asws) through this ziyarat from your home, you will gain all these rewards."

Also Muhammad ibn Khalid al-Tayalisi has related from Sayf ibn `Umayrah who said, "Once I set out together with Safwan ibn Mihran and a group of our companions towards Najaf to make ziarat to the shrine of Imam Ali (asws) after Imam Sadiq (asws) had set out from Hirah (a city near Kufah) to Medina. When we got through with it, Safwan turned his face towards the direction of Imam Hussain (asws)’s shrine and said, ‘Let us perform ziyarat of Imam Hussain (asws) from this place, near Imam Ali (asws)’s head, while facing that direction, Imam Sadiq (asws) saluted Imam Hussain (asws) like this when I was accompanying him.’"

Then Sayf added. “After that Safwan recited the very same ziyarat that Muhammad ibn `Alqamah al-Hadrami had related from Imam Baqir (asws) to be recited on the Day of Ashura. Then he said two rak`ats of prayer near the head side of the holy grave of Imam Ali (asws), Ameerul Momineen. After getting through with that prayer he bid farewell to Imam Ali (asws) and turned towards the holy grave of Imam Hussain (asws) and bid salutation to Him. After performing the ziyarat the Imam (asws) bid farewell to Imam Hussain (asws); the following is among the du`as he recited after saying prayer:"

O Allah! O Allah! O Allah! O He who gives answer to the cries of the persecuted! O He who pulls out the griefstricken from agony and anguish! O He who comes to help those who shed tears in helplessness!

O He who brings relief to those who cry for help! O He who is close by, nearer than my jugular vein!
O He who makes peace between heart and mind; O He whom people search in the highest and noblest perspectives!

O He who is Beneficent and Merciful in His authority! O He who knows what the furtive eyes betrays and what the secretive hearts conceal!

O He whom none can deceive even in secret! O He whom intermingled voices of the supplicants does not stop Him from answering each one individually!

O He whom is not put into confusion by the infinite number of needs, attending to each one individually! O He whom is not upset by the clamorous and determined pleading of petitioners!

O He who reaches and takes hold of everything that tries to escape! O He who keeps everything together in harmony! O He who examines the souls when they present themselves before Him after death!

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O He who, each day, has a distinct glory! O Fulfiller of needs! O He who gives comfort and respite in distress! O He who satisfies those who solicit His favours!

O He who stands by and looks after those who humbly and fervently call on Him! O He who effectively supports those who make sincere efforts!

I beseech Thee for the sake of Muhammad (saw), the Seal of all Prophets, and Ali (asws), Ameerul Momineen, for the sake of Fatima (sa), the daughter of Your Prophet, for the sake of Hasan (asws) and Hussain (asws).

I direct myself towards You, through Them in this state and through Them I ask for a hearing and through Their intercession I put forward my case,

For Their sake I make a request to You; and I promise to have a life that is in accordance with Your commands, I will carry out my pledge by every means, and with Your love for Them and Their status with You
and Their supremacy over all others throughout the worlds, and through Your name that You entrusted to Them, and through this You preferred Them over everything throughout all the worlds,

and through this You showed Their status above the rest of the world, and Their perfection and Their supremacy in knowledge over all of the inhabitants of the worlds, developed to perfection their surpassing excellence in knowledge, learning and deeds;

I ask You to send blessings on Muhammad (saw) and on the Progeny of Muhammad (asws); an( look into the causes of my sorrows, anxieties, burdens, and do away with them,

let me be fully aware when dealing with my important affairs and efforts, and carry out and fulfil my obligations,

set me free from the clutches of poverty and from the pangs of hunger, let me have enough to live upon, free from the need of having to turn to others,
let me be an adequate match for him who creates trouble for me, and foil the plan of he whom I fear will trouble me, let him who I fear will annoy me come to grief,

and expose the one who wishes to slander me, and defeat the plot of the one who plots against me, and act against the one who wishes to treat me unjustly,

and take me into Your protection to keep me safe from the one who wishes to manipulate me, and exercise Your supreme authority on the one who wishes to rule over me, and outsmart the one who wishes to deceive me,

And deal with the one who wishes to oppress me; keep away from me the deceit of the vindictive and the mischief makers.

O Allah put an end to the intentions of him who desires to destroy me, and outwit the one who plans against me,
let everything he does go to waste and be incomplete, until he becomes completely occupied and has no time to remember me.

Grant enough to me, O He who satisfies for there is none other than You who suffices, indeed You alone satisfies, there is none other than You who is able to satisfy. It is You who dispels the clouds of sorrows, no one else, except You can dispel the sorrows from the grief stricken.

None but You comes to the aid of those who call for help. You are always near to avert the danger.

He is at a loss who relies on others instead of You; he is at a loss who looks for a supporter other than You; he is at a loss who cries for help from one other than You;

He is at a loss who takes refuge in a place instead of with You; and tries to bring himself to a place of safety through the help of created beings, excluding You, the Creator.
You are my trust, my hope, my retreat, my refuge, and my security;

Therefore I call for Your help, and Your support to carry out my affairs, through Muhammad (saw) and the Progeny of Muhammad (asws) I present myself before You and ask for Their intercession

So I implore You, O Allah, O Allah, O Allah, for You alone belongs all praise and all thankfulness, You alone are the one who listens to complaints and You alone are called upon for help.

So I implore Thee, O Allah, O Allah, O Allah, in the name of Muhammad (saw) and the Progeny of Muhammad (asws), to send blessings on Muhammad (saw) and the Progeny of Muhammad (asws),

and dispel the sorrow, anxieties, and problems in my present state

just as You made Your Prophet free of His sorrows, anxieties and burdens, and saved Him from the terror of His enemies,
the way You made Him to do so, then let me also do the same, free me just as You freed Him, let me be free from worry the way You freed Him of worry, let me have abundance just as You gave Him abundantly.

Dispel the terror that frightens me, dispel the troubles that burden me,

\[ \text{vāṣũf} \text{ 'anne haula maa akhaafu haulahoo va ma-unata maa akhaafu mauntahoo} \]

dispel the anxieties that worry me and free me from their effects.

\[ \text{vāṣũfnee biqaza-ahwaalee va kifaaati maa ahammanee hammuhoo min amri aakhiratee va dunyaya} \]

Make me use whatever means I have at my disposal to carry out my affairs, and make me not be anxious about my affairs in this world or the hereafter.

\[ \text{yā Ameerul-Mumineena va yā Abaa ' Abdillaahi 'alayka mine salaamul laahi abadan maa baqeeetu va baqiyyallaylu vannahaaru} \]

O Ameerul Momineen (asws)! O Abaa Abdullah (asws)! For the rest of my days and nights and for eternity I ask Allah to send His blessings upon You.

\[ \text{va la i'a'lahulfaahu askhiral 'ahdi min ziyaratikumma va laa farraqallahu bainee va baina-kumaa.} \]

May Allah not make this ziarat of You to be my last ziarat. ), and may Allah not separate me and You from one another.
O Allah let me live my life like that of Muhammad (saw) and His Descendants (asws), and let me leave this world the way They left this world, and let me die having belief in Them;

وَاحْكُمْنِي فِي رَزْقِهِمْ وَلاَفْقَرَّ قَبْيِبي وَبَيْنِهِمْ طَرْقَةً عَنْ أَبْدَالِ الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةَ

vahshurnee feeqzumratihim va laa tufarriq baiene va bainahum tafata aayin abadan fiddunyaa val aakhirati

and raise me along with those on Their side, and do not separate me from Them, even for the blink of an eye, in this world or in the hereafter.

يَا أَمِيرُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَيَا أَبَا بَعْضِكُمَّ مَآ أَنتُمْ كَارِزُونَ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَرَابِبُكُمَا

yaa Ameerul mu-mineen va yaaAbaa ’Abdillaahi ataytukumaa zaa-iran va mutavasilaan ilallaaahi rabbee va rabbikuma

O Ameerul Momineen (asws)! And O Aba Abdullah (asws)! I come nearer to You both to establish close relationship, and thereby seek nearness to Allah, my Lord and Your Lord,

وَمُتَوَجِّهُ إِلَيْهِ كَمَا وَمُسْتَشْفَعَ إِلَيْهِ (يَكُمَا) إِلَى اللَّهِ (تَعَالَى) فِي حَاجَتِي هَذِهِ

va mutavajjihaan ilayi bikumaa mustashfi’an bikumaa il’allaahi ta’aala fee haiatee hazihee

through You I direct myself towards Him, and I request You to intercede for me on my behalf before Allah.

فَأْشَفْلِي فَإِنَّ لَكُمَا عَنْدَ اللَّهِ الْمَقامُ الْمَحْمُودُ دُولَ النَّجَاةِ الطَّيِّبَةِ الْمَنْتَزِرُ، الْرَّفِيْعَةُ الْوُسْبِلَةُ

fa-ishfa’a fa inna fakumma ‘indallaa-hilmaqaamal mahmooda val iiahal vaiieeha val manzilarr-afee’a valvaseelata

So please speak well of me because with Allah Your thoughtful judgement has an elevated status, Your disposition enjoys conclusive preference, Your actions are always in accordance with the commands of Allah, and You are the waseela (intercessor) to gain His favour.
Indeed I looked everywhere but I could find none except You to assist me in fulfilling my wishes and safety from Allah through Your intercession for this. Let me not turn away from the truth so that I may be at a loss;

but let me turn towards You so that I may be successful and direct me towards Your orders in all matters;

and direct me to bring myself over to that which Allah wills and commands, there is no power and no might save Allah.

I commit my case to Allah, anything neglected or taking place behind my back shall be taken care of by Allah, I entrust Allah with the management of my affairs,

and say: Allah is sufficient and enough, Allah pays attention to whoso makes a request to Him, there is nothing for me in that which is in opposition of Allah, and You, O my Masters
ultimately that which my Lord wills, takes place, and that which He wills not, happens not. There is no power and no might save in Allah.

أَسْتَوْدِعُكَمَا اللَّهَ وَلَا جَعَلَهُ اللهُ أَحَدَ الْعَفَّاتِ حَيَاةً إِلَيْكُمَا

astaudi’ukumallaaha va laa ja’alahullaahu aakhirat ’ahdi minnee ilaykummaa

Unto You both I have come with love and affection, motivated under Divine guidance. May Allah not make this ziarat my last ziarat of You both.

انْصَرَفْتُ يَا سَيِّدِي يَا أُمِّي الرَّفْعِينَ وَمَوَلَّي أَنتَ (أَنْبِيَّ) يَا بَأْسَانِي يَلَيْدَي

insaraftu yaa sayyidee yaa Ameeralmu-mineena va maulaaya va anta yaa Abaa ’Abdillaahi yaa sayyidee

I leave everything O my Master, O Ameer Moomineen (asws), O my friend to whom I have surrendered, body and soul, and You O Abaa Abdullah (asws), O my Master,

وَ (سَلَامُي عَلَيْكُمَا مُتَسِلِّلُ مَا أَخْلَصَ اللَّهُ وَ النَّهَارُ وَ أَصِيلُ ذَلِكَ إِلَيْكُمَا غَيْرُ (غَيْرُ) مُحِجْوُبٍ عَنْكُمَا)

va salaamee ’alaykummaa muttasilun mattsalalilaylu vannahaaru vaasilun zaalika ilaykumaa ghayra mayojoobin ’ankumma salaami inshaa-Allahu

and pay my respects with love and affection, continuously for as long as the day follows the night, towards You, if Allah so wills, it will never separate from You,

وَ (آسَالُهُمَا بِحَقِّكُمَا أُنْبِيَّ يَشَاءُ ذَلِكَ وَ يَفْعَلُ فَإِنَّهُ حَمِيدُ مُهْيَدُ

va as-aluhoo bi haqqikumaa anyyashaa-a zaalika va yaf’ala fa innahoo hameedunmaaid

For Your sake I beseech Him that He wills it and does it because verily it is He who alone is praised, and He brings about all that which is glorious.

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I am changed, O my Master, and I bring myself unto You, accepting the true faith, regretful of my earlier ignorance, thankful to Allah, always hopeful of getting His favour, never giving into despair, nor losing heart;

آيبعاً عاداً أرجأ إلی زيارتكما غرب عتنكمًا وأمن (عن) زيارتكما

aa-iban 'aa-idan raaji’an ilaa ziyaaratikumaa ghayra raaghibin 'ankumaa va laa ‘min ziyaaratikumaa

ever ready to be near You, returning again and again to see You, always longing for Your nearness,

بل راجع عادٌ إلی شاء اللهم لا أحوال ولائقوة إلی الله

bal raaji-un 'aa-idun inshaa-allaahu va laa haula va laa quvvata illaa billahi

but, inshaAllah, I shall always be near You every day. There is no power and no might save in Allah.

يا ساحتي رغبتي إلیتكما وإلی زيارتكما بعداً نبأ حفيكما و في زيارتكما أهل الدنيا

yaa saadatee raghibtu ilaykummaa va ilaa ziyaaratikumaa ba’da an zahida feekumaa va fee ziyaaratikumaa ahluddunyaa

O my Masters! I long for You and Your ziarat even though engrossed in this world are not concerned with it.

فلا خييبي اللهمومَ (عن) رجوتُ وما أملتُ في زيارتكما إن تقدرب كيف محب

fa laa khayyab aniyyallaahu maa raaiautu va maa ammalu fee ziyaaratikumaa innaa Qareebun Muieeb.

May not Allah not deprive me of what I hope and grant me Your ziarat. Verily He is near and answers the prayers.

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Sayf ibn `Umayrah said, "I told Safwan that `Alqamah ibn Muhammad did not mention this du’a while quoting Imam Baqir (asws) rather, he related just the same ziyarat. Safwan said, “I came here in company with my master Imam Sadiq (asws) and He observed the ziyarat as we did; and while bidding farewell He recited this du’a after He had said two rak’ats of prayer as we did; and bid farewell as we did.’ Then Safwan added that Imam Sadiq (asws) had told him, “Keep on reciting this ziyarat and this du’a. Verily, if one makes pilgrimage this way, and recites this du’a no matter from near or far; I guarantee his ziyarat will be accepted, his attempt be thanked, his salutation will be conveyed to the Imam (asws), and his request will be met by Allah, the Most High; He will be exalted to any rank he wishes, and Allah will not take him back disappointed. O Safwan! By this guarantee I found the very ziyarat from My Father, from His Father Imam Sajjad (asws) by the very guarantee, from Imam Hussain (asws) by the same guarantee, from His Brother Imam Hasan (asws) by the very guarantee, from His Father, Ameerul Momineen (asws) by the very guarantee, from RasoolAllah (saw) by the very guarantee, from Jibrael (as) by the same guarantee, from Allah, the Exalted by the very guarantee. Definitely, Allah has sworn by His Self that he who makes Ziarat to the shrine of Imam Hussain (asws) by reciting this ziyarat - no matter from near or far away - and recites this du’a, Allah will accept his ziyarat, and will meet any requests of his; therefore, he will not come back disappointed and in loss, and Allah will turn him back joyful because his requests were granted, entering Paradise and being secured from hellfire; and will accept his intercession for whomever he intercedes for except for Our enemies.”

Imam (asws) then said, “Allah has sworn by His Self, and has called Us to witness what the angels of His Heaven bore witness to. Then Jibrael (as) addressed RasoolAllah (saw) that Allah had sent him to Him (RasoolAllah saw) to gladden and give good-tidings to Him (saw), Ali (asws), Fatimah (sa), Hasan (asws), Hussain (asws) and the Imams (asws) from His Offspring up to the Day of Judgment; prayed that the rejoicing of Him (saw), Ali (asws), Fatimah (sa), Hasan (asws), Hussain (asws) and the Imams (asws) from His Offspring, and His Shias be continuous and enduring up to the Day of Judgment.”

Then Safwan said that Imam Sadiq (asws) had told him, “O Safwan, whenever you have a request and wish for Allah to grant it, recite this ziarat wherever you are. Then recite this du’a and ask your Lord for your request that will be met. Never will Allah break His promise to RasoolAllah (saw) because of His Generosity and Gratefulness. Praise to Him.”

Author's note: Shaykh Noori, in his book al-Najm al-Thaqib has written, "As concerns the ziyarat of Ashura, from the aspects of its merits and ranks suffice it to say that it is not like other ziyarat that have been dictated by the Masoom Imams (asws) rather, it is among the Hadith e Qudsi; though, what issues from Their blessed hearts is not from anywhere but the Transcendental World. Every word of this ziyarat, including the curses and salutations, is from Almighty Allah brought to RasoolAllah (saw) by Jibrael (as)."

The above matter has been stated after mentioning the story of hajji Sayyid Ahmad Rashti’s visiting Imam Mahdi (atfs) during hajj pilgrimage; at that time the Imam (atfs) had asked him about the reason why the ziyarat of Ashura had not been recited, and repeated the term “Ashura” three times. Shaykh Noori has added, "By experience, keeping on reciting this ziyarat for forty days, or even less, is matchlessly beneficial for the requests to be fulfilled, the goals to be achieved and it causes one's
enemies to be kept away. However, the best benefit gained from keeping on reciting this ziyarat is what I mentioned in my other book called Dar al-salaam. Its summary is that hajji Mulla Hasan Yazdi resided in Najaf and was a trustworthy, good-doer, and pious man and was continually busy with worshipping and reciting ziyarats. He quoted from hajji Muhammad Ali Yazdi - a knowledgeable and righteous man who lived in the city of Yazd, and who was continually busy with bettering his otherworldly affairs and passed nights in a cemetery known as Mazar wherein a group of righteous men were buried - that he had a neighbor with whom they had grown up from childhood and had gone to the same teacher. The neighbor became a tax collector to earn his livelihood, and then passed away; he was buried in that cemetery in the vicinity of the place where that man used to stay the night.

Nearly one month later he dreamt about him in a good shape; he went to him and said, “I know your beginning and your end, your exterior (zahir) and inner self (batin); you were not among those who seemingly have good inner self (batin), for your occupation was expected to necessitate nothing except torment in the hereafter. So what deed caused you to reach this rank?” He said, “That’s right. I was suffering from the severest torment from the moment of my death until yesterday, when the wife of the master blacksmith Ashraf died, and was buried in this place.” Then he pointed to a spot nearly one hundred meters far from him, and added, “During the night she was just buried, Imam Hussain (asws) paid visit to her three times, and commanded in the third time the torment to be removed from that grave. Then our shape became good and we enjoyed relief and grace.”

Then he woke up, while he did not know the blacksmith and his neighborhood. He searched for him in the blacksmiths’ workshops, found him, and asked him about his wife. The blacksmith replied that she had died the day before and that he had buried her in that place and named the same spot from the dream.

The man asked whether she had made ziarat to the shrine of Imam Hussain (asws). The answer was “No”. Then he asked him whether she had recited masaib for the Imam (asws) or whether she had held majalis of the Imam (asws). The answer to both was “No”. Then the blacksmith asked, “What are you looking for?” The man narrated the dream to the blacksmith. The blacksmith said, “She used to continuously recite Ziarat Ashura”.

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