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MUHARRAM & `ASHURA

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`Ashura is a day of great historical significance. On this day: Allah ﷻ accepted the repentance of Sayyidina Adam ﷺ after his exile from Paradise; Allah ﷻ saved Sayyidina Nuh ﷺ and his companions in the Ark; Allah ﷻ extinguished the fire in which Sayyidina Ibrahim ﷺ was thrown by Nimrod and Allah ﷻ spoke directly to Sayyidina Musa ﷺ and gave him the Commandments. On this same 10th of Muharram, Sayyidina Ayyub ﷺ was restored to health (from leprosy), Sayyidina Yusuf ﷺ was reunited with his father Ya`qub ﷺ, Sayyidina Yunus ﷺ was taken out from the belly of the fish; and the sea was divided as the nation of Israel was delivered from captivity and Pharaoh's army was destroyed. `Ashura is also the day when Sayyidina Dawud ﷺ was forgiven; the kingdom of Sulaiman ﷺ was restored; Sayyidina `Isa ﷺ was raised to Paradise and Sayyidina al-Husayn ﷺ grandson of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, achieved the honor of Martyrdom.

Sayyidina Ibn `Abbas ﷺ reports that the Holy Prophet ﷺ arrived in Madinah and found the Jews observing fast on the day of `Ashura... They said: "It is the day

"Whoever fasts on this day is like one who fasts all his life."

of great (significance) when Allah delivered Hazrat Musa ﷺ and his people and drowned Pharaoh and his people, and Sayyidina Musa ﷺ observed fast out of gratitude. And we also observe it." The Holy Messenger of Allah ﷺ responded: "We have more right, and we have closer connection with Sayyidina Musa ﷺ than you have"; so Allah's Messenger ﷺ observed fast (on the day of `Ashura) and gave us orders to observe it. [*Sahih Bukhari* and *Muslim*]

Abu Qatada ﷺ relates that the Holy Prophet ﷺ said that the fast on the 10th of Muharram atones for the sins of the preceding year. [*Sahih Muslim*]

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Fragment from the blessed turban of Imam Husayn ﷺ, a relic in possession of Syed Hamza of Toronto. This cloth turns reddish every Ashura (as seen here).



"The 33" & the Chile Mine Disaster

Abdul Metin Vicente

I saw the miners movie "The 33." Actually I was invited to the avant premiere with all the miners, actors, producers, politicians etc. It was a big event here in Chile. The movie is 100% Hollywood.

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Starting a New Year in Lefke

A Blessed Family Gathering



Shaykh Hisham Kabbani, Hajjah Naziha Adil and their sons Omar and Nazim visited Lefke, Cyprus at the beginning of the new Hijri year, 1437. They were greeted with love and respect by the family of Mawlana Shaykh Nazim, in particular by Shaykh Muhammad Adil, calipha of Mawlana Shaykh Nazim, Shaykh Bahauddin Adil and Hajjah Ruqayya Adil. It was a blessed gathering full of the *baraka* of our master Mawlana Shaykh Nazim.



A special winged visitor to the grave of Mawlana Shaykh Nazim was present when Shaykh Hisham and Hajjah Naziha paid their respects at his holy grave.

Shaykh Hisham addressing Mawlana Shaykh Nazim at his grave while grasping Shaykh Muhammad's hand said:

“This is my hand with Shaykh Muhammad's hand. I support your son for everything, ... in the presence of you and in presence of Shaykh Muhammad, and in the presence of *Awliyaulah* may Allah accept all of us. In the presence of all *Awliya*, he is our boss. No problem. *Ya Sayyidee* Shaykh Nazim al-Haqqani we love you, we love everything that comes from you. You are our way; you are our goal; you are our happiness; we are your sons and sons-in-law, your daughters and daughters-in-law ...and these our hands are with each in front of you and in front of Prophet ﷺ.”

[ASHURA CONTINUED from p. 1] Abu Qatada رضي الله عنه relates that the Holy Prophet ﷺ said that the fast on the 10th of Muharram atones for the sins of the preceding year. [Sahih Muslim] Worship Allah ﷻ as much as you can on `Ashura. Whoever fasts on this day is like one who fasts all his life. Whoever clothes a naked person Allah ﷻ will release him from a painful punishment. He who visits a sick person, Allah ﷻ will grant him a reward that will not be decreased. Whoever places his hand on an orphan's head, or feeds a hungry person or gives water to a thirsty man, Allah will feed him a feast from Paradise and will quench his thirst with *Salsabeel* (a wine that does not intoxicate). And who ever takes a *ghusl* on this day will enjoy excellent health and freedom from sickness and indolence. Whoever provides generously for his family on this day, Allah ﷻ will be generous to him throughout this year. And whoever applies *kuhl* to his eyes will never suffer from eye-sore again, *inSha'Allah al-'Azeez*.

بِالْحُبِّينِ

O' Allah! Bless us to perform good deeds and gain their reward on `Ashura. Make the new year one of unity, cooperation and success for Muslims in this city and around the world. *Ameen*. 





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Unfortunately they make a commercial movie with very little spirituality on it.

It was good to see anyway in order to have a better understanding of the facts of their experience, and to have an idea of what they went through as well as their families on the surface, and all the people that worked hard to rescue them....I recommend it anyway!

I was with them and witnessed how Fox treated them. I am talking to a friend in NY to make a documentary of their real experience, from their spiritual journey and all the abuses that they have gone through by the big corporations that are making money at their expense...

I have understood that the miners keep their experience with Maulana Shaykh very close to their hearts and they want to keep it that way in their intimacy. We are always in touch with them, visiting them a couple of times a year. Selim the miner that went to Cyprus is always in touch with us and others too. The son of one of the miners is working in our family business office, I see him everyday and he keeps me updated...



Rescue scene from the movie Los 33.

“Super” Mario, wearing Shaykh Hisham Kabbani’s turban, addresses a gathering in 2011. In the movie Antonio Banderas plays “Super” Mario, leader of the 33. Los 33 was released in Chile and South America in Spanish on August 2 2015 and comes to US theaters in English in November.

Mawlana Shaykh Nazim’s Meeting with the Chilean Miners



Miner Omar Alejandro Reygadas Rojas who accepted Islam, kisses Mawlana Shaykh Nazim’s hand in December 2010.

I hope those people who were imprisoned 700 feet underground--and it is a miraculous happening to make people think about spirituality and miracles--as an ordinary position, if all technology came together, it could never save them!

One night I was informed about their terrible situation, and that night I prayed for those people to be saved.

Throughout the east and west there are 313 miraculous people. I called on one of them to look after them, and he ordered me to send items to them. (Mawlana Shaykh turns to the translator.) Perhaps you took my message, for them to recite,

“*laa ilaaha illa-Llah,*” and also if it was possible, to take to them our “triangle” (*taweez*), and all blessings are from our Lord, Almighty Allah. (Mawlana Shaykh stands) All glory and majesty is for Allah Almighty, and also for His most honored and glorified deputy, Sayyidina Muhammad ﷺ! (Mawlana Shaykh sits.)

Help came from an unknown direction and one, two, three, four, five, six, seven people just entered that place, and they did not see them, but they saw the trapped miners, who were taken up on the date that was written on the Preserved Tablets, and it all transpired in such a way. Those miners observed a very, very weak miracle, an ordinary miracle, that the mountain was taken away in a moment but others could not carry it, even the whole world’s people could not carry it! Therefore, slowly, slowly, they were given what they were in need of until that period was complete. ﷻ



Heavenly Foods: Hajjah Naziha Adil

Apricot Compote

Ingredients

16 cups water
juice of 1 medium lemon
2 1/4 cups sugar
1 1/4 tablespoons whole cloves
5 cinnamon sticks
3 cups dried Turkish apricots
1 tablespoon cornstarch
1/2 cup cold water

Preparation

1. Bring the water, lemon juice, sugar, cloves, and cinnamon sticks to a boil over medium-high heat. Boil rapidly for 5 minutes; remove from heat. Remove half of the cloves with a slotted spoon.
2. Add apricots and stirring occasionally simmer over medium-low heat for 35-40 minutes or until the apricots are soft. Remove the cinnamon sticks.
3. In a separate bowl, mix the cornstarch and cold water very well, until there are no lumps.
4. When the apricots are soft, pour in the cornstarch mixture and simmer together for 1 more minute. Remove from heat.
5. Place in refrigerator and chill. Transfer to individual serving dishes.



Serves 6-8

“Quotables”

Baqiyya ibn al-Walid said that al-Awza`i said: “O Baqiyya! Do not mention any of your Prophet’s Companions except kindly. O Baqiyya! Knowledge (*al-`ilm*) is whatever came to us from the Companions of Muhammad ﷺ. Whatever did not come to us from them, is not knowledge.”

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THU 22nd - 7:00PM
Khatam Khawajagan
Nasheeds by: Aashiq al-Kasbi

FRI 23rd - 1:00PM
Jumu'ah & Khutba

FRI 23rd - 7:30PM
ASHURA NIGHT SPECIAL
Ashura & the Chivalry of Sayyidina Al-Hussein
Ziyarah of the holy hair of Prophet Muhammad (saw) and the holy hair of Shah-I-Mardan, Sayyidina Ali (Karam Allah Wajhu)

SAT 24th - 7:00PM
In Praise of the Beloved
Mawlid an-Nabi (saw)
Nasheeds by: Aashiq al-Kasbi

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relevant answers to issues of creed, law, society, family and spirituality.

Question:

Salam. Regarding with my elder brother whose behaviour is not good with my parents and my family is very much disturb. I have an issue regarding my elder brother. He loves a girl and want to get marriage with her. Although my parents are not satisfied with the behaviour of that girl and my brother is also changing day by day some times he is too rude with us.

Answer:

Alaykum Salam,

The good pleasure of Allah consists in the good pleasure of parents. A little patience goes a long way but rebelliousness means a bad son and a bad spouse with only misery ahead. Advise your brother to read Surat Luqman and to recite *Ya Haleem* x100 daily so that all good things will come to him *in sha Allah*.

Hajj Gibril Haddad

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