

# THE ESSENCE OF WORSHIP OF ALLAH



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## Summary

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This is a certain  
glad-tiding of  
success to  
believers.

So the question is  
who are believers?

The verses that  
follow give out the  
characteristics  
required to be a  
believer.

**A believer must be humble when offering Prayer/Salat.**

A person who turns to God with extreme humility gains Divine nearness.

Such a person regain his focus and along with the rights of God, fulfil the rights of God’s creation.

Such a person becomes an embodiment of what the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) expressed in an Urdu poem

*“ Regard yourself to be lesser than everyone else; Perhaps this will gain you entrance in the abode of Divine closeness”*

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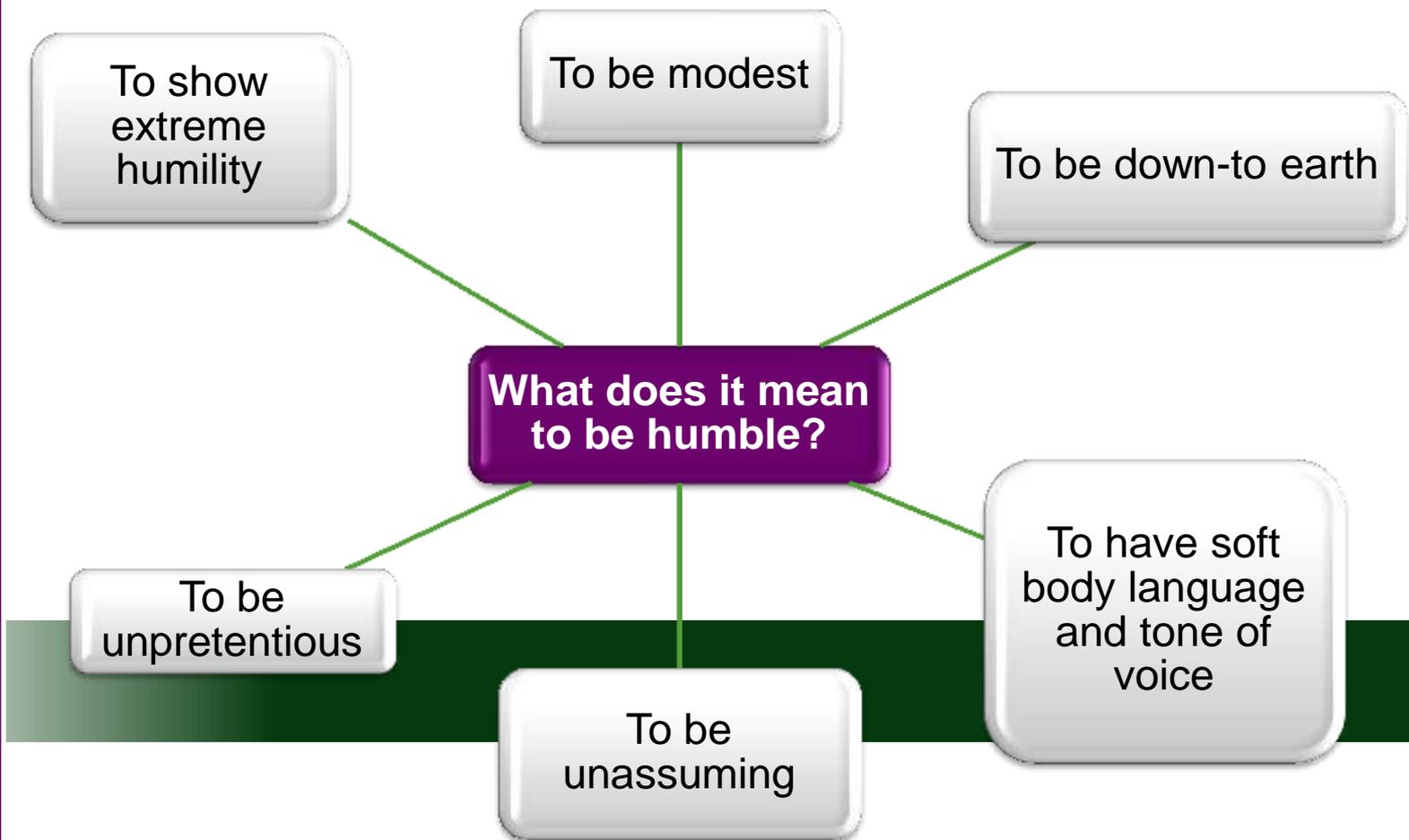
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Unless one attains all these aspects of being humble, one can not be a true believer.

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A person who has attained true humility in Salat, will demonstrate this quality in all aspect of his life.

He will avoid anything that steers him away from the right path and overcome common social ills. He will be softly spoken and will avoid all confrontation and arguments.

Such humble prayers will become the key for resolution of his worldly challenges and problems too.

Such people will  
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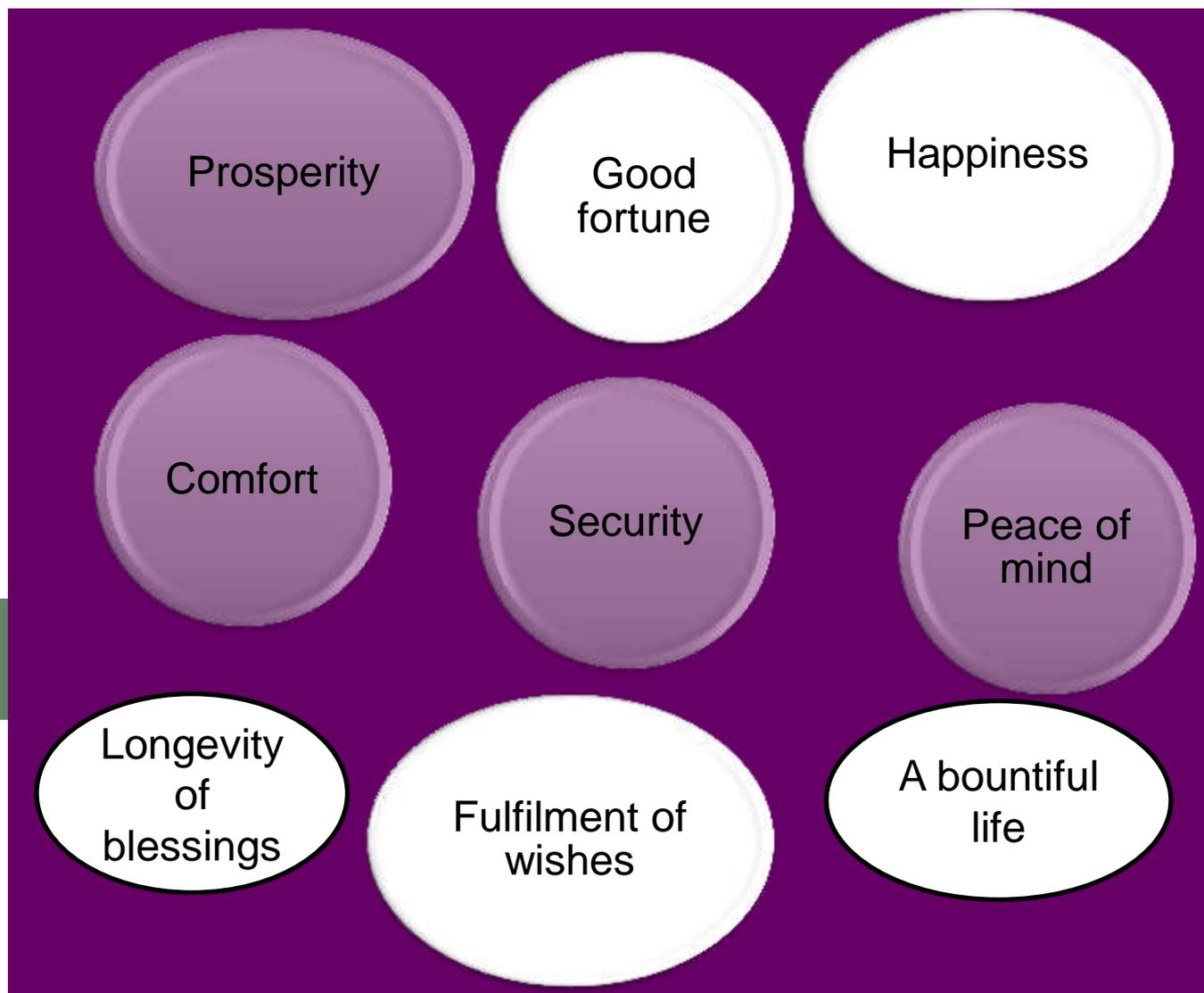
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The Arabic word *falah* (success) has wide-ranging connotations.



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**Just outward expression of humility does not count for anything.**

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said about such people: 'I have personally seen many such ... people who promptly shed copious tears upon listening to painful poetry, or seeing a painful sight or hearing a painful account ... But I bear witness on personal account that mostly such people are cunning and worse than worldly people..'

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said ' I have found some of them to be wicked-natured, dishonest and immoral in every aspect. Seeing their practice of weeping and showing humility I am so repulsed to weep or overcome with emotion in any assembly.'

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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that Hazrat Khalifatul Masih I (may Allah be pleased with him) used to relate an account of an elder.

There was an elderly man who would offer all his prayers in the Mosque for many years with the desire and intention that people should call him a pious person.

The elder has done some virtuous acts in the past as well.

But people used to call him a hypocrite. He just could not shift this perception.

One day he realised the waste of his efforts while trying to impress humans.

He realised that if he had made this degree of effort for the sake of God, God would have been pleased with him.

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He was overwhelmed with this realisation; therefore he went out into wilderness and offered Salat in a most heartrending and humble manner, supplicating and vowing that from now on he would only offer Salat for the sake of God.

His efforts were accepted by God and God changed the perception of people about the elder as a pious person and not a hypocrite.

His single sincere Salat offered for the sake of God turned the hearts of people.

The elder was most grateful to God.

The elder thus was included among those who get (success).

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This account also shows that God can facilitate one's reformation, in appreciation of some good one may have done in one's past .

Virtues from one's past can lead to success in spite of sins committed later.

No display of humility or act of worship reaches its true potential of success till it acquires a connection with the Divine quality of *Raheemiyyat* (God's grace that is manifested to a believer as His support and help in response to believer's efforts).

For this, the first requisite is to offer Salat with humility with the understanding that this act of worship will keep him connected to God, only through His grace.

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(on whom be peace)  
writes: The first stage of  
a believer's spiritual  
state is that humility,  
.... That is, to generate  
in oneself a spirit of  
supplication,  
poignancy, humility,  
extreme humbleness,  
meekness of soul,  
ardour and warmth.'

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assume a state of fear  
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Glorious God as this verse  
states: **'Surely, success  
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That is, successful are the  
believers who are humble  
in their Salat and during  
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## The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) also wrote

‘People who reflect over the Holy Qur’an may understand that state of humility during Salat is like seminal fluid for one’s spiritual state. And just like seminal fluid, but in a spiritual sense, it has latent within it all the powers, qualities and features to make a perfect human form.’

‘ Just as seminal fluid is in a precarious state until it reaches the womb (uterus) similarly this rudimentary spiritual state, that is humility, is not out of danger unless it connects to the Ever Merciful (Raheem) God. It should be remembered that when God Almighty’s beneficence is granted without any effort, it is by virtue of the Divine quality of *Rahmaniyyat*. However, when a grace is bestowed owing to some practice, worship, spiritual exercise and endeavour, it is a beneficence of *Raheemiyyat*.’

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Indeed, one needs to make constant effort to draw the grace of *Raheemiyat*.

If man's efforts bear fruit as regards humility, the spiritual experiences of true dreams and acceptance of prayers at times can make some people arrogant.

That's why some people turn away from prophets of God after accepting them.

This makes them lose their connecting link with God leading to disgrace and destruction.

Therefore, one has to constantly try for the grace of *Raheemiyat*.

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Those who are most humble, avoid vanity, spend in the way of Allah, safeguard their chastity, fulfil their covenants, worship and offer Salat with all its proper requirements attain *falah*, the success.

With all these good deed and efforts, they supplicate to God to cover them in the wrap of His grace and blessings because they know without it, they are nothing.

It is God's grace alone through which man's constant efforts to draw the grace of *Raheemiyat* is drawn and accepted.

In other words, we all have potential to attain high spiritual levels, just as a sperm has the potential to become a fully formed human being. However, this potential remains latent till the sperm is connected to *Riham* ( the uterus).

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As success of all our efforts depends upon the grace of God, brought through God's quality of *Raheemiyyat*, we should not attribute every achievement to one's own efforts.

Following every achievement one should consider that it was not because of one's efforts but due to the grace of God.

Just like sperm, that can go to waste in a miscarriage even after fertilisation; lack of humility can waste our good practices.

We should focus on our ending so that the grace of *Raheemiyyat* may accept our efforts and we develop into spiritual beings which are complete in every way.

May we be counted among those who increase in humility as they develop in spirituality.

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Indeed, the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) whose standard and level of worship of God is beyond our imagination said that even he would be granted Paradise only by the grace of God.

How can anyone else's practice then take them to Paradise!

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The Holy Prophet (pbuh), who had come to reform the entire world, showed extremely humility and meekness during Prayer at night.

The Holy Prophet (pbuh) would stand for long periods during prayers that his feet would swell.

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It is essential for every true believer that the state of his heart should be distinctly enhanced with every Salat increasing him in humility and vanquishing arrogance.

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In our daily matters we should be courteous to everyone, we should adopt humility to seek God's pleasure.

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May this  
enhance us in  
our humility.

May we worship  
with humility.

May we may be  
recipients of  
fresh blessings  
of the grace of  
*Raheemiyyat*.

May this turn us  
to our God.

May God always make us those who seek forgiveness for their weaknesses, and may each virtue of ours be a source of attaining God's pleasure.

May each one of us be among those who attain true success.