الْحَمْدُ للهِ رَبِّ العالمينَ، أحمدُهُ سبحانَهُ حمدًا طيبًا مباركًا فيهِ كمَا يحبُّ ويرضَى، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لاَ إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ سيدَنَا عَرْضَى، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لاَ إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ سيدَنَا عَمْدٍ وعلَى آلِهِ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ، اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وسلِّمْ وبارِكْ على سيدِنَا محمدٍ وعلى آلِهِ فَحَمَّداً عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ، اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وسلِّمْ وبارِكْ على سيدِنَا محمدٍ وعلى آلِهِ وصحبِهِ أجمعينَ، ومَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بإحسانٍ إلى يومِ الدِّينِ.

All praise is due to Allah the Lord of the worlds, I praise His glorious status and majesty as is befitting to Him. I bear witness there is no deity except Allah, He is alone having no partners. And I bear witness that Muhammad is His servant and Messenger. May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, his family, his companions, and all those who live like them till the Day of Resurrection.

Your 7 Daily Goals From Al-Fatihah - The Opener

Time is limited and a precious commodity, therefore we set targets and develop strategies to accomplish our daily goals in order to have productive days

Allah # provides the answer to our daily goals in 7 steps - Al-Fatihah The Opener

Goal 1: <u>ALWAYS BEGIN TASKS WITH BISMILLAH</u>: Start each task with the name of Allah . It increases *Barakah*, before eating, starting something new, entering the house, procreation, sacrifice, cure, burial, Hanafi – Salah – not read aloud.

عَنْ أَنَسٍ، قَالَ صَلَّيْتُ مَعَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ وَأَبِي بَكْرٍ وَعُمَرَ وَعُثْمَانَ فَلَمْ أَسْمَعْ أَحَدًا مِنْهُمْ يَقْرَأُ { بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ} (Sahih Muslim)

Goal 2: THANK ALLAH OFTEN -: A true believer is grateful in all circumstances. Look around you and acknowledge the blessings of Allah and thank Him for them each day. This will help in dealing with traumatic situations and fighting discontentment, increasing a stress-free lifestyle

تُسَبِّحُ لَهُ السَّمَاوَاتُ السَّبْعُ وَالْأَرْضُ وَمَن فِيهِنَّ وَإِن مِّن شَيْءٍ إِلَّا يُسَبِّحُ بِحَمْدِهِ وَلَكِن لَّا تَفْقَهُونَ تَسْبِيحَهُمْ إِنَّهُ كَانَ حَلِيمًا غَفُورًا

The seven heavens and the earth and whatever is in them exalt Him. And there is not a thing except that it exalts [Allah] by His praise, but you do not understand their [way of] exalting. Indeed, He is ever Forbearing and Forgiving. (17:44)

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Goal 3: <u>BE KIND</u> -: Allah (s) s beautiful qualities must be adopted in our daily lives. Be kind to your wife, children, family, neighbours and friends. Take a pot of chicken soup to someone with a cold, or give a ride to someone to the mosque/town study circles

"The merciful are shown mercy by Ar-Rahman. Be merciful on the earth, and you will be shown mercy from Who is above the heavens" (Tirmdihi)

Goal 4: <u>REMEMBER THE DAY OF JUDGMENT-</u>: Tell yourself each day that this Dunya (life, universe) is just "Play and Amusement" and very soon that day will come when Allah will recompense us for each good and bad deed done.

Visit the graves, visit the ill, read Surah Haaqah, Mulk, Waaqiah as these will assist you in balancing the *Dunya* and the Akhirah

فَمَن يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ وَمَن يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ شَرًّا يَرَهُ

"So whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it, - And whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it." (98:7-8)

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Goal 5: ONLY SEEK ALLAH **FOR HELP** -: Remember Allah is only a du`a away. الدَّاع إِذَا دَعَانِ فَلْيَسْتَجِيبُوا لِي وَلْيُؤْمِنُوا بِي لَعَلَّهُمْ يَرْشُدُونَ وَإِذَا سَأَلَكَ عِبَادِي عَنِّي فَإِنِّي قَرِيبٌ أُجِيبُ دَعْوَةَ الدَّاع إِذَا دَعَانِ فَلْيَسْتَجِيبُوا لِي وَلْيُؤْمِنُوا بِي لَعَلَّهُمْ يَرْشُدُونَ

Prophet said: "Man should call upon Allah alone to provide for all his needs" (Tirmidhi)

Goal 6: FOLLOW THE SUNNAH -: We must constantly renew our hearts with the remembrance of Allah by following the Messenger . We must try each day to learn something new about the Deen

"Indeed, the religion in the sight of Allah is Islam" (3:19) - "He who obeys the Messenger has obeyed Allah" (4:80)

Goal 7: <u>DO GOOD DEEDS AND SEEK GOOD COMPANY</u> -: Make an effort to do good deeds and seek the company of those people who remember Allah when they meet.

وَمَن يُطِعِ اللَّهَ وَالرَّسُولَ فَأُولَئِكَ مَعَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِم مِّنَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ وَالشُّهَدَاءِ وَالصَّالِحِينَ وَحَسُنَ أُولَئِكَ رَفِيقًا

"And whoever obeys Allah and the Messenger - those will be with the ones upon whom Allah has bestowed favour of the prophets, the steadfast affirmers of truth, the martyrs and the righteous. And excellent are those as companions." (4:69)

7 Daily Goals to achieve

- Goal 1: Always begin with Bismillah
- Goal 2: Thank Allah is often
- Goal 3: Be Kind & Merciful
- Goal 4: Remember the Day of Judgment
- Goal 5: Seek help from Allah
- Goal 6: Follow the Sunnah
- Goal 7: Do Good Deeds And Seek Good Company
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