

﴿وَلِلَّهِ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَىٰ فَادْعُوهُ بِهَا﴾

And to Allah belong the best names, so invoke Him by them.

THE BEAUTIFUL Names of Allah ﷻ

Meanings and Occurrence
in the Holy Quran

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الْمَلِكُ

The Sovereign
(5)

الرَّحِيمُ

The Most Merciful
(123)

الرَّحْمَنُ

The Most Gracious
(57)

اللَّهُ

Glorified and
Exalted Be He (2734)

السَّلَامُ

The Flawless, the
Source of Peace (1)

الْقُدُّوسُ

The Holy
(2)

الْمَالِكُ

The Possessor
(2)

الْمَلِكُ

The King
(1)

الْجَبَّارُ

The Compeller
(1)

الْعَزِيزُ

The All-Mighty
(92)

الْمُهَيَّمِنُ

The Ever Watchful
(1)

الْمَوْمِنُ

The Granter of
Security (1)

الرَّحْمَنُ

The Originator
(3)

الْمَخْلُقُ

The All-Creator
(2)

الْمَخْلُقُ

The Creator
(8)

الْمُتَكَبِّرُ

The Supremely
Proud (1)

غَافِرُ الذَّنْبِ

The Forgiver of Sins
(1)

الْغَفُورُ

The Most Forgiving
(5)

الْغَفُورُ

The Ever Forgiving
(91)

الْمَصْنُوعُ

The Fashioner
(1)

الرزاق

The Provider
(1)

الْوَهَّابُ

The Ever Giving
(3)

الْقَهَّارُ

The Irresistible
(6)

الْقَهَّارُ

The All-Dominant
(2)

الْعَالِمُ

The Omniscient
(13)

الْعَلِيمُ

The All Knowing
(157)

الْفَتَّاحُ

The Superb Arbiter,
the Opener (5)

الرزاق

The Sustainer
(5)

السميع

The All-Hearing
(45)

الْبَاطِنُ

The Expander
(H)

الْقَاضِي

The Withholder
(H)

عَلَّامُ الْغُيُوبِ

The Knower of the
Unseen (4)

اللطيف

The All-Subtle
(7)

خَيْرُ الْكَلِمَاتِ

The Best of Judges
(5)

الحكيم

The Judge
(1)

الْبَصِيرُ

The All-Seeing
(42)





الشَّاكِرُ

The Thankful
(2)

الْعَظِيمُ

The Tremendous, the
Supreme in Glory (9)

الْحَلِيمُ

The All-Forbearing
(11)

الْحَبِيرُ

The All-Aware
(45)

الْمُتَعَالَى

The Exalted
(1)

الْأَعْلَى

The Most High
(2)

الْعَلِيُّ

The High
(8)

الشُّكْرُ

The Grateful
(4)

الْمُقَيِّتُ

The Maintainer, (1)
the One who has Power over
Everything

الْحَفِيظُ

The Guardian
(3)

الْحَافِظُ

The Protector
(3)

الْكَبِيرُ

The Most Great
(6)

الرَّقِيبُ

The Ever Watchful
(3)

الْأَكْرَمُ

The Most Bountiful
(1)

الْكَرِيمُ

The Most Gracious
(3)

الْحَسِيبُ

The Reckoner
(3)

الْوَدُودُ

The Most Loving
(2)

الْحَكِيمُ

The All-Wise
(91)

الْوَسْعُ

The Boundless, (9)
the All-Embracing

الْمَجِيبُ

The Ever Responsive
(1)

الْمُوكِدُ

The Helper
(14)

الْحَقُّ

The Truth
(10)

الشَّهِيدُ

The Witness
(18)

الْمَجِيدُ

The All-Glorious
(2)

الْوَلِيُّ

The Protector
(15)

الْمُتِينُ

The Powerful
(1)

الْقَوِيُّ

The All Strong
(9)

الْكَفِيُّ

The Best of Helpers
(1)

الْقَيُّومُ

The All-Sustainer
(3)

الْحَيُّ

The Ever-Living
(5)

الْحَمِيدُ

The Praiseworthy
(17)

الْمَوْلَى

The Guardian
(12)

الْقَدِيرُ

The Able
(12)

الْصَّمَدُ

The Eternal One
(1)

الْأَحَدُ

The One and Only
(1)

الْوَاحِدُ

The Only One
(22)





المؤخر

The Delayer
(H)

المقدم

The Advancer
(H)

المقتك

The Perfect in Ability
(4)

القدرة

The Ever Able,
(45)

الباطن

The Inward
(1)

الظاهر

The Outward
(1)

الأخر

The last
(1)

الأول

The First
(1)

الرفوف

The Most
Compassionate (10)

العفو

The Ever-Pardoning
(5)

التواب

The Acceptor of
Repentance (11)

البر

The Source of All
Goodness (1)

الوارث

The Inheritor
(3)

الهدى

The Guide
(2)

الغنى

The Self-Sufficient
(18)

الجلال والإكرام

The Possessor of (1)
Majesty and Honour

خير المناصرين

The Best of Helpers
(1)

الضير

The Helper
(4)

السبوح

The Supremely Glorified
(H)

الرب

The Lord
(900)

الحيط

The All-Encompassing
(8)

القريب

The One Who Is
Ever Near (3)

المبين

The Evident
(1)

الكافي

The All-Sufficient
(1)

الحسن

The Benefactor,
the Doer of Good (H)

الجواد

The Most Generous
(H)

المنان

The Bestower
(H)

الرفيق

The Most Gentle
(H)

الدين

The Supreme Judge
(H)

السيد

The Master
(H)

الستير

The Concealer of Sins
(H)

الوتر

The One Who Has
No Equal (H)

المعطي

The Giver
(H)

الطيب

The Good and
Pure One (H)

الحي

The All-Modest
(H)

الشافى

The Curer
(H)

الإله

The God

الجميل

The Beautiful
(H)



Introduction:

To recognize and maintain good relations with our Creator and Benefactor of the universe, Allah - the Lord of all worlds, is a sign of true loyalty to humanity's own Master. This recognition of our Creator allows both the happiness and success of humanity, as well as its dignity and elevation.

It is a great favor of Allah Almighty upon us, that He Himself has revealed to us His beloved names and perfect attributes. Although Allah Ta'ala's beautiful names are countless and limitless, the Lord of the Worlds has acquainted us with a limited number of names, which are mentioned in the Qur'an and Hadith. Some of these names have been compiled and mentioned in this card.

Few important points:

Firstly, it is essential that all names of Allah Ta'ala must be proven from the Qur'an or Hadith. We cannot invent any name for Allah Ta'ala ourselves. It is worth mentioning that some names of Allah Ta'ala are used by publishers and are mentioned at the beginning of Qur'an Majeed. These names are well-known in our society. Yet, scholars agree that these names were not mentioned by the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, but were mentioned by a narrator based on his own judgment. Therefore, there remains a possibility of error in them.

Therefore, the names we have chosen in this exhibition are those names of Allah Almighty that are proven from the Qur'an or the Hadith of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) as they are the authentic ones. The evidence of this has also been mentioned by many scholars of knowledge in their books.

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We would like to mention some commonly used names that are not proven by the above mentioned sources and nor are they appropriate or befitting to His sacred dignity.

For example, Allah Almighty's name "Ad-Dhar" (the Harmful) is mentioned, which means "the One who causes harm." This meaning and attribution are not suitable for Allah Almighty. Certainly, all benefit and harm are in the hands of Allah Almighty, but the principle is that every action of Allah Almighty cannot become a name for Him.



For instance, Allah Almighty takes revenge from the wrongdoers, but He cannot be called "Al-Muntaqim" (the Avenger).

However, this name is present in the society among well-known names, yet there is no evidence to support it as a name.

The third point is that with each name we have mentioned, the number of occurrences of that name in the Qur'an Majeed has also been provided within brackets. For the names mentioned in the Qur'an Majeed, the count is directly mentioned, while for the names mentioned in the Hadith, "(H)" has been written alongside the name in brackets. This is done so that not only the number of occurrences but also the source of the name in the Qur'an Majeed is evident.

A booklet containing brief explanations of all these names has also been published earlier, which can be viewed on our website.

It can be accessed at www.mirc.org.pk or www.islamfort.com.

Allah Almighty commands us in the Qur'an:

[وَلِلّٰهِ الْاَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنٰى فَادْعُوْهُ بِهَاۗ وَذُرُّوْا الَّذِيْنَ يُجْحَدُوْنَ فِيْ اَسْمَائِهِمْۗ سَيُجْزَوْنَ مَا كَانُوْا يَعْمَلُوْنَ ﴿١٨٠﴾]

"And to Allah belong the best names, so invoke Him by them"

(Al-A'raf: 180)

Therefore, it is essential to understand these names and invoke Allah Ta'ala with these names. It is necessary to remember them and seek our means through the invocation of these names. As Muslims, we must have strong, complete, and firm faith in these names in order to foster love for the Most Merciful and Compassionate.

Once we have recognized the meaning and understood it completely that "Al-Wahid Al-Ahad" is the Unique, the One, our connection with our Rabb will deepen automatically. Now in our worship, we are bound to feel and recognize love, hope and fear. This deepened connection will also result in a worship that is long-lasting and desirable from the purity of our hearts.

We pray to the Allah, the Majesty to grant us His knowledge and love. He is indeed capable of granting it.

