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The true believers must supplicate to Allah that when Imam al-Mahdi (ajtf) makes his advent, He places them among his companions, helpers and those who are his attendants. In addition, this supplication will also petition Allah for the opportunity to witness the Imam's return!

There are various supplications which have been narrated in the books of prayers in regards to this responsibility, such as Du'a al-Nur¹, Du'a al-'Ahd² and others all of which are from the Ahlul Bayt (as).

In Du'a al-'Ahd, we read the following:

وَأَجْعَلْنِي مِنْ أَنْصَارِهِ وَأَشْيَاعِهِ وَالذَّابِّينَ عَنْهُ وَأَجْعَلْنِي مِنَ الْمُسْتَشْهَدِينَ بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ

“And place me among his helpers and followers and defenders and among those who (are blessed to) seek martyrdom in his presence.”

Therefore, the believers must pray to Allah that during the occultation, they are given the opportunity to be with the companions and helpers of this great personality.

Just as we yearn to be blessed with this rank during his return, even during his occultation, we should have the same wish.

¹. Bihar al-Anwar, vol. 102, pg. 111, sec. 7, no. 2; MiSbah of al-Kaf'ami, pg. 550

². Refer to the footnote in the forty-eighth responsibility.

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