

The Prayer in the End

Finally we quote the supplication, which the first representative of Imam (a.t.f.s.) in Ghaibat al-Sughraa,– Abu Amr Uthman bin Saeed Amri (r.a.) has dictated and ordered the Shias to recite in occultation. Sayyid Ibne Taoos (r.a.) has included this supplication among the rituals (aa'maal) of Friday after Namaz al-Asr. The subject matter of this supplication highlights to a great extent the duties of those who are living their lives awaiting the reappearance of Imam (a.t.f.s.).

'O Allah, due to the lengthening of the period of occultation of Imam (a.t.f.s.), do not take away certainty from us. And do not make us forget his remembrance, awaiting for him, believing in him, our certainty about his reappearance and praying for him and invoking blessing for him. Let not the prolonging of the occultation, disillusion me from his rising. And let my certainty in this regard be like the certainty in the rising of Allah's Messenger (s.a.w.s.) and whatever was revealed upon him.'

'Strengthen my heart with belief in him, so that You can put me, through his hand, on the highway of guidance, the manifest passage and the straight path.

Strengthen me in his obedience and make me steadfast in following him. Admit me in his creed and among his friends and helpers and among the ones with whose work he is pleased. Do not deprive me of this condition throughout my life and in my death. And until I am in this world, do not make me from those who doubt (about him) and break the promise (with him) and turn away (from him) and deny (him).'¹

¹. Jamalul Usboo', Part 47, Pg. 316, Kamaluddin, Chap. 45, Pg. 43