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The Status of 'Eidul Ghadir

[Hadith no. 1: The 'Eid of the Khilafat and Wilayat](#)

رَوَى زِيَادُ بْنُ مُحَمَّدٍ قَالَ: دَخَلْتُ عَلَى أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ فَقُلْتُ: لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ عِيدٌ غَيْرُ يَوْمِ الْجُمُعَةِ وَالْفِطْرِ وَالْأَضْحَى؟ قَالَ: نَعَمْ، الْيَوْمُ الَّذِي نَصَبَ فِيهِ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ أَمِيرَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

It has been narrated from Ziyad ibn Muhammad that he said, “I went to see Abi 'Abdillah [Ja'far ibn Muhammad as-Sadiq] (peace be upon him) and said to him, “Do the Muslims have an 'Eid other than the day of Jumu'ah and al-Fitr and al-Adhha?” The Imam (peace be upon him) replied to me, “Yes, the day which the Messenger of Allah (blessings of Allah be upon him and his family) appointed Amirul Mo'minin (peace be upon him) [as the leader of the Ummah after him].”

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[Hadith no. 2: The Best 'Eid of the Ummah](#)

قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ يَوْمٌ غَدِيرٌ خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَفْضَلِ أَعْيَادِ أُمَّتِي وَهُوَ الْيَوْمُ الَّذِي أَمَرَنِي اللَّهُ تَعَالَى ذِكْرُهُ فِيهِ بَنَصَبَ أَخِي عَلِيٍّ بْنِ أَبِي طَالِبٍ عَلِمَاءَ لَأُمَّتِي، يَهْتَدُونَ بِهِ مِنْ بَعْدِي وَهُوَ الْيَوْمُ الَّذِي أَكْمَلَ اللَّهُ فِيهِ الدِّينَ وَأَتَمَّ عَلَى أُمَّتِي فِيهِ النِّعْمَةَ وَرَضِيَ لَهُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا

The Messenger of Allah (blessings of Allah be upon him and his family) has said: “The day of Ghadir Khumm is the best 'Eid of my nation. It is the day on which Allah, the High, ordered me to mention the appointment of my brother, 'Ali ibn Abi Talib as the flag and standard of my nation. People shall be guided by him after me and this is the day in which Allah completed the religion and perfected the bounties upon my nation and on which He was pleased with Islam as their religion.”

Al-Amali of as-Saduq, Page 125, Hadith 8

Hadith no. 3: The Great 'Eid of Allah

عَنِ الصَّادِقِ قَالَ: هُوَ عِيدُ اللَّهِ الْأَكْبَرُ، وَمَا بَعَثَ اللَّهُ نَبِيًّا إِلَّا وَتَعَيَّدَ فِي هَذَا الْيَوْمِ وَاعْرَفَ حُرْمَتَهُ وَاسْمُهُ فِي السَّمَاءِ
يَوْمُ الْعَهْدِ الْمَعْهُودِ وَفِي الْأَرْضِ يَوْمُ الْمِيثَاقِ الْمَأْخُودِ وَالْجَمْعِ الْمَشْهُودِ

It has been narrated from as-Sadiq [Imam Ja'far ibn Muhammad] (peace be upon him) that he said, “This is the greatest 'Eid of Allah, and every Prophet appointed by Allah celebrated this day as an 'Eid, and knew the sanctity of this day. The name of this day in the heavens is the Day of the Allegiance and Well-Known Pact, and on the Earth this Day is known as the Day of the Promise which is taken and the Day of the Gathering of those who witnessed (the event).”

Wasa'il ash-Shi'a, Volume 5, Page 224, Hadith 1

Hadith no. 4: The 'Eid of Wilayat

قِيلَ لِأَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ: لِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ مِنَ الْأَعْيَادِ غَيْرُ الْعِيدَيْنِ وَالْجُمُعَةِ؟ قَالَ: نَعَمْ لَهُمْ مَا هُوَ أَعْظَمُ مِنْ هَذَا يَوْمٌ أَقِيمَ أَمِيرُ
الْمُؤْمِنِينَ فَعَقَّدَ لَهُ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ الْوِلَايَةَ فِي أَعْنَاقِ الرِّجَالِ وَالنِّسَاءِ بِغَدِيرِ خُمٍّ

“It was said to Abi 'Abdillah [Imam Ja'far ibn Muhammad as-Sadiq] (peace be upon him): “Do the true believers have an 'Eid other than the two 'Eid (of al-Adhha and al-Fitr) and the Jumu'ah?” The Imam replied, “Yes, they have one which is even greater than these ones and that is the day when Amirul Mo'minin (peace be upon him) was designated by the Messenger of Allah (blessings of Allah be upon him and his family) with the Wilayah (at Ghadir Khumm) which rests on the necks of all the men and

women.”

Wasail ash-Shi'a, Volume 7, Page 325, Hadith 5

Hadith no. 5: The Day of Renewal of the Oath of Allegiance

عَنْ عَمَّارِ بْنِ حَرِيزٍ قَالَ: دَخَلْتُ عَلَى أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ فِي يَوْمِ الثَّامِنِ عَشَرَ مِنْ ذِي الْحِجَّةِ فَوَجَدْتُهُ صَائِمًا فَقَالَ لِي: هَذَا يَوْمٌ عَظِيمٌ عَظَّمَ اللَّهُ حُرْمَتَهُ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَاكْتَمَلَ لَهُمْ فِيهِ الدِّينَ وَتَمَّ عَلَيْهِمُ النِّعْمَةُ وَجَدَّدَ لَهُمْ مَا أَخَذَ عَلَيْهِمْ مِنَ الْعَهْدِ وَالْمِيثَاقِ

It has been narrated from 'Ammar ibn Hariz that he said, “I went to see Abi 'Abdillah [Imam Ja'far ibn Muhammad as-Sadiq] (peace be upon him) on the 18th of Dhul Hijjah and found him fasting. He said to me, ‘This is a great day. Allah has magnified the sacredness of this day for the true believers and perfected the religion for them and completed upon them the bounties and renewed the pledge which He had taken from them (previously).”

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Hadith no. 6: The 'Eid of the Heavens

قَالَ الرِّضَا حَدَّثَنِي أَبِي، عَنْ أَبِيهِ قَالَ: إِنَّ يَوْمَ الْغَدِيرِ فِي السَّمَاءِ أَشْهُرُ مِنْهُ فِي الْأَرْضِ

Al-Ridha [Imam 'Ali ibn Musa] (peace be upon him) has said, “My father related to me from his father (peace be upon them) that, ‘The Day of Ghadir is more well known in the heavens than it is on the Earth.”

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Hadith no. 7: An Incomparable 'Eid

قَالَ عَلِيٌّ: إِنَّ هَذَا يَوْمٌ عَظِيمٌ الشَّانِ، فِيهِ وَقَعَ الْفَرَجُ، وَرُفِعَتِ الدَّرَجُ وَوُضِحَتِ الْحُجُجُ وَهُوَ يَوْمُ الْإِبْصَاحِ وَالْإِفْصَاحِ مِنَ... الْمَقَامِ الصِّرَاحِ، وَيَوْمُ كَمَالِ الدِّينِ وَ يَوْمُ الْعَهْدِ الْمَعْهُودِ

Imam 'Ali (peace be upon him) has said, “Surely this is a highly recognized day, on it the succor was brought, and the station (of the one who was worthy of it) was elevated, and the proofs (of Allah) were made manifest. This is the day when from a pure station, words were clearly and straightforwardly stated, and this is the day of the completion of the religion and the (day) when the promise and pact were taken...”

Biharul Anwar, Volume 97, Page 116

Hadith no. 8: A Very Beneficial 'Eid

عَنِ الصَّادِقِ : وَاللَّهِ لَوْ عَرَفَ النَّاسُ فَضْلَ هَذَا الْيَوْمِ بِحَقِيقَتِهِ لَصَافَحَتْهُمْ الْمَلَائِكَةُ فِي كُلِّ يَوْمٍ عَشْرَ مَرَّاتٍ ... وَ مَا أَعْطَى اللَّهُ لِمَنْ عَرَفَهُ مَا لَا يُحْصَى بِعَدَدٍ

As-Sadiq [Imam Ja'far ibn Muhammad] (peace be upon him) has said, “I swear by Allah that if people knew the true greatness of this day, the Angels would shake hands with them ten times every day ... and Allah would grant a person who recognizes (the greatness of this day) what can not be enumerated.”

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Hadith no. 9: A Luminous 'Eid

قَالَ أَبُو عَبْدِ اللَّهِ: وَ يَوْمُ غَدِيرِ بَيْنِ الْفِطْرِ وَالْأَضْحَى وَ يَوْمُ الْجُمُعَةِ كَالْقَمَرِ بَيْنَ الْكَوَاكِبِ

Abu 'Abdillah [Imam Ja'far ibn Muhammad as-Sadiq] (peace be upon him) has said, “The Day of Ghadir, in comparison to the ('Eids of) al-Fitr, al-Adhha and the day of Jumu'ah, is like the moon in relation to the rest of the planets.”

Iqbal of Sayyid Ibn Tawus, Page 466

Hadith no. 10: One of the Four Divinely Appointed 'Eids

قَالَ أَبُو عَبْدِ اللَّهِ : إِذَا كَانَ يَوْمُ الْقِيَامَةِ زَفَّتْ أَرْبَعَةُ أَيَّامٍ إِلَى اللَّهِ عَزَّ وَ جَلَّ كَمَا تَزْفُ الْعُرُوسُ إِلَى خَدْرِهَا: يَوْمُ الْفِطْرِ
وَيَوْمُ الْأَضْحَى وَيَوْمُ الْجُمُعَةِ وَيَوْمُ غَدِيرِ خُمٍّ

Abu 'Abdillah [Imam Ja'far ibn Muhammad as-Sadiq] (peace be upon him) has said, “When the Day of Judgement comes about, four days shall hasten towards Allah, the Noble and Grand, just as a bride hastens towards her bridal chamber: the day of al-Fitr, the day of al-Adhha, the day of al-Jumu'ah, and the day of Ghadir Khumm.”

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