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Responsibility 16: Praying To Allah for the Noble Traits

Another responsibility is to pray to Allah for the attainment of the necessary traits which a believer must possess. A true believer must ask Allah for that which is good for this world and the next. He must also ask Allah to grant him the virtuous ethical traits such as patience, truthfulness in speech, intelligence, aptitude, wisdom and insight.

If having patience is one of the necessary traits of the believers during the occultation of the Imam, then its corresponding responsibility is that a believer asks Allah for this trait to be instilled within him. As well, if fulfilling the rights of the Imam is considered as one of the duties of a believer, then another responsibility is that one must pray for the ability to fulfill the rights of the Imam.

Thus in summary, one must supplicate to Allah ﷻ to be able to fulfill every important task.

The Messenger of Allah has said:

سَلُوا اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ مَا بَدَالَكُمْ مِنْ حَوَائِجِكُمْ حَتَّى شِسْعَ الْنَعْلِ فَإِنَّهُ إِنْ لَمْ يُيَسِّرْهُ لَمْ يَتَيَسَّرْ

“Ask Allah, the Majestic and Glorious, for the necessities that you require, even for as much as your shoelace, because if He does not make it easily available for you then it will not be attainable.”[1]

1. Biharul Anwar, vol. 93, pg. 295, sec. 16, no. 23

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