

Laylatul Ja'izah

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A radiant night comes upon us, in which the master hands out gifts worth more than gold and silver.

Some may wonder;

What night is this?

Am I a part of those being awarded?

And who is this magnanimous master, who gifts without holding back?

He is the One, Allah.

Anas رضي الله عنه reports that Rasulallah ﷺ said, "On the night of power Jibrael عليه السلام depends to the earth with the group of angels, praying on blessings for every servant of Allah they see standing in worship or sitting and celebrating Allah's praises. Then on the day of Eid, Allah boasts about them to the angels, "O angels, what is the reward of that employee who had fully completed his service?"

They reply, 'O our Sustainer, his reward should be given in full'

To this Allah replies; 'O My angels, verily My servants, the males among them as well as the females, have performed the obligatory duty upon them, thereafter they set forth to the prayer area raising their voices in prayer to Me. I swear by My honour, by My Grace, by My High position of greatness, that I shall surely answer the prayer of those people"

Thereafter Allah says (addressing the people), "Return, certainly I have forgiven your sins and have exchanged your evil deeds with righteous ones".

Rasulallah ﷺ said,

"Those people then return in a forgiven state."

[Bayhaqi in Shu'bul Imaan]

SubhanAllah, this is our beneficent Lord!

All the angels of the heavens and the earth, on that night marvel at the glory and generosity of our bountiful Lord, Allah.

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ: «يُغْفَرُ لِأُمَّتِهِ فِي آخِرِ لَيْلَةٍ فِي رَمَضَانَ». قِيلَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَهِيَ لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ؟ قَالَ: «لَا وَلَكِنَّ الْعَامِلَ إِذَا يُوَفِّي أَجْرَهُ إِذَا قَضَى عَمَلَهُ». رَوَاهُ أَحْمَدُ

Abu Huraira said that when the Prophet stated that his people would be granted forgiveness on the last night in Ramadan and was asked whether it was Lailat al-qadr, he replied, "No, but a workman is paid his full wages only when he has finished his work."

[Ahmad, Mishkat al-Masabih 1968]

This hadeeth proves that this magnificent night of prize giving is none other, than the eve of Eid ul Fitr. It is the night of prize giving. It is, **Laylatul Jaaizah**.

A mother gives her child a gift on completing a difficult chore. In the same manner, Allah the most beneficent, rewards His noble servants who worked hard in the days and nights of Ramadhan, trying to please Him.

Of course, the prize of the most bounteous, compared to worldly prizes has to be more valuable. Hence, He awards us with freedom from the blazing fire of Jahannam and complete forgiveness, that leaves no trace of sin behind. If one attains these prizes on this night, he leaves the month of Ramadhan like a new born baby.

The evening of eid is that of preparations in most households. Everyone is bustling with excitement. Nevertheless, we must try and engage in Ibadah to please our Lord more and to get His special attention on this beaming night.



There is no specific prescribed worship for this night. Therefore, one may take part in any form of worship they like. It is also advised to get rid of any ill feelings pent up in one's heart towards anyone.

Cry to the Lord of the worlds for anything and everything on this night, and see how He makes every dream of a servant, come to life. For indeed He is, the **generous and most Merciful Lord**.

This is the night of prize giving and He is the giver. He is the host of this award ceremony and every Muslim has been invited to this event.

Do not miss out on the biggest event of the year!

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