

## Lesson-26: Tashah-hud

### Lesson Outcomes

- What is Tashah-hud?
- Which Du'aa is recited in Tashah-hud?
- Types of worships mentioned in Tashah-hud.

### Text and Explanation

وَالطَّيِّبَاتُ

وَالصَّلَوَاتُ

لِلَّهِ

التَّحِيَّاتُ

and all types of worship by spending wealth	and all types of worship by body	are due to Allah	All types of worship by tongue
All types of worship of the tongue, of body and by spending wealth are due to Allah			

- تشهد: The Du'aa given in this lesson is called Tashah-hud. Its meaning is "the testimony of faith."
- التَّحِيَّاتُ: This is the plural of تَحِيَّةٌ . It means all types of worship by tongue such as Salah, Dhikr, Tilawah, nice words, preaching, guiding, suggestions etc. The other meaning of تَحِيَّاتُ is compliments or expressions of praise and admiration.
- الصَّلَوَاتُ: This word is generally used for Salah. Here it is used for all physical acts of worships or all types of worship by body such as Salah, Saum (fasting), helping others, acquiring beneficial knowledge, etc.
- الطَّيِّبَاتُ: All types of worship by spending wealth for the sake of Allah such as spending for Hajj, Zakat, Sadaqat (alms or charity) or for any good deed. الطَّيِّبَاتُ also mean purities.
- This Du'aa is affirmation of the slave to his Lord that all my acts of worship whether it is physical or financial is for You only.

### Tadabbur – Study, Imagine, and Feel

- In Tashah-hud we declare that all types of worships are for Allah only. Are we implementing this declaration in our lives?
- Will Allah be pleased with us if we use His blessings such as physical strength, intellect, and money in committing wrongdoings?
- If we obey Allah, then we can lead a happy and satisfied life. Disobeying Him will result in a stressful and difficult life.

### Tadhakkur – Du'aa, Evaluate, and Plan

- Ask Allah to help you perform all the types of worship mentioned in this Du'aa.
- Evaluate how you are using Allah's blessings such as tongue, brain, intellect and wealth? Am you using these in a way that displease Him?
- Draw a plan for future how you can use the blessing and resources given by Allah in good deeds.

وَبَرَكَاتُهُ      وَرَحْمَتُ اللَّهِ      أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ      عَلَيْكَ      السَّلَامُ

and His blessings	and the Mercy of Allah	O Prophet <small>صلى الله عليه وسلم</small>	be on you	Peace
Peace be on you O Prophet <small>صلى الله عليه وسلم</small> and the Mercy of Allah and His blessings				

الصَّالِحِينَ      عِبَادِ اللَّهِ      وَعَلَى      عَلَيْنَا      السَّلَامُ

the righteous ones	the slaves of Allah	and on the	be on us	Peace
Peace be on us and on the slaves of Allah the righteous ones.				

- In this Du'aa we are praying for three things for our beloved Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم : peace, mercy and blessings of Allah.
  - سلام: Means may Allah protect you O Prophet from any harm.
  - رَحْمَةً: Means Allah's mercy, kindness and care. May Allah take care of you with extreme kindness and love.
  - بَرَكَةً: Increase in all favors, bounties and goodness.
- السَّلَامُ عَلَيْنَا: Asking Allah for peace in everybody's life.
- عِبَادِ اللَّهِ الصَّالِحِينَ: Also peace be on the righteous slaves of Allah. This part Du'aa encourages us to become الصَّالِحِينَ. We will then be in the prayers of everybody.

**Story:** Abdullah Ibn Masood (R.A.) says that the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم taught me Tashah-hud as He taught me a Surah of the Qur'an, while my hand was between His hands. [Bukhari].

### Tadabbur – Study, Imagine, and Feel

- We rush to the shopping mall if there is any sale or offer going on. Do we have the same passion to get the blessings and favors of Allah?
- Alhamdulillah, we are living peacefully with all the comforts provided by Allah. Imagine if Allah takes away all these from us. What will happen then?

### Tadhakkur – Du'aa, Evaluate, and Plan

- O Allah, bless us and make us among Your pious slaves.
- Evaluate: Are our deeds good and according to Allah's commands? Do we qualify to get the peace and blessings from Him?
- Plan to become pious and to be in the company of صالحين (righteous or pious people).

إِلَّا اللَّهُ      لَا إِلَهَ      أَنْ      أَشْهَدُ

except Allah	(there is) no god	that	I bear witness
I bear witness that (there is) no god except Allah			

وَرَسُولُهُ.      عَبْدُهُ      مُحَمَّدًا      وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ

and His Messenger	is His slave	Muhammad	and I bear witness that
and I bear witness that Muhammad <small>صلى الله عليه وسلم</small> is His slave and His messenger.			

- We are all slaves of Allah and should live like a true slave. The best slave of Allah is Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. He is a model for us, how a true slave should be.
- When we say Allah only is our true Lord and Master then we must obey Allah in all parts of life.
- Accepting Prophet Muhammad ﷺ as the Messenger of Allah means I will follow his Sunnah in my life.

**Hadith:** The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, “If anybody comes on the Day of Resurrection who has said: “لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ” sincerely (before his death), with the intention to win Allah's Pleasure, Allah will make the Hell-Fire forbidden for him.” [Bukhari]

**Habit:** I will recite this Du’aa with attention and understanding in the Salah.

### Practice Questions

1. What is Tashah-hud?
2. What are the types of worships mentioned in Tashah-hud?