



99 BEAUTIFUL NAMES OF ALLAAH

Virtues and principles



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حوالہ جات	English	Roman	ترجمہ	اسماء حسنیٰ	شمار
55:1	The Entirely Merciful	Ar-Rahmaan	بڑا مہربان	الرَّحْمَنُ	1
41:2	The Especially Merciful	Ar-Raheemu	نہایت رحم کرنے والا	الرَّحِيمُ	2
59:23	The King	Al-Maliku	بادشاہ	الْمَلِكُ	3
59:23	The sacred/ The absolutely pure	Al-Quddoosu	نہایت پاک	الْقُدُّوسُ	4
59:23	The one free from all defects/ The Giver of peace	As-Salaamu	سلامتی دینے والا / عیبوں سے پاک	السَّلَامُ	5
59:23	The Giver of security/ The Guardian	Al-Mu'minu	امن دینے والا	الْمُؤْمِنُ	6
59:23	The Watcher over his creatures/ The Guardian of faith	Al-Muhaiminu	نگہبان/عالم	الْمُهَيِّمُ	7
59:23	The All-Mighty	Al-Azeezu	غالب	الْعَزِيزُ	8
59:23	The Compeller	Al-Jabbaaru	زور آور/زبردست	الْجَبَّارُ	9
59:23	The Supreme/ The Proud	Al-Mutakabbiru	بڑائی والا	الْمُتَكَبِّرُ	10
59:24	The Creator	Al-Khaliqu	پیدا کرنے والا	الْخَالِقُ	11
59:24	The Evolver/ The Inventor of all things	Al-Baari'au	وجود بخشنے والا	الْبَارِئُ	12
59:24	The Fashioner/ the bestower of forms	Al-Musawwiru	صورت بنانے والا	الْمُصَوِّرُ	13
57:3	The First	Al-Awwalu	اول	الْأَوَّلُ	14
57:3	The Last	Al-Aakhiru	آخر	الْآخِرُ	15
57:3	The Evident/ The most High (Nothing is above him)	Az-Zaahiru	سب سے اونچا جس پر کوئی نہیں	الظَّاهِرُ	16
57:3	The most Near (nothing is nearer than Him by His knowledge)	Al-Baatinu	باطن	الْبَاطِنُ	17
42:11	The All-Hearer	As-Samee'au	سننے والا	السَّمِيعُ	18
42:11	The All-Seer	Al-Baseeru	دیکھنے والا	الْبَصِيرُ	19
8:40	The Protector	Al-Maula	مالک اور مددگار	الْمَوْلَى	20
8:40	The Excellent Helper	An-Naseeru	بہت مدد کرنے والا	النَّصِيرُ	21
4:149	Ever oft-Pardoning	Al-Afuwwu	درگزر کرنے والا/معاف کرنے والا	الْعَفُوُّ	22
4:149	The All Powerful (Able to do all things)	Al-Qadeeru	قدرت والا	الْقَدِيرُ	23
67:14	The most kind and courteous	Al-Lateefu	باریکت میں لطف و کرم والا	اللطيف	24
67:14	The well acquainted	Al-Khabeeru	بڑا باخبر	الْحَبِيرُ	25

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26	الْوِتْرُ	آسیلا	Al-Witru	Allah is Al-Witr(one)	بخاری: 6410
27	الْجَمِيلُ	حسن والا	Al-Jameelu	The Graceful/ The most beautiful	مسلم: 91
28	الْحَيُّ	باحیا	Al-Hayyyu	The one characterized by modesty	ابو داؤد: 4012
29	السَّيِّئُ	پردہ ڈالنے والا	As-Sitteeru	The one characterized by concealment	ابو داؤد: 4012
30	الْكَبِيرُ	کبریائی والا	Al-Kabeeru	The most great	13:9
31	الْمُتَعَالُ	بلند	Al-Muta'aalu	The transcendent/ the most High	13:9
32	الْوَاحِدُ	ایک	Al-Waahidu	The one	13:16
33	الْقَهَّارُ	غلبہ والا	Al-Qahhaaru	The subduer	13:16
34	الْحَقُّ	حق	Al-Haqqu	The truth	24:25
35	الْمُبِينُ	واضح کرنے والا	Al-Mubeenu	The manifest truth	24:25
36	الْقَوِيُّ	طاقتور	Al-Qawiyu	The all powerful	11:66
37	الْمَتِينُ	زور آور	Al-Mateenu	The puissant/ The most strong	51:58
38	الْحَيُّ	زندہ	Al-Hayyu	The ever living on	20:111
39	الْقَيُّومُ	جو خود قائم ہے اور دوسروں کو قائم رکھا ہوا ہے	Al-Qayyoomu	The dominating/ The sustainer	20:111
40	الْعَلِيُّ	بلند	Al-Aliyuu	The most high/ The sublime	42:4
41	الْعَظِيمُ	عظمت والا	Al-Azeemu	The most great	42:4
42	الشَّكُورُ	قدر دان	Ash-Shakooru	The most appreciative	35:30
43	الْحَلِيمُ	بردبار	Al-Haleemu	The most forbearing	2:225
44	الْوَاسِعُ	کشادہ	Al-Waasi'au	The all-sufficient/ the vast	2:115
45	الْعَلِيمُ	باخبر	Al-Aleemu	The all-knower	2:115
46	التَّوَّابُ	بہت زیادہ توبہ قبول کرنے والا	At-Tawwaabu	The one who accepts repentance	2:37
47	الْحَكِيمُ	نہایت حکمت والا	Al-Hakeemu	The all-wise	2:129
48	الْغَنِيُّ	بے نیاز	Al-Ghaniyyu	The rich one (free of all wants)	6:133
49	الْكَرِيمُ	کرم کرنے والا	Al-Kareemu	The most generous	82:6
50	الْأَحَدُ	یکتا	Al-Ahadu	The one	112:1

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51	الصَّمَدُ	بے نیاز	As-Samadu	The self-sufficient/ The absolute	112:2
52	القَرِيبُ	قریب	Al-Qareebu	The close/ The one near to all by his knowledge	11:61
53	المُجِيبُ	قبول کرنے والا/ جواب دینے والا	Al-Mujeebu	The responder/ The answerer	11:61
54	العَفُوْرُ	بخشنے والا	Al-Ghafooru	The oft-forgiving/ The remitter	85:14
55	الْوَدُوْدُ	محبت کرنے والا	Al-Wadoodu	The affectionate	85:14
56	الْوَلِيُّ	قریب/مددگار	Al-Waliyyu	The helper. The supporter, The lord	42:28
57	الحَمِيْدُ	تعریفوں والا	Al-Hameedu	The one worthy of all praise	42:28
58	الحَفِيْظُ	حفاظت کرنے والا	Al-Hafeezu	The maintainer/ The guardian	34:21
59	المَجِيْدُ	بڑی شان والا	Al-Majeedu	The glorious	11:73
60	الْفَتَّاحُ	بند کھولنے والا/ بجزئی بنانے والا	Al-Fattaahu	The revealer/ The judge/ The opener	34:26
61	الشَّهِيدُ	گواہ	Ash-Shaheedu	The witness	34:47
62	المُقَدِّمُ	آگے کرنے والا	Al-Muqaddimu	The bringer-forward	بخاری: 1120
63	المُؤَخَّرُ	پچھے کرنے والا	Al-Mu'akh'khiru	The delayer	بخاری: 1120
64	المَلِيْكُ	بادشاہ	Al-Maleeku	The king	54:55
65	المُقْتَدِرُ	اقتدار والا	Al-Muqtadiru	The omnipotent	54:55
66	المُسَعِّرُ	قیمتوں کو طے کرنے والا	Al-Musa'iru	The one who raises, increases & decreases through his will	ابو داؤد: 3451
67	القَابِضُ	تنگی سے رزق دینے والا	Al-Qaabizu	The one who withholds/ The taker of souls & provision	ابو داؤد: 3451
68	البَّاسِطُ	کشادگی عطا کرنے والا	Al-Baasitu	The one who gives lavishly/ The munificent	ابو داؤد: 3451
69	الرَّازِقُ	رزق دینے والا	Ar-Raaziqu	The sustainer/ The best of sustainers	ابو داؤد: 3451
70	القَاهِرُ	غالب/ زبردست	Al-Qaahiru	The irresistible	6:18
71	الدَّيَّانُ	بدلہ دینے والا	Ad-Dayyaanu	The one who judges people for their deeds after calling them to account	رواہ البخاری معلفا قبل حدیث: 7081
72	الشَّاكِرُ	قدردان	Ash-Shaakiru	The recognizer and rewarder of good	2:158
73	المَنَّانُ	بندہ نواز/ نوازنے والا	Al-Mannaanu	The bestower of favours	ابو داؤد: 1495
74	القَادِرُ	قدرت رکھنے والا	Al-Qadiru	The potent/ The powerful	6:65
75	الْخَالِقُ	پیدا کرنے والا	Al-Khallaaqu	The supreme creator	36:81

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76	المَالِكُ	مالک	Al-Maaliku	The master & owner of the dominion	3:26
77	الرَّزَّاقُ	رزق دینے والا/اداتا	Ar-Razaaqu	The all-provider	51:58
78	الْوَكِيلُ	کارساز	Al-Wakeelu	The best disposer of affairs	3:173
79	الرَّقِيبُ	نگہبان	Ar-Raqeebu	The all-watcher/ The vigilant	5:117
80	المُحْسِنُ	احسان کرنے والا	Al-Muhsinu	Beneficent	صحیح البانی: 1824
81	الحَسِيبُ	نگران / حساب لینے والا/کافی	Al-Haseebu	The careful account taker of all things/ The sufficer	4:86
82	الشَّافِي	شفاء دینے والا	Ash-Shaafi	The healer	بخاری: 5675
83	الرَّفِيقُ	زری کرنے والا	Ar-Rafeequ	The all-kind	مسلم: 2593
84	المُعْطِي	عطا کرنے والا/اداتا	Al-Mu'tee	The giver	بخاری: 3116
85	المُقِيَّتُ	سب کو غذا دینے والا	Al-Muqeeetu	The most able/ The powerful/ The sustainer	4:85
86	السَّيِّدُ	سرور	As-Sayyidu	The master	ابو داؤد: 4806
87	الطَّيِّبُ	پاک	At-Tayyibu	The pure	مسلم: 1015
88	الحَكَمُ	فیصلہ کرنے والا	Al-Hakamu	The judge	ابو داؤد: 4955
89	الْأَكْرَمُ	خوب عطا کرنے والا/معزز	Al-Akramu	The most generous	96:3
90	الْبَرُّ	خوب رحم و کرم والا/بڑا محسن	Al-Barru	The most subtle, kind, courteous & generous	52:28
91	الْغَفَّارُ	بڑا بخشنے والا	Al-Ghaffaar	The oft-forgiving	38:66
92	الرَّءُوفُ	شفقت و رحم کرنے والا	Ar-Raooфу	The one who is full of kindness	24:20
93	الْوَهَّابُ	بڑا عطا کرنے والا/اداتا	Al-Wahhaabu	The bestower	3:8
94	الْجَوَادُ	خوب دینے والا	Al-Jawaadu	The bestower of good	صحیح البانی: 1744
95	السُّبُوْحُ	بے عیب	As-Subboohu	The perfect	مسلم: 487
96	الْوَارِثُ	حقیقی مالک	Al-Waarisu	The inheritor	15:23
97	الرَّبُّ	پالنہار/رب پروردگار	Ar-Rabbu	The lord	36:58
98	الْأَعْلَى	بلند	Al-Aa'laa	The most high/ The highest	87:1
99	الإِلَٰهَ	حقیقی معبود	Al-Ilaahu	The God	2:163

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A. EVIDENCES, VIRTUES, AND IMPORTANCE OF NAMES OF ALLAAH AND OUR RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1) “And to Allaah belong the best names, so invoke Him by them. And leave [the company of] those who practice deviation concerning His names. They will be recompensed for what they have been doing.” [7: 180]
- 2) Abu Huraira reported: The Messenger of Allaah, peace and blessings be upon him, said, “Allaah has ninety-nine names and whoever preserves them will enter Paradise.” [Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 6597, Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2677].
- 3) Allama Ibne Qayyim Rahimahullah Says : “Leaning by heart”, which is mentioned in the hadeeth, implies the following:
 1. Memorising them
 2. Understanding their meaning
 3. Acting in accordance with the meanings.

So if a person knows that He is one, he does not associate anything else with Him. If he knows that He is the Provider (ar-Razzaaq), he does not seek provision from anyone other than Him. If he knows that He is Most Merciful (ar-Raheem), then he does acts of obedience and worship that are the means of attaining this mercy... and so on.

4. Calling upon Him by these names, as He, may He be glorified and exalted, says (interpretation of the meaning): “And (all) the Most Beautiful Names belong to Allaah, so call on Him by them’ [al-A‘raaf 7:180]. So he might say: O Most Merciful (Ya Rahman), have mercy on me; O Oft-forgiving (Ya Ghafoor), forgive me; O Acceptor of repentance (Ya Tawwaab), accept my repentance, and so on.

B. PRINCIPLES, MAXIMS, AND ETIQUETTES OF NAMES OF ALLAAH:

- 1) Ibne Abi Zayd Al Qayrawaani Says: “To Allaah belong all beautiful names and lofty attributes.” [Muqaddimah Ibne Abi Zayd Al Qayrawaani Pg No. 82].

In its explanation Shaikh Abdul Muhsin Al Abbad Hafizahullah Writes:

- The names of Allaah can only be known through revelation (Quran and Sunnah) and it’s not permissible for anyone to speak on this topic without knowledge.
- The Names of Allaah – the All-Mighty and the Magnificent – and His Characteristics (Sifaat) is that they affirm for Allaah –Azza wa Jal- what is affirmed in the Book and the Sunnah from the Names and Characteristics in the way which they befit Allaah - Subhanahu Ta’ala- without explaining how they are, or resembling them with anything else, or with Tamtheel (to liken Allaah or His Characteristics to that of the creation), or Tahreef (alteration and distortion of wording or meaning), or Ta’weel (metaphorical interpretation) of them or cancelling them. Just as Allaah -Azza wa Jal- said: “There is nothing like unto Him and He is the All-Hearing the All-Seeing” [42:11]
- Allaah’s names have been mentioned in Quran and they were declared as The Best names. “And to Allaah belong the best names, so invoke Him by them.”[7:180]
- All of Allaah’s Names are the best. This means that they all possess the highest extent of goodness and lofty status. They are not just good names rather they are the best names.
- So a Name is that which is considered a Name of Allaah (Subhaanahu wa Ta’aala), (and that) which incorporates an Attribute. And affirmation of a Name necessitates affirmation of an Attribute. For example: al-Azeez (the Almighty) is a Name, and (its affirmation) necessitates the (affirmation of the) Attribute of Izzah (Mightiness); Hakeem (All Wise) is a Name and (its affirmation) necessitates the affirmation of Hikmah

(Wisdom). Kareem (The Generous) is a Name and (its affirmation) necessitates the affirmation of Karam (Generosity). Lateef (The Most Gentle) is a Name and (its affirmation) necessitates the affirmation of Lutf (Gentleness). Azeem (The Magnificent) is a Name and (its affirmation) necessitates the affirmation of Azmah (Magnificence). Rehman and Raheem (The Entirely Merciful, the Especially Merciful) are Names and (its affirmation) necessitates the affirmation of Rehman (Mercy). The same principle applies for other names as well.

- No name of Allaah is a solitary noun. Some Scholars that Ad-Dahr (time) is one of the Names of Allaah but it's not.
- The Names of Allaah are not confined to a fixed and definite number. Allaah has taught some names to his creatures and appropriated some names for him in the knowledge of the Ghaib (Unseen).

This is based on the famous hadith: "I ask You, O Allaah, by every one of Your Names by which you have named yourself or revealed in Your Book. Or (those which you have) taught to one of your creatures or appropriated for yourself in the knowledge of the Ghaib (Unseen) that is with you." [Musnad Ahmed:3712, Ibne Hajar declared the chain of narration hasan(good) and Allama Albanee declared it authentic in silsilatul ahadees saheehah]

The way to combine between this hadith and the other authentic hadith: "Verily, to Allaah belong ninety-nine names, (by which) whosoever takes account of them (i.e. memorizes, learns and supplicates by them), will enter Paradise." [Bukhari: 7392, 2410, and 2736 and Sahih Muslim: 2677] It does not mean that Allaah's names are restricted to this number (of 99). This hadith indicates that the words "Allaah has ninety-nine names, whoever learns them will enter Paradise" mean that there are ninety-nine of His names which whoever learns them will enter Paradise. The equivalent of this would be if one were to say: "I have prepared one hundred books for students of knowledge for the purpose of teaching them." This does not negate that he has other books in his possession, which he has prepared for a purpose other than teaching.

- **Some names of Allaah can also be used for the creation. “There has certainly come to you a Messenger from among yourselves. Grievous to him is what you suffer; [he is] concerned over you and to the believers is kind and merciful.” [9:128] Here, Rauf and Raheem are used for the prophet sallallahu alayhi wa sallam but these names doesn’t possess the same meaning when it is used for Allaah. There is no resemblance between the names(with its meanings) of creator and names of creation.**
- **Some names of Allaah can never be used for the creation. For Instance Rehman, Khaliq, Raziq, Samad, Baari etc...**

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C. AN ANALYSIS OF LIST OF ASMAUL HUSNA:

➤ The famous hadith which was narrated by al-Tirmidhi (Hadith No.3507) via waleed bin muslim (May Allaah Reward Him), listing these ninety-nine names is a da'eef (weak) hadeeth for five reasons.

The chain of narration is Tafarrud (isolated), Shaaz (odd one out), Muztarib (that causing disturbance), Tadlees (Hiding the defects of an article being sold) And Mudraj (something entered into something else).

List of Scholars Who declared this hadith unauthentic are:

- i) Hafiz Ibne Hajar Asqalani In Fathul Baari (Hadith No:6410)
- ii) Imam Baghawe In Sharhus Sunnah(5/35)
- iii) Baihaqee In Kitabul Asma wa Sifaat(pg. no 19)
- iv) Ibne Hazm In Al Muhalla(11/220)
- v) Ibne Taimiyyah In Majmoo Al Fatawa(6/379)
- vi) Ibne Qayyim In Madaarijus Salikeen(3/307)
- vii) Ibne Katheer In His Tafseer Of The Ayah(7:180)
- viii) Allama Albanee In Daif Tirmidhee
- ix) Shaikh Ibne Uthaymeen In al-Qawaa'id al-Muthla fi Sifaat Illaahi wa Asmaa'ihil-Husna

➤ Al-Tirmidhi (may Allaah have mercy on him) said, after narrating the hadith: This is a ghareeb hadith (i.e., it is weak, as is the apparent meaning of his words here).

➤ Ibne Hazm (may Allaah have mercy on him) said: No hadith listing all the names of Allaah is authentic. [Muhalla Ibne Hazm: 11/220]

➤ According to the research of Shaikh Abdul Muhsin Al Abbad, Shaikh Alawi Abd al-Qadir al-Saqqaf, and Dr. Mahmood Abdur Razzaq Al Rizwaani (May Allaah Reward All of Them), There are 21 names in this list which are not proven from the quran and the sunnah. They are neither confined names nor unconfined names. Those 21 names are:

- ❖ Al Qafiz
- ❖ Al Muzill
- ❖ Al Adl
- ❖ Al Jaleel
- ❖ Al Bai's
- ❖ Al Muhsi
- ❖ Al Mubdee
- ❖ Al Mu'eed
- ❖ Al Mumeet
- ❖ Al Wajid
- ❖ Al Majid
- ❖ Al Waali
- ❖ Al Muqsit
- ❖ Al Mani
- ❖ Al Mughni
- ❖ Az Zaar
- ❖ An Nafe
- ❖ Al Baaqi
- ❖ As Saboor
- ❖ Ar Rasheed

➤ According to the research of Shaikh Khalifah At Taymee and Dr. Mahmood Abdur Razzaq Al Rizwaani(May Allaah Reward Both of Them), There are 8 names in this list which are confined names .They are not unconfined names. Those 8 names are:

- ❖ Ar Rafi
- ❖ Al Muhyi
- ❖ Al Muntaqim
- ❖ Al Jamiu
- ❖ An Noor
- ❖ Al Hadee
- ❖ Al Badee
- ❖ Zul Jalaali Wal Ikraam

Note: We have learnt that is this famous list i.e. narration of the waleed ibne Muslim, there are 21 names which are not proven from the Quran and the sunnah. They are neither confined names nor unconfined names. There are 8 names in this list which are confined names which are not unconfined names.

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D. THOSE NAMES WHICH SCHOLARS HAVE INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF ASMAUL HUSNA:

- According to Shaikh Ibne Uthaymeen(May Allaah Reward Him), Al Hafiz , Al Alim, Al Muheet And Al Hafiiyyu are names Of Allaah.[Refer to his book al-Qawaa'id al-Muthla fi Sifaat Illaahi wa Asmaa'ihl-Husna]
- According to Shaikh Abdul Muhsin Al Abbad(May Allaah Reward Him), Al Hafiz , Al Kafeel, Al Hadee, Al Ghalib And Al Muheet are names Of Allaah.[Refer to his book Qatful Jani Ad Daani Sharh Muqaddimah Risalah Ibne Abi Zayd Al Qayrawaani]
- According to Shaikh Alawi Abd al-Qadir al-Saqqaf (May Allaah Reward Him), Al Hafiz, Al Muheet And Al Hadee are names Of Allaah.[Refer to his book SifatAllaahi Azza Wa Jalla Al Warida Fee Kitaabi Wa Sunnah]
- According to Shaikh Khalifah At Taymee and Dr. Mahmood Abdur Razzaq Al Rizwaani(May Allaah Reward Both of Them), There are 8 names of Allaah which are confined names .They are not unconfined names. Those 8 names are:{ Ar Rafi,Al Muhyi,Al Muntaqim,Al Jamiu,An Noor,Al Hadee,Al Badee and Zul Jalaali Wal Ikraam}.[Refer to their books Itiqaad Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jammah Fee Asmail Husna And Asmail Husna Fee Sabatihee Kitaabi Wa Sunnah respectively]

Benefits of Pondering and Contemplating On the Names and Attributes of Allaah:

- The zeal to see Allaah on the Day of Judgment emerges which will help you to be patient in the path of belief, dawah, performing good deeds and rectification.

- **It helps you to present islam to non muslims.**
- **Muslims and Non-Muslims will get awareness of the greatness and glory of Allaah.**
- **Imaan [Belief] will be increased and illuminated.**
- **Connection with Allaah gets strong.**
- **It will ease the path for god consciousness externally and internally.**
- **Accurate Knowledge of Names and Attributes of Allaah helps in the rectification of our beliefs, acts of worship and social affairs.**
- **It helps us to be steadfast during trials and protect ourselves from oppression.**
- **Love, Fear, Hope and Reliance with regards to Allaah increases and likes of these sublime characteristics emerges in our heart.**
- **We will shy to sin and will be eager & humble to perform righteous deeds in order to please Allaah.**
- **We will start seeing our mistakes and short comings.**