

THE MONTH OF RAJAB

Rajab, being the seventh month of the Islamic calendar is a stepping stone to the auspicious months of Shabaan and Ramadaan. Rajab is from the Ashur Hurum (Sacred months), one of four such months in which battles were prohibited. When the moon of Rajab was sighted Rasulullah (sallallaahu alayhi wasallam) would recite the following Duá:

اللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ لَنَا فِي رَجَبٍ وَشَعْبَانَ وَبَلِّغْنَا رَمَضَانَ

“Allahumma baarik lana fee rajaba wa sha’bana wa ballighna ramadaan”

“Oh Allah! grant us blessings in the month of Rajab and Shabaan, and make us reach the month of Ramadhaan”

(Shu’abul-Imaan & Ibnus Sunni)

This Dua should be recited regularly in the month of Rajab and Shabaan. In preparation for Ramadaan, the relevance of Rajab maybe understood as the month to sow seeds (good actions), Shabaan is the month in which we should water those seeds (with tears of remorse) and Ramadaan is the month in which we reap the harvest.

Whilst the arrival of Ramadaan is certain, no person is guaranteed reaching Ramadaan. Rasulullah (Sallallaahu Alayhi Wasallam) would express his eagerness to be blessed with the month of Ramadaan from Rajab. We should therefore become more inclined towards virtuous deeds and Ibaadat in these months.

May Allah Ta’aala let us all reach Ramadaan and grant us the ability to spend it in a manner that is most pleasing to Him. Aameen.

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