

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

Mishkat-us-Salat

(Illuminations of Blessings)

Preface

God Says in Surah Al-Ahzab Verse 56:

إِنَّ اللّٰهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ
يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا

{Indeed Allah and His angels send blessings on the Noble Prophet;
O People who believe! Send blessings and abundant salutations
upon him.}

In this verse God clearly orders us to send everlasting peace and unlimited blessings upon the Noble Prophet Muhammad. Keeping this thing in view, many Muslims from our ancestors have made their daily routine to offer blessings and salutations on our beloved Prophet. In our prayers, we send blessings not only on our Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم but also remember the blessings and salutations in respect of the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام. Other than these routine wordings for blessings our ancestors have made lots of verses for these blessings and salutations. Out of them many are preserved in the form of books or booklets and are available to us.

Mishkat-us-Salat is a book of blessings that has been compiled by a famous Scholar, Ilyas Burney, the Professor of Othmania University, Hyderabad, India. This book comprises of 150 pages with 7 chapters. This book was published in 1349AH (1930AD).

The specialty of this book is that the Professor has quoted all those verses of Quran in which God describes the grandeurs of His Messenger. Each of these verses has been blended with blessings and salutations. He has also quoted in this book many verses of blessings offered by our old famous Islamic Scholars. Moreover, he added his own wordings of blessings as well. The foremost specialty of this book is that its every chapter ends with prayers (Appeal/Du'aa).

This booklet *Mishkat-us-Salat (Illuminations of Blessings)* is a 'selection of selections' and has been compiled considering as a necessity in view of the existing hectic life of our Muslim brothers and sisters. If the recitation of these "brief" Blessings and Salutations is not possible on daily basis, at least once in a month or once in a year should be recited. Certainly, this would give بركة (abundant good).

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