

The Ninety-Nine (99) Names of Allah

Prophet Muhammad (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) said in the Hadith narrated by al-Bukhariyy:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَسْعَهُ وَتَسْعَيْنَ اسْمَاءً مَائَةً إِلَّا وَاحِدًا. مَنْ أَحْصَاهَا
دَخَلَ الْجَنَّةَ. رَوَاهُ الْحَارِسُ وَفِي رَوَايَةٍ: مَنْ حَفِظَهَا

It means: "Certainly, Allah has ninety-nine names (99), one hundred minus one. Whoever memories them and understands their meaning will enter paradise". Here are the 99 names of Allah as narrated by Imam al-Bayhaqiy in his book "Al-'Asma'u was-Sifat".

1. Allah الله : The One Who has Godhood, which is the power to create the entities.
2. Ar-Rahman الرَّحْمَن : The One who has an abundance of mercy for the believers and the blasphemers in the world and has reserved His mercy exclusively for the believers in the Hereafter.
3. Ar-Rahim الرَّحِيم : The One Who has an abundance of mercy for the believers.
4. Al-Malik الْمَلِك : The One with absolute Dominion and the One Whose Dominion is cleat of imperfection.
5. Al-Quddus الْقُدُّوسُ : The One Who is pure of any imperfection and clear of having children and adversaries.
6. As-Salam السَّلَامُ : The One Who is clear of every imperfection.
7. Al- Mu'min المؤمن : The One Who witnessed for Himself that no one is God but Him; and Who witnessed for His believers that they are truthful in their belief that no one is God but Him.
8. Al-Muhaymin المُهَمِّن : The One Who witnesses the saying and deeds of His creations.
9. Al-Aziz العَزِيزُ : The One Who defeats and is not defeated.
10. Al-Jabbar الْجَبَّارُ : The One in Whose dominion nothing happens except what He willed.
11. Al-Muktakabbir الْمُكْتَبِرُ : The One Who is clear of the attributes of the creations and of resembling them.
12. Al-Khaliq الْخَالِقُ : The Creator Who brings everything from non-existence into existence.
13. Al-Bari' الْبَارِئُ : The Creator Who has the Power to turn the entities from one state into another.
14. Al-Musawwir الْمُصَوِّرُ : The One Who forms His creations in different images.
15. Al-Ghaffar الْغَافِرُ : The One Who forgives the sins of His slaves time and time again.
16. Al-Qahhar الْقَهَّارُ : The Subduer Who has the perfect Power and is not powerless over anything.
17. Al-Wahhab الْوَهَّابُ : The One Who is Generous in giving plenty without any return.
18. Ar-Razzaq الرَّزَّاقُ : The One Who makes sustenance reach His slaves. Sustenance is everything that benefits, whether Islamically lawful (halal) or unlawful (haram).
19. Al-Fattah الْفَتَّاحُ : The One Who opens for His slaves the closed worldly and religious matters.
20. Al-Alim الْعَلِيمُ : The Knowledgeable; the One from Whose Knowledge nothing is hidden.
21. Al-Qabid الْقَابِضُ : The One Who constricts the sustenance by His Wisdom and expands it with His Generosity and Mercy.
22. Al-Basit الْبَاسِطُ : The One Who constricts the sustenance by His Wisdom and expands it with His Generosity and Mercy.

23. Al-Khafid : الخافض : The One Who demotes whomever He willed by His Destruction and elevates whomever He willed by His Endowment.

24. Ar-Rafi : الرافع : The One Who demotes whomever He willed by His Destruction and elevates whomever He willed by His Endowment.

25. Al-Mu^hizz : المُعِزُّ : The One Who gives esteem to whomever He willed; hence there is no one to degrade him. The One Who degrades whomever He willed; hence there is no one to give him esteem.

26. Al- Mudhill : المُذَلُّ : The One Who gives esteem to whomever He willed; hence there is no one to degrade him. The One Who degrades whomever He willed; hence there is no one to give him esteem.

27. As-Sami : السَّمِيعُ : The One Who hears all hearable things by His Eternal Hearing, without an ear, instrument, or organ.

28. Al-Basir : الْبَصِيرُ : The One Who sees all seeable things by His eternal Sight, without a pupil or any other instrument.

29. Al-Hakam : الْحَكَمُ : He is the Ruler, and His judgement is His word.

30. Al-^Adl : الْعَدْلُ : The One Who is entitlement to do what He does.

31. Al-Latif : الْطَّيِّفُ : The One Who is kind to His slaves and gives them endowments.

32. Al-Khabir : الْخَبِيرُ : The One Who knows the truth of things.

33. Al-Halim : الْحَلِيمُ : The One Who delays the punishment for those who deserve it and then He may forgive them.

34. Al-^Adhim : الْعَظِيمُ : The One deserving the attributes of Exaltment, Glory, Extollement, and Purity from all imperfection.

35. Al-Ghafur : الْغَفُورُ : The One Who forgives in abundance.

36. Ash-Shakur : الشَّكُورُ : The One Who gives ample reward for little obedience.

37. Al-^Aliyy : الْعَلِيُّ : The One Who is clear of the attributes of the creations.

38. Al-Khabir : الْكَبِيرُ : The One Who is greater I status than everything.

39. Al-Hafidh : الْحَفِيظُ : The One Who protects whatever and whomever He willed (to protect).

40. Al-Muqit : الْمُقْتَى : The One Who has the Power.

41. Al-Hasib : الْحَسِيبُ : The One Who gives the satisfaction.

42. Al-Jalil : الْجَلِيلُ : The One Who is attributed with greatness of Power and Glory of status.

43. Al-Karin : الْكَرِيمُ : The One Who is clear of abjectness.

44. Ar-Raqib : الرَّقِيبُ : The One from Whom nothing is absent. Hence its meaning is related to the attribute of Knowledge.

45. Al-Mujib : الْمُجِيبُ : The One Who answers those in need when they ask Him and rescues the yearners when they call upon Him.

46. Al-Wasi : الْوَاسِعُ : The Knowledgeable.

47. Al-Hakim : الْحَكِيمُ : The One Who is correct in His doings.

48. Al-Wadud : الْوَدُودُ : The One Who loves His believing slaves and His believing slaves love Him. His love to His slaves is His Will to be merciful to them and to praise them. Hence its meaning is related to the Attributes of the Will and Karam. (His Kalam is the Attribute with which Allah orders and forbids, and with which He spoke to Muhammad and Musa. It is not a sound, language, or letter.)

49. Al-Majid : الْمَجِيدُ : The One Who is with perfect Power, High Status, Compassion, Generosity, and Kindness.

50. Al-Ba^uith : الْبَاعِثُ : The One Who resurrects His slaves after death for reward and/ or punishment.

51. Ash- Shahid : الشَّهِيدُ : The One from Whom nothing is absent.

52. Al-Haqq : الْحَقُّ : The One Who truly exists, i.e., the One Whose Existence is confirmed.

53. Al- Wakil : الْوَكِيلُ : The One Who gives satisfaction and is relied upon

54. Al-Qawiyy : الْقَوِيُّ : The One with the complete Power.

55. Al-Matin : الْمَتَنُ : The One with extreme Power which is in-interrupted, and Who does not get tired.

56. Al-Waliyy : الْوَلِيُّ : The Supporter.

57. Al-Hamid : الْحَمِيدُ : The praises One Who deserves to be praised.

58. Al-Muhsi : الْمُحْسِنُ : The One Who knows the count of things.

59. Al-Mubdi' : الْمُبْدِئُ : The One Who started the human being, that is, He created him.

60. Al-Mu^id : الْمُعِيدُ : The One Who brings back the creatures after death.

61. Al-Muhyi : الْمُحْيِيُّ : The One Who brought out a living human from seminal fluid that does not have a soul. He quickens the dead by returning the souls back to the decayed bodies on the Resurrection Day and He makes the hearts alive with the light of knowledge.

62. Al-Mumit : الْمُمِيتُ : The One Who renders the living dead.

63. Al-Hayy : الْحَيُّ : The One Who is attributed with a Life that is unlike our life and is not that of combination of soul, flesh, and blood.

64. Al-Qayyum : الْقَيْمُونُ : The One Whose existence does not end.

65. Al-Wajid : الْوَاجِدُ : The Rich Who is never poor. Wajd means richness.

66. Al-Majid : الْمَاجِدُ : The One Who is Majid. (See #49)

67. Al-Wahid : الْوَاحِدُ : The One without a partner.

68. As-Samad : الصَّمَدُ : The Master Who is relied upon in matters and is resorted to in one's needs.

69. Al-Qadir : الْقَادِرُ : The One Who is attributed with Power.

70. Al-Muqtadir : الْمُقْتَدِرُ : The One with the perfect Power from Whom nothing is withheld.

71. Al-Muqaddim : الْمُقْدَمُ : The One Who puts things in their right places. He advances whatever He wills and delays whatever He wills.

72. Al-Mu'akhkhir : الْمُؤَخِّرُ : The One Who puts things in their right places. He advances whatever He wills and delays whatever He wills.

73. Al-'Awwal : الْأَوَّلُ : The One Whose Existence is without a beginning.

74. Al-'Akhir : الْآخِرُ : The One Whose Existence is without end.

75. Adh-Dhahir : الظَّاهِرُ : The One above Whom nothing exists and underneath Whom nothing exists; hence He exists without a place. His existence is obvious by proofs. He is clear of delusions of having bodily attributes.

76. Al-Batin : الْبَاطِنُ : The One above Whom nothing exists and underneath Whom nothing exists; hence He exists without a place. His Existence is obvious by proofs. He is clear of the delusions of having bodily attributes.

77. Al-Wali : الْوَالِيُّ : The One Who owns things and manages them.

78. Al-Muta^ali : الْمُتَّعَالُ : The One Who is clear of the attributes of the creation.

79. Al Barr : الْبَرُّ : The One Who is kind to His creatures, Who covered them with His sustenance and specified whomever He willed among them with His support, protection, and special mercy.

80. At-Tawwab : التَّوَّابُ : The One Who accepts repentance from whomever He willed of His creatures.

81. Al-Muntaqim : الْمُنْتَقِيمُ : The One Who victoriously prevails over His enemies and punishes them for their sins. It may also mean the One Who destroys them.

82. Al-^Aluww : **العَفُو** : The One with wide forgiveness.

83. Ar-Ra'uf : **الرَّءُوف** : The One with extreme Mercy. The Mercy of Allah is His Will to endow mercy, etc., upon whomever He willed of His creatures.

84. Malikul-Mulk : **مَالِكُ الْمُلْك** : The One Who controls the dominion and gives dominion to whomever He willed.

85. Dhul-Jalali Wal-Ikram : **ذُو الْجَلَلِ وَالْإِكْرَام** : The One Who deserves to be Exalted and not denied.

86. Al-Muqsit : **الْمُقْسِط** : The One Who is just in His judgement.

87. Al-Jami : **الْجَامِع** : The One Who gathers the creatures on a day there is no doubt about, that is, the day of judgement.

88. Al-Ghaniyy : **الْغَنِيُّ** : The One Who does not need the creation.

89. Al-Mughni : **الْمُغْنِي** : The One Who satisfies the necessities of the creatures.

90. Al-Mani : **الْمَانِع** : The Supporter Who protects and gives victory to His pious believers.

91. Ad-Darr : **الْحَارُّ** : The One Who makes harm and benefit reach whomever He willed.

92. An-Nafi : **النَّافِع** : The One Who makes harm and benefit reach whomever He willed.

93. An-Nur : **النُّور** : The One Who guides.

94. Al-Hadi : **الْهَادِي** : The One with Whose Guidance His believers were guided, and Whose Guidance the living beings have been guided to what is beneficial for them and protected from what is harmful to them.

95. Al-Badi : **الْبَدِيع** : The One Who created the creation and formed it without any previous example.

96. Al-Baqi : **الْبَاقِي** : The One for Whom the state of non-Existence is impossible.

97. Al-Warith : **الْوَارِث** : The One Whose Existence does not come to an end.

98. Ar-Rashid : **الْرَّشِيد** : The One Who guides.

99. As-Sabur : **الصَّبور** : The One Who does not quickly punish the sinners.