

The Ninety-Nine (99) Names of Allah

Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said in the Hadith narrated by al-Bukhariyy:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ تِسْعَةٌ وَتِسْعِينَ اسْمًا مِائَةً إِلَّا وَاحِدًا. مَنْ أَحْصَاهَا
دَخَلَ الْجَنَّةَ. رَوَاهُ الْحَارِثُ وَفِي رِوَايَةٍ: 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-Bayhaqiyy in his book “Al-‘Asma’u was-Sifat”.

1. Allah : The One Who has Godhood, which is the power to create the entities.
2. Ar-Rahman الرَّحْمَنُ : 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 الرَّحِيمُ : The One Who has an abundance of mercy for the believers.
4. Al-Malik الْمَلِكُ : The One with absolute Dominion and the One Whose Dominion is clear 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 الْمُؤْمِنُ : 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 الْمُهِيمِنُ : The One Who witnesses the saying and deeds of His creations.
9. Al-Aziz الْعَزِيزُ : 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 الْمُتَكَبِّرُ : 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 الْغَفَّارُ : 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[^]izz 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 المُزِلُّ : 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 السَّمِيع : The One Who hears all hearable things by His Eternal Hearing, without an ear, instrument, or organ.
28. Al-Basir البصير : The One Who sees all seeable things by His eternal Sight, without a pupil or any other instrument.
29. Al-Hakam الحَكَم : He is the Ruler, and His judgement is His word.
30. Al-[^]Adl العَدْل : The One Who is entitlement to do what He does.
31. Al-Latif اللطيف : The One Who is kind to His slaves and gives them endowments.
32. Al-Khabir الخبير : The One Who knows the truth of things.
33. Al-Halim الحليم : The One Who delays the punishment for those who deserve it and then He may forgive them.
34. Al-[^]Adhim العظيم : The One deserving the attributes of Exaltment, Glory, Extolment, and Purity from all imperfection.
35. Al-Ghafur الغفور : The One Who forgives in abundance.
36. Ash-Shakur الشَّكُور : The One Who gives ample reward for little obedience.
37. Al-[^]Aliyy العَلِىَّ : The One Who is clear of the attributes of the creations.
38. Al-Khabir الكبير : The One Who is greater I status than everything.
39. Al-Hafidh الحفيظ : The One Who protects whatever and whomever He willed (to protect).
40. Al-Muqit المقيت : The One Who has the Power.
41. Al-Hasib الحسيب : The One Who gives the satisfaction.
42. Al-Jalil الجليل : The One Who is attributed with greatness of Power and Glory of status.
43. Al-Karin الكريم : The One Who is clear of abjectness.
44. Ar-Raqib الرَّقِيب : The One from Whom nothing is absent. Hence its meaning is related to the attribute of Knowledge.
45. Al-Mujib المجيب : The One Who answers those in need when they ask Him and rescues the yearners when they call upon Him.
46. Al-Wasi الواسع : The Knowledgeable.
47. Al-Hakim الحكيم : The One Who is correct in His doings.
48. Al-Wadud الوُدُود : 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 المجيد : The One Who is with perfect Power, High Status, Compassion, Generosity, and Kindness.
50. Al-Ba[^]ith الباعث : The One Who resurrects His slaves after death for reward and/ or punishment.

51. Ash- Shahid الشَّهيد : The One from Whom nothing is absent.
52. Al-Haqq الحَقُّ : The One Who truly exists, i.e., the One Whose Existence is confirmed.
53. Al- Wakil الوكيل : The One Who gives satisfaction and is relied upon
54. Al-Qawiyy القَوِيُّ : The One with the complete Power.
55. Al-Matin المتن : The One with extreme Power which is in-interrupted, and Who does not get tired.
56. Al-Waliyy الوليُّ : The Supporter.
57. Al-Hamid الحميد : The praises One Who deserves to be praised.
58. Al-Muhsi المحْصِي : The One Who knows the count of things.
59. Al-Mubdi' المبدئُ : The One Who started the human being, that is, He created him.
60. Al-Mu'id العيد : The One Who brings back the creatures after death.
61. Al-Muhyi المحيى : 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 المميت : The One Who renders the living dead.
63. Al-Hayy الحى : 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 القيوم : The One Whose existence does not end.
65. Al-Wajid الواجد : The Rich Who is never poor. Wajd means richness.
66. Al-Majid الماجد : The One Who is Majid. (See #49)
67. Al-Wahid الواحد : The One without a partner.
68. As-Samad الصَّمَد : The Master Who is relied upon in matters and is resorted to in one's needs.
69. Al-Qadir القادر : The One Who is attributed with Power.
70. Al-Muqtadir المُقْتَدِر : The One with the perfect Power from Whom nothing is withheld.
71. Al-Muqaddim المُقَدِّم : The One Who puts things in their right places. He advances whatever He wills and delays whatever He wills.
72. Al-Mu'akhkhir المُؤَخِّر : The One Who puts things in their right places. He advances whatever He wills and delays whatever He wills.
73. Al-'Awwal الأوَّل : The One Whose Existence is without a beginning.
74. Al-'Akhir الآخر : The One Whose Existence is without end.
75. Adh-Dhahir الظاهر : 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 الباطن : 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 الوالى : The One Who owns things and manages them.
78. Al-Muta'ali المتعَالى : The One Who is clear of the attributes of the creation.
79. Al Barr البر : 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 التَّوَّاب : The One Who accepts repentance from whomever He willed of His creatures.
81. Al-Muntaqim المُبْتَقِم : 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 العَفْو : The One with wide forgiveness.
83. Ar-Ra'uf الرَّؤُف : 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 الْمَلِك : The One Who controls the dominion and gives dominion to whomever He willed.
85. Dhul-Jalali Wal-'Ikram ذوالجلال و الاكرام : The One Who deserves to be Exalted and not denied.
86. Al-Muqsit الْمَقْسِط : The One Who is just in His judgement.
87. Al-Jami الجامع : The One Who gathers the creatures on a day there is no doubt about, that is, the day of judgement.
88. Al-Ghaniyy الْغَنِي : The One Who does not need the creation.
89. Al-Mughni الْمُغْنِي : The One Who satisfies the necessities of the creatures.
90. Al-Mani المانع : The Supporter Who protects and gives victory to His pious believers.
91. Ad-Darr الضَّارُّ : 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 النور : The One Who guides.
94. Al-Hadi الهادي : 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 البديع : The One Who created the creation and formed it without any previous example.
96. Al-Baqi الباقي : The One for Whom the state of non-Existence is impossible.
97. Al-Warith الوارث : The One Whose Existence does not come to an end.
98. Ar-Rashid الرَّشِيد : The One Who guides.
99. As-Sabur الصَّبور : The One Who does not quickly punish the sinners.