

## Best of the Best - Class #4

### Best of the best – Hadiths which begin with (أفضل) 'best'

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1. Best of the believers.
2. Best of the people.
3. Best in Islam.
4. Best prayer and fasting after the obligations.
5. Best place of prayer for the woman
6. Best hajj.

**Hadith:** 'Which Hajj is most virtuous, O Messenger of Allah (ﷺ)?' He said: 'The one with loud voices and blood (of the sacrifice).' Another man stood and said: 'What are 'the means', O Messenger of Allah?' He said: 'Provisions and a mount.'" – Sahih At Targheeb 1131, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan

The best hajj is where the talbiyah and takbeer are loud for men and when the blood of the sacrifice is flowing.

7. Best of deeds.

**Hadith:** It was narrated from 'Abudullah bin Hubshi Al-Khath 'ami that the Prophet (ﷺ) was asked: "Which deed is best?" He said: "Faith in which there is no doubt, battle for the sake of Allah in which there is no stealing of the spoils of war, and Hijjatun Mabrurah." [1] It was said: "Which prayer is best? He said: "That in which there is ling Qunut (standing)." It was said: "Which charity is best?" He said: "The poor's night." It was said: "Which Hijrah (emigration) is best?" He said: "One who shuns (Hahara) that which Allah has forbidden." - Sunan an-Nasa'i 2526

The best deed is faith with no doubts.

A person cannot take things which are for public use. For example there are those who take supplies from the office for home use, a person cannot take blankets from the markaz or perfumes or Kleenex boxes. There was a man who took paper from the office for his children to use at home and the children failed their exams, subhan Allah. There will be no barakah when a person takes something which doesn't belong to him. Or at the hotel, people cannot take the pillows or bathrobes.

Which prayer is the best? The one where the standing is longer.

Which sadaqah is the best? To have little but still give. For example, you have little money but you give. Or to have little water and you give it to others.

**Hadith:** The Prophet (ﷺ) said the best of deeds is to bring happiness to a believer, to clothe them, to fulfill their hunger or needs. – Sahih At Targheeb 2090, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan

The best of deeds is to make someone happy, imagine making someone upset, astaghfar Allah. Make an effort to make your household happy – your spouse, children and helpers. Also fro the best deeds

is buy clothes for someone, to feed them when hungry and to fulfill someone's needs. A person might not be praying the night prayers but he's making others happy, subhan Allah. A person might be memorizing Quran but he's making others unhappy. Imagine making your mother, father, husband, or children happy.

#### 8. Best of people doing the deeds.

**Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) said: whoever says before moving his feet from the fajr and maghrib prayers and says:**

**None has the right to be worshipped by Allah, Alone, without partner, to Him belongs all that exists, and to Him belongs the praise, [He gives life and causes death,] and He has power over all things,**

**(Lā ilāha illallāh, waḥdahū lā sharīka lahu, lahu-lmulku wa lahu-ḥamdu, [yuḥyī wa yumītu,] wa huwa `alā kulli shai'in qadīr')**

**Allah will give you ten hasanat for each time, erase ten sins, be elevated ten ranks, protection from anything disliked, protection from the shaitan, and does not commit shirk, then he'll be from the best people doing deeds, except if someone says more than him. – Sahih At Targheeb 477, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan**

May Allah help us to do this. Ameen.

#### 9. Best sadaqah.

**Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) was asked, 'which charity is best?'. He said: providing water. – An Nisa'1 3667**

Imagine giving water to your household while you don't have water for yourself, then this is the best of the best, subhan Allah. You can serve water on the dinner table, or place water bottles next to each family member's bed. May Allah help us to apply these virtues. Ameen.

#### 10. Better than the level of voluntary praying, fasting and charity.

**Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) said: Shall I not inform you of something more excellent in degree than fasting, prayer and almsgiving (sadaqah)? The people replied: Yes, Prophet of Allah (ﷺ)! He said: It is putting things right between people, spoiling them is the shaver (destructive). - Sunan Abi Dawud 4919, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih**

When people fight then it weakens them and the worst is to cause enmity between others, astaghfar Allah.

#### 11. Best words.

Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) said: The best words are ‘subhan Allah, alhamdulillah, la ilah ila Allah, Allahu Akbar’ – Sahih At Targheeb 1548, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

#### 12. Best dhikr and best dua.

Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) said: The best dhikr is ‘la ilah ila Allah’ and the best dua is ‘alhamdulillah’. – Sahih Aj Jamie’ 1104, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan

#### 13. Best dua on Day of ‘Arafah.

Hadith: Amr bin Shu’aib narrated from his father, from his grandfather, that the Prophet (ﷺ) said: “The best of supplication is the supplication of the Day of Arafah. and the best of what I and the Prophet before me have said is: None has the right to be worshipped but Allah, Alone, without partner, to Him belongs all that exists, and to Him belongs the Praise, and He is powerful over all things. (La Ilaha Illallah, Wahdahu La Sharika Lahu, Lahul-Mulku Wa Lahul-Hamdu, Wa Huwa Ala Kulli Shai’in Qadir.)’ - Jami` at-Tirmidhi 3585 / Grade: Hasan / Albani

#### 14. Best supplication.

Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) said: 'There is no supplication that a person can say that is better than: Allahumma inni as'aluka al-mu'afah fid-dunya wal-akhirah (O Allah, I ask You for Al-Mu'afah in this world and in the Hereafter).'" – Sunan Ibn Majah 3120, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

#### 15. Best days.

Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) said: The best day with Allah is the first Day of Eid Al ‘Adha then the second day of eid. – Mishkaat Al Masabeeh 2576, Authenticated by Al Albani

#### 16. Best day.

Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) said: there is no day where the sun sets and rises on a day better than Friday. – Sahih At Targheeb 697, Authenticated by Al Albani as Hasan

#### 17. Best slaves on the Day of Judgement.

Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) said: The best slaves of Allah on the Day of Judgement are those who praise Him, who say ‘alhamdulillah’. – Sahih Aj Jami’e 1571, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

#### 18. Best giving – we ask Allah of His favor.

Hadith: The Prophet (ﷺ) said: Allah will call on the people of paradise. O People of paradise, and they will say ‘we are at Your service, happy to serve You, and all goodness is in Your Hands’. He will ask, ‘are you pleased?’. They will say, ‘how can we not be pleased when You gave us what You have not given to others?’. He will say, ‘shall I not give you something better that?’ Then they say, ‘what can be better?’. Allah says, ‘My pleasure will be obliged upon you and I will never be angry with you’. – Sahih Aj Jami’e 1911, Authenticated by Al Albani as Sahih

*May Allah (ﷻ) help us to act on what we learned. Ameen.*