

# The Day of 'Arafah

The 9th of Dhul-Hijjah

Allāh ﷻ says:

﴿وَشَاهِدٍ وَمَشْهُودٍ﴾

By the witnessing day (Friday)  
and by the witnessed day (the Day of 'Arafah). [al-Burūj 85:3]

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ was asked about fasting on the Day of 'Arafah. He said, it expiates for the sins of the previous year and of the coming year. [Muslim]

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ said:

The best Du'ā is the Du'ā on the Day of 'Arafah.  
And the best Du'ā that I and the Prophets before me said is:

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ  
لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ  
وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Lā ilāha ill-Allāh waḥdahū lā sharīka lah  
Lahu'l-mulk wa lahu'l-ḥamd  
wa huwa 'alā kulli shay'in qadīr

There is no deity worthy of worship other than Allāh,  
who is alone, having no partner.

His is the dominion, and to Him belongs all praise.

He is, of everything, All-Capable. [at-Tirmidhī]

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ said:

There is no day on which Allāh frees more people from the Fire than the Day of 'Arafah. He draws near and expresses His pride to the angels saying: 'What do these people want?' [Muslim]