

Rewind and reflect

Episode 28

THE
NAME
I NEED

Generosity

Allah is **Al-Hayiy** (The Perfectly Modest), so when a servant raises their hands in supplication, He responds with noble restraint. Sometimes He grants what is asked, sometimes He redirects it, and sometimes He delays it—but He never ignores a sincere *du'a*. When a servant turns to Him in sincere repentance, He is swift to forgive and generous in restoring. He does not leave the servant where they were. He restores and begins to set their affairs in order.

Allah is **Al-Jaami'** (The Gatherer). He gathers what life has scattered: prayers that seem unanswered, broken plans, painful detours, and quiet good deeds. He weaves them together into a story with wisdom that may only become clear to those who reflect.

Allah is also **Al-Waarith** (The Inheritor), the One who preserves what remains when everything else fades. When names are forgotten, He preserves deeds, intentions, and unseen impact beyond time.

Between His noble response, His wisdom in gathering, and His care in preserving, nothing done sincerely for His sake is ever lost.

الْجَامِعُ
Al-Jaami'
The Gatherer

الْوَارِثُ
Al-Waarith
The Inheritor

الْحَيُّ
Al-Hayiy
The Perfectly Modest



Conversation prompt

Allah is **Al-Hayiy** and never dismisses sincere *du'a*, though He may answer in unexpected ways or after some time.

Reflect on a time when you made *du'a* and the outcome unfolded differently than you expected. Share with your family or friends what you learned from that experience.

Discuss how knowing Allah as **Al-Hayiy**, and remembering that He does not turn away a supplicating servant empty-handed, can help you increase in calling upon Him, even if you do not see an immediate response.

Reflection

Guessing game:

With your family or friends, each person writes down one act they hope will remain after they are gone and continue benefiting others. Ask Allah, **Al-Waarith**, to preserve it for you as *Sadaqah Jaariyah* (a continuous charity) and to carry its reward forward even after your name is forgotten (e.g., planting a tree, raising a righteous child who prays for you, helping to build a *masjid*).

Fold the papers and place them in a bowl. Each person draws one and tries to guess who wrote it. Afterward, brainstorm a new *Sadaqah Jaariyah* act you can do together.

DIY *du'a* builder

Build **your own *du'a*** by filling in **the Name you need**, its meaning to you, and how you're calling upon Allah to meet a personal need.

O Allah, You are [the Name] _____
the One who _____

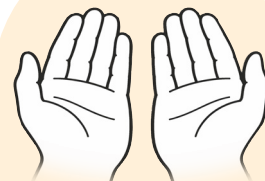
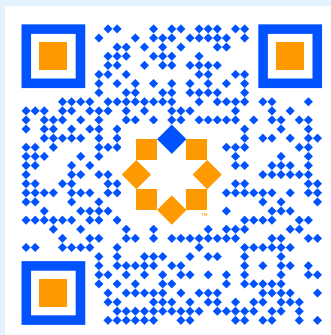
Please help me with _____

Example:

O Allah, You are **Al-Waarith**, the One who remains when all else perishes and to whom everything returns. Preserve and accept whatever I have done sincerely for Your sake, and make it a *Sadaqah Jaariyah* for me until the day I return to You.

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Du'a from the Qur'an

Du'a of Prophet Zakariyya ﷺ

وَزَكَرِيَّا إِذْ نَادَىٰ رَبَّهُ رَبِّ لَا تَذَرْنِي فَرْدًا
وَأَنْتَ خَيْرُ الْوَارِثِينَ

And [remember] Zakariyya when he called upon his Lord, 'My Lord, do not leave me alone, and You are the Best of inheritors.'

[Surah al-Anbya, 21:89]