

313001 - Du`a after Reading Quran

the question

How sound is the supplication “*Subhanaka Allahumma wa bi hamdika, la ilaha illa anta, astaghfiruka wa atubu ilayk* (Glory and praise be to you, O Allah, there is no god worthy of worship except You, I seek Your forgiveness and I repent to You)” after reciting Quran?

Is there a specific supplication that should be said after reciting the Quran?

Summary of answer

- -It is recommended for the Muslim to end any gathering with this Du`a: “Subhanaka Allahumma wa bi hamdika, la ilaha illa anta, astaghfiruka wa atubu ilayk” whether it is a gathering to read the Quran or to offer a prayer, or he sat with his friends, or with his family members, or to reconcile between people.
- -There is no proven Du`a specifically for completing the Quran, neither this Du`a nor any other.

Detailed answer

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The Prophet’s Du`a to Seal Good Deeds

It was narrated by An-Nasa’i in As-Sunan Al-Kubra (11067) and in `Amal Al-Yawm wal-Laylah (308), and by At-Tarani in Ad-Du`a’ (1912) that `Aishah (may Allah be pleased with her) said: The Messenger of Allah (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) never sat in any gathering, or recited Quran, or offered any prayer, but he concluded that with certain words. I

said: O Messenger of Allah, I see that you never sit in a gathering, or recite Quran, or offer any prayer, but you conclude it with these words. He said: “Yes. Whoever spoke good words, that will be like a seal on what he did of good and whoever spoke ill, it will be an expiation for him: “Subhanaka Allahumma wa bi hamdika, la ilaha illa anta, astaghfiruka wa atubu ilayk (Glory and praise be to you, O Allah, there is no god worthy of worship except You, I seek Your forgiveness and I repent to You).” (Classed as authentic by Al-Albani in As-Sahihah, 3164).

In this Hadith, the Prophet (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) explained that the Dhikr of expiation for a gathering should be said at the end of any gathering in which a man sits, whether it was a gathering of Dhikr or a gathering in which there was some ill or idle talk, for if it was a gathering of Dhikr, it will be a seal on it for him.

As-Sindi (may Allah have mercy on him) said:

What is meant is that it will be an affirmation of what he did of good, and will raise his deed to such a level that Allah will accept it, and it will be like a guarantee that it will not be rejected, and if it was otherwise, then it will be an expiation for him. (See: Mir`at Al-Mafatih, 8/204)

Based on that, it is recommended for the Muslim to end any gathering with these words, no matter what kind of gathering it was. If it was a gathering to read Quran or to offer a prayer, or he sat with his friends, or with his family members, or to reconcile between people, or any other gathering, then he wants to leave, he should recite this Dhikr just before he gets up to leave, then he should get up.

Is There a Specific Du`a for Finishing the Quran?

[There is no proven supplication specifically for completing the Quran](#) , neither this supplication nor any other. From what has been explained above, it is clear that this Dhikr and Du`a is not specifically for completing the Quran or anything else; rather it is general and may be recited in any gathering.

The Virtue of Attending Gatherings Where Quran Is Completed

However, the scholars have stated that [it is recommended to attend gatherings in which the Quran is completed](#) . An-Nawawi said: It is strongly encouraged to attend gatherings in which the Quran is completed. (At-Tibyan fi Adab Hamlat Al-Quran, 159)

Ibn Qudamah (may Allah have mercy on him) said in Al-Mughni (2/126): [It is encouraged to gather one's family](#) and others when completing the Quran to listen to the supplication.

Ahmad said: When Anas completed the Quran, he would gather his family and his children. That was narrated from Ibn Mas`ud (may Allah be pleased with him) and others.

Examine these answers for additional explanation: ([104047](#), [145543](#), [45730](#), [242032](#))

And Allah knows best.