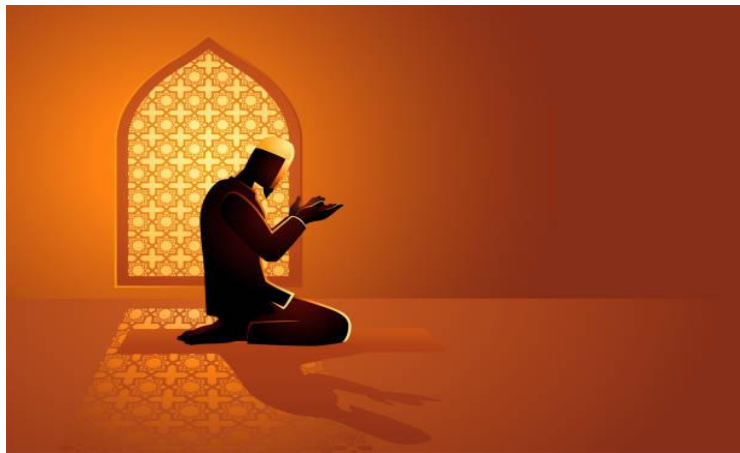




# Laylatul Jaiza

*The Night of Rewards  
& The Night before Eid*



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## Laylatul Jaiza - The Night of Rewards & The Night before Eid

The word 'Jaiza' is best translated as 'reward' or 'award'.

While it is natural to be occupied by the preparations for Eid on this night, prayers of any kind seeking forgiveness from Allah ﷻ for the sins of a lifetime and shortcomings during Ramadan are deemed highly honourable. There is no specific prayer a person must perform, but we can engage in Salaah (namaz), dhikr, reciting of Holy Qur'an and any acts of charity/giving.

**We should avoid any act or visiting places which may end up ruining the good deeds we have gained in Ramadan. We must not get carried away with celebrating the end of Ramadan as indeed the blessings of Ramadan are over! We should instead focus on keeping intact our good habits and asking Allah ﷻ to help us with this.**

It is reported that our beloved Prophet ﷺ would not sleep in the night preceding the day of Eid-ul-Fitr, instead, he would engage in nafl (supererogatory) prayers most of the night. We should follow the Sunnah of engaging in nafl prayers among other forms of worship best we can.

This blessed night in which dua is accepted, it is an opportunity that should be fully captured to fulfil one material and spiritual needs.

Our beloved Prophet Mohammed ﷺ said, “There are five nights in which dua (supplication) is not rejected, these 5 blessed nights are:

- 1) The night of Jumu’ah,
- 2) The night of Eid-ul-Fitr,
- 3) The night of Eid-ul-Adha,
- 4) The first night of Rajab,
- 5) The middle (15th) night of Sha’ban

*(Lataiful Ma’arif, pg. 196)*

**Therefore, Laylatul Jaiza should not be wasted, and we should try to spend it in prayer as we are able to.**

Remember, the Islamic day begins at sunset because the calendar is lunar, and the months begin with the sighting of the crescent after sunset. The Islamic day therefore starts with the night and the day comes after. Any reference to the night is the period of darkness before the day. If Eid falls on a Monday, the night of Eid will be Sunday/Monday night.