



Is Eid all about Happiness?

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We would like to present few Ahadith of Masomeen^{asws} regarding Eid-ul-Fitar:

What to Do:

I asked from Imam^{asws}, it is generally said, mercy is extended for those who fast during the month of Ramazan, in particular during 'Shab-e-Qadar', Imam^{asws} replied, yes, it is like good workers are paid generously, which (Allah^{azwj}) does on the eve of Eid. I then said, May I be your ransom, what shall we do at this time? Imam^{asws} replied, upon Sunset, take bath and offer Magrib prayers, raise your hands and say: O the most rewarding and powerful, the most gracious, the One who has made Mohammed^{saww} praiseworthy, bless Mohammed^{saww} and his Household^{asws}, forgive all my sins which You have seen- surely, I have overlooked although these are written in Your^{azwj} book. Then say in the prostration, 'Atub illallah' 100 times and make a prayer.¹

Masoom^{asws} said, eat before offering salat on Eid-ul-Fitr whereas eat after offering prayers on Eid-ul-Qurban.²

Rasool Allah^{saww} said: An Angel announces on the first day of 'Shawaal' (Eid) Oh those who are blessed with Emaan³ wake up and collect your gifts, Rasool Allah^{saww} also said Oh Jabar, Allah^{azwj}'s gifts are not like those of rulers and kings, the day of Eid is for Divine gifts.⁴

Ibn Abi Najran and Ali bin Hakam have reported through Safwan Jamal, who stated that upon asking from Hazrat Imam Jafar-e-Sadiq^{asws} regarding the 'Fitra'⁵, Imam^{asws} replied, it is obligatory on everyone, include rich and poor as well as resourceful and slave

¹ (Faroo-e-Kafi, chapter 71)

² (Faroo-e-Kafi, chapter 71)

³ Believe in Wila of Amir-ul-momaneen Ali ibn Abi Talib^{asws}

⁴ Manla yahzural faqih, vol. II)

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which is equivalent to one ‘Salah’ (2.8 kg) of dates or wheat or dried grapes, in another hadith Imam Jafar-e-Sadiq^{asws} says, donate ‘Fitra’ on whatever you (usually) eat.

What to Remember:

In Sahifa-e-Sajjadia (also known as Sahifa-e-Kamila), , Abdul ibn Denar has narrated from Imam Zain-ul-Abadeen^{asws} that Imam^{asws} said:

Oh! Abdullah, either it is Eid-ul-Zaha or Eid-ul-Fitr of Muslims, it should refresh the grief and sufferings of Ahlul bait^{asws} (Abdullah asked), how it is? Because it makes one realise that our Divine right has been usurped by our enemies.

AbdulAllah bin Latif Tafleesy has stated from Zain who has heard from Hazrat Imam Jafar-e-Sadiq^{asws}: Imam^{asws} said when they struck Imam Hussain^{asws} with swords and Imam^{asws} came from the horse as a result, those people came forward and behead Imam^{asws}. It was then heard by all present, an angel calling upon Allah^{azwj} ‘s ‘wrath on them as, Oh! misguided and devious people you have gone astray after (the death of your) Prophet, Allah^{azwj} would never enable you to observe Eid-ul-Qurban and Eid-ul-Fitr’

In another tradition it is narrated that an angel was heard praying, ‘Allah^{azwj} may not enable you to observe Fasts and Eids’, Imam Jafar-e-Sadiq^{asws} said: by Allah^{azwj}, as a result of the angel’s ‘prayer’, these people will never ever be able to observe Eid, neither now nor in the future, until the day the ‘Revenge-Taker’ (Imam Mehdi^{asws}) takes the revenge of Imam Hussain^{asws}’s (innocent) blood from them,⁶

⁶ *Manla yahzural faqih, vol. II*