

# ISTIGHFAAR

## Combined with

### *The 99 Names of Allah*

This is a simple short Istighfaar formula to attain closeness to Allah and forgiveness of sins. The benefit of this formula is that a person will be able to learn the 99 Names of Allah as well when reciting and also the reciter will become familiar with the Jalaali and Jamaali attributes of Allah (Attributes of Majesty and Beauty) thus inculcating the praiseworthy qualities of Fear and Hope in Allah Ta'ala. This increases a persons modesty, shame and remorse in front of Allah which are the essence of repentance and a means of its acceptance and forgiveness of sins. May Allah be pleased with us and may He accept our repentance and Forgive our sins due to the recitation of these words of Istighfaar.

We have included the beneficial 'Istighfaar al Kabir' in the end. This istighfaar was taught to Shaykh Ahmad bin Idris Rahimahullah by Rasulullah sallallahu alayhi wasallam and Khidr A.S and is very beneficial. It should be memorised and read daily.



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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ، وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى خَاتَمِ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ وَالْمُرْسَلِينَ  
سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ

*He is Allah, apart from whom  
there is no deity.*

هُوَ اللَّهُ الَّذِي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ

1. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Compassionate.**

(١) أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الرَّحْمَنَ

2. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Merciful!**

(٢) أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الرَّحِيمَ

3. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah. I seek the forgiveness  
of Allah **The Sovereign!**

(٣) أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْمَلِكَ

4. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Holy!**

(٤) أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْقُدُّوسَ

5. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Giver of Peace!**

(٥) أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ السَّلَامَ

6. I seek the forgiveness  
of Allah **The Bestower of  
Faith!**

(٦) أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْمُؤْمِنَ

7. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Guardian!**

(٧) أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْمُهِيمَ

8. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Mighty!**

(٨) أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَزِيزَ

9. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Overpowering!**

(٩) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْجَبَّارَ

10. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Greatest!**

(١٠) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُتَكَبِّرَ

11. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Creator!**

(١١) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْخَالِقَ

12. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Evolver!**

(١٢) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْبَارِئَ

13. seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Bestower of Forms!**

(١٣) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُصَوِّرَ

14. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Most Forgiving!**

(١٤) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْغَفَّارَ

15. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Subduer!**

(١٥) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْقَهَّارَ

16. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Bestower!**

(١٦) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْوَهَّابَ

17. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Provider!**

(١٧) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الرَّزَّاقَ

18. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Opener!**

(١٨) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْفَتَّاحَ

19. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The All Knowing!**

(١٩) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْعَلِيمَ

20. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Constrictor!**

(٢٠) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْقَابِضُ

21. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Extender of Provisions!**

(٢١) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْبَاسِطُ

22. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Abaser!**

(٢٢) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْخَافِضُ

23. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Exalter!**

(٢٣) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الرَّافِعُ

24. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Honourer!**

(٢٤) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُعِزُّ

25. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Giver of Disgrace!**

(٢٥) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمَذِلُّ

26. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The All Hearing!**

(٢٦) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ السَّمِيعُ

27. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The All Seeing!**

(٢٧) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْبَصِيرُ

28. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Maker of Immutable Judgements!**

(٢٨) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْحَكَمُ

29. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Just!**

(٢٩) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْعَدْلُ

30. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Gentle/Subtle!**

(٣٠) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْطِيفُ

31. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The All Aware!**

(٣١) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْخَبِيْرَ

32 I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Forbearing!**

(٣٢) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْحَلِيْمَ

33. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Magnificent!**

(٣٣) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْعَظِيْمَ

34. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Forgiving!**

(٣٤) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْغَفُوْرَ

35. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Appreciative!**

(٣٥) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الشّٰكُوْرَ

36. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Most High!**

(٣٦) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْعَلِيَّ

37. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Great!**

(٣٧) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْكَبِيْرَ

38. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Protector!**

(٣٨) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْحَفِيْظَ

39. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Sustainer!**

(٣٩) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُقِيْتَ

40. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Reckoner!**

(٤٠) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْحَسِيْبَ

41. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Majestic!**

(٤١) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْجَلِيْلَ

42. I seek the forgiveness of  
Allah **The Generous!**

(٤٢) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْكَرِيْمَ

43. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Watchful!**

(٤٣) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الرَّقِيبَ

44. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Answerer of Prayer!**

(٤٤) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُجِيبَ

45. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The All-Embracing!**

(٤٥) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْوَاسِعَ

46. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Wise!**

(٤٦) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْحَكِيمَ

47. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Most Loving!**

(٤٧) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْوَدُودَ

48. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Most Glorious!**

(٤٨) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمَجِيدَ

49. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Resurrector**

(٤٩) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْبَاعِثَ

50. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Witness!**

(٥٠) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الشَّهِيدَ

51. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Truth!**

(٥١) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْحَقَّ

52. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Trustee!**

(٥٢) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْوَكِيلَ

53. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Most Strong.**

(٥٣) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْقَوِيَّ

54. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Firm One!**

(٥٤) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمَتِينُ

55. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Protecting Friend!**

(55) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْوَلِيَّ

56. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Praiseworthy!**

(56) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْحَمِيدَ

57. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Recorder!**

(57) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُحْصِيَ

58. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Originator!**

(58) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُبْدِيَّ

59. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Recreator!**

(59) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُعِيدَ

60. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Reckoner!**

(60) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُحِيطَ

61. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Giver of Death!**

(61) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُمِيتَ

62. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Ever Living!**

(62) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْحَيَّ

63. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Sustainer!**

(63) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْقَيُّومَ

64. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Finder!**

(64) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْوَاجِدَ

65. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Glorious!**

(65) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمَاجِدَ

66. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Unique!**

(66) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْوَاحِدَ

67. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The One!**

(٦٧) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْاَحَدَ

68. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Independent!**

(٦٨) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الصَّمَدَ

69. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The All Powerful!**

(٦٩) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْقَادِرَ

70. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The All Determiner!**

(٧٠) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُقْتَدِرَ

71. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Cause of Advancement!**

(٧١) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُقَدِّمَ

72. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Delayer**

(٧٢) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمُؤَخِّرَ

73. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The First!**

(٧٣) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْاَوَّلَ

74. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Last!**

(٧٤) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْاٰخِرَ

75. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Manifest!**

(٧٥) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الظَّاهِرَ

76. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Hidden!**

(٧٦) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْبَاطِنَ

77. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Exerciser of Power!**

(٧٧) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْوَالِيَّ



78. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Exalted!**

(٧٨) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْمُتَعَالِيَّ

79. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Source of Good!**

(٧٩) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْبَرَّ

80. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Acceptor of Repentance!**

(٨٠) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ التَّوَّابَ

81. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Gracious Taker of Retribution!**

(٨١) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْمُنتَقِمَ

82. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Pardoner!**

(٨٢) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَفْوَّ

83. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Affectionate!**

(٨٣) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الرَّءُوفَ

84. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Possessor of All Sovereignty!**

(٨٤) اَسْتَغْرِ اللهَ الْمَالِكَ الْمَلِكُ

85. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Majestic and Benevolent!**

(٨٥) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ

86. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Equitable!**

(٨٦) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْمُقْسِطَ

87. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Assembler!**

(٨٧) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْجَامِعَ

88. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Rich One!**

(٨٨) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْغَنِيَّ

89. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Enricher!**

(٨٩) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمَغْنِيَّ

90. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Preventer!**

(٩٠) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْمَانِعَ

91. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Causer of Distress and Sorrow!**

(٩١) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الضَّارَّ

92. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Benefactor!**

(٩٢) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ النَّافِعَ

93. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Light!**

(٩٣) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ النُّورَ

94. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Guide!**

(٩٤) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْهَادِيَّ

95. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Originator!**

(٩٥) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْبَدِيْعَ

96. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Eternal!**  
abolisher of wrong and evil.

(٩٦) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْبَاقِيَّ

97. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Inheritor!**

(٩٧) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الْوَارِثَ

98. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Guider Towards Virtue!**

(٩٨) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الرَّشِيْدَ

99. I seek the forgiveness of Allah **The Patient One!**

(٩٩) اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللّٰهَ الصَّبُوْرَ

The 'Istighfaar al Kabeer' of Shaykh Ahmad ibn Idris  
Rahimahullah given to him by Rasulullah sallallahu alayhi  
wasallam and Khidr Alayhis salaam

أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ الَّذِي لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ، غَفَّارُ  
الدُّنُوبِ ذُو الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ وَ أَتُوبُ إِلَيْهِ مِنْ جَمِيعِ  
الْمَعَاصِي كُلِّهَا وَ الدُّنُوبِ وَ الْآثَامِ، وَمِنْ كُلِّ ذَنْبٍ أَذْنَبْتُهُ  
عَمْدًا وَخَطَأً، ظَاهِرًا وَبَاطِنًا، قَوْلًا وَفِعْلًا، فِي جَمِيعِ حَرَكَاتِي  
وَسَكَنَاتِي وَخَطَرَاتِي وَأَنْفَاسِي كُلِّهَا دَائِمًا أَبَدًا سَرْمَدًا مِنْ  
الذَّنْبِ الَّذِي أَعْلَمُ، وَ مِنْ الذَّنْبِ الَّذِي لَا أَعْلَمُ، عَدَدَ مَا  
أَحَاطَ بِهِ الْعِلْمُ وَأَحْصَاهُ الْكِتَابُ وَخَطَّهُ الْقَلَمُ، وَعَدَدَ مَا  
أَوْجَدْتُهُ الْقُدْرَةَ وَخَصَّصْتُهُ الْإِرَادَةَ، وَمِدَادَ كَلِمَاتِ اللَّهِ،  
كَمَا يَنْبَغِي لِجَلَالِ وَجْهِ رَبِّنَا وَجَمَالِهِ وَكَمَالِهِ، وَ كَمَا يُحِبُّ رَبُّنَا  
وَيَرْضَى

I seek the forgiveness of Allah the Great, there is no Deity save He, the Living, Sustainer of Life, the Forgiver of sins, the Majestic and Generous. And I turn to Him in repentance from all acts of disobedience, and all sins and offenses. From every sin that I have committed intentionally and unintentionally, openly and in secret, in word and deed. In my every action and my every stillness, my every thought and my every breath, always and forever and eternally. From the sin that I am aware of and the sin that I am unaware of. To the number of all things contained in His knowledge, registered in the Book, written down by the Pen, and to the number of all that His omnipotence has created, and His will chosen, and as much as the ink of Allah's words. As it befits the Majesty of the Face of Allah, and His Beauty and Perfection, and as our Lord wishes and as He pleases.

### *Virtues of Istighfaar al Kabeer:*

The salawat above of Shaykh Ahmad ibn Idris, *Rahimahullah* called "Istighfar al Kabir-The Magnificent Forgiveness" was taught to him by Sayyidina Muhammad, sallallahu alayhi wa Alihi wa sallam, and al-Khidir, alayhis salaam. While Shaykh Ahmad ibn Idris, may Allah be pleased with him was in a waking state, he saw that the Prophet sallallahu alayhi wasallam said to al-Khidir: "Ya Khidir: teach him that which joins together all of the dhikrs, salawat, and prayers for forgiveness of sins, and is superior in reward, larger in number, more exalted in worth, and greater in obtaining assistance."

Al-Khidir, alayhis salaam, said: "What is that, O Prophet of Allah?" And so the Prophet, alayhi assalatu wassalam, taught the shaykh the Idrisi Tahlil, the Salaat (Durood) alAzeemiyya, and the Istighfaar al-Kabeer". Here we have only mentioned Istighfaar al-Kabeer

The Shaykh wrote about the Istighfaar al Kabeer: "I sent it to one of the awliya-(Saints), so he wrote me a letter in which he said: 'I read the istighfaar that you sent me one time and Allah forgave me all my sins so that nothing of them remained.' And this means **that he knows that Allah forgave him, a real and true knowledge, otherwise how could he have said: 'He forgave me'?**