



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

ZIYĀRAH OF

MADĪNAH

MUNAWWARAH

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ  
مَحَمَّدٌ



# A BLESSED CITY

- Visiting Madīnah Munawwarah is one of the most blessed experiences a believer can have.
- Madinah is no ordinary place. It is a city filled with serenity, tranquillity and peace. Its air is gentle and fresh; soothing for the soul. Its entrances are guarded by angels, making it a sanctuary for everyone who enters it: neither plague nor Dajjāl can enter it. It is the sieve through which evil is filtered. It is the lighthouse of īmān.
- Every corner of this sacred city carries the fragrance of faith, reminding visitors of the Prophet's noble life, his sacrifices, his Ṣaḥābah and his endless compassion for his 'Ummah.



# VIRTUES OF VISITING MADĪNAH AND THE PROPHET'S ﷺ GRAVE

- Sayyiduna Anas رضي الله عنه relates that Rasulullāh ﷺ has said:  
"Whosoever visits my grave, my intercession is wājib for him."  
(Dār-Qutnī, Ibn Khuzaimah, Ṭabrānī. Ibn Sakan, Subkī and 'Abdul Ḥaqq authenticated it.)
- Sayyiduna Ibn 'Umar رضي الله عنهما relates that Rasulullāh ﷺ has said: "The one who performs Ḥajj and visits my grave is like the one who visited me in my lifetime". (Dār-Qutnī, Ṭabrānī and Sa'īd ibn Mansūr)
- Anas رضي الله عنه relates that Rasulullāh ﷺ said: "The person who offers forty prayers consecutively in my Masjid, without missing a prayer in between, will secure immunity from the fire of Hell, and from other punishments and also from hypocrisy." (Musnad Ahmad with a reliable chain))
  - Our 'Ulamā' have mentioned that visiting the grave of the Prophet ﷺ is the greatest of non-obligatory actions." (Al Fatawa al Hindiyyah)
  - A person should intend visiting the grave of the Prophet ﷺ and Masjid an-Nabawī



# VISITING THE PROPHET ﷺ

Intention to Visit The Prophet ﷺ

Gain the Intercession of our Prophet ﷺ on the Day of Qiyāmah

Amongst the Best Deeds

It Draws one Near to Allāh Ta'ālā

One of the Greatest act of Worship

Means of Gaining the Pleasure of Allāh Ta'ālā

It is the Right of our Prophet ﷺ that we visit him, as he ﷺ is alive in his grave.



# EN ROUTE TO MADĪNAH MUNAWWARAH

- Take special caution to abstain from all types of sin during the journey
- Ensure to adopt Sunnah clothing - Appearance should be in accordance with the Sunnah- Dress Modestly
- Carry out every action according to the Sunnah
- Read a brief book on the Seerah of our Prophet ﷺ
- Read the book of Ziyārah By Mawlānā Saleem Dhorat حفظه الله
- Focus and ponder on the sacrifices of our beloved Prophet ﷺ & his Ṣahābah رضي الله عنهم
- Abstain from futile conversation
- Recite Salawāt and Darūd as much as possible
- Think ‘I am going to see the best man on the face of this Earth’
- Travel with enthusiasm and excitement
- Recite poetry and naat about our Noble Prophet ﷺ
- As you get closer...increase your Darūd and yearning
- Try to imagine the Madīnah of our Noble Prophet ﷺ & his Ṣahābah رضي الله عنهم



# WHEN ENTERING MADĪNAH MUNAWWARAH

**Read the du‘ā’:**

اللَّهُمَّ هَذَا حَرَمٌ نَبِيِّكَ فَاجْعَلْهُ وَقَايَةً لِي مِنَ النَّارِ وَأَمَانًا مِنَ الْعَذَابِ وَسُوءِ الْحِسَابِ

“O Allāh, this is the sanctuary of Your Prophet. So allow it to be means of protecting me from the Fire, a security from the punishment and a bad reckoning.”

- O Allāh grant me the blessings of this Mubārah and blessed city, and help me to uphold the sanctity of it and to practice on all the Sunnah of Your Beloved ﷺ
- O Allāh help me to stay away from all sinful & undesirable acts.

# WHEN ENTERING MADĪNAH MUNAWWARAH



- When the green dome comes into sight, remember that under it lies Nabī ﷺ who is more exalted than any part of the Earth.
- The ground where the Rawdha is, is a garden of Jannah.
- Take a moment to reflect on the significance of being in the Prophet's city, where he lived, prayed, and spread the message of Islām.
- Take a moment to reflect on the honour of walking the same land that the Prophet ﷺ walked. Let gratitude fill your heart.
- Once in the city, head for your hotel room after securing your luggage. If it is time for Ṣalāh pray in your hotel.
- Now prepare yourself for the first salām.

# PREPARING FOR ENTERING MASJIDUN NABAWĪ

Entering Masjidun Nabawī, is one of the most emotional and humbling moments in a Muslim's life. Every step taken in this mosque carries immense reward, and every prayer is filled with tranquility.

It is Mustahab

Take a bath

Wear your best clothes, keeping Sunnah and modesty in mind

Apply perfume to your body and clothing - men

With great humility and utmost humbleness, make your way to Masjid-un-Nabawi

On your way to the Masjid recite abundant darūd

Give sadaqah



# ENTERING MASJIDUN NABAWĪ

- Walk with complete humility with the mind focused on the status of the Prophet ﷺ
- As you approach the Masjid, let your heart be overwhelmed with gratitude, humility and awe.
- Enter Masjidun Nabawī with your right foot

**Read the du‘ā’ for entering the Masjid:**

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ، اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ، اللَّهُمَّ افْتَحْ لِي أَبْوَابَ رَحْمَتِكَ

- After entering, pray two rak‘āhs of Tahiyatul Masjid.
- Thank Allāh for granting you this favour and allowing you to visit this sacred place.
- Be a Respectful Visitor
- Lower your voice in this sacred space. Keep conversations brief and soft; this is a sanctuary for remembrance.
- Respect prayer spaces: Don’t “reserve” large areas. Make room for others, especially close to prayer times.
- Mind photography: Avoid photographing people.
- Stay clean: Dispose of tissue, water bottles etc. properly; keep the carpets tidy for prostration.
- Put away your phone. Be present. Be respectful.
- Follow the Sunnah and avoid innovations in acts of worship, no matter how beautiful or beneficial they may appear.



# ENTERING MASJIDUN NABAWĪ

- The towering minarets leave you in awe; the marble floors are cool against your feet.
- Pause for a moment. Cast your mind back more than 1,400 years, to when, in this very place, there stood a simple and humble structure. No grandeur, no ornament, just walls of mud and a roof of palm branches. Yet it carried a magnificence that no palace or monument on earth could ever match. This was the Masjid of the beloved Prophet ﷺ.



# PROCEEDING TO THE NOBLE RAWDHAH

## INTROSPECT:

- How exalted is Madīnah Munawwarah and How sinful am I?
  - With what face will I present myself to my Nabī ﷺ ?
  - I cannot measure to what extent I have opposed his lifestyle,
  - How many Sunnahs of his have I trampled upon and neglected?
  - Today I will come face-to-face with that benefactor whose lifestyle and mannerisms I have undermined and whose Sunnah I have trampled.
  - Am I worthy of standing before him?
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- Know that he is aware of your presence and your visit. Your greetings and prayers are conveyed to him. It has been narrated that the Prophet ﷺ said: “Allāh has appointed an angel at his grave who conveys the greetings of peace to him from anyone who greets him from his 'Ummah.” This applies to those who are not present at his grave, so how much more so for those who have traveled from distant lands, crossing deserts, in longing to meet him, even though they could not witness his radiant face.



# THE NOBLE RAWDHAH

“The area between my house and my mimbar is one of the gardens of Paradise.” (Bukhārī #1196)

Ibn Hajar rahimahullāh mentions three possible meanings of this Ḥadīth:

- 1) The Rawdhah is like a garden of Paradise in the sense that the constant mercy of Allah is descending upon this area and whoever stays there is fortunate just like a person who enters Jannah is fortunate.
- 2) Worship in the Rawdhah will eventually lead one to Jannah as this place encourages one to worship.
- 3) This physical area will form part of Jannah in the Akhirah. (Fath al-Bārī)



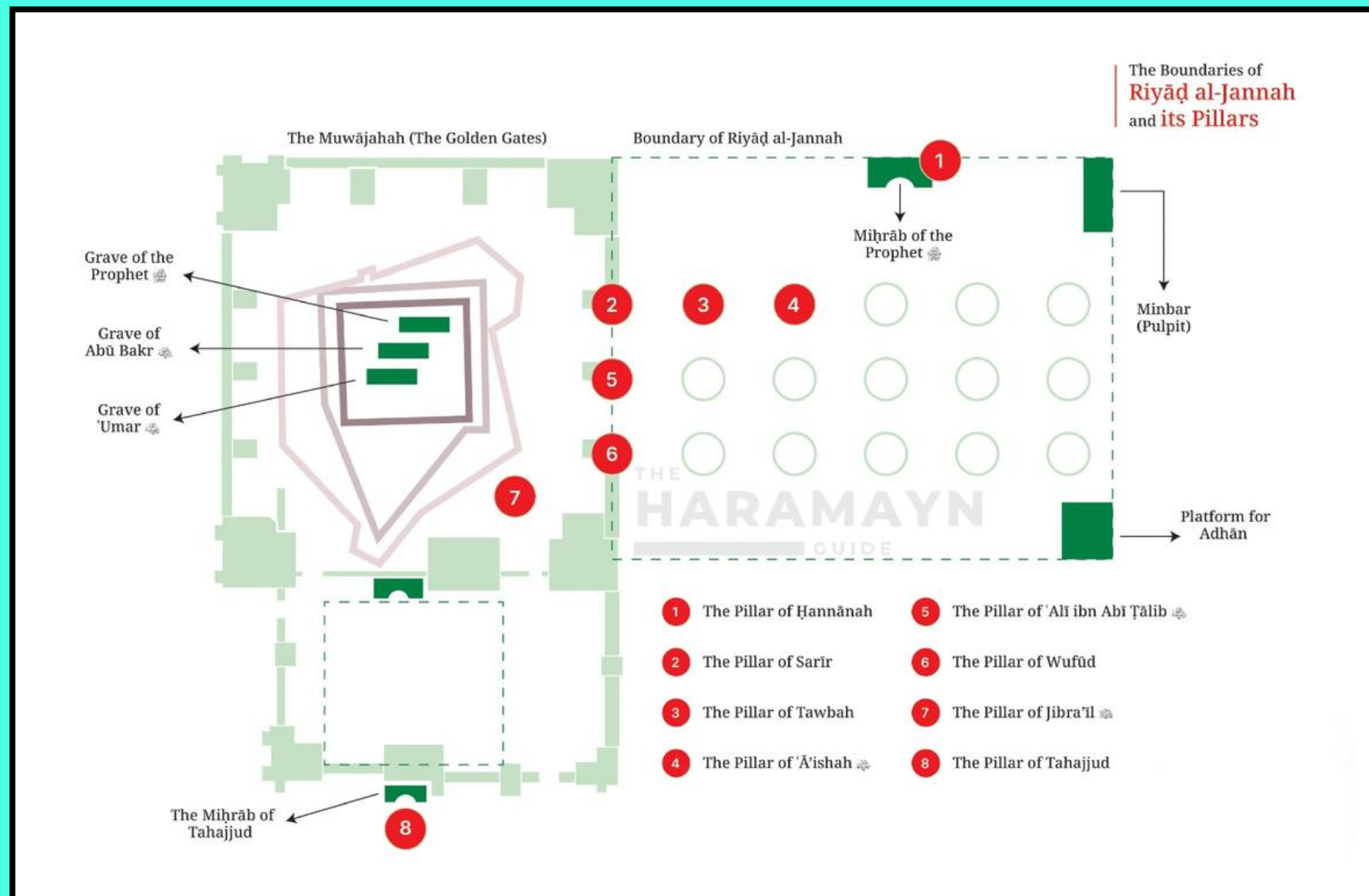
# AT THE NOBLE RAWDHAH

- Walk with total humility and ponder who you are about to meet
- With ones gaze lowered out of respect, facing the sacred chamber, one should greet the Prophet ﷺ , Hazrat Abubakr & Hazrat Umar رضي الله عنهما with salām.
- Once you have given your Salāms facing the Qiblah read 2 rak'āh salāh without causing inconvenience to anyone.
- Send an abundance of salawāt upon him ﷺ
- Ask Allāh to grant you the Prophets ﷺ intercession on the Day of Qiyāmah
- The Rawdha is a place where supplications are accepted. Pour out your heart, making an abundance of du'ā'.
- Let your heart be filled with remorse and ask for Allāh's mercy and forgiveness.
- Renew Your 'Imān
- Beg for Nabī ﷺ intercession
- Maintain Respect and Consideration



# THE PILLARS

- The Masjid has eight pillars which hold historic significance.
- Each Pillar is marked on top individually.
- These pillars are not to be kissed, hugged or revered.
- However, one may perform ṣalāh and make dua'ā' next to these pillars.



# THE PILLARS



The Eight Pillars are as follows:

## 1) Ustuwanaḥ Hannanah/Mukhallaqah (The weeping pillar)

This was the spot where there was a palm tree on which the Prophet ﷺ would lean whilst delivering the Friday sermon. As narrated in Sahih al-Bukhari, a weeping sound emitted from this tree when the Prophet ﷺ started to use a pulpit.

## 2) Ustuwanaḥ Aishah

Sayyida Ai'shah narrated that the Prophet ﷺ said, "There is one spot in this masjid such that if people knew the blessed nature thereof, they would cast lots just to pray there." (al-Tabarani)

## 3) Ustuwanaḥ Abu Lubabah/Tawbah

This was the pillar which the companion Abu Lubabah tied himself to and the Prophet ﷺ untied him after Allah accepted his repentance.

## 4) Ustuwanaḥ Sarir

The Prophet ﷺ would make Itikaf here and would sleep here. (Ibn Khuzaymah) A platform of wood used to be put here for him to sleep on.

## 5) Ustuwanaḥ Hars/Ali

'Hars' means to watch or protect. This used to be the place where some of the Sahabah used to sit when keeping watch or acting as gatekeepers. Sayyiduna 'Ali used to be the one who would do this often due to which it is also known as Ustuwanaḥ Ali.

## 6) Ustuwanaḥ Wufood

Wufood' means delegations, whenever a delegation arrived to meet the Prophet ﷺ on behalf of their tribes, they would be met at this place where he used to meet them, converse with them and teach them about Islam.

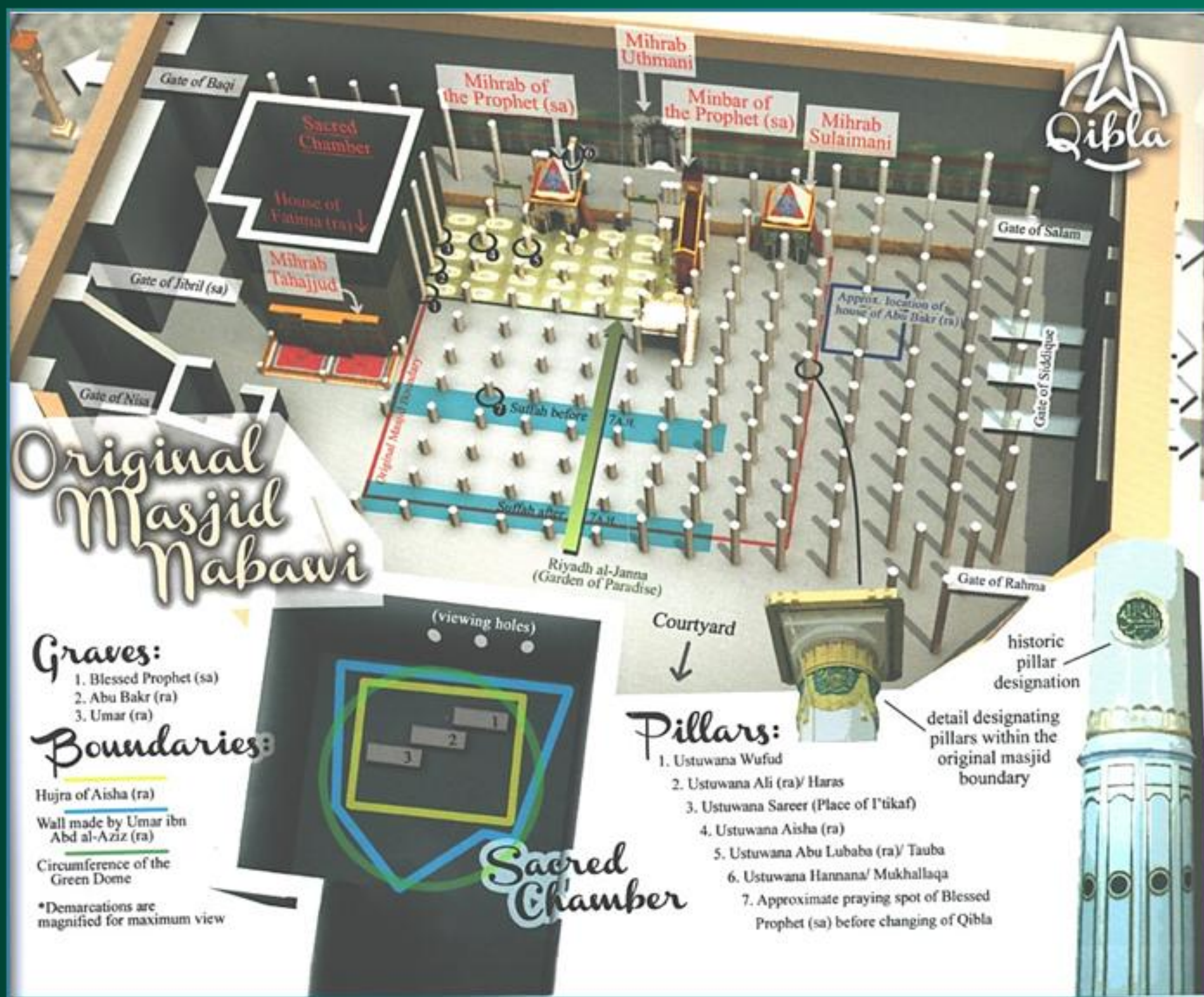
## 7) Ustuwanaḥ Tahajjud

It is reported that this was the spot where late at night a carpet was spread for the Prophet ﷺ used to perform tahajjud prayer after the people had left.

## 8) Ustuwanaḥ Jibra'il

This was the usual place where the angel Jibra'il used to enter to visit the Prophet ﷺ. Today it cannot be seen as it lies inside the sacred room of the Prophet .

# A SKETCH OF THE ORIGINAL MASJIDUN NABAWI



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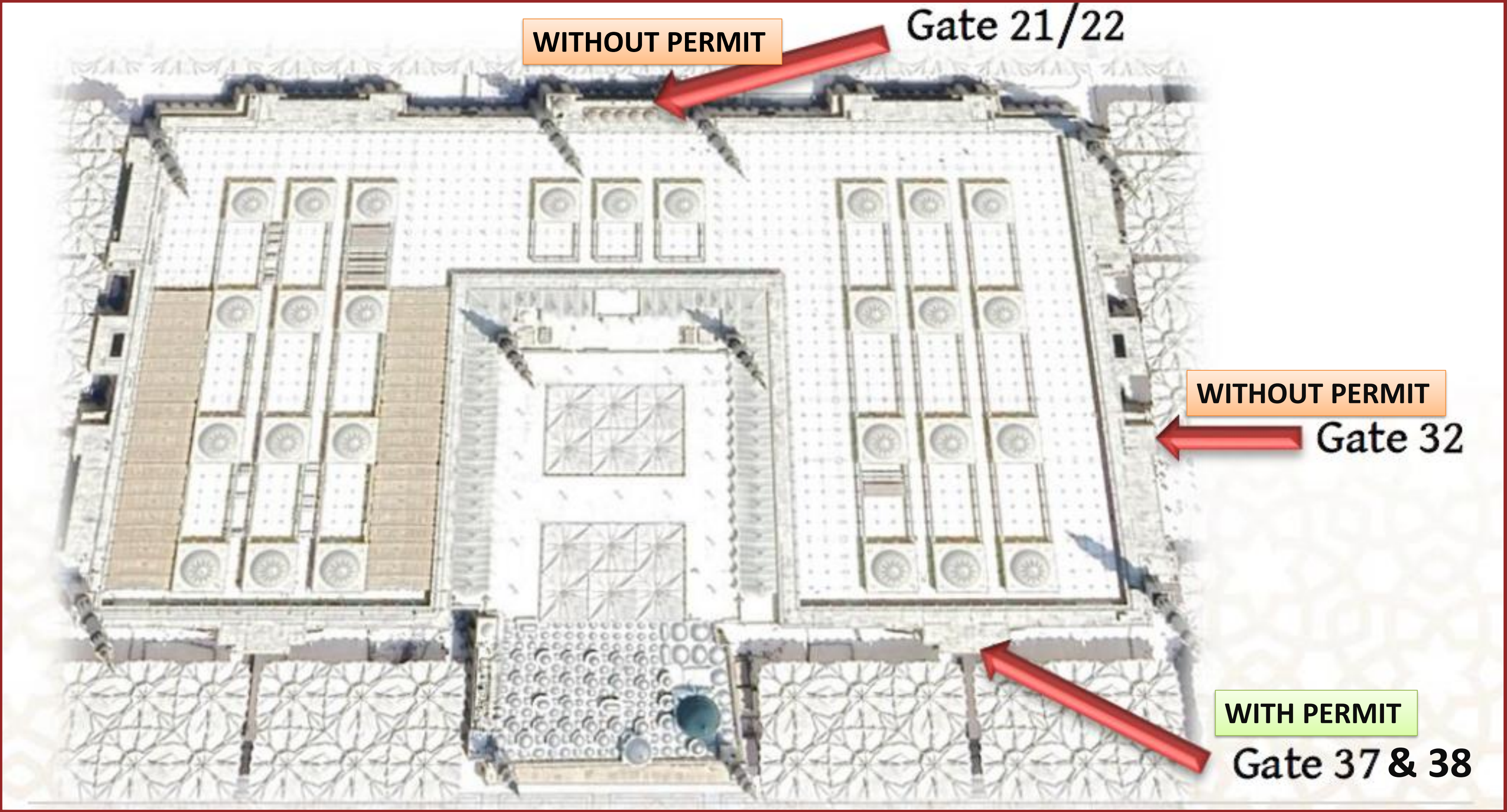
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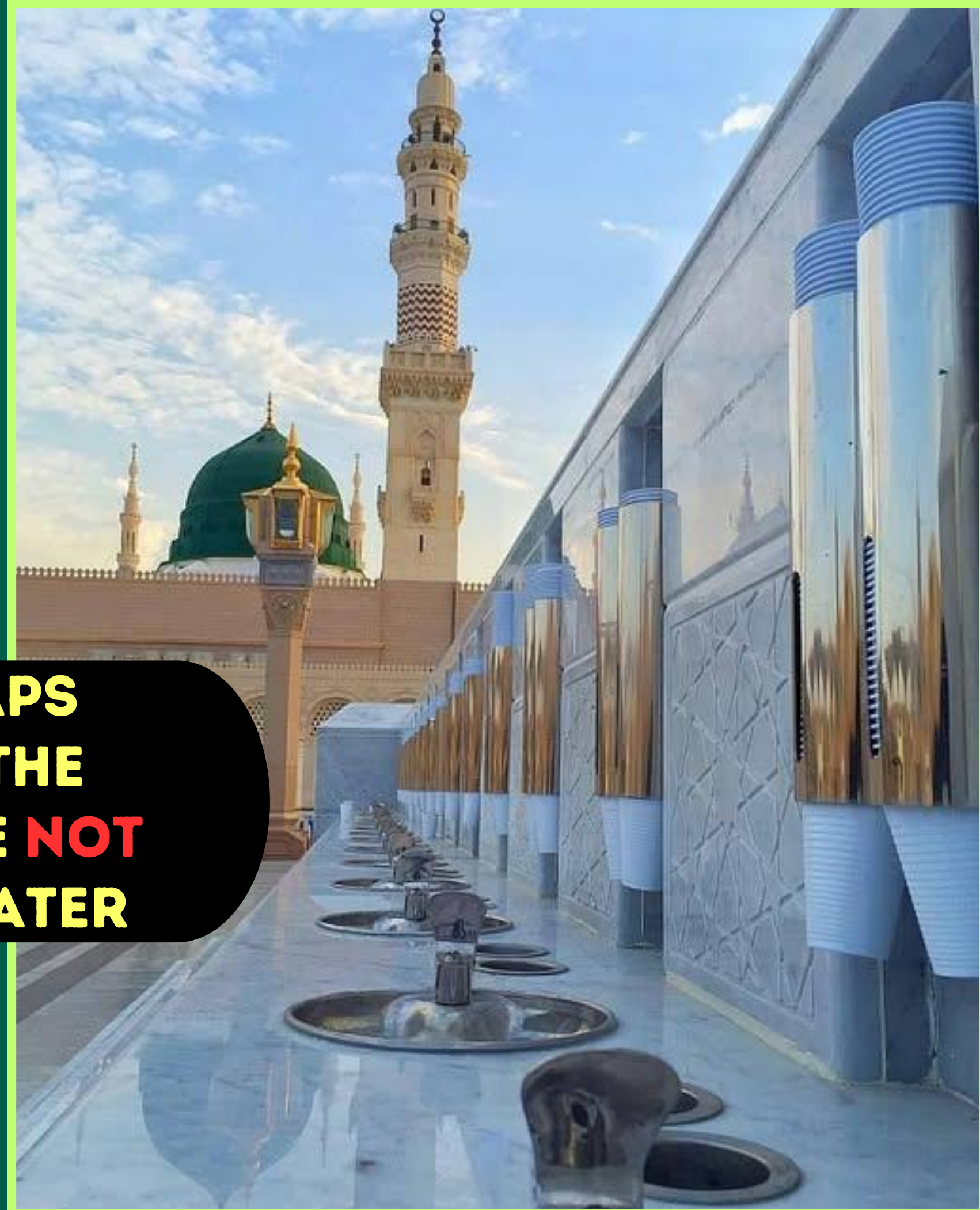
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**WATER TAPS  
OUTSIDE THE  
MASJID ARE **NOT**  
ZAMZAM WATER**





In Madinah, you'll notice signboards on the roads around the Haram and surrounding areas.

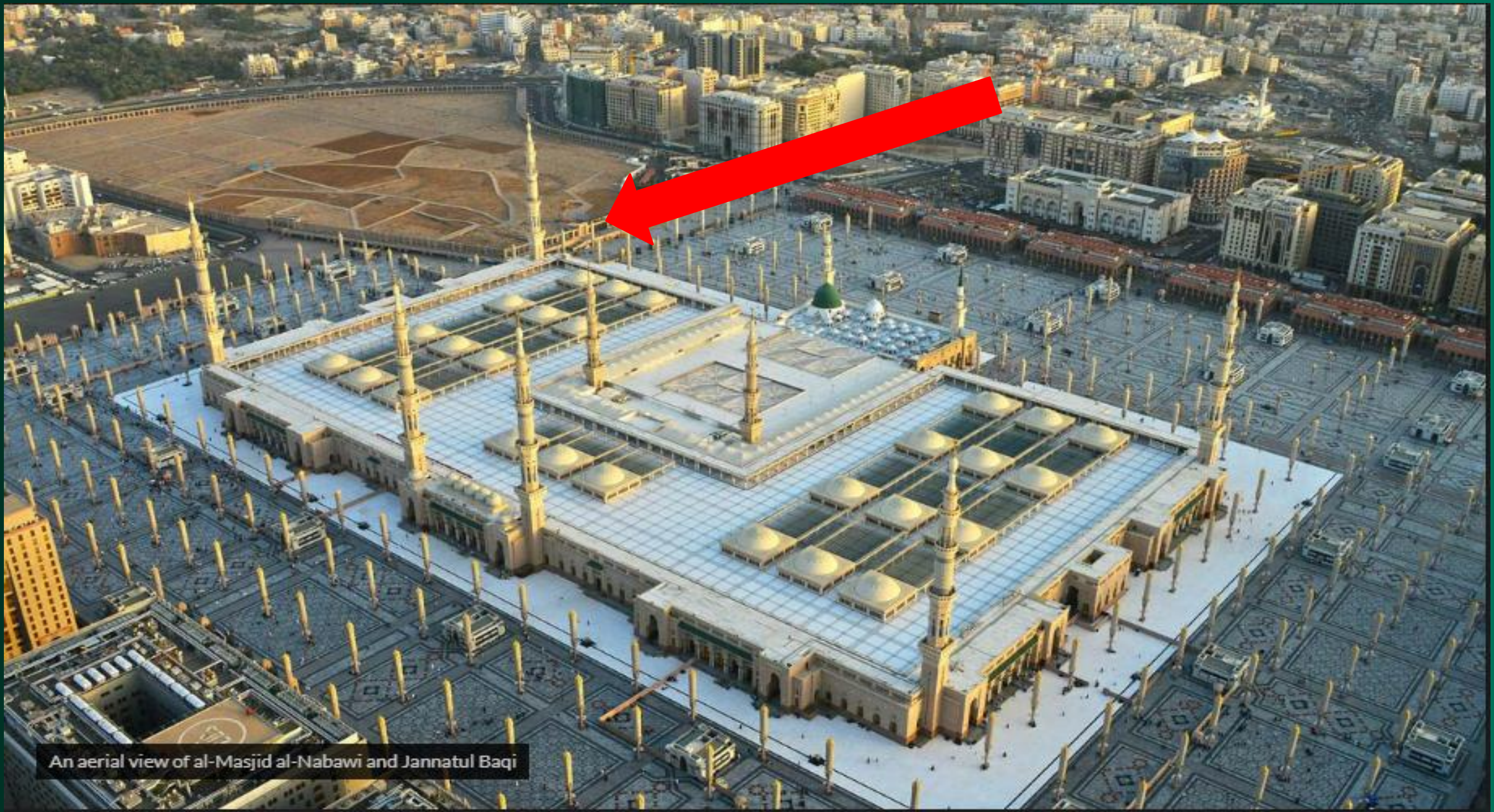
It's important to read these carefully, as they guide you to locations that existed during the time of the Prophet

# WHILST IN MADINAH MUNAWWARAH

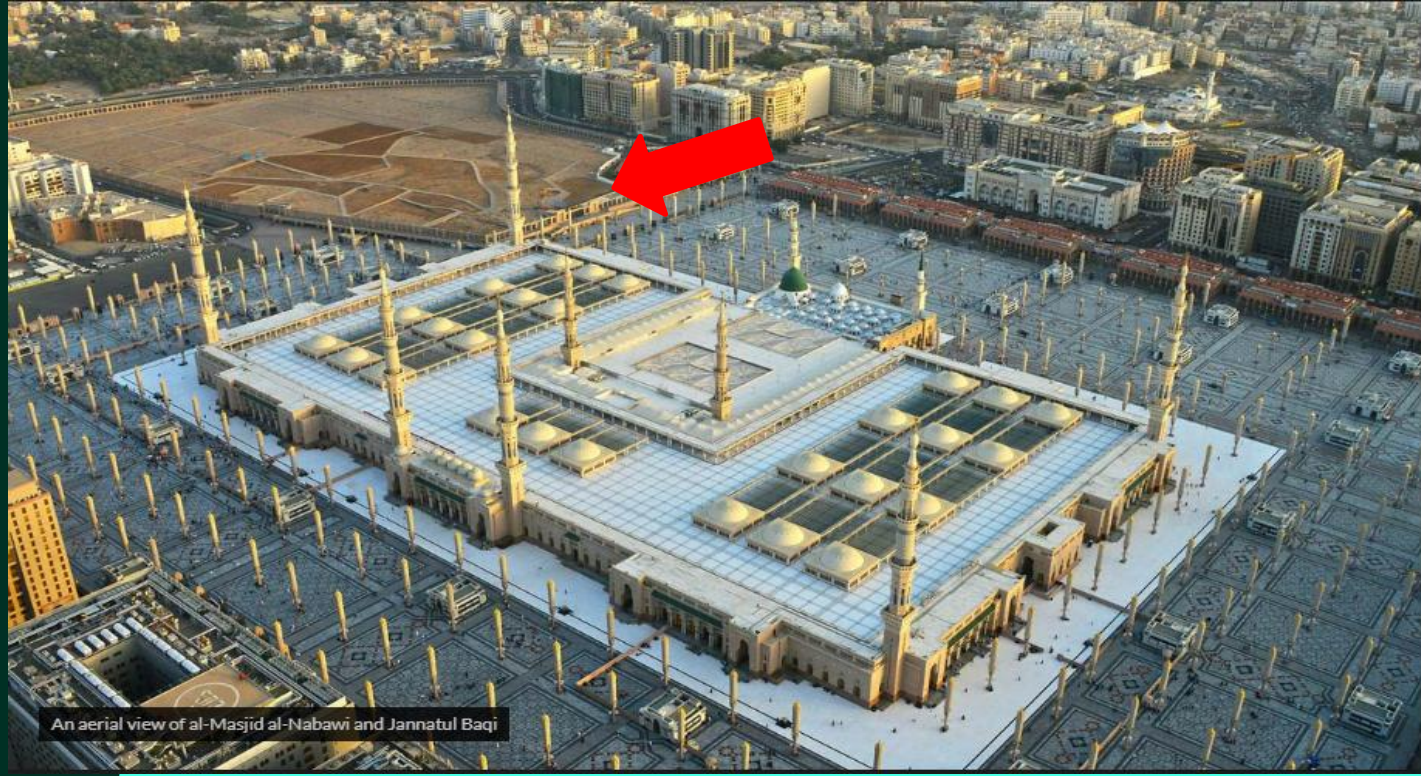
- Fix an amount of durūd daily - x1000
- Present yourself for Salām daily
- Perform Ṣalāh and make du‘ā’ at the various significant places within Masjidun Nabawī
- It is Sunnah to visit Masjid Qubā on Saturdays
- Go for Ziyārah of Madinah
- Do not waste time in shopping
- Read all your Ṣalāh with takbīr-e-oola
- Spend as much time as you can in the Ḥaram
- Remain busy in durūd, du‘ā’, dhikr and recitation of the Glorious Qur’ān.
- Aim to complete the recitation of the Glorious Qur’ān at least once and in Masjidun Nabawī
- Whenever inside the Masjid, make the intention of Nafl I’tikāf
- Remember the reward for Ṣalāh and a single good deed is multiplied by a thousand times
- Present yourself for Salām as often as possible and recite salām in the prescribed manner
- Visit Jannatul Baqī - women - outside
- Have utmost respect and reverence for the entire city and people of Madinah
- Do not complain



# JANNATUL BAQĪ



An aerial view of al-Masjid al-Nabawi and Jannatul Baqi



# WHEN ENTERING JANNATUL BAQĪ

**Read the du‘ā’:**

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ دَارَ قَوْمٍ مُؤْمِنِينَ، وَإِنَّا إِن شَاءَ اللَّهُ بِكُمْ لَاحِقُونَ، اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِأَهْلِ  
الْبَقِيعِ الْغَرَقَدِ، اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لَنَا وَ لَهُمْ.

“Peace be upon you all, O abode of believing people. Verily, when Allāh wills, we will join you. O Allāh forgive the dwellers of Al-Baqī’ Al-Gharqad. O Allāh forgive us and them.”

# JANNATUL BAQĪ

**1** **AUNTS OF THE PROPHET (ﷺ)**  
Safiyah bint Abdul Muttalib and her sister Aatikah (رضي الله عنهم)

**2** **RELATIVES OF THE PROPHET (ﷺ)**  
Abdullah bin Jafar and Aqeel bin Abi Talib (رضي الله عنهم)

**3** **WIVES OF THE PROPHET (ﷺ)**  
Aisha, Sauda, Hafsa, Zainab bint Khuzaymah, Juwairiya, Umm Habibah, Safiyah, Zainab bint Jahash, Umme Salama (رضي الله عنهم)

**4** **DAUGHTERS OF THE PROPHET (ﷺ)**  
Ruqayyah, Zainab and Umme Kulthum (رضي الله عنهم)

**5** **FAMILY OF THE PROPHET (ﷺ)**  
Abbas bin Abdul Muttalib, Hasan bin Ali bin Abi Taleb, Zainul Abideen bin Husain bin Ali, Muhammad al-Baqir bin Zainul Abideen and Jafar bin Muhammad al-Baqir (رضي الله عنهم). Fatima (رضي الله عنها) is also said to be buried here.

**6** **IMAM MALIK**  
Imam Malik and his teacher Imam Nafi' bin Abi Nu'aym (may Allah be pleased with them)

**7** **SON OF THE PROPHET (ﷺ)**  
Ebrahim (رضي الله عنه), the infant son of the Prophet (ﷺ) by Maria al-Qibtiyya

**8** **MARTYRS OF THE BATTLE OF AL-HARRAH**  
This was a battle fought in 683 AH against the armies of Yazeed bin Muawiyah by Abdullah bin Zubair (رضي الله عنه) and his allies in order to defend Madinah

**9** **UTHMAN (رضي الله عنه)**  
The third Caliph and son-in-law of the Prophet (ﷺ). He died in 656 AH

**10** **HALEEMAH SA'DIYA (رضي الله عنها)**  
The wet-nurse and foster mother of the Prophet (ﷺ)

**11** **COMPANIONS OF THE PROPHET (ﷺ)**  
Abu Saeed Khudri and Sa'ad bin Mu'adh (رضي الله عنهم)

**JANNATUL BAQI**

Jannatul Baqi (Garden of Heaven) is the main cemetery of Madinah. Buried here are many members of the Prophet's (ﷺ) close family, around ten thousand of his companions (Sahabah) and many prominent, pious personalities.

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# Masjidul Qubā'

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# MASJIDUL QUBĀ'

The first mosque that was built by the Prophet ﷺ was the mosque of Qubā' in Madīnah al-Munawwarah

- Ibn Umar رضي الله عنهما said: The Prophet ﷺ used to go to Masjid al Qubā' every Saturday, walking or riding. (Bukhārī #1193)
- The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ said: “Whoever goes out to this mosque, the mosque of Qubā', and prays therein, will have (a reward) like that of 'Umrah ..” (Sunan Nasā'ī #699)
- ✓ One should try to travel on a Saturday to Masjidul Qubā' and perform two rak'ah ṣalāh therein.

# BIDDING FAREWELL TO MADĪNAH MUNAWWARAH AND OUR PROPHET

صَلَّى اللَّهُ  
عَلَيْهِ  
وآلِهِ  
وَسَلَّمَ

- When you intend leaving Madinah perform two rak'āhs in Masjidun Nabawī
- Offer the farewell Salām at the grave of Rasulullāh ﷺ and his companions
- After giving Salām at a convenient place facing the Qiblah make du'ā' to Allāh to accept your Ḥajj, 'Umrah and Ziyārah.
- Also, make du'ā' for a safe return to your home and that you are blessed with many more visits to the Ḥaramain in your life.
- Make a firm resolution to live your life accordance to the Sunnah of our beloved Nabī ﷺ .
- Depart from the Masjid with tears flowing and a heart full of grief of separation from the blessed Masjid of our beloved Prophet ﷺ and the city of Madīnah Munawwarah.
- At this moment, we should all make a firm resolution in the court of the Noble Prophet ﷺ that we will never go back to our old ways again. We will accept him as our only role-model in life and emulate his lifestyle in every aspect.



Anas ibn Mālik رضي الله عنه narrated  
“On the day the Messenger of Allāh ﷺ  
entered Madinah, everything therein  
became illuminated.

Then on the day he passed away,  
everything therein became dark.

(Tirmidhī #3618)

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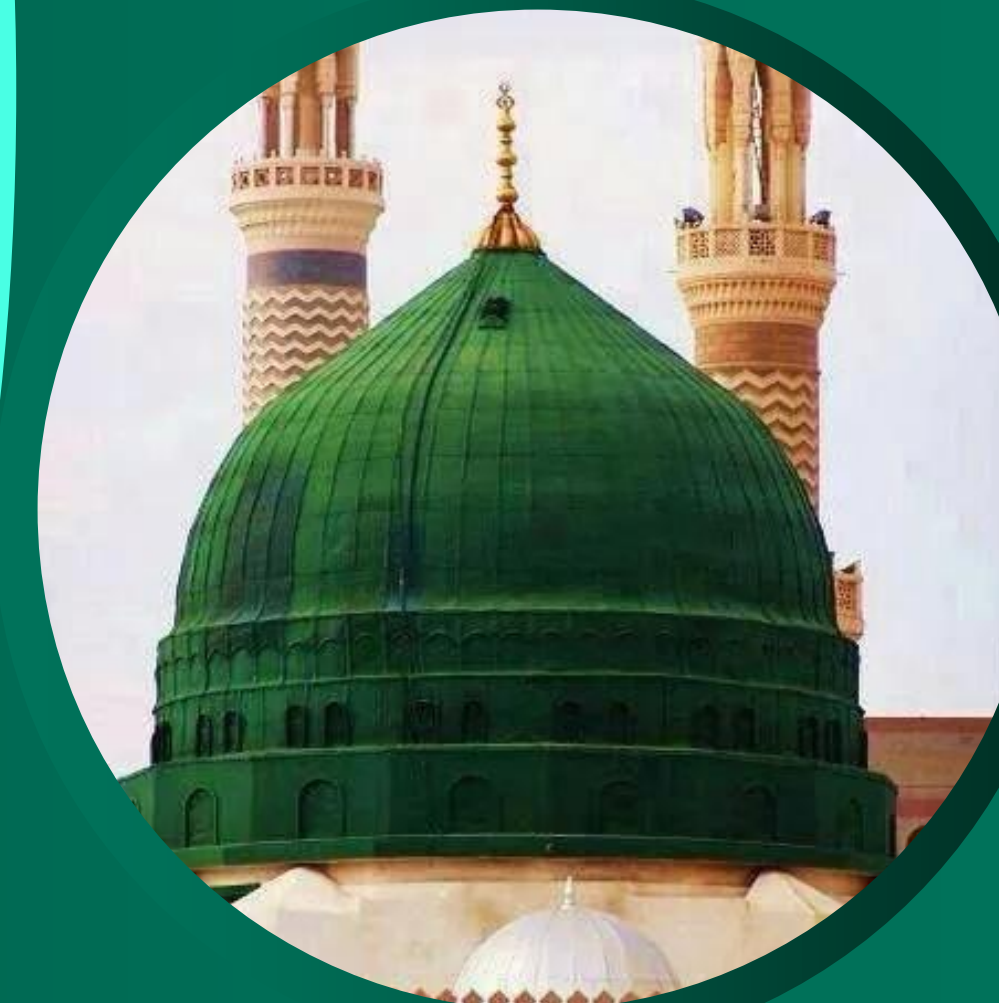
**ON RETURNING FROM HAJJ & 'UMRAH, DON'T JUST RETURN WITH MEMORIES, RETURN WITH PURPOSE.**

**From Makkatul Mukarramah**, take with you the deep understanding of the Oneness of Allāh. Let it settle in your heart, pure and firm.

**From Madīnatul Munawwarah**, carry the Sunnah of our beloved Nabī ﷺ. Let his example shape your character, your 'Ibādah, and your daily life.

These are the greatest gifts you can take back, Tawḥīd and Sunnah. Hold onto them, live by them, and let them transform you.

Indeed, a Ḥajj or 'Umrah well-performed is not the end of a journey, but rather the commencement of a deeper commitment to the mission of Rasulullah (ﷺ) and his blessed way of life.





**MAY ALLĀH TA'ĀLĀ  
ACCEPT YOUR 'IBĀDAH  
AND YOUR ZIYĀRAH.**

**ĀMĪN**

