

# Month Of Rajab And Night Of Raghaib



First Friday night of the month of Rajab is called Night of Raghaib. Every night of Rajab is already valuable. Every Friday night is valuable, too. When these two valuable nights come together, they become all the more valuable.

The value of the night of Raghaib is communicated by various hadiths [1].

Rajab had been valuable since the time of Hadrat Adam [2]. It had been a sin to war in this month. The month had been respected by all ummats [3]. Rajab means majestic, great, honoured, valuable. It is written in the Persian book Anisulwa'izin, "During the time of Hadrat Isa, a youngster fell in love with a lovely girl. He was mad with desire to have her. A long time later he managed to get a date. One night they came together in her room and undressed themselves. The youngster was so happy. Right then he saw the new moon through the window. "What month is this?" he asked. When the girl said, "Rajab," he suddenly pulled himself together and dressed himself. The girl, astonished, asked what was the matter with him. The youngster answered, "I have heard from my parents that we must not sin in the month of Rajab but must respect this month." Asking for an excuse, he went home. Allahu ta'ala sent wahy to Isa 'alaihissalam' and informed him with what had happened, commanding him, "Visit this youngster and give my salam [4] to him." Being pleased with the fact that a great prophet had been sent to him owing to the reverence he had paid to Rajab, the youngster accepted iman [5] and became a good Believer. On account of Rajab, he attained the honour of iman."

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## GLOSSARY

[1] **hadith (sharif):** i) a saying of the Prophet ('alaihi 's-salam).; al-Hadith ash-sharif: all the hadiths as a whole; ii) 'ilm al-hadith; iii) Books of the hadith ash-sharif. iv) Al-hadith al-qudsi, as-sahih, al-hasan: kinds of hadiths (for which, see Endless Bliss, II).

[2] **Hadrat:** title of respect used before the names of great people like and Islamic scholars.

[3] **umma(t)** followers of Muhammad ('alaihi 's-salam); the community, body of believers, of a prophet.

[4] **salam:** i) greeting, peace, good wish; ii) the phrase "Assalamu 'alaikum wa rahmatullah" said at the end of salat.

[5] **iman:** faith, belief, beliefs of Islam; kalam, i'tiqad.