

Being h e a r t l i n e with Allah!

The interest and involvement one finds in staying and working online cannot be found when you work offline. For when you are online, you are connected to, served by or available through a system.

Connecting with one's heart is to be online with Allah.

Even though the terms *online* and *hotline* were not specifically used in 7th century as they are used and understood now in the computer-savvy 21st century but the fact remains that the Qur'an recognized its importance 14 centuries ago!

As **Heart** occupies a central and vital place in Islam, the need of the hour is to update one's system and change ourselves from being *offline* Muslims to *online Muslims to heartline Muslims!*

Ponder over this question posed by man's very Programmer, Allah Subhanahu wa Ta'ala:

أَفَلَا يَتَدَبَّرُونَ الْقُرْآنَ أَمْ عَلَى قُلُوبٍ أَقْفَالُهَا ﴿٢٤﴾

“Then do they not reflect upon the Qur'an, or are there locks upon [their] hearts?” (Surah Muhammad 47: 24)



When Allah is asking this question, is not He conveying the message that man has kept his system shut down? That his heart is locked, meaning his system is locked? That he needs to switch on and connect himself with Kalaamullah? That man has to get online and be heartline with His Creator?

When you are *heartline with Allah*, you concentrate. Your mind doesn't wander. You stay focused. You develop humility. You actually feel the joy of connectivity.

And most importantly, you respect and honour the One with Whom you want to connect.

Connecting with one's heart has cutting edge over all other connections:

1. That you can connect wherever you are: In flight, submarines, mountaintops, thick forests, in the desert, peace marches, battlefields, mosque, market etc.
2. That you can connect anytime, and you won't find the line to be busy or engaged!!

Let us explore some of the Qur'anic verses/ahadeeth/du'aas to learn how Islam appreciates the value of being *heartlinewith Allah!*

1. FROM THE GLORIOUS QUR'AN:

1. Du'aa for heart's consistency and to stay connected:

رَبَّنَا لَا تُزِغْ قُلُوبَنَا بَعْدَ إِذْ هَدَيْتَنَا وَهَبْ لَنَا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ رَحْمَةً إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْوَهَّابُ ﴿٨﴾

“Our Lord, let not our hearts deviate after You have guided us and grant us from Yourself mercy. Indeed, You are the Bestower” (Surah Aali Imran 3: 8)

2. For the soundness of heart and protection against resentment:

وَالَّذِينَ جَاءُوا مِنْ بَعْدِهِمْ يَقُولُونَ رَبَّنَا اغْفِرْ لَنَا وَلِإِخْوَانِنَا الَّذِينَ سَبَقُونَا
بِالْإِيمَانِ وَلَا تَجْعَلْ فِي قُلُوبِنَا غِلًّا لِلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا رَبَّنَا إِنَّكَ رَءُوفٌ رَحِيمٌ ﴿١٠﴾

“And [there is a share for] those who came after them, saying, “Our Lord, forgive us and our brothers who preceded us in faith and put not in our hearts [any] resentment toward those who have believed. Our Lord, indeed You are Kind and Merciful.” (Surah al Hashr 59: 10)

3. Emaan is dynamic, and connected with a Mumin’s heart:

إِنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ الَّذِينَ إِذَا ذُكِرَ اللَّهُ وَجِلَّتْ قُلُوبُهُمْ وَإِذَا تُلِيَتْ
عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتُهُ زَادَتْهُمْ إِيمَانًا وَعَلَىٰ رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ ﴿٢﴾

“The believers are only those who, when Allah is mentioned, their hearts become fearful, and when His verses are recited to them, it increases them in faith; and upon their Lord they rely.”(Surah al Anfaal 8: 2)

2. FROM THE HADEETH:

This one hadeeth is sufficient to emphasize the fact that man’s heart plays a pivotal role in making him good or bad.

“Truly in the body there is a morsel of flesh which, if it be sound, all the body is sound and which, if it be diseased, all

of it is diseased. Truly it is the heart". [al-Bukhari, Muslim] **Arabic Text Here**

3. DU'AAS FROM AUTHENTIC AHADEETH:

1. Du'aa for renewing and rejuvenating one's emaan:

اللَّهُمَّ جَدِّدِ الْإِيمَانَ فِي قَلْبِي

O Allah! Renew the Emaan in my heart.

2. Du'aa for seeking a sound heart:

اللهم إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ قَلْبًا سَلِيمًا

"O Allah! I seek from You a sound heart"

3. Du'aa for clinging onto Deenul Islam:

اللهم يَا مُقَلِّبَ الْقُلُوبِ ثَبِّتْ قَلْبِي عَلَى دِينِكَ

"O Changer of the hearts, make my heart firm upon Your religion".

4. Du'aa for beautifying emaan in one's heart:

اللَّهُمَّ حَبِّبْ إِلَيْنَا الْإِيمَانَ وَزَيِّنْهُ فِي قُلُوبِنَا، وَكَرِّهْ إِلَيْنَا الْكُفْرَ
وَالْفُسُوقَ وَالْعِصْيَانَ، وَاجْعَلْنَا مِنَ الرَّاشِدِينَ

"O Allah! Make emaan dear to us and beautify our emaan in our hearts and make disbelief, evil, disobedience hateful unto us, and O Allah, make us among the rightly guided."

5. Du'aa for directing hearts towards obedience:

اللَّهُمَّ مُصَرِّفَ الْقُلُوبِ صَرِّفْ قُلُوبَنَا عَلَى طَاعَتِكَ

"O Allah, Director of the hearts! Change and Direct our hearts to Your obedience".

6. Du'aa for heart's guidance:

اللهم أهدِ قلبي وسدِّدِ لساني واسئلُ سخيمَةَ قلبي

“O Allah! Guide my heart, make my tongue true, and remove malice and treachery from my heart”

7. Du'aa for strengthening the bonds of relationship:

اللَّهُمَّ اَلْفَ بَيْنِ قُلُوبِنَا، وَاصْلِحْ ذَاتَ بَيْنِنَا، وَاهْدِنَا سُبُلَ السَّلَامِ،
وَنَجِّنَا مِنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ، وَجَنِّبْنَا الفَوَاحِشَ مَا ظَهَرَ مِنْهَا وَمَا
بَطَّنَ، وَبَارِكْ لَنَا فِي اَسْمَاعِنَا، وَأَبْصَارِنَا، وَقُلُوبِنَا، وَأَزْوَاجِنَا، وَدُرِّيَّاتِنَا،
وَتُبِّ عَلَيْنَا إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ التَّوَّابُ الرَّحِيمُ، وَاجْعَلْنَا شَاكِرِينَ لِنِعْمِكَ مَثْنِينَ
بِهَا عَلَيْكَ، قَابِلِينَ لَهَا، وَأَتِمِّمَهَا عَلَيْنَا

“O Allah! Join our hearts, mend our social relationship, guide us to the path of peace, bring us from darkness to light, save us from obscenities, outward or inward, and bless our ears, our eyes, our hearts, our wives, our children, and relent towards us, You are the Relenting, the Merciful. And make us grateful for Your blessings and make us praise it while accepting it and give it to us in full”.

8. Du'aa for seeking protection from heart's evil:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّ قَلْبِي

“O Allah! I seek your refuge from the evil of my heart”

9. Du'aa for seeking light in one's heart:

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ فِي قَلْبِي نُورًا

“O Allah! Give light in my heart”

10. Du'aa for making the Qur'an spring of one's heart:

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلِ الْقُرْآنَ الْعَظِيمَ رَيْعَ قَلْبِي وَنُورَ صَدْرِي

“O Allah! Make the glorious Qur'an the spring of my heart and the light of my chest”.

11. Du'aa for purifying one's heart:

اللَّهُمَّ نَقِّ قَلْبِي مِنَ الْخَطَايَا كَمَا يَنْقَى الثَّوْبُ الْأَبْيَضُ مِنَ الدَّنَسِ

“O Allah! Purify my heart from sins as white cloth is purified from dirt”.

12. Du'aa for cleansing one's heart from hypocrisy:

اللَّهُمَّ طَهِّرْ قَلْبِي مِنَ التَّفَاقُ

“O Allah! Clean my heart from hypocrisy”

May Allah give us the Tawfeeq and Hidayah to follow His Deen fully and properly. Aameen.

May Allah accept our fasts, our salah, our ibadah and include us among the righteous. Aameen.

May we involve ourselves when we read Qur'an and make du'aa and offer Salah. Aameen.

Jazakallaahu Khayra for reading this post.

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