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Q: Is it permissible to say "Yataqabalu Allah" (May Allah accept your deed!) to a person who is leaving the Masjid (mosque) after performing Salah (prayer) or he who is observing Swam (fast)?

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I have noticed that this saying bears the meaning of the imperative. Allah (may He be Glorified and Exalted) can not be commanded. Guide us to the truth! May Allah reward you!

A: A person who is leaving the Masjid should say the Du `a' (supplication) that was authentically reported from the Prophet (peace be upon him): (When any of you enters the mosque, he should invoke peace upon the Prophet (peace be upon him) and then say: "O Allah! open for me the doors of Your Mercy"; and when he steps out he should say: 'O Allah! I beg of You Your Grace.') Saying: "Yataqabalu Allah" (May Allah accept your deeds!) is a supplication in the form of a predictive one. It is a supplication for a Muslim person, not an imperative or a command to Allah. This saying is similar to saying: "May Allah accept our deeds or the deeds of so-and-so." Therefore, this saying is not a command but a supplication.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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