



Madinah Munawwarah

Journey of Love

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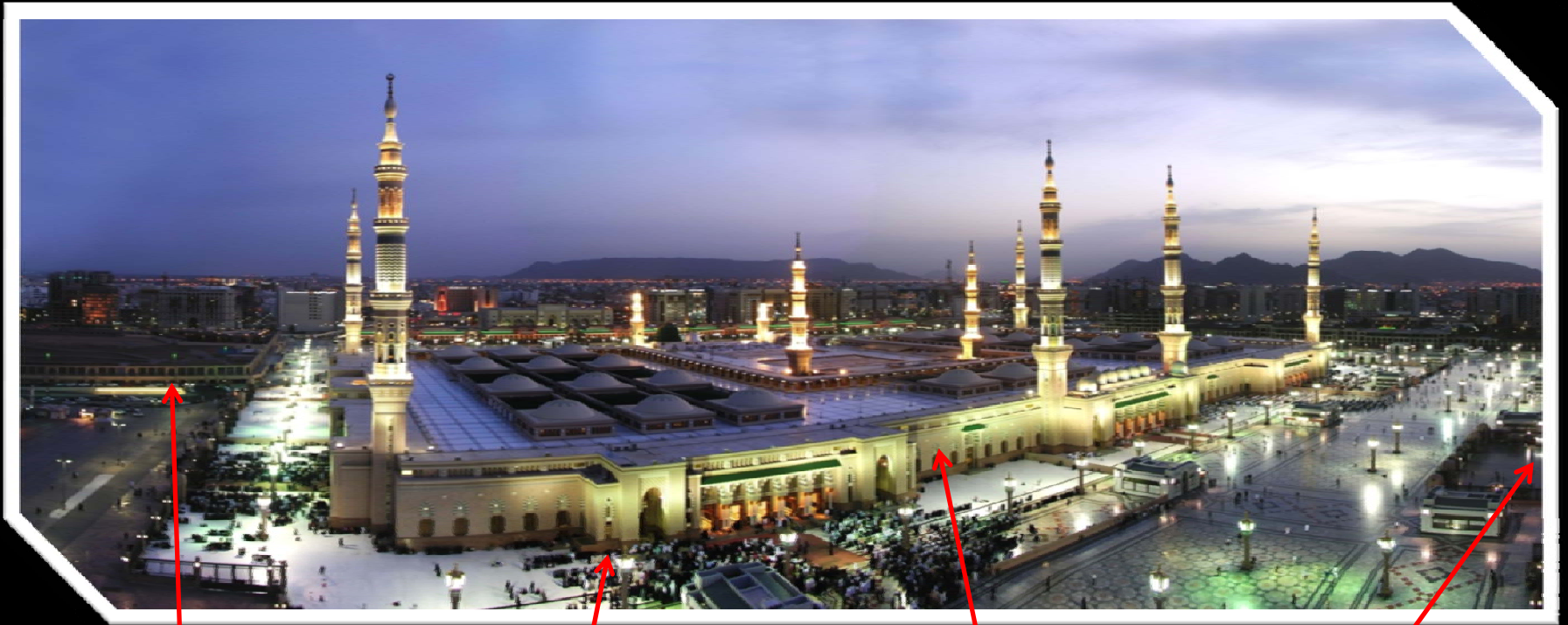
Visiting Madina

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To visit Madinah is not a Hajj or Umrah rite, but the unique merits of the Prophet's city, his Mosque and his sacred tomb attract every pilgrim to visit it. There is no Ihram nor talbiyah for the visit to Madinah or the Prophet's Mosque

Snapshot of Madinah



Al-Baqee'

Ladies Area

Nabi Mosque

Main Hotels

The Prophet's Masjid & Al-Baqee' المسجد النبوي و البقيع



Al-Baqee'

Uhud

The Masjid

Qiblah

Entrance



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Visiting the Holy Grave: (Peace and Salutations be upon him)

It is a great privilege for the pilgrims to visit our beloved Prophet's grave. The Prophet Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam once said:

“The person who comes solely for the purpose of paying a visit to my grave has the right on me that I should intercede for him”

(Tabrani, Dar-e-Qutni)

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Procedure to visiting Madinah continued:

Masjid-e-Nabwi:

After putting your luggage at your residence

- *Take a bath or perform ablutions (wudhu)*
- *Wear your best clothing*
- *Apply perfume*

Proceed towards the beloved Prophet's Mosque while uttering Durud

Bab-e-Jibril:

Enter the mosque through Bab-e-Jibril or Bab-us-Salaam or if this is not possible, enter through any other door

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Procedure to visiting Madinah continued:

Right Foot: Place your right foot first in the entrance, praise Allah, recite *Durud* and say:

اَللّٰهُمَّ افْتَحْ لِيْ اَبْوَابَ رَحْمَتِكَ

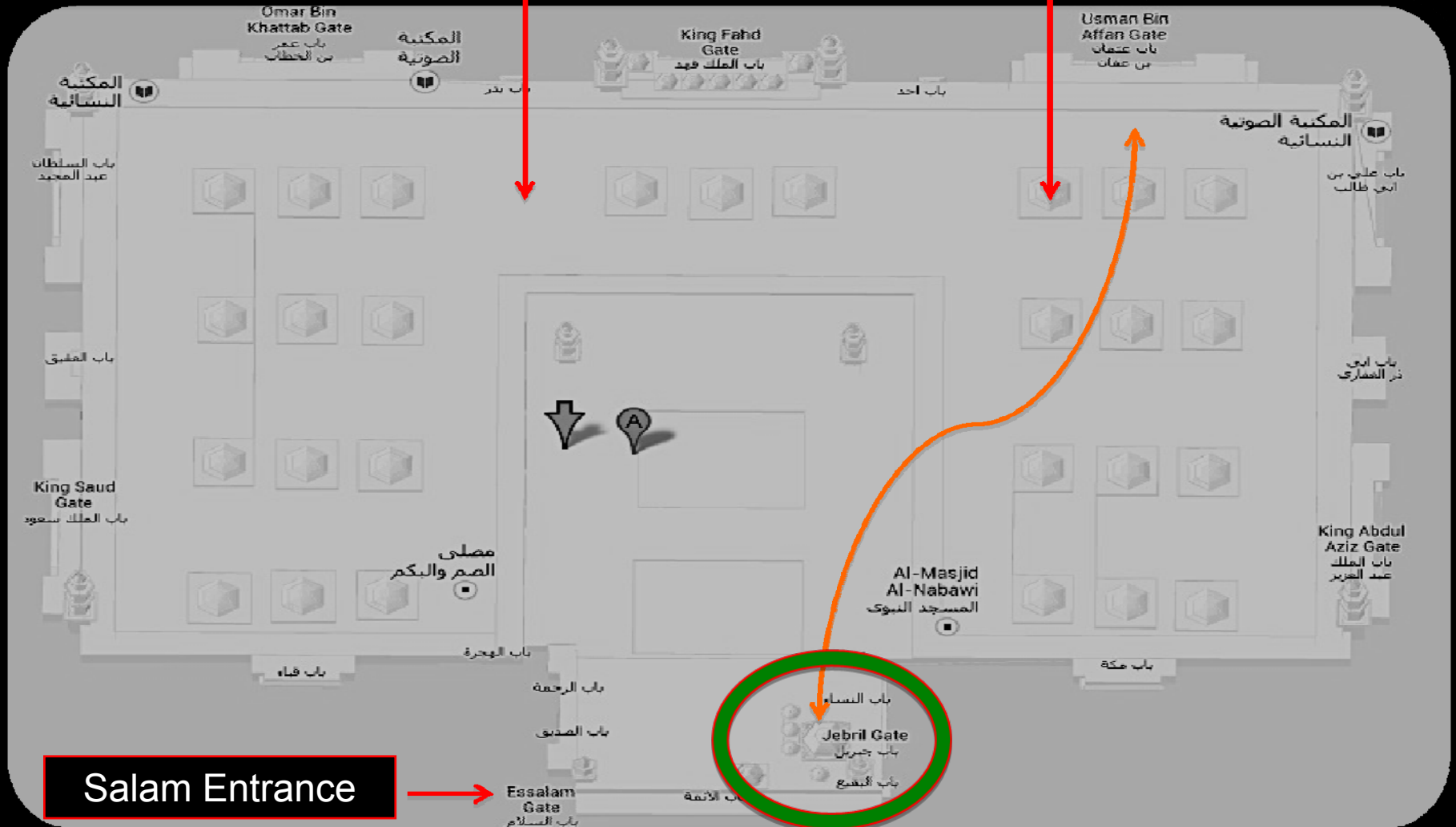
Two Rak'at Nafl: If it is not undesirable (*Makrooh*) time: offer two rakahs of *nafl tahiyyat al-masjid* (greeting of the masjid) preferably in *Riyadh ul-Jannah* near the tomb of the Prophet or otherwise anywhere else in the mosque

Google Aerial View



Men's Entrance

Women's Entrance



Salam Entrance

Map of the Prophet's Masjid



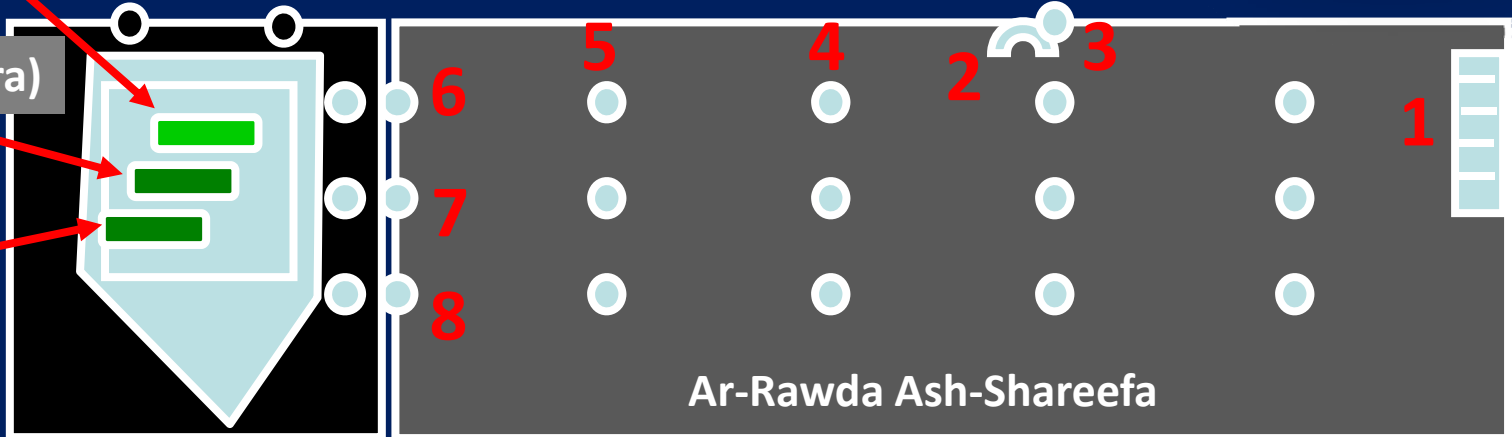
Qiblah



The Prophet (pbuh)

Abu-Bakr (ra)

Umar (ra)




Bab Jibreel

As-Suffah

Bab An-Nisaa'

1. The Minbar (pulpit) of the Prophet (pbuh)
2. The Mihrab of the Prophet (pbuh)
3. Pillar Al-Hannana
4. Pillar of 'Aisha
5. Pillar of Tawbah (Abi Lubabah)
6. Pillar of As-Sareer (bed)
7. Pillar of Ali also known as Hars (guard)
8. Pillar of Wufood (delegations)

Wufood 

Hars 

Aaisha 
Sareer 
Taubah 

Hadhrat Umar (R.A)

Hadhrat Abu Bakr (R.A)

Rasoolullah (SAW)

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Possible to stand longer here

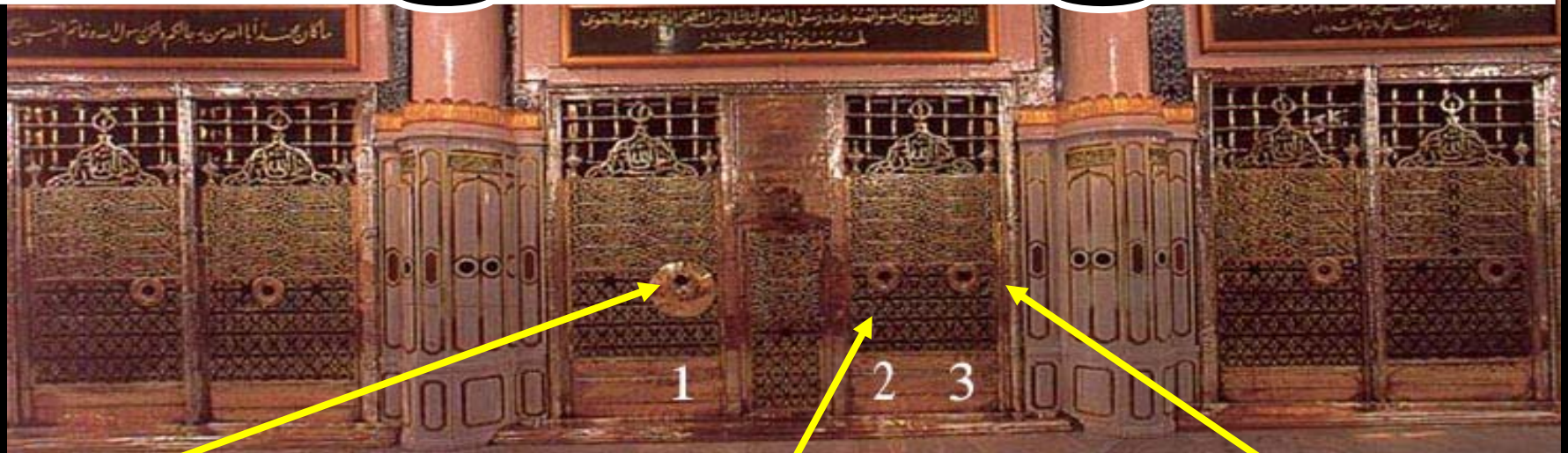
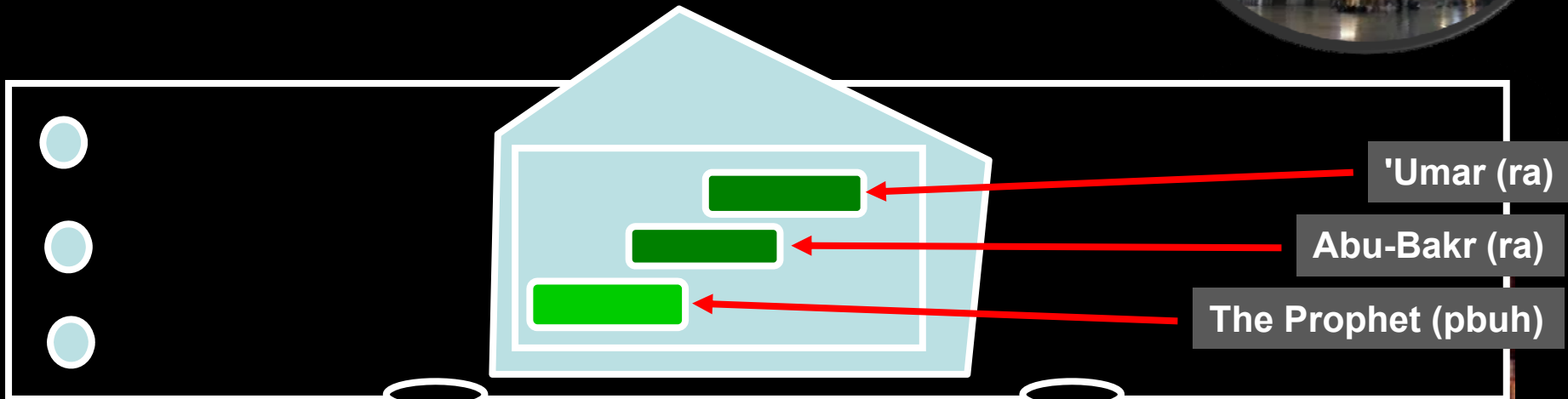
Pillar

Another Option

way out

Continuous flow of public

The Prophet's tomb



The Prophet (pbuh)

Abu-Bakr (ra)

'Umar (ra)

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The Prophet's Radwa



Standing in front of it and facing it, say in a respectful and hushed voice:

“Assalamu alaika, ayyuhan-nabiyya wa rahmatul-lahi wa barakatuhu”

After this say:

“Assalatu was-salamu alaika ya Rasul-Allah”

“Assalatu was-salamu alaika ya Nabi-yallah”

“Assalatu was-salamu alaika ya Habib-Allah”

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Procedure to visiting The Grave (continued)

Offer Salaam of others: Now offer salaams of relatives or friends.

Salaam on Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique: Then move a little to the right and stand before the grave of Hazrat Abu Bakr Radi Allahu Anhu. Greet him and supplicate to bestow His mercy and forgiveness on him.

Salaam on Hazrat Umar Farooq: Again move a little to the right before the grave of Hazrat Umar Radi Allahu Anhu and greet him and make supplication for him.

Then face Qiblah and make Dua

Forty Salah in Masjid Nabwi: It is virtuous to offer forty prayers (Salah) in the prophet's Mosque, but it is not a requirement of any kind. It is Mustahab, i.e. rewarding if done, but if not done there is no sin.

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Rawadatul-Jannah

The Prophet (saw) said, "There is a garden from the gardens of Paradise between my house and my pulpit, and my pulpit is on my lake (i.e. al-Hawd al-Kawthar)."

[Saheeh al-Bukharee (vol. 3, no. 112)]



Prophets Pulpit

Pillars



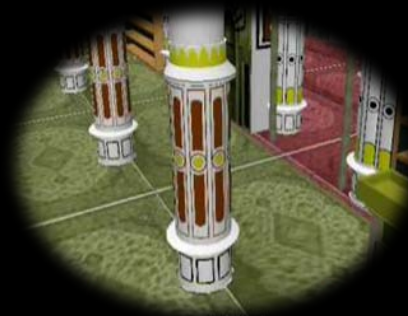
- Hannana - crying camel. Tree trunk on which Prophet (pbuh) used to lean during khutbah. (When a trunk cries so much at the parting of Prophet (pbuh) then how much should we be crying!)
- Ayesha – Ayesha told the companions that Prophet (pbuh) said, ‘There is one place in the masjid that if the people knew the reward of praying there, then they would draw lots.’ Eventually nephew Abdullah bin Zubair asked and then the Sahaba watched where he performed prayers.
- Ali/Hars - Until the verse ‘Wallahu Ya’ simuka min nan naas’ was not revealed Sahaba used to stand guard to protect Prophet (pbuh), and this is where they used to stand. Mostly it was Hadhrat Ali (RA)

Pillars



- Wufood – delegations used to stay here
- Sareer – During I' tikaf, bed was here
- Abu Lubaba (tawba) – Banu Qurayza Jewish tribe, were surrounded by Muslims, when they decided to give up, they asked for mashwara with Abu Lubaba. “We are thinking of putting down our arms, what will Prophet (pbuh) do?”. He indicated by passing his fingers over his throat. As soon as he did this, he realised he had committed a grave mistake and went to the mosque crying, tied himself to the pillar. After many days, acceptance of tawba was revealed in the Quran.

Rawdah



- Between my minbar and house
- Just like only mercy in Jannah, similar mercy here in this part of the mosque
- A person who reaches here, becomes worthy of place in Jannah
- Imam Malik, Nawawi and others state, that this portion is really from Jannah similar to 'hajre aswad'
- Make dua 'O Allah just like you have helped me reach Jannah in this world, now don't take me out of Jannah
- Don't hurt others to get there, it is not fardh to pray there, it is mustahab. Haram to hurt others.
- If you can't find space there then Allah looks at your intention, don't worry

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Other Places to visit

Other places to visit: Some of the other important places to visit are: Masjid Quba, Jannat al-Baqee, graves of Hazrat Hamzah and other martyrs of Uhud and Masjid Qiblatain.

Among them **Masjid Quba** is the most important. It is the first mosque in the history of Islam whose foundation stone was laid down by Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) himself on his migration to Madinah. To offer 2 raka'ats of nafl in it is equal to one Umrah. After visiting the Prophet's Mosque and his tomb every pilgrim should try his best to visit it and pray in this mosque as well.

Departure from Madinah. When you have to leave Madinah, offer your Salaam again to the Prophet (peace be upon him), cry at this separation, supplicate to Allah and leave with the **earnest desire to come back**



And be steadfast in prayer; practise regular charity; and bow down your heads with those who bow down (in worship) - Al Quran 2:43

Farewell Madinah

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