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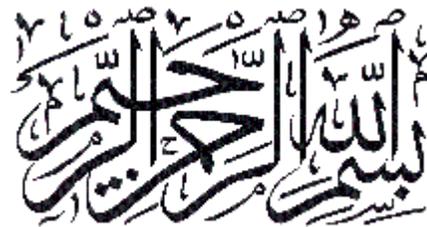
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The secrets of DAL - * Secrets of The Number 4

The Arabic letter Dal (د) has no equivalent sounding letter in the English alphabet. The nearest sound is TH in the word THE.

- The position of the letter Dal (د) in the Abjad, has the value of 4.
- In the normal Arabic character set, Dal is the 8th letter.
Holy Quran 8:4 Such in truth are the believers (Muminoon): they have grades of dignity with their Rabb (Lord) and forgiveness and generous sustenance.
[Quran: Al-Anfal Chapter 8]

This article is about the spiritual meaning of the letter Dal (د).

INTRODUCTION

The letter Dal (د) is not one of the letters in the verse **Bismillah**. Neither is it one of the **Muqataat** (abbreviated) letters used in the opening of certain chapters in the Quran.



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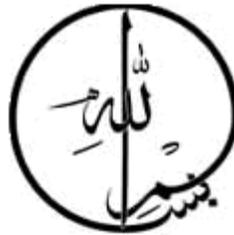
The letter Dal (د) comes first in the Attribute of Allah, which is **Daieem** - The One Who Exists Forever. {Eternally Allah and Eternally Muhammad Rasul Allah}

- In the name **Muhammad** ﷺ, it comes last.
- Whereas the letter Meem (م) is the last letter in the Name **Daieem** and it is the first letter in the name **Muhammad** ﷺ.
- In the name **Adam** آدم (ء) the letter Dal (د) is the middle letter.
- In the **Abjad** format, the letter Dal (د) is the fourth letter and given the value 4.
- In the normal Arabic character set it is the **8th letter**. { 4 Hold The Throne in Akhira , 8 on Judgment Day }

THE LETTER DAL

The Arabic letter Dal (د) is the first letter in the Attribute **Daieem**, the last letter in the name **Muhammad** ﷺ and the middle or centre letter of the name **Adam**.

What is the significance of the letter Dal (د) ? The letter Dal (د) represents a Dairah دائرة .



A Dairah is a circle.

Everything in existence is made of circles.
 The sun, the moon, the planets, and the stars are circular.
 They are all round.
 The orbits, of the planets, the orbits of the galaxies are all Dairahs, circles.
 If we look at the atoms, they are also circular.
 If we further look at our lives, our patterns of existence, they are all circular.

And also, we come from Allah and to Allah is our return.

إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ

Even this is a complete **Dairah** or circle or revolution for us.

DAIRAH (CIRCLE of Creation)

A **Dairah** دائرة is a circle. A circle consists of 360 degrees.

First, what are degrees?

In Arabic they are **Darajat** or Ranks.

Even in spiritual circles there are 360 degrees or ranks.

Darajat (degrees) are grades. **Darajat** are ranks.

In Dunya you come as a "4 " seek Ya [Knowledge] then you will be inheriting from the $4 \times 10 = 40$'s The Muhammadan Representatives [Meem=40]. The Shaykhs of Tariqa "40"

There are "9" Sultan alDhikr Awliya "9" In Fusion $X "40" = "360"$ [Circle of Creation]

These "9" are The Most powerful Mem's they expanded [Mem- Expands to M =40 , Ya=10, M=40-

"90" or Sad ص]

They reached Higher Levels and are the Meem Who are Sad= 90 or the Great Siddiq's of which they are $"4" \times "90" = "360"$

Known as 1) Sayedena Abu Bakr, 2) Sayedena Omar, 3) Sayedena Othman and 4) Sayedena Ali (Ra).
 "4" Valves of the Heart , "4" Corners of Kabba, "4" Arc Angels, "4" Eternal Forces in the Atom, "4" Elements of all creation Earth Wind Water Fire,

- Why is it 360 degrees or grades or ranks?

- Why not 300 degrees or 400 degrees?
- Since 360 is nearer to 400 than it is to 300, there is something interesting about that!
- 360 is 40 less than 400
- can we say it is **Meem** (م) less than 400?
- In other words, Has the numerical value of **Meem** been multiplied 10 times ($40 \times 10 = 400$) and then the value of ONE **Meem** been taken away ($400 - 40$) to arrive at 360?
- Since the numerical value of the letter **Meem** (م) is 40.
- The other interesting point about all this is that the numerical value of the letter **Meem** (م) is 10 times the numerical value of the letter **Dal** (د).

Where did the letter **Meem** come into all this?

- There are 40 **Maqaams** (stations) in the spiritual journey.
- And what is the spiritual journey? It is the search for Allah in this world.
- That is what Musa (ع) went through on the Mount Tur for 40 (**Meem**) days.
- That is why the letter **Meem** (م) Meem Has "The ROPE of Allah" for you to Hold. Means Hold Tight To Sayedena Muhammad {s}. **Holy Quran 3:103**. And hold fast, all together, by the **rope** which Allah (stretches out for you), and be not divided among yourselves; and remember with gratitude Allah.s favour. or 40 comes from in this case.
- Like it or not, there is no avenue open without the letter **Meem** (م).
- More will be said about the missing 40 **Darajat** or ranks at the end of this article...

Coming back to the **Dairah** (circle), as the number of degrees in a circle (360) are 40 less than 400, let us take **Meem**, or 40, as our starting point.

If we divide 360 by 40:

- 360 divided by 40 = 9
- we get a perfect 9 without any remainder or fraction.
- Or looking at it another way
- $40 \times 9 = 360$ degrees in a circle. { 40 Golden Chain Shaykhs in Fusion X The 9 Sultan Dhikr Shaykh = 360 }
- We took a circle 360, divided it by 40 and ended with 9.
- The letter with the numerical value of **9 is Toin** (ط).

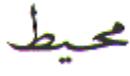
We have the STARTING letter **Meem** (م) and the ENDING letter **Toin** (ط).

EXISTENCE

- Everything we see in this world is a living thing.
- Everything is created out of atoms. {or a DOT under the BA}
- Whether it is an animal, plant or even a stone.
- Each thing is created out of atoms.
- Every atom has electrons circulating the nucleus. The only difference is the bonding energy between the atoms. We can pinch and deform the human skin. Pinching a stone has no marked effect. Nevertheless, everything with electrons has the gift of life from Allah.
- This gift comes from the Attribute **Hayy** حَيّ from Allah. **Hayy** is spelt **Ha** =8 (ح) and **Ya**=10(ي)=18. This gift from Allah is **IN** everything. Only, we do not perceive it.

THE LIMITED

- If we now place this Attribute **IN** the middle of **Meem** (م) and **Toin** (ط) we arrive at

Muheet 

- The One who Encompasses everything. { The Universal Being }
- The One who surrounds everything.
- The One who gives life to everything. This is an analogy.
- All created things are limited. **Dairahs**.
- Circles. Allah on the other hand is Unlimited. Everything is within His grasp or His control. There is no escape for anyone or anything from Allah.

أَلَا إِنَّهُمْ فِي مَرِيَّةٍ مِّن لِّقَاءِ رَبِّهِمْ ۗ أَلَا إِنَّهُ بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ مُّحِيطٌ

54 Indeed! are they in doubt concerning the Meeting with their Rabb (Lord)? Indeed! it is He that does encompass all things!

[Quran: Ha Meem Chapter 41]

- **Dairahs**, circles are limitations. { Allah can not be found inside a Circle, Allah Owns the Circle but His RasulALLAH is inside the Circle repeating Him }
- The limitation is not just our physical size.
- This limitation is also our earthly lifespan.
- This limitation is also our mental aptitude. This limitation is existence with respect to time and place. Everything is limited in every way possible.
- Only Allah is Unlimited. What about The Unlimited?

THE UNLIMITED

Allah on the other hand is not limited by physical size. Direction does not apply to Allah. Allah is not limited by time or place or condition. None of these can be applied to Allah. He is 'above' all these. By 'above' it is implied that Allah is not restricted in any way or condition or circumstance or time or place. Since Allah is beyond a **Dairah** how do we understand Him?

If we go back to the **Dairah** (circle), we again have 360 **Darajat** (or degrees). Divide that by the numerical value of the letter **Dal** (د) which has the numerical value 4. Since the word **Dairah** starts with the letter **Dal** (د).

360 divided by 4 = "90"

- The result above is 90 which is the numerical value of the letter **Saad** (ص) Siddiqiun
- Importance of 4= 4 Caliphs , 4 Arch Angels, 4 Valves on Heart, 4 Corners of Kaaba 4 letters Allh 4 letters MHMD, created from 4 Elements, 4 Takbirs.
- The letter **Saad** (ص) when written as pronounced gives us the **WORD**:
- **Saad** (صَاد). We started with letter **Dal** (د) and we ended up with the letter **Dal** (د) in the word **Saad**.
- There is a clue here.
- The Attribute **Daiem**  starts with the letter **Dal** (د) . and name Muhammad 
-  ends with the letter **Dal** (د) .
- Since we are looking for CIRCULAR patterns, **Daiem ends {Akhira is a Mirror}** with the letter **Meem** (م) and the name **Muhammad**  begins with the letter **Meem** (م). Remember? There is no avenue open without **Meem** (م)! S
- Since the letter **Dal** (د) and the letter **Meem** (م) are either at the beginning or the end in the names **Daiem** and **Muhammad** .

- If we convert this into minutes: $(24 \times 60) / 360 = 4$
- 24 hours MULTIPLIED BY 60 minutes DIVIDED BY 360 degrees = 4 minutes.
- For the Earth to revolve 1 degree on its own axis is 4 minutes which is the numerical value of the letter Dal (د). So, what is this place called Dunya?

Dunya is basically a place of limitations.

- Dunya is where everything is a Dairah (Dal - د).
- It is a place where we must seek the Noor or Light (Noon - ن)
- of the Knowledge (Ya - ي)
- before returning to Allah (Alif - ا)
- in the Akhirah (afterlife). How do we find this Light?

وَمِنْهُمْ مَّنْ يَقُولُ رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا
حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ

201 And there are men who say: "Rabbana (Our Lord)! give us good in this world and good in the Hereafter and defend us from the torment of the fire!"

[Quran: Al Baqara Chapter 2]

DEEN

The Light is Deen رين . Deen is religion.

- Our religion is Islam. Deen (religion) and Dunya (world) are inter related.
- Deen takes precedence over Dunya when we have already arrived in this Dunya (world).
- Dunya is the place to practice Deen.
- Deen is a circle as well.
- We have to repeat the same patterns per day, per month, per year.
- And the Islamic months and years are based on the circular patterns of the Moon.
- The word Deen is basically following the Dairah (Dal - د), Circle or pattern .
- Learning the knowledge (Ya - ي) and
- following the Light (Noon - ن). In our case, the Light is Quran and Sunnah. And we have inherited the Light which is the Quran and the Sunnah from the Last Nabee (Messenger) Muhammad ﷺ. Darood (Blessings) and Salaam (peace) on Muhammad ﷺ.

DAROOD

The word Darood درود starts with the letter Dal (د) and ends with the letter Dal (د).

- What is Darood? Darood is sending Blessings on Muhammad ﷺ.
- There are many different Darood. Each one is precious in its own right.
- Saying the Darood brings Allah's pleasure on the one who is sending blessings on Allah's Beloved. Saying the Darood brings assistance from Allah in times of need.
- Saying the Darood brings the vision of Muhammad ﷺ in a dream. And whoever has seen Muhammad ﷺ in a dream, has really seen him. Shaytan (Satan) cannot take the form of

Whenever we do **Zikr** (meditation with the Name or Attribute of) Allah, we are advised by all pious people to start with **Darood**. At the end of **Zikr** Allah, **Darood** should be recited once again. Why? Why not just at the beginning or just the end?

Simple. We have to complete a circle. We have to form a **Dairah**. Not in the physical sense, but in the spiritual sense. How can that be true? Look at the **Tasbih**, or rosary or 'worry beads'. Do we not start at one end and complete a full circle? Even while we are doing **Zikr** Allah, we are forming circles. The **Zikr** Allah forms a **Dairah** ('ring') around the one doing **Zikr**. Shaytan (Satan) is kept outside this **Dairah** (circle).

DARAJAT (RANKS)

Going back to the **Darajat**, degrees or ranks.

- What are these **Darajat**? If we go back to the position of the letter **Dal** (د) in the normal Arabic character set, it is 8.
- Therefore let us look at **Chapter 8** in the Quran and pick **verse 4** for the numerical value of the letter **Dal** (د) is 4. We find...

4 Such in truth are the believers (Muminoon): they have grades of dignity with their Rabb (Lord) and forgiveness and generous sustenance.

[Quran: Al-Anfal Chapter 8]

- From this verse, it can be seen, that the believers have different grades before Allah.
- Not all believers have the same grade.
- The believers can be categorised in one of the 360 **Darajat** or degrees or ranks.
- Earlier on we did find that 360 was 40 or **Meem** (م) short of 400.
- Why are there only 360 degrees and not 400?
- The answer to this puzzle is in **Chapter 40** of the Quran **Majeed** because we are **Meem** (م - 40) less than 400.
- Or to look at it at another way if we increase the numerical value of the letter **Dal** (د) tenfold we have $4 \times 10 \text{ YA} = 40$. You could say, we have **Magnified** the value by 10 which is the numerical value of the letter **Ya** - ي , which represents Knowledge.

Or to look at it in yet another way, the word **Muminoon** is used in the above verse instead of **Muslimon**. There is no chapter with the name Muslim in the Quran! Furthermore, anyone who accepts the Message **LA ILAHA ILL ALLAH MUHAMMADUR RASOOL ALLAH** is a Muslim. **Mu'min** on the other hand is a Muslim whose belief or faith (**Iman**) is superior or unshakeable. Therefore the answer is in **Chapter 40** which is named **Muumin**.

رَفِيعُ الدَّرَجَاتِ ذُو الْعَرْشِ يُلْقِي الرُّوحَ مِنْ أَمْرِهِ
عَلَى مَنْ يَشَاءُ مِنْ عِبَادِهِ لِنُنذِرَ يَوْمَ التَّلَاقِ

15 Rafi ud Darajat (The Exalter of Ranks), the Lord of the Throne. He casts the Spirit of His command upon whom He will of His servants, that He may warn of the Day of Meeting

[Quran: Al-Mu_min Chapter 40]

From here it can be seen why there are only 360 **Darajat** and not 400.

- The missing 40 have been reserved for Muhammad ﷺ.

- Allah and the angels shower blessings on the Nabee (Muhammad ﷺ).
- Allah the Creator is **Rafi ud Darajat** (The Exalter of Ranks) and the Highest Rank or **Darajat** that He has created and Exalted is
- **Insan ul Kamil** (the Perfect Man).
- Muhammad ﷺ is the **INSAN UL KAMIL - The Perfect Man**.
- No one attained that position before him. And no one will attain that position after him.

But... where did 360 Degrees or Ranks or **Darajat** come from in the first place?

360 DARAJAT

Where did the 360 degrees or **Darajat** come from?

- How was it decided to have 360 degrees or ranks?
- We need to rephrase the last question and ask ourselves: "**WHO** decided it should be 360 degrees?"

The answer to the last question is: **ALLAH** decided it should be 360 degrees and not 400.

- " He taught Adam all the names "
- Allah wanted to reserve the **40** for His Beloved, our Master, Muhammad ﷺ.

Well, the last verse from the Quran:

15 Rafi ud Darajat (The Exalter of Ranks), the Lord of the Throne. He casts the Spirit of His command upon whom He will of His servants, that He may warn of the Day of Meeting [Quran: Al-Mu_min Chapter 40]

clearly confirms there are 360 degrees, ranks, grades or **Darajat**.

Where? How?

The Attribute **RAFI** رفيع is the answer!

Letter **Ra** - ر = 200

Letter **Fa** - ف = 80

Letter **Ya** - ي = 10

Letter **Ayn** - ع = 70

Add the numerical values of the above letters of the Attribute **RAFI** we have:

$$200 + 80 + 10 + 70 = 360.$$

In a previous section of this article we looked at how our Earth rotates **1 degree in 4 minutes**.

- If we divide **360 degrees** with the above verse number we have:
- **360 divided by 15 = 24**.
- We come back to the 24 hours in a day. The time taken by the Earth to revolve 360 degrees on its own axis.

Only Allah Knows Best.

Al Hamdu Lillah Rabbil Alameen. All praise is for God, the Rabb of the worlds. Blessings on Muhammad ﷺ, his family, and his companions. Allah in His infinite Generosity has permitted me to write a little about each of the letters in the name of His Beloved Muhammad

ﷺ

Meem Part 1 ح Ha Meem Part 2 د Dal

Allahumma اللهم accept this humble effort. Raise Sayyidina Muhammad ﷺ to an even higher Darajat (Rank). Allahumma

اللَّهُمَّ

عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ

اللَّهُمَّ

Bless Muhammad , his family, his household and his Companions. Allahumma bestow Your knowledge on us. Knowledge that will benefit your creation. Rabbi, You are Samee (All Hearing) un Baseer (All Seeing). Ameen.

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Darood (Blessings) and Salaam (Peace) on Muhammad, His Family, and His Companions

ALLAHUMMA SALLI ALA MUHAMMADIN WA ALA ALI MUHAMMADIN KAMA SALLAITA ALA IBRAHEEMA WA ALA ALI IBRAHEEMA INNAKA HAMEEDUM MAJEED

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