نِيَّةِ الْخَلْوَة

Niyatel Khalwah

The Intention for Seclusion

The following *niyah* (intention) is recited when a disciple is ordered by their shaykh to enter *Khalwah* (spiritual seclusion). However, if someone is not instructed to perform a formal seclusion, they can recite this prayer before any good deed. These good deeds will, inshallah, count toward their spiritual seclusion.

نَوَيْتُ الْأَرْبَعِينَ، نَوَيْتُ الْإعْتِكَافَ، نَوَيْتُ الْخَلْوَةَ، نَوَيْتُ الْعُزْلَةَ، نَوَيْتُ الرِّيَاضَةَ، نَوَيْتُ السُّلُوكَ سَّهِ تَعَالَى الْعُظِيمِ فِي هَذَا الْمَسْجِدِ.

Nawaytul Arba'een, nawaytul 'Itikaf, nawaytul Khalwah, nawaytul 'Uzlah, nawaytur Riyada, nawaytus Sulook Lillahi Ta'ala al 'Azhim fi hazal masjid.

I intend to perform the forty days of seclusion, I intend seclusion in the masjid, I intend spiritual seclusion, I intend isolation/solitude, I intend to discipline (the ego), and I intend to travel on the spiritual path for the sake of Allah Almighty in this masjid.