Qad kafani ‘Ilmu Rabbi

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My Lord’s knowledge has sufficed me	قَدْ كَفَانِي عِلْمُ رَبِّي
from asking or choosing	مِنْ سُؤَالِي وَاخْتِيَارِي
For my du’a and my agonising supplication	فَدُعَـائِي وابْتِهَـالِي
is a witness to my poverty	شَـاهِدٌ لِي بِافْتِقَارِي
For this secret (reason) I make supplication	فَلِهَذَا السِّرِّ أَدْعُـو
in times of ease and times of difficulty	فِي يَسَارِيْ وَعَسَارِي
I am a slave whose pride	أَنَا عَبْدٌ صَارَ فَخْرِي
is in his poverty and obligation	ضِمْنَ فَقْرِي وَاضْطِرَارِي
O my Lord and my King	يَا إِلَـهِي وَمَلِيْـكِي
You know my state	أَنْتَ تَعْلَمُ كَيْفَ حَالِي
And what has settled in my heart	وَبِمَا قَدْ حَـلَّ قَلْبِـي
of agonies and preoccupations	مِنْ هُمُوْم وَاشْتِغَالِـي
Save me with a gentleness	فَتَـدَارَكْنِي بِلُطْفٍ

مِنْكَ يَا مَوْلَى الْمَوَالِي	from You, O Lord of Lords
يَا كَرِيْمَ الْوَجْهِ غِثْنِي	Oh save me, Most Generous
قَبْلَ أَنْ يَفْنَى اصْطِبَارِي	before I run out of patience (with myself)
يَا سَرِيْعَ الْغَوْثِ غَوْثَا	O One who is swift in sending aid
مِنْكَ يُدْرِكْنَا سَرِيْعًا	I ask for aid that will arrive to me swiftly
يَهْزِمُ الْعُسْرَ وَيَأْتِي	It will defeat all difficulty
بِالَّذِي نَرْجُو جَمِيْعًا	and it will bring all that I hope for
يا قَرِيْبًا يا مُجِيْبًا	O Near One Who answers
يا عَلِيْمًا يا سَمِيْعًا	and All-Knowing and All-Hearing
قَدْ تَحَقَّقْتُ بِعَجْزِي	I have attained realization through my incapacity
وخُضُوْعِي وانْكِسَارِي	my submission and my brokenness
لَمْ أَزَلْ بِالْبَابِ وَاقِفْ	I am still standing by the door, so please my Lord
فَارْحَمَنْ ربِّي وُقُوْفِي	have mercy on my standing
وبِوَادِي الْفَضْلِ عَاكِفْ	And in the valley of generosity, I am in i'tikaf (solitary So, (retreat)
فَأَدِمْ ربِّي عُكُوْفِي	Allah, make my retreat here permanent
ولِحُسْنِ الظَّنِّ لاَزِم	And I'm abiding by good opinion (of You)

For it is my friend and ally	فَهُوَ خِلِّي وحَلِيْفِي
And it is the one that sits by me and keeps me company	وأَنِيْسِي وجَلِيْسِي
All day and night	طَوْلَ لَيْلِي ونَهَارِي
There is a need in my soul, O Allah	حَاجَةً فِي النَّفْسِ يَا ربّ
so please fulfil it, O Best of Fulfillers	فَاقْضِهَا يا خَيْرَ قَاضِي
And comfort my secret and my heart	وأَرِحْ سِرِّي وقَلْبِي
from its burning and its shrapnel	مِنْ لَظَاهَا والشَّوَاظِ
For joy and expansion is my state	فَالْهَنَا والْبَسْطَ حَالِي
and my motto and my cover	وشِعَارِي ودِثَارِي