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145952 - There is nothing wrong with putting du'aa's and dhikrs together

the question

Is it permissible to offer supplication (du'aa') in Arabic and to put the supplications together, using them to glorify and praise Allah, such as saying the du'aa', "Subhan Allah wa bi hamdih, 'adada khalqihi, wa rida nafsihi, wazinata 'arshihi, wa midaada kalimatihi (Glory and praise be to Allah, as much as the number of His creation, as much as pleases Him, as much as the weight of His Throne and as much as the ink of His words)" and following it with the words, "Subhan Allah wa bi hamdih (Glory and praise be to Allah)," followed by another du'aa', and so on?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

There is nothing wrong with the Muslim remembering his Lord with dhikr in which words follow one another, for several reasons:

Dhikr which is followed by words of supplication (du'aa') – so long as it only contains words that are allowed in Islamic teachings – does not cease to be dhikr according to Islamic teachings, so it remains something that is encouraged and recommended.

Perhaps the verse in which Allah, may He be glorified and exalted, says (interpretation of the meaning): {O you who have believed, remember Allah with much remembrance} [Al-Ahzaab 33:41] indicates that that is permissible, because reciting a lot of dhikr may sometimes require the one who is remembering Allah to put together words and sentences.

And Allah knows best.