

Khutbah Eid

Indeed All Praise is for ALLAH. We praise Him, we seek His Help, we seek His Forgiveness, and we seek His Guidance.

And we seek refuge in ALLAH from the evil of ourselves and from our evil actions.

Whoso ALLAH guides, there is none to misguide

And whoso ALLAH leaves to stray, none can guide.

And I bear witness that there is no god but ALLAH, the One who has no partner, and I bear witness that Muhammad ﷺ is His Slave and His Messenger.

“ O You Who Believe! Fear ALLAH as He should be feared and do not die, except as Muslims.” [3:102]

“ O People! Fear your Lord who created you from a single person, and from him He created his wife, and from them He created many men and women. And fear ALLAH through whom you demand your mutual rights and the wombs. Surely ALLAH is ever an All-Watcher over you.” [4:1]

“O You Who Believe! Fear ALLAH and speak the truth. He will direct you to do righteous good deeds and will forgive you your sins. And whosoever obeys ALLAH and His Messenger, he has indeed achieved a supreme achievement. ” [33:70-71]

As for what follows:

This is the Eid which has returned upon the Islamic Ummah, and the Day has returned upon us with joys and sorrows.

Eid returns upon the Ummah, at this time which it is imperative that all of it should be joys, but there shrouds the Ummah today griefs and sorrows.

Eid returns after this noble month, the month of Jihad, the month of Quran, the blessed month of Ramadan, the month of fasting, and prayer, the month of Taqwa.

He said, ﷻ (which means): **“O you who Believe! Fasting is prescribed for you, as it was prescribed for those before you, so that you may attain Taqwa.” [2:183]**

ALLAH ﷻ has favoured us with this month so that we can rise to the rank of Taqwa. So that we are able to discharge our Islamic responsibilities, so that we fulfil the conveyance of this great Deen, so that we can travel on the Straight Path.

The responsibilities of this Deen are great and heavy. ALLAH makes them easy for whom He likes. And in some of them there is dislike.

He said, ﷻ (which means): **“Fighting is prescribed for you and you dislike it, but perhaps you may dislike a thing and it is good for you. And perhaps you may like a thing, and it is bad for you. And ALLAH knows and you do not know.” [2:216]**

And there is none that can perform Jihad, the apex of this Deen, except whom ALLAH ﷻ has granted success to and has ascended to the heights of Taqwa.

We ask ALLAH ﷻ that He make us from the Muttaqeen (ALLAH-fearing).

Eid returns, and in these moments, it returns upon our Muslim brothers in Palestine, Lebanon, Iraq, Sudan, Somalia, Bosnia, and Chechnya. And what if you know how Eid returns upon our brothers in Chechnya?

It returns upon them, and the reverberations of shells shake the ground over there.

It returns upon them, under the bombing of aircraft upon the weak and oppressed men, women, and children, those who have no power or might.

The Global Force of Kufr (Disbelief) is rallying, gathering and banding together against the followers of Islam, and against the Muslims in Chechnya.

Bombing, blasting, and devastation. Destruction of bridges, razing of homes, violation of women's honour, and spillage of blood. The blood of the Muslims has become the cheapest of blood; and there is no Power or Might except with ALLAH.

The wounds of the Muslims are deep, very deep, in every place. However, our wounds today are in the greatest of our sacred places, in the Sacred House, in the Honourable Ka'bah, in the Masjid of our Prophet ﷺ.

After we deserted the place of Israa' (Night Journey) of our Prophet ﷺ in Al-Quds (Jerusalem), the Crusaders and the Jews joined together in alliance and invaded the Home of Islam, in our own house and there is no Power or Might except with ALLAH, the Most High, the Supreme.

If these calamities were great and deep enough, then our calamity with regards to the Sacred House is the most severe of them, the greatest of them, the most hurtful, the most painful.

This House, and what do you know what is the greatness of this House in the sight of ALLAH (SWT)?

This House is the first house set up for mankind. ALLAH (SWT) chose the Father of the Prophets, Ibrahim, from the Mighty Messengers ﷺ and his son Ismail ﷺ in order to build it; as an honour from ALLAH (SWT) for this House.

It was not to be built by labourers, but by the Father of the Prophets ﷺ.

The status of this house is very great, for ALLAH (SWT) does not accept the obligation of the five prayers, the pillar of this Deen, if we do not face the Sacred House.

And since the commissioning of the Prophet ﷺ, the Muslims have never been struck in their entire history by a calamity such as this.

The disbelievers were not able to aggress against the Sacred House previously, and verily the Christians did try before the commissioning of the Prophet.

60,000 Abyssinian Christians came, with Abraha as their head. They came, desiring to scheme against the Sacred House. They advanced, and men advanced towards them. Men of Ignorance, but with that which remained with them from the religion of Ibrahim, as an esteem for this Sacred House.

The scattered Arab tribes emerged, tribe after tribe, wanting to block Abraha and his army. But for a reason desired by ALLAH (SWT), these tribes were crushed and Abraha continued until he reached Taif. There he searched for one who would lead him to the Sacred House. He did not find anyone who would lead him to the Sacred House, except the most wretched of them. He found Abu Righal, and he set out to lead him to the Sacred House. What a bad guide, what a bad guide! So ALLAH (SWT) caused him to die between Taif and Makkah. But where could he escape to from the Arabs who venerated the House, even in the Days of Ignorance? They introduced a practice which people of latter times could learn a lesson from. And so that the new generation could learn a lesson such that none would ever aggress against the Sacred House, they pelted his grave with stones, and this became a practice in the Days of Ignorance.

Abraha proceeded and whilst on his way to the Sacred House a wonder occurred; a sign, a miracle. These elephants, these dumb creatures, understood that ALLAH (SWT) has a House, and this House is to be venerated, and the Lord of the House must be venerated. Thus they held fast to the ground and kneeled down. Then their masters beat them repeatedly but still they did not move even to the extent of a fingertip towards the Honourable Ka'bah, out of esteem and respect for its Lord.

They were 60,000 strong. Abdul-Muttalib decided to defend the Sacred House, and what use could they be? The people of Makkah, a few hundred. And their enemy, 60,000. Therefore, he committed himself to the Sacred House and appealed for help and prayed earnestly to ALLAH (SWT) to grant victory to His House. The Quraysh took their relatives and their children to the mountains, waiting to see what would happen. Then there was another sign. ALLAH (SWT) sent birds in flocks, protecting this House and defending it. He destroyed 60,000 Christians and they were the People of the Book, whilst the Quraysh were polytheists. But out of veneration for the House, ALLAH (SWT) did not care in which valley they were destroyed, and not a single one of them survived to tell the tale.

If this humiliation was not enough, He revealed a Surah from above the Seven Heavens, which was to be recited until the Day of Judgement. The young memorise it, let alone the elders, making clear the extent of ALLAH's (SWT) sense of honour for this Sacred House.

It also makes clear for us that those who wish to scheme against the Sacred House, their scheme is in delusion and misdirection.

He ﷺ said (which means): **“Did you not see how your Lord dealt with the owners of the elephant ?Did He not make their plot go astray ?” [105:1-2]**

Most certainly, by ALLAH, He made their scheme in delusion and misdirection. Not a trace of them remained, and the House was sufficed by the grace of ALLAH (SWT). Because of this House, ALLAH (SWT) destroyed an enormous army targeting the House.

As it is in the Authentic Hadeeth, our Prophet (SAWS) said that an army will betake itself to this House, and the first and last of it will be swallowed up by the Earth. So it was said: *“O Messenger of ALLAH, amongst them are those who have been forced against their will, and those who were not really from them.”* He said that the first and the last of them will be swallowed up, and then they will be resurrected in accordance with their intentions. As an evil portent for being in the proximity of those who scheme against the House. As an evil portent for betraying this House, even if you were forced against your will. The consequence of your proximity to those who scheme against the Sacred House is that the Earth will swallow you up. We ask ALLAH (SWT) for our well being.

After that Abu Righal, another Abu Righal did not appear in the Ummah. Fourteen centuries and ten years passed, and Abu Righal did not appear from amongst all the wretched ones throughout these generations. However, ALLAH (SWT) wishes to test us and examine our Iman whether we defend His House or sit back with those who sit back, or stay behind with those who stay behind. He did not appear until this era of ours.

Abu Righal appeared as well as the grandsons of Abu Righal. They appeared in order to sanction the Land of the Two Sacred places. It thus became a lawful sanctuary for the American tanks, for the American troops; even for the female recruits from the daughters of the Jews and Christians.

They roam freely and frolic on the land in which Muhammad (SAWS) was born, on the land upon which the Trustworthy Archangel Jibreel descended with the Great Quran, from the sky upon the Messenger Muhammad (SAWS).

The status of this land is tremendous, for it is the most beloved of lands to ALLAH (SWT), as has been authentically narrated by our Prophet (SAWS).

And what do you know of the status of this House in the sight of ALLAH (SWT)? ALLAH (SWT) established this House himself, in addition to it being the Sacred House.

He commanded us with worship in many Ayat, but due to many reasons, the command for worship came in this instance, coupled with the name of the Sacred House:

He ﷺ said (which means): **“So let them worship the Lord of this House. Who has fed them against hunger, and has made them safe from fear.” [106:3-4]**

And in another ayah, He related the House to Himself, in an honourable and venerating manner. He said (which means) : **“...in an uncultivable valley by Your Sacred House.”**

Thus the status of this House is tremendous, and we are unable to cite all that has been mentioned with regards to its standing, in this khutbah. It has been authentically narrated from our Prophet (SAWS) that he said:

“The most hateful of people to ALLAH are three”, and he mentioned amongst them: “The most hateful of people to ALLAH are three: A disbeliever in the Sacred (Masjid)...”

Therefore if one comes to the House with sins, which themselves are not considered disbelief, it is called disbelief because the major sins and disobediences in the Sacred House, in the House of ALLAH (SWT) are multiplied manifold, just as the good deeds multiply; for as you know a single rakah of Salah in the Sacred

House is equivalent to 100,000 rakahs in any other place except the Prophet's (SAWS) Mosque and Al-Aqsa Mosque.

At this point, the question arises:

Until when will the Muslims sit back from aiding ALLAH (SWT), aiding His House, and from purification of the Land of the Two Sacred Mosques from the filth of the Crusaders and the Jews.

Did He ﷺ not say (which means): **“O you who believe! Verily the Mushrikoon are impure. So let them not approach al-Masjid al-Haram after this year.” [9:28]**

Did he not say, whilst he was in his illness of death in an authentic hadith narrated by Ibn Abbas: Thursday, and what do you know of Thursday? On Thursday, the agony of the Messenger of ALLAH (SAWS) became severe, then he wept until his tears wet the pebbles. Then he spoke of the testimony of our Prophet (SAWS). And from his testimony whilst he was on his deathbed, was: ***“Expel the polytheists from the Arabian Peninsula! Expel the polytheists from the Arabian Peninsula!”*** So what response have we prepared for the Day of Reckoning? The Day of Mutual Loss and Gain? The Day of Judgement? What response have we prepared for ALLAH (SWT)?

Were we weak and oppressed? For ALLAH (SWT) is well acquainted with our hearts. And verily in this age the Ummah has reached straying and loss.

Ten years have passed since the entry of the Americans into the Land of the Two Sacred Mosques, and more than seven decades have passed since the fall of the place of the Night Journey of our Prophet (SAWS) to the Jews.

This is the situation which we are living in today.

We must search in the Book of ALLAH, to find a way, and search for the reasons and the diseases that have led us to betray the Sacred House.

We betrayed this Great House, the one which ALLAH (SWT) does not accept from us the fifth pillar of the pillars of Islam, if we do not make Tawaf of the Sacred House.

Let us research and contemplate on the Book of ALLAH, the Book in which ALLAH (SWT) has not left out anything.

As He said (which means): **“We did not omit anything in the Book.”**

On the contrary, He made it as a guidance and an elucidation for us.

So it becomes clear to us that the dislike of fighting and the love of the worldly life which has captured the hearts of many of us, is the main reason for these calamities, and for this humiliation and degradation.

And He ﷺ said (which means), after I seek refuge from the rejected Satan, **“Have you not seen those who were told to hold back their hands and perform As-Salah, and give Az-Zakat, but when the fighting was ordained for them, behold! A section of them fear men as they fear ALLAH, or even more. They say: “Our Lord! Why have you ordained fighting for us? Would that you had granted us respite for a short period?” Say: “Short is the enjoyment of this world . The Hereafter is better for him who fears ALLAH, and you shall not be dealt with unjustly even equal to a scallid thread in the long slit of a date-stone. Wheresoever you may be, death will overtake you even if you are in fortresses built up strong and high.” [4:77]**

ALLAH is the Greatest! ALLAH is the Greatest! This tremendous approach, which is perfect and all-inclusive.

Reflect on this verse. What did they say? **“Why have you ordained fighting for us? Would that you had granted us respite for a short period?”**

And what would have happened, even after postponement and deferment? A flood of excuses does not cease or come to an end.

ALLAH (SWT) did not mention this flood of excuses. Instead, he stated the root of these excuses which do not end.

And the answer was (which means): **“Say: “Short is the enjoyment of this world...”**

The origin of these excuses is attachment to the Worldly Life. ALLAH (SWT) informs us that He is the most knowledgeable of our soul and its weaknesses. He reminds us that the enjoyment of the Worldly Life is little.

So why then are we being miserly with lives which He has created, and with wealth which He has provided?

“Say: “Short is the enjoyment of this world . The Hereafter is better for him who fears ALLAH, and you shall not be dealt with unjustly even equal to a scallish thread in the long slit of a date-stone.”

Pay attention to the verse that follows it. He makes it clear that the matter is between these two affairs: attachment to the Worldly Life, and fear from death. And the answer is clear, explicit, and manifest:

“Wheresoever you may be, death will overtake you even if you are in fortresses built up strong and high.” [4:78]

Thus the one whose vision and insight has been enlightened by ALLAH (SWT), responds to ALLAH (SWT) and the Messenger (SAWS) in offering his life which ALLAH (SWT) has created.

How ignorant are you O Son of Adam! You are miserly with a thing which is not yours. On the contrary, indeed it is ALLAH (SWT) who created it and sustained it.

“Verily ALLAH has purchased from the believers their lives and their wealth; for the price that theirs shall be the Paradise. They fight in ALLAH’s Cause, they kill and are killed. It is a promise in truth which is binding on Him in the Taurah, the Injeel, and the Quran. And who is truer to his covenant than ALLAH? Then rejoice in the bargain which you have concluded. That is the supreme success.” [9:111]

Glory be to Him! How excellent is the promise binding on Him in the Taurah, the Injeel, and the Quran.

A deal between the Possessor of the Heavens and the Earth, and His weak creation. But the one whose Iman has decreased in his heart, does not understand what ALLAH (SWT) has prepared for the Mujahideen.

We hope that ALLAH (SWT) will beautify the Iman in our hearts, and make disbelief, wickedness, and disobedience hateful to us.

ALLAH (SWT) confirms this meaning in many verses. Amongst them, is the statement of ALLAH (SWT), reproaching the believers, reproaching the Sahaabah, by saying (which means):

“What is the matter with you?”. “What is the matter with you?”.

“O You who believe! What is the matter with you, that when you are asked to march forth in the Cause of ALLAH, you cling heavily to the earth? Are you pleased with the life of this world rather than the hereafter? But little is the enjoyment of the life of this world as compared with the Hereafter.” [9:38]

The same meaning.

To those who fall behind in fighting, say what you wish in terms of excuses. Say what you wish in terms of your preoccupation with acts of obedience and worship to ALLAH (SWT).

For those men were better than us and they were preoccupied with acts of obedience and worship to ALLAH (SWT), but when it was cried out: “Ride O horsemen of ALLAH!” they left everything and went forth, light or heavy.

Whoever fell behind, the verses of his condemnation, and verses stating his punishment came:

“O You who believe! What is the matter with you, that when you are asked to march forth in the Cause of ALLAH, you cling heavily to the earth? Are you pleased with the life of this world rather than the hereafter? But little is the enjoyment of the life of this world as compared with the Hereafter.” [9:38]

The matter is plain and clear. Then the verse comes to settle the matter. There is no opportunity to be hesitant or indecisive, or to contemplate or linger.

“If you march not forth, He will punish you with a painful torment...”

O ALLAH, as you enabled us to participate for the Jihad for Your Sake in Afghanistan, upon which we are today, and for the Jihad for Your Sake against the Americans, those who support them and those who assist them, then we ask You by Your Beautiful Names, and Your Lofty Attributes, that You make us firm on this Path until we meet You, whilst You are pleased with us.

To Him belongs the Praise and the Bounty. And today, we are living in moments and hours of the blessed days of Islam. When Allah favoured the believers on this blessed Ummah at a time when its enemies gathered against it from every side and direction so the nations of Kufr gathered against this Islamic Ummah, against the followers of Muhammad (SAWS) who have today been abandoned by the people.

The reasons for sitting back are love for the Worldly Life and hatred of death. As in the hadeeth of Thawban (May Allah be pleased with him) on the authority of our Prophet (SAWS), the one in which he stated: **“And wahn will be thrown into your hearts.”** They said: **“What is wahn O Messenger of ALLAH?”** He said: **“Love of the Worldly Life and hatred of death.”** And in another narration: **“Love of the Worldly Life, and hatred of fighting.”** Thus deviation and loss comes from here. With this, some of the key reasons, which have caused us to reach that state which we are in, become clear to us. He also makes clear His Sunnah with regards to deviation; His Sunnah in striking deviation upon the one who betrays His Deen, upon the one who betrays the Sacred Land. This deviation is an inevitable Sunnah for those who betray ALLAH (SWT) and His Messenger. This loss and confusion which has seized the Ummah, and this suffering which has been placed between us; all these are Fixed Methods when we abandoned the Deen of ALLAH (SWT) and we abandoned Jihad for His Sake. And in a hadeeth of our Prophet (SAWS), as has been authentically narrated from him: **“When you conduct ‘Eena’ business transactions, become pleased with agriculture, follow the tails of cows, and abandon Jihad for the Sake of ALLAH, ALLAH will impose humiliation over you, and He will not lift it from you until you return to your Deen.”**

The hadeeth is clear and explicit. Yet the evidence is more against the Arabs than others besides them. This is the hadeeth of our Prophet (SAWS) in your own tongue:

“ALLAH will impose humiliation over you, and He will not lift it from you until you return to your Deen.” So there has to be a return to the Deen, there has to be an abandonment of major sins, there has to be an adoption of Jihad for the Sake of ALLAH.

As for the deviation, ALLAH (SWT) illustrated this in the dialogue between Musa ﷺ and his people when they were commanded with Jihad and they sat back.

He ﷺ said (which means): **“O my people! Enter the holy land which ALLAH has assigned to you, and turn not back for then you will be returned as losers.”** They said: **“O Musa! In it area people of great strength, and we shall never enter it, till they leave it; when they leave it, then we will enter.”** **Two men of those who feared on whom ALLAH had favoured...”** [5:21-23]

ALLAHU AKBAR! ALLAHU AKBAR! From an extensive and vast nation, ALLAH (SWT) enabled two men who had fear of Allah. So fear is bound to this Jihad; fear and awe – both of them have a great connection with this Jihad. The one who sits back from Jihad, fears the people. And the one who stands to fulfil this obligation, carries his head in a noose and he is the one who fears ALLAH (SWT).

The impetus has already come in the previous ayah:

“Behold! A section of them fear men as they should fear ALLAH, or even more.” [4:77]

These are the ones who do not want to fight.

“Would that you had granted us respite for a short period?”[4:77]

Here are two men who fear none but ALLAH, the Most High, the Supreme. The one who fears ALLAH, the Most High, the Supreme, the one who fears the Day of Reckoning and Questioning, and goes forth light or heavy. Nothing distracts him until he meets ALLAH (SWT) whilst He is pleased with him.

“Two men of those who feared on whom ALLAH had favoured...” [5:23]

Ibn Katheer, may ALLAH have mercy on him, said regarding this ayah: *“The blessing of ALLAH upon these two was immense, and His favour upon them was generous.”*

ALLAH (SWT) favoured them! ALLAH (SWT) favoured them! Would not you like to be from amongst those whom ALLAH (SWT) has favoured?

“...on whom ALLAH had favoured said: “Assault them through the gate, for when you are in, victory will be yours, and put your trust in ALLAH if you are believers indeed.” [5:23]

But nothing can bring the deserter back, and nothing can stop the coward. And may the eyes of cowards never sleep.

Here we are, by the Grace of ALLAH (SWT) and His Favour, in the mouth of the lion for more than twenty years; the Russian scud missiles hunting us. And during these last ten years, the American cruise missiles hunting us. But the believer knows that the souls and the lifespans do not precede or delay.

“Wheresoever you may be, death will overtake you even if you are in fortresses built up strong and high.” [4:78]

And he knows that the soul does not die until it has fulfilled its provision and its lifespan, as explained to us by our Messenger (SAWS).

The argumentation returned again, and the obstinacy returned again. And the people of Musa ﷺ spoke:

“They said: “O Musa! We shall never enter it as long as they are there. So go you and your Lord and fight the two of you, but we are sitting right here.” [5:24]

There is no power or might save in ALLAH! An immense betrayal, and because of this the punishment came. Musa ﷺ said:

“O my Lord! I have power only over myself and my brother, so separate us from the people who are the Faasiqoon (evil-doers).” [5:25]

He called them faasiqoon (evil-doers). ALLAH (SWT) emphasises this story in many ayat.

He ﷺ said (which means): **“He said: “Therefore it is forbidden to them for forty years; in deviation they will wander through the land. So be not sorrowful over the people who are the Faasiqoon.” [5:26]**

Deviation: A Sunnah of ALLAH (SWT) for those who betray His Deen. Deviation with clear manifestations.

So what the Ummah is living in today is a big deviation.

And we have not yet emerged from the deviation which has been imposed upon us as a result of our betrayal of Masjid al-Aqsa, the place of the Night Journey of the Prophet (SAWS), when we are entering a bigger deviation and there is no power or might save in ALLAH!

Therefore the path is Jihad and Hijrah (Migration) for the Sake of ALLAH, for the affair of this Deen will not be rectified except with the Book and the Sunnah. He (SAWS) conveyed the Message, made Jihad for ALLAH – the true Jihad, delivered the message and fulfilled the trust. So may ALLAH (SWT) reward him with the best of what he rewards a Prophet on behalf of his Ummah.

But today, there must be inheritors of the Prophethood, to carry this Truth, following in his example (SAWS). However, the affair of this Ummah will not be rectified whilst the scholars are in the grip of the atheists, the vile ones, the oppressors, the heretics, and the agnostics.

They are not able to say the word of Truth.

There was Muhammad (SAWS), he tarried for thirteen years, supported by revelation and the best of Arabs, rousing the people, and then a few hundred believed in him. Then when he made Hijrah for ALLAH, and for the Sake of ALLAH, the people entered into the Deen of ALLAH in crowds and the Islamic State was established. Today we set our calendar by his Hijrah, because of what it had in terms of an immense effect on the spreading of this Deen.

Today we are in the first days of Eid in the year 1420 H (2000 CE), and ten full years have passed since the Battle of the Crusaders for the land of the Two Sacred Masjids.

Thus if we know the disease, this is the remedy. The cure is in the Book of ALLAH: Hijrah and Jihad. The greatest qualities in the Book of ALLAH: Iman, Hijrah, and Jihad.

When ALLAH (SWT) commends the best of people, the Sahaabah, may ALLAH be pleased with them, He commends them with these three qualities.

Reflect on the Book of ALLAH! Reflect on the Book of ALLAH!

He says, at the end of Surah Al-Anfal, praising the best of creation after our Prophet (SAWS), the Sahaabah, with these qualities and testifies to a quality of theirs which is precious and rare; even in the Book of ALLAH, even amongst the Noble Sahaabah:

He ﷺ said (which means): **“And those who believed and made Hijrah, and made Jihad, as well as those who gave them asylum and aid; - these are the believers in truth, for them is forgiveness and a generous provision.” [8:74]**

He testifies to the true Iman of those who believed, made Hijrah, and did Jihad.

Thus the affair of the Deen will not stand upright if the inheritors of Muhammad (SAWS) do not make Hijrah, declaring the truth openly, just like the Noble Sahaabah and our Messenger set out. **This** is the Sunnah of ALLAH in His Deen.

In the Authentic Hadeeth, on the authority of Aisha, may ALLAH be pleased with her, in her hadeeth regarding the first time that revelation began, she mentions the story of our Messenger (SAWS) with Waraqah bin Nawfal who had become a Christian in Jahiliyyah. When the Messenger (SAWS) described to him what he had experienced in terms of the beginning of revelation, he said to him: *“Indeed this Naamoos (spirit) is the one which ALLAH sent to Musa...”*, and from that which he said was: *“If only I could be present when your people will expel you.”*

Pay attention O slaves of ALLAH. Then the Messenger of ALLAH (SWT) said: ***“Will they expel me?”*** He said: *“Yes. A man has never come with the likes of what you have come with, except that he has been harmed, and if I should be alive till that day, then I would support you strongly.”*

Everyone who comes out with the Truth is shown hostility. The one who is not shown hostility from those who have been established to have allied with the disbelievers and govern with other than the Shariah of ALLAH; then let him know that he is not upon the Straight Path and nor is he upon the Correct Methodology.

“A man has never come with the likes of what you have come with, except that he has been harmed.” They are not pleased with the people of Truth except if the people of Truth cajole them.

“They wish that you should compromise with them, so that they would compromise with you.” [68:9]

If you wish to eat and drink with them and perform some acts of worship which do not contradict with their course, then there is no hardship for you. But if you want the Deen to belong entirely to ALLAH (SWT) then there is no way other than Hijrah and Jihad, as did the best of people (May Allah be pleased with them).

The Noble Sahaabah set out, when the trials were inflicted in abundance and Abu Bakr departed. He was a leader from the leaders of Quraysh. A little way from Makkah, Ibn Dughunna found him and said: *“Where to O Abu Bakr?”* He said: *“I have set out as one making Hijrah for the Sake of ALLAH; my people have expelled me.”* He

said: *“The likes of you should not be expelled.”* He was a disbeliever, but there still remained with him some sense of tradition, gallantry, morals and commendable opinions.

“The likes of you should not be expelled. You are hospitable to the guest, give to one who is lacking, and you assist the people. Return with me under my protection.” So he returned, and when he declared the truth openly again, they rushed to attack him and harmed him until ALLAH (SWT) favoured him with Hijrah with the best of people, with Muhammad (SAWS).

“If you help him not, for ALLAH did indeed help him when the disbelievers drove him out, the second of two, when they were in the cave, and he said to his companion: ‘Be not sad, surely ALLAH is with us.’” [9:40]

The Sahaabah departed for Abyssinia, and with them was the daughter of the Messenger of ALLAH (SWT) with her husband Uthman (May Allah be pleased with them both)

With this Hijrah, the Deen spread and the truth became known. The correct speech was declared openly with which ALLAH (SWT) humiliated the Falsehood.

The humble convoy set out for Abyssinia. Umm Abdullah bint Abi Hatmah, may ALLAH be pleased with her, said: *“We set out for Hijrah to Abyssinia and Amir (Abu Abdullah) had gone to fetch some of our supplies when ‘Umar approached.”* And what do you know what Umar was in the Days of Ignorance? Severe and harsh-hearted. A brave one from the brave ones of Quraysh who had inflicted punishment and harm on the believers in abundance.

She said: *“When Umar approached, he said: ‘Is it a journey O Umm ‘Abdullah?’”* She said: *“Yes, by ALLAH!”* *You have harmed us and subdued us.”* Umar was not able to bear the scene. The severe and harsh-hearted Umar was not able to bear seeing weak and oppressed men, women and children leaving the land in which they were born, leaving their relatives, leaving their fathers and their mothers. He was not able to bear this and inside him there was a conflict between his arrogance with the Truth and his determination in harming these believers, and between this scene which cuts the hearts into pieces. Where are they going? Will they sail the sea whilst they have no previous experience of doing so? Where will they go? To those who are unrelated and strangers? No relationship, no kinship, nor brotherhood of religion. But in the end, the good side got the better of him. So he said, a tender statement: *“May ALLAH be with you!”*

ALLAHU AKBAR! ALLAHU AKBAR! The heart of Umar, severe and harsh-hearted, split because of the spectacle of children. Because of the spectacle of those small children, because of the spectacle of those weak and oppressed men, women, and children.

They left their homelands, they left their wealth, they left their paternal and maternal uncles, fleeing with their Deen for ALLAH and His Messenger (SAWS).

Umar could not bear this and he said: *“May ALLAH be with you.”*

When Amir returned, she said: *“O Amir, if only you saw ‘Umar when he approached a little while ago and he said this and that.”* He said: *“Do you hope for him to embrace Islam?”* She said: *“Yes.”* He said: *“This one whom you saw will not accept Islam until the donkey of Khattab accepts Islam.”*

A heart which used to be likened to the hearts of donkeys due to its sluggishness was affected by those weak spectacles. Where would they go? May ALLAH be pleased with them, and make them pleased.

But today, the hearts of the Quraysh have not yet softened for the inheritors of Muhammad (SAWS). For the inheritors of Muhammad (SAWS), I swear by ALLAH Almighty, that they are in the prisons of the Arabian Peninsula, in Al-Ha’ir (Riyadh) and others; whilst the Americans go about freely and frolic upon the land of the Messenger of ALLAH (SAWS). Is there no Iman in the people? Is there no sense of honour in the people for the Deen of the Messenger of ALLAH (SAWS)?

O ALLAH I clear myself to you from what Abu Righal has done, his brothers, and his helpers. And I excuse myself to you from the negligence of the believers who are sitting back from assisting your Great House.

O ALLAH! Return us to our Den, a most beautiful return!

O ALLAH! Ratify for this Ummah a righteous authority in which the people who obey you are honoured, and the people who disobey you are humiliated!

O ALLAH! Beautify the Iman in our hearts, and make disbelief, wickedness, and disobedience hateful to us.

O ALLAH! We pledge to you, that we will persist in the journey, making high the Kalimah 'La ilaha ill ALLAH Muhammad ar Rasoolullah' until ALLAH (SWT) makes this matter uppermost, or we are killed beforehand. So accept from us our Lord, you are the Best of those who respond!

This is the way, O slaves of ALLAH!

Hijrah and Jihad. Hijrah and Jihad after Iman. As exemplified for us by our Messenger (SAWS). And what do you know of the reward of Hijrah and Jihad ?

ALLAHU AKBAR! ALLAHU AKBAR! ALLAH is Greater than all the false deities. ALLAH is Greater than all their numbers and their preparation. Upon Him is our dependence; He is sufficient for us, and what an excellent trustee!

It has been authentically narrated from our Prophet (SAWS), in his hadeeth to Amr bin Al-Aas ؓ, when he came wanting to set conditions for himself; the Messenger of ALLAH ﷺ said: ***“Do you not know that Islam destroys that which is prior to it, and that Hijrah destroys what which is prior to it?”*** So congratulations to those who make Hijrah!

With Hijrah, a person emerges from his previous sins and he starts a white, fresh page, in which it is recorded. And what do you know what is recorded in it? It has been authentically narrated from our Prophet (SAWS), that he said: ***“Standing for one hour in the line of battle for the Sake of ALLAH is better than standing in prayer for 60 years.”***

ALLAHU AKBAR! ALLAHU AKBAR! A tremendous bounty! One hour in the Front-Line is better than 60 years of standing in prayer. The average age of the Ummah is between sixty and seventy years. And if those who are living today fail and lose, and go far from the course of ALLAH, then listen to their condition on the Day of Judgement:

“The Day when the Hour will be established, the sinners will swear that they did not tarry in the World for more than an hour. Such is how they used to perceive.” [30:55]

They will see sixty years on the Day of Judgement as one hour. And the Mujahid, standing for one hour in the line, is better than standing in prayer for sixty years.

ALLAHU AKBAR! For You is the Praise our Lord, for this abundant gift!

And it has been authentically narrated from our Prophet (SAWS), as is in the hadeeth of Abu Fatimah (May Allah be pleased with him) who came to our Messenger (SAWS), asking about an action he can perform and be steadfast in. So he said (SAWS): ***“Do Hijrah, for there is nothing like it.”***

The one who wishes to control Falsehood whilst he is under Falsehood, is acting in opposition to the Methods of ALLAH (SWT). In every moment, every cell of the one who makes Hijrah cries in the depth of his heart: ***“You have left to liberate the Sacred House.”***

Every moment of his, his cells cry in his heart and his ears: ***“Beware of forgetting the Sacred House.”*** So he stays as one who has made Hijrah until the flag of Tawheed really flutters above the land of the Two Sacred Places.

And what do you know of the recompense of Jihad? It is sufficient as a stimulation for the Mujahid that it has been authentically narrated in the two authentic collections of Hadith, from the leader of the Children of Adam, possessor of the Grand Intercession on the Day of Judgement, the day when people will be unable to speak, the day when the speech of the Prophets will be: ***“O ALLAH! Keep safe! Keep safe!”***; the one who has been forgiven his former and latter sins, the truthful and the one who is believed to be truthful, that he said:

“By him in whose Hand is my soul! I would wish to fight for the Sake of ALLAH, then be killed. Then fight, then be killed. Then fight then be killed.”

This is the way, O followers of Muhammad (SAWS).

Do not compete and race for items of worldly gain. You must perform the action which was performed by the Messenger of ALLAH (SAWS). So do not worry about increasing in those actions, which, though they may be righteous, are not the obligations of the hour. When Jihad is called for, and the land of Islam is aggressed against, then that is the obligation of the hour.

The Messenger of ALLAH (SAWS) did not leave anyone behind when the Christians came for the first time during his period. He did not leave behind a scholar, or a memoriser of the Quran, or a teacher. On the contrary he called out to all of them. And none fell behind except for three. This is his Sunnah.

And you know the punishment which descended upon those who fell behind, as is in the hadeeth of Ka'b (May Allah be pleased with him) in the two authentic Hadith collections; a general boycott by the whole Ummah. But this occasion is not enough for the explanation of the entire Hadeeth.

And as is in the authentic Hadeeth, ***"...they do not turn their backs until they are killed, facing the enemy. All of these will delight in the Highest Chambers of Paradise and your Lord will laugh at them. And if Allah laughs at a servant at any point, then there is no accountability for him."***

What do we want? What do we want? Do we not desire attaining the Pleasure of Allah? Do we not desire Paradise? Or do we want to collect those things which we will be held accountable for? If we remain behind and encourage others to remain behind from aiding ALLAH's Deen, then we ask Allah (SWT) to return to our Deen a beautiful return.