



“APPRECIATING THE JOY OF ‘EID AL-FITR”

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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي هَدَانَا لِهَذَا وَمَا كُنَّا لِنَهْتَدِيَ لَوْلَا أَنْ هَدَانَا اللَّهُ، أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَاةً وَسَلَامًا دَائِمِينَ مُتَلَازِمِينَ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أُوْصِيْكُمْ وَآيَايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.
قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.
Dear blessed ‘Eid al-Fitr audience,

On the morning of the 1st of Shawwaal that is full of joy and victory, let us altogether strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala*, that is by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions.

The title of the ‘Eid al-Fitr khutbah this time is “**APPRECIATING THE JOY OF ‘EID AL-FITR.**”

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Dear blessed *Muslimmeen* and *Muslimaat*,

Today is a day that is long anticipated by the Muslim *ummah* as a day of joyful celebration. It is the day of joy that has been bestowed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* for we have successfully completed the *‘ibaadah* (worship) of fasting of Ramadaan with perfection. The prohibition of fasting today is also from the bounty of happiness bestowed by Allah for the triumph in fasting for an entire month.

The joy of the Muslim *ummah* is not just regular happiness, but it is jubilation that is preceded by glorifying Allah through the cry of *takbeer* that began last night. It is praising and extoling Allah for the success in the obedience of Allah throughout Ramadaan. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* mentions in verse 185 of soorah al-Baqarah:

وَلِتُكْمِلُوا الْعِدَّةَ وَلِتُكَبِّرُوا اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ مَا هَدَيْنَاكُمْ وَلَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ ﴿١٨٥﴾

“...and for you to complete the period and to glorify Allah for that [to] which He has guided you; and perhaps you will be grateful.”

The joy and excitement of *‘Eid al-Fitr* were mentioned by Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم, which is the joy when breaking the fast after fasting for the whole day. In the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu ‘anh*, Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

لِلصَّائِمِ فَرْحَتَانِ يَفْرِحُهُمَا إِذَا أَفْطَرَ فَرِحَ بِفِطْرِهِ، وَإِذَا لَقِيَ رَبَّهُ فَرِحَ بِصَوْمِهِ

“The one who fasts has two (occasions) of joy, one when he breaks the fast he is glad with the breaking of (the fast) and one when he meets his Lord he is glad with his fast.”

(*al-Bukhaari*)



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The joy and happiness of *‘Eid al-Fitr* should be celebrated with the obedience and *taqwa* of Allah. Let us not taint the celebration of this Day of *‘Eid* with any form of disobedience. Let us not wipe away the rewards of our fasting, *taraaweeh*, and *tadarrus* in the month of Ramadaan with vile and evil acts in the month of Shawwaal.

Instead, the blissfulness of *‘Eid al-Fitr* should be celebrated and embraced with noble deeds that are promised with the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala*.

From today’s early morning we had began the festivity of *‘Eid al-Fitr* by practicing the *sunnah* such as cleaning ourselves, putting on new or beautiful clothing with nice fragrance, and have a quick bite of food before leaving to perform the *sunnah* prayer of *‘Eid al-Fitr*.

Al-Imaam ash-Shaafi’i mentioned: “*I prefer someone who wears his best clothing on the days of ‘Eid. He should wear clean clothes and put on nice fragrance.*”

Anas bin Maalik *radiyAllaahu ‘anh* narrated:

كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ لَا يَغْدُو يَوْمَ الْفِطْرِ حَتَّى يَأْكُلَ تَمْرَاتٍ



“Allah’s Messenger (ﷺ) never proceeded (for the prayer) on the Day of ‘Eid al-Fitr unless he had eaten some dates.”

(al-Bukhaari)

After enjoying a small meal in the morning of ‘Eid, we all set out to pray the *sunnah* prayer of ‘Eid al-Fitr regardless whether old or young, male or female. Ibn ‘Abbaas *radiyAllaahu ‘anhuma* narrated that:

إِنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ خَرَجَ يَوْمَ الْفِطْرِ فَصَلَّى رَكَعَتَيْنِ

“The Prophet (ﷺ) went out and offered a two rak‘ah prayer on the Day of ‘Eid al-Fitr...”

(al-Bukhaari)

It is also the *sunnah* for us to take a different path when going and returning from the place of the ‘Eid prayer so that we will meet as many Muslims possible, in manifesting the joy and blissfulness of ‘Eid al-Fitr. Jaabir bin ‘Abdullah *radiyAllaahu ‘anh* narrated:

كَانَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ إِذَا كَانَ يَوْمَ عِيدِهِ خَالَفَ الطَّرِيقَ

“On the Day of ‘Eid the Prophet (ﷺ) used to return (after offering the ‘Eid prayer) through a way different from that by which he went.”

(al-Bukhaari)

Dear respected audience,

On this noble day, let us seize the very opportunity to embrace its joyfulness by further strengthening the *silaaturrahm* (ties of brotherhood) through supplication and greeting. Whenever meeting fellow Muslims, let us



say **تَقَبَّلَ اللَّهُ مِنَّا وَمِنْكَ** which means *may Allah accept our deeds and your deeds*, as practiced by the Companions of the Prophet *ridwanullaahu ‘alayhim* whenever they would meet each other.

Moreover, to further boost the cheerfulness and strengthen the brotherhood especially the ties of kinship, the Muslim *ummah* is encouraged to offer and enjoy the feasts of ‘*Eid* with gratitude.

In addition, let us cultivate the culture of visiting one another, seeking forgiveness and forgiving one another within the family, amongst colleagues, and neighbors, so as to solidify the *silaaturrahm* and brotherhood of Islam. Furthermore, it is highly desired for us to visit the friends of our parents, as it was mentioned in the *hadeeth* of ‘Abdullah ibn ‘Umar *radiyAllaahu ‘anhuma*, where Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

إِنَّ أَبْرَّ الْبِرِّ صَلَّةُ الْوَالِدِ أَهْلًا وَوَدَّ أَبِيهِ

“The finest act of goodness on the part of a son is to treat kindly the loved ones of his father.”

(Muslim)

The excitement that is experienced should be shared with others. Let us not forget those that are inflicted with hardship, disability, sickness, poverty, the orphans, and many others by providing assistance and contribution in the form of food and financial aid, for they are also entitled to celebrate the Day of ‘*Eid*.

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Dear blessed *Muslimmeen* and *Muslimaat*,

The blissfulness of *‘Eid al-Fitr* will be thoroughly cherished by Muslims having *ikhlaas* (sincerity) in their *‘ibaadah*, always performing good deeds, endlessly beseeching Allah for forgiveness, always avoiding evil and wickedness, and truly loves unity and brotherhood.

How can one feel happy on *‘Eid al-Fitr* if he neglects the obligatory prayer? How can one feel jubilant on *‘Eid al-Fitr* if he did not fast in Ramadaan? How can one feel joyful on *‘Eid al-Fitr* if he is undutiful to his parents? Whilst the Day of *‘Eid* is truly for those having true *taqwa* and performs righteous deeds.

Raja Ali Haji once said:

*With the father, do not disobey him,
So that Allah will not be wrathful,
With the mother, she shall be respected,
So that the body remains unharmed.*

May the *takbeer*, *tasbeeh*, *tahmeed*, and *tahleel* uttered and all of the noble deeds practiced manifest as our gratitude to Allah and that its benefits remain until the Hereafter.

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Dear blessed *Muslimmeen* and *Muslimaat*,

To end the *khutbah* of ‘*Eid al-Fitr* today, let us derive lessons and examples from this *khutbah* as guidance for our lives:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that ‘*Eid al-Fitr* is a day of victory and happiness for those having *taqwa* and granted forgiveness from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala*.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must embrace ‘*Eid al-Fitr* with full gratitude and obedience upon all of the laws and commands decreed by Allah.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must strengthen its *silaaturrahm* through the culture of visiting one another.
4. The Muslim *ummah* must always safeguard its security from any harm and danger, including the safety of oneself, the family, and property, as well as road safety.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
قُلْ بِفَضْلِ اللَّهِ وَبِرَحْمَتِهِ فَبِذَلِكَ فَلْيَفْرَحُوا هُوَ خَيْرٌ مِمَّا تَجْمَعُونَ ﴿٥٨﴾
“Say: “*In the Bounty of Allah, and in His Mercy (i.e. Islam and the Qur’an) - therein let them rejoice.*” *That is better than what (the wealth) they amass.*”

(Yoonus 10:58)

بَارِكْ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ
وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلْ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.



أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ،
فَأَسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.

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Let us increase our supplication and *salawaat* upon Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم as commanded by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا،

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةَ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةَ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونَ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِّمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِي عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونَ، تَعَكُّو أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَتِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَطْلِعْ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِينَ لِلْمُوظَّفِينَ وَالرَّعِيَّةَ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَى وَيَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ
وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٠١﴾



فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ
يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.

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مِنَ الْعَائِدِينَ وَالْفَائِزِينَ، وَكُلُّ عَامٍ وَأَنْتُمْ بِخَيْرٍ
