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THE WEEKLY EID (FRIDAY)

FIRST KHUTBAH

ALL PRAISE IS DUE TO ALLAH, WHO HAS LEGISLATED FOR US THE FRIDAY PRAYER AND THE CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS, SO THAT HE MAY PURIFY US FROM SINS AND ELEVATE OUR RANKS. HE HAS MADE THIS DAY THE BEST AND GREATEST OF ALL DAYS AND A SEASON FOR PERFORMING RIGHTEOUS DEEDS.

I BEAR WITNESS THAT THERE IS NO DEITY WORTHY OF WORSHIP EXCEPT ALLAH ALONE, WITH NO PARTNER. GLORY AND PRAISE BELONG TO HIM. HE GUIDED THE NATION OF MUHAMMAD TO THE DAY OF JUMU'AH (FRIDAY) WHILE HE CAUSED THE JEWS AND CHRISTIANS TO GO ASTRAY REGARDING IT. ALLAH SAYS:

"AND WHOMSOEVER ALLAH LEAVES ASTRAY, FOR HIM THERE IS NO GUIDE."

I ALSO BEAR WITNESS THAT OUR PROPHET MUHAMMAD IS THE SERVANT AND MESSENGER OF ALLAH, THE BEST OF THE MESSENGERS AND THE LEADER OF THE RIGHTEOUS. MAY ALLAH'S PEACE, BLESSINGS, AND FAVOR BE UPON HIM, HIS FAMILY, HIS COMPANIONS, AND ALL THOSE WHO FOLLOW THEM WITH EXCELLENCE UNTIL THE DAY OF JUDGMENT.

TO PROCEED:

FEAR ALLAH, O SERVANTS OF ALLAH, FOR FEARING HIM IS PROTECTION FROM MISGUIDANCE, SAFETY FROM ERROR, THE PATH TO TRUE HAPPINESS, AND SALVATION ON THE DAY OF RESURRECTION.

SERVANTS OF ALLAH:

ALLAH POSSESSES PERFECT WISDOM. HE HAS SINGLED OUT FRIDAY FROM AMONG ALL THE DAYS WITH SPECIAL HONOR AND DISTINCTION. HE HAS GRANTED IT SUCH GREATNESS AND DIGNITY THAT IT SHOULD FILL OUR HEARTS WITH PRAISE AND GRATITUDE TOWARD HIM. AT THE SAME TIME, IT SHOULD MAKE US LOWER OUR HEADS IN SHAME BECAUSE OF OUR NEGLIGENCE AND SHORTCOMINGS IN HONORING THIS BLESSED DAY.

DEAR BROTHERS:

IN SURAH AL-JUMU'AH, ALLAH, THE EXALTED, SAYS:

"THAT IS THE BOUNTY OF ALLAH; HE GIVES IT TO WHOM HE WILLS. AND ALLAH IS THE POSSESSOR OF TREMENDOUS BOUNTY."

COME, LET US REMIND ONE ANOTHER OF SOME OF THE VIRTUES OF THIS GREAT DAY SO THAT IT MAY ENCOURAGE US TO COMPETE IN ACTS OF OBEDIENCE, ESPECIALLY AS WE WITNESS EVERY FRIDAY HONORABLE FATHERS AND NOBLE YOUNG MEN WHO HAVE SURPASSED US IN THIS FIELD. MAY WE FOLLOW IN THEIR FOOTSTEPS.





HOW CAN WE NOT SPEAK PROUDLY OF FRIDAY WHEN ALLAH SWORE BY IT, SAYING:

"BY THE WITNESS AND THE WITNESSED."

ABU MALIK AL-ASH'ARI (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH HIM) NARRATED THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"THE WITNESS IS THE DAY OF FRIDAY, AND ALLAH HAS RESERVED FRIDAY FOR US."
(AUTHENTICATED BY AL-ALBANI.)

THERE IS EVEN AN ENTIRE CHAPTER OF THE QUR'AN NAMED SURAH AL-JUMU'AH, IN WHICH ALLAH SAYS:

"O YOU WHO BELIEVE! WHEN THE CALL IS PROCLAIMED FOR PRAYER ON THE DAY OF FRIDAY, HASTEN TO THE REMEMBRANCE OF ALLAH AND LEAVE OFF TRADE. THAT IS BETTER FOR YOU, IF ONLY YOU KNEW."

IMAM MUSLIM NARRATED IN HIS SAHIH THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"ALLAH DIVERTED THOSE BEFORE US FROM FRIDAY. THE JEWS WERE GIVEN SATURDAY, AND THE CHRISTIANS WERE GIVEN SUNDAY. THEN ALLAH BROUGHT US AND GUIDED US TO FRIDAY. THUS HE MADE FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY. THEY WILL FOLLOW US ON THE DAY OF RESURRECTION. WE ARE THE LAST AMONG THE PEOPLE OF THIS WORLD BUT THE FIRST TO BE JUDGED BEFORE ALL CREATION."

SERVANTS OF ALLAH:

FRIDAY IS A DAY OF BLESSING, MERCY, AND GUIDANCE. WHY THEN ARE WE HEEDLESS OF IT? FRIDAY IS THE MASTER OF ALL DAYS AND THE GREATEST OF THEM IN THE SIGHT OF ALLAH. THEREFORE, OUR PROPHET ﷺ ENCOURAGED US TO SEIZE ITS VIRTUES AND HASTEN TO ACTS OF WORSHIP ON THIS BLESSED DAY.

ABU HURAYRAH (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH HIM) REPORTED THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"THE BEST DAY UPON WHICH THE SUN HAS RISEN IS FRIDAY. ON IT ADAM WAS CREATED, ON IT HE ENTERED PARADISE, AND ON IT HE WAS EXPELLED FROM IT."

DO YOU NOT KNOW, MAY ALLAH HAVE MERCY UPON YOU, THAT ON FRIDAY THERE IS AN HOUR DURING WHICH EVERY SUPPLICATION IS ANSWERED AND EVERY DISTRESS MAY BE RELIEVED? THIS IS THE STATEMENT OF THE TRUTHFUL AND TRUSTWORTHY PROPHET ﷺ FOR THOSE WHO HAVE CERTAINTY IN IT AND PLACE THEIR TRUST IN ALLAH.





ABU HURAYRAH (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH HIM) NARRATED THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"INDEED, ON FRIDAY THERE IS AN HOUR DURING WHICH NO MUSLIM SERVANT WHO IS PRAYING ASKS ALLAH FOR ANYTHING GOOD EXCEPT THAT HE GRANTS IT TO HIM."
(AUTHENTIC ACCORDING TO THE CONDITIONS OF AL-BUKHARI AND MUSLIM.)

IMAM AHMAD ALSO NARRATED THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"FRIDAY IS THE MASTER OF ALL DAYS AND THE GREATEST OF THEM BEFORE ALLAH. IT IS GREATER IN THE SIGHT OF ALLAH THAN THE DAY OF AL-ADHA AND THE DAY OF AL-FITR. IT POSSESSES FIVE SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS, AMONG THEM THAT THERE IS AN HOUR DURING WHICH A SERVANT DOES NOT ASK ALLAH FOR ANYTHING EXCEPT THAT HE GRANTS IT TO HIM, SO LONG AS HE DOES NOT ASK FOR SOMETHING UNLAWFUL."

IMAM AHMAD رحمه الله SAID:

"MOST OF THE NARRATIONS CONCERNING THE HOUR IN WHICH SUPPLICATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO BE ANSWERED INDICATE THAT IT IS AFTER THE 'ASR PRAYER."

IT WAS ALSO NARRATED FROM JABIR IBN ABDULLAH (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH THEM BOTH) THAT THE PROPHET ﷺ SAID:

"SEEK IT DURING THE LAST HOUR AFTER THE 'ASR PRAYER."

O ALLAH, HELP US ALL TO REMEMBER YOU, TO THANK YOU, AND TO WORSHIP YOU IN THE BEST MANNER.

I SEEK ALLAH'S FORGIVENESS FOR MYSELF, FOR YOU, AND FOR ALL MUSLIMS FROM EVERY SIN.

SO SEEK HIS FORGIVENESS AND REPENT TO HIM. INDEED, HE IS THE MOST FORGIVING, THE MOST MERCIFUL.





THE SECOND KHUTBAH

ALL PRAISE IS DUE TO ALLAH, WHO HAS PROMISED THOSE WHO DILIGENTLY OBSERVE THE FRIDAY PRAYERS AND THE CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS A TREMENDOUS REWARD. HE HAS PREPARED FOR THEM AL-FIRDAWS AND EVERLASTING BLISS. I BEAR WITNESS THAT THERE IS NO DEITY WORTHY OF WORSHIP EXCEPT ALLAH ALONE, WITH NO PARTNER, THE MOST MERCIFUL AND MOST GENEROUS LORD.

I ALSO BEAR WITNESS THAT MUHAMMAD IS HIS SERVANT AND MESSENGER, WHO GAVE US THE GLAD TIDINGS THAT FRIDAY IS THE EID OF THE PEOPLE OF ISLAM. MAY ALLAH'S PEACE, BLESSINGS, AND FAVOR BE UPON HIM, HIS FAMILY, HIS COMPANIONS—THE BEST OF MANKIND—AND THOSE WHO FOLLOW THEM IN RIGHTEOUSNESS UNTIL THE LAST DAY.

TO PROCEED:

FEAR ALLAH, O MUSLIMS. GIVE THE DAY OF FRIDAY THE HONOR IT DESERVES. RECOGNIZE ITS VIRTUE, AND STRIVE AGAINST THE DESIRES OF YOUR SOULS AND THE WHISPERS OF SATAN, FOR ITS HOURS ARE LIMITED, YET THEY ARE AMONG THE MOST PRECIOUS MOMENTS.

SERVANTS OF ALLAH:

LEARN ABOUT THE VIRTUES OF FRIDAY SO THAT YOUR ENTHUSIASM AND EAGERNESS MAY INCREASE, AND SO THAT YOU MAY ENRICH YOURSELVES WITH RIGHTEOUS DEEDS ON THIS BLESSED DAY. TRULY,

"THAT IS THE BOUNTY OF ALLAH; HE GIVES IT TO WHOM HE WILLS. AND ALLAH IS THE POSSESSOR OF TREMENDOUS BOUNTY."

ERVANTS OF ALLAH,

AMONG THE BLESSINGS OF FRIDAY IS THAT ALLAH FORGIVES HIS SERVANT FOR THE SINS COMMITTED BETWEEN ONE FRIDAY AND THE NEXT, PROVIDED THAT MAJOR SINS ARE AVOIDED.

IMAM MUSLIM NARRATED IN HIS SAHIH FROM ABU HURAYRAH (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH HIM) THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"THE FIVE DAILY PRAYERS, ONE FRIDAY TO THE NEXT FRIDAY, AND ONE RAMADAN TO THE NEXT RAMADAN ARE EXPIATIONS FOR THE SINS COMMITTED BETWEEN THEM, SO LONG AS MAJOR SINS ARE AVOIDED."

DO YOU NOT KNOW—MAY ALLAH PRESERVE YOU—THAT THE FRIDAY PRAYER CARRIES A UNIQUE REWARD AND VIRTUE ABOVE THE OTHER PRAYERS?

FROM ALLAH'S IMMENSE GENEROSITY, THE REWARD OF ATTENDING JUMU'AH EXTENDS TO TEN DAYS, BECAUSE EVERY GOOD DEED IS REWARDED TENFOLD.





IMAM MUSLIM NARRATED FROM ABU HURAYRAH (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH HIM) THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"WHOEVER PERFORMS ABLUTION AND PERFECTS IT, THEN COMES TO THE FRIDAY PRAYER, LISTENS ATTENTIVELY AND REMAINS SILENT, HIS SINS BETWEEN THAT FRIDAY AND THE PREVIOUS FRIDAY WILL BE FORGIVEN, WITH AN ADDITIONAL THREE DAYS. BUT WHOEVER PLAYS WITH THE PEBBLES HAS ENGAGED IN IDLE BEHAVIOR."

O SERVANT OF ALLAH,
OPEN YOUR HEART, LEND ME YOUR EARS, AND REFLECT UPON THE WORDS OF OUR PROPHET ﷺ AS HE MENTIONED THIS MAGNIFICENT REWARD AND ABUNDANT GOODNESS. IMAM AHMAD, AT-TIRMIDHI, AN-NASA'I, AND IBN MAJAH NARRATED—AND AL-ALBANI AUTHENTICATED—FROM AWS IBN AWS (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH HIM) THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"WHOEVER PERFORMS THE RITUAL BATH ON FRIDAY, GOES EARLY, ARRIVES EARLY, WALKS TO THE MOSQUE, SITS CLOSE TO THE IMAM, LISTENS ATTENTIVELY, AND REMAINS SILENT, WILL RECEIVE FOR EVERY STEP HE TAKES THE REWARD OF FASTING AND PRAYING AT NIGHT FOR AN ENTIRE YEAR."

CAN YOU IMAGINE THAT?

FOR EVERY SINGLE STEP HE TAKES, HE RECEIVES THE REWARD OF ONE FULL YEAR OF FASTING AND NIGHT PRAYER.

HOW GENEROUS ALLAH IS, AND HOW IMMENSE HIS REWARD!

THIS IS MERELY THE REWARD FOR WALKING EARLY TO THE MOSQUE. WHAT THEN OF THE REWARD FOR SPENDING ONE'S TIME THERE IN PRAYER, REMEMBRANCE OF ALLAH, AND RECITATION OF THE QUR'AN? THAT INDEED IS STEADFAST DEVOTION IN THE PATH OF ALLAH.

O MUSLIM,
YOU MAY BE SURPRISED TO HEAR A NARRATION IN WHICH THE PROPHET ﷺ GAVE SPECIAL EXCELLENCE TO THE FAJR PRAYER ON FRIDAY OVER THE FAJR PRAYER ON THE OTHER DAYS.

IBN UMAR (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH THEM BOTH) REPORTED THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"THE MOST EXCELLENT PRAYER IN THE SIGHT OF ALLAH IS THE FAJR PRAYER ON FRIDAY PERFORMED IN CONGREGATION."
(AUTHENTICATED BY AL-ALBANI.)





THE BLESSINGS OF FRIDAY ARE NOT LIMITED TO THE LIVING ALONE.

WHOEVER DIES ON FRIDAY OR ON THE NIGHT PRECEDING IT WILL BE PROTECTED FROM THE TRIAL OF THE GRAVE.

ABDULLAH IBN AMR IBN AL-'AS (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH THEM BOTH) REPORTED THAT THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH ﷺ SAID:

"WHOEVER DIES ON FRIDAY OR ON THE NIGHT OF FRIDAY WILL BE PROTECTED FROM THE TRIAL OF THE GRAVE."

THIS IS AMONG THE SIGNS OF A GOOD ENDING.

O MUSLIM BROTHER,

BE DILIGENT IN OBSERVING FRIDAY. LEARN ITS OBLIGATIONS, RECOMMENDED ACTS, AND PROPER ETIQUETTES. AS FOR ITS RULINGS AND THE MISTAKES PEOPLE COMMONLY MAKE REGARDING IT, THAT IS A SEPARATE SUBJECT.

WE ASK ALLAH TO GRANT US BENEFICIAL KNOWLEDGE AND ACCEPTED DEEDS, AND TO MAKE OUR FUTURE BETTER THAN OUR PAST.

O ALLAH, HELP US TO REMEMBER YOU, TO THANK YOU, AND TO WORSHIP YOU IN THE BEST MANNER.

O ALLAH, MAKE US AMONG THOSE WHO ATTAIN SUCCESS THROUGH HUMBLE AND DEVOTED PRAYER, WHOSE PRAYERS KEEP THEM AWAY FROM IMMORALITY AND WRONGDOING.

O ALLAH, MAGNIFY THE IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER IN OUR HEARTS, IN THE HEARTS OF OUR CHILDREN, AND IN THE HEARTS OF ALL MUSLIMS.

O ALLAH, DELIGHT OUR EYES AND GLADDEN OUR HEARTS THROUGH THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF OUR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN.

O ALLAH, MAKE US AND OUR DESCENDANTS STEADFAST IN ESTABLISHING THE PRAYER. OUR LORD, ACCEPT OUR SUPPLICATION.

O ALLAH, GRANT HONOR TO ISLAM AND THE MUSLIMS EVERYWHERE. HUMILIATE DISBELIEF AND THE DISBELIEVERS. DESTROY THE ENEMIES OF THE RELIGION. MAKE THIS LAND AND ALL MUSLIM LANDS SAFE, SECURE, AND PEACEFUL.





O ALLAH, GRANT SUCCESS TO THE LEADERS OF THE MUSLIMS EVERYWHERE IN WHAT YOU LOVE AND ARE PLEASED WITH. HELP THEM IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND PIETY. GUIDE THEM AND MAKE GUIDANCE EASY FOR THEM.

O ALLAH, GRANT SUCCESS TO THE CUSTODIAN OF THE TWO HOLY MOSQUES, KING SALMAN BIN ABDULAZIZ, AND TO HIS TRUSTWORTHY CROWN PRINCE, MUHAMMAD BIN SALMAN. GUIDE THEM TO WHAT YOU LOVE AND ARE PLEASED WITH. ASSIST THEM IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND PIETY, REWARD THEM ABUNDANTLY FOR THEIR SERVICE TO ISLAM AND THE MUSLIMS, GRANT VICTORY TO OUR SOLDIERS, AND PROTECT OUR BORDERS.

O ALLAH, ACCEPT OUR MARTYRS AMONG THE RIGHTEOUS.
FORGIVE US, OUR PARENTS, AND ALL THE MUSLIMS.

"OUR LORD, GRANT US GOOD IN THIS WORLD AND GOOD IN THE HEREAFTER, AND PROTECT US FROM THE PUNISHMENT OF THE FIRE."

"RECITE WHAT HAS BEEN REVEALED TO YOU OF THE BOOK AND ESTABLISH THE PRAYER. INDEED, PRAYER RESTRAINS FROM IMMORALITY AND WRONGDOING, AND THE REMEMBRANCE OF ALLAH IS GREATER. AND ALLAH KNOWS WHAT YOU DO."

