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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

وَأَنْفِقُوا مِمَّا رَزَقْنَاكُمْ مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ يَأْتِيَ أَحَدَكُمُ الْمَوْتُ فَيَقُولَ

رَبِّ لَوْلَا أَخَّرْتَنِي إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ قَرِيبٍ فَأَصَّدَّقَ وَأَكُنْ مِنَ

الصَّالِحِينَ .

وَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَىٰ يَا ابْنَ آدَمَ أَنْفِقْ أَنْفِقْ عَلَيْكَ .

INFAQ: CURE FOR SOCIETY

Honorable Muslims!

In the verse I have recited, our Lord Almighty (swt) states as follows, “**And spend [in the way of Allah] from what We have provided you before death approaches one of you and he says, ‘My Lord, if only You would delay me for a brief term so I would give charity and be among the righteous.’**”¹

In the hadith I have read, the Prophet Muhammad (saw) informs us that Allah the Almighty (swt) states as follows, “**O, Children of Adam, Spend (on charity) and I shall spend on you.**”²

Dear Believers!

Infaq means to offer to other people from the property and wealth and from the blessings Allah (swt) has entrusted to us. It means to protect, observe, and guard those in need. It means to strive to be useful to our family, relatives, neighbors, brothers and sisters, and, in short, all humanity.

Dear Muslims!

Infaq leads to rehabilitation of the body and soul. We purify our nafs and property with infaq.

With infaq, we share our sorrow and suffering, thereby attaining the pleasure of Allah (swt).

Infaq leads to rehabilitation of the society as well. It reinforces the harmony, peace, unity and solidarity between us and our brothers and sisters. Helping and being there for our brothers and sisters become widespread with infaq. Ultimately, believers tend to enjoy the help of the Almighty Allah (swt) with infaq. In this respect, the Prophet Muhammad (saw) says, “**Allah helps His slave as long as he helps his brother.**”³

Dear Believers!

It is stated in the Holy Qur’an as follows, “**And from their properties was [given] the right of the [needy] petitioner and the deprived.**”⁴

Then, let us, with peace of heart, let our brothers and sisters enjoy their rights over us. Let us support the poor, the needy, the orphan, and the abandoned. Let us try to be a solution to the problems of primarily our relatives and neighbors, and all those in need, with fitrah and zakat. Let us not forget that never will we attain the good [reward] until we spend [in the way of Allah] from that which we love.⁵

Dear Muslims!

Türkiye Diyanet Foundation continues this year, too, just as every year, to deliver your charities, benevolent works, fitrah and zakat to those in need, with the slogan “Forget Not Your Brothers and Sisters, You Are The Waited One!” You may make contributions to our aid campaign through our local offices or online at our Foundation's website. May the Almighty Allah (swt) accept all of our previous and future aids.

¹ Munafiqun, 63/10.

² Muslim, Zakat, 36.

³ Abu Dawud, Adab, 60.

⁴ Dhariyat, 51/19.

⁵ Al-i ‘Imran, 3/92.