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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا قُوا أَنفُسَكُمْ وَأَهْلِيكُمْ نَارًا وَقُودُهَا

النَّاسُ وَالْحِجَارَةُ ...

وَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:

الْمُؤْمِنُ لِلْمُؤْمِنِ كَالْبُنْيَانِ يَشُدُّ بَعْضُهُ بَعْضًا.

LET US HOLD FAST TO ONE ANOTHER AND COMPREHEND OUR RESPONSIBILITIES

Honorable Muslims!

During this week, we have experienced tragic incidents that have shattered our hearts and plunged us all into deep sorrow. As a result of attacks targeting our teachers and students, lives have been lost, and many others have been injured. We supplicate to Allah the Almighty to grant mercy to our teachers and students who lost their lives, and swift healing to our injured brothers and sisters. May Allah the Almighty bestow sabr al-jamil upon their parents and loved ones. We offer our condolences to our nation.

Dear Believers!

These are days in which, as the Prophet Muhammad (saw) said, “A faithful believer to a faithful believer is like the bricks of a wall, enforcing each other,”¹ we, as a nation, must unite, share in one another’s pain and sorrow, and preserve an atmosphere of peace and tranquility. These are days to place our trust in the mercy of Allah the Almighty, in the prudence of our state, and in the sound judgment of our nation.

Esteemed Muslims!

Our pain is immense. However, just as in the past, today as a nation we can join hands and hearts, overcome all our difficulties, and find remedies for

our troubles. Provided that we do not allow evil to darken our hearts or to shake our trust in one another. Let us strive even more to raise our children as individuals devoted to their homeland and sacred values, and as people of faith and upright character.

Honorable Believers!

Today, our children are under a multifaceted siege. Digital addictions, harmful habits, an unconscious culture of consumption, and negative modes of communication are clouding the spiritual and emotional worlds of our children. These problems, which affect many areas of life, are alienating our young ones from our values, polluting their pure minds, and darkening their hearts. Therefore, parents, public institutions, non-governmental organizations, legal experts, members of the media, artists, producers, academics, imams, teachers—in short, all of us as a nation—must be more aware of our responsibilities than ever before. Let us take our children by the hand—those whom Allah the Almighty has created upon a pure fitrah and entrusted to us—and make them feel that their families are the first safe harbor in which they can shelter. Let us be attentive to whom our children befriend and how they spend their time in digital environments. Let us not leave our children at the mercy of false ideologies and violence-filled games.

Noble Muslims!

We supplicate to Allah the Almighty to grant peace in this world and in the Hereafter to each and every one of us, especially our children and our youth. We conclude this week’s khutbah with the following admonition of Allah the Almighty: “**O believers! Protect yourselves and your families from a Fire whose fuel is people and stones...**”²

¹ Bukhari, Salat, 88, Mazalim, 5; Muslim, Birr, 65.

² Tahrim, 66/6.

