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بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ

اِنَّ اللّٰهَ يُحِبُّ الَّذِينَ يُقَاتِلُونَ فِى سَبِيلِهِ صَفًّا كَاَنَّهُمْ بُنْيَانٌ مَرْصُوصٌ.

وَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللّٰهِ صَلَّى اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:

...عَلَيْكُمْ بِالْجَمَاعَةِ وَإِيَّاكُمْ وَالْفُرْقَةَ...

UNITY AND SOLIDARITY

Esteemed Muslims!

One day, the Messenger of Allah (saw) said to his Companions: **"Among the servants of Allah are those who are neither prophets nor martyrs, yet on the Day of Resurrection, the prophets and martyrs will envy them because of their closeness to Allah."** When the noble Companions asked, "O Messenger of Allah! Who are these people?" the Messenger of Mercy (saw) replied: **"They are those who love one another solely for the sake of Allah, without any ties of kinship or worldly interests between them."**[1]

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Our greatest strength, which sustains us, protects us against life's hardships, and enables us to look to the future with confidence, lies in our unity and solidarity. It lies in our shared faith, common values, and determination to live together. Our greatest strength lies in uniting our hearts around the same feelings and sharing one another's joys and sorrows.

Honorable Believers!

As we commemorate the 103rd anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic, let us once again affirm this truth: It is through our unity and solidarity that we have made this homeland, where we live with the dignity of freedom, our home. Through our bonds of brotherhood, we have ensured that our adhans, bearing witness to our future, resound across the skies. By joining hands, we have kept our flag, the symbol of our independence, flying high. By standing together as one, we have safeguarded the sacred values entrusted to us by our revered martyrs and heroic veterans. By standing united against acts of betrayal, discord, and sedition, we have preserved our peace and tranquility.

Esteemed Families! Dear Young People!

Preserving our unity and solidarity in these lands, which our glorious ancestors made our homeland through great sacrifices, is the duty of each and every one of us, without exception. Indeed, nations that have kept the spirit of solidarity alive have successfully overcome even the most difficult trials, while those that have fallen into division have vanished from the pages of history. Allah the Almighty commands us to stand shoulder to shoulder in the cause of truth, as He states: **"Surely Allah loves those who fight in His cause in ˹solid˺ ranks as if they were one concrete structure."**[2] Therefore, those who wield the pen should contribute to our unity and solidarity through their writings, those who have the gift of speech through their words, and everyone through their prayers. Families should raise their children to remain devoted to their religion and their national and spiritual values. Young people, in turn, should build our future by upholding their homeland, nation, flag, and sacred values.

Dear Believers!

Soon, we will leave this mosque, and each of us will return to our daily responsibilities. What truly matters is that we support one another in our daily lives, just as we stand side by side in the mosque. Certainly, we all have burdens to bear and trials that weigh heavily on our hearts. However, let us never forget that as long as we hold firmly to our bonds of brotherhood, there is no obstacle we cannot overcome and no hardship we cannot endure.

Let us conclude this week's khutbah with the following warning from our beloved Prophet (saw): **"…Hold firmly to unity and solidarity, and beware of division and disunity…"**[3]

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[1] Abu Dawud, Buyu' (Ijarah), 76.
[2] Saf, 61/4.
[3] Tirmidhi, Fitan, 7.

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