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بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ

مَنْ عَمِلَ صَالِحًا مِنْ ذَكَرٍ اَوْ اُنْثٰى وَهُوَ مُؤْمِنٌ فَلَنُحْيِيَنَّهٗ حَيٰوةً طَيِّبَةً وَلَنَجْزِيَنَّهُمْ اَجْرَهُمْ بِاَحْسَنِ مَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُوْنَ.

وَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:

...إِنَّ أَحَبَّ الْعَمَلِ إِلَى اللهِ أَدْوَمُهُ وَإِنْ قَلَّ.

WORSHIP

Esteemed Muslims!

Our acts of worship are the most tangible manifestations of our devotion to Allah the Almighty. Worship is the very purpose of our creation and the reflection of our faith in our lives. It is an expression of our gratitude for the blessings bestowed upon us by our Lord and our longing to attain His infinite mercy. Every act of worship we perform with sincerity brings our tongues to the remembrance of Allah and fills our lives with happiness.

Dear Believers!

The acts of worship prescribed as obligatory by our Lord, with their prescribed forms and times, are the pillars of our religion and the essence of our servitude to Him. Prayer keeps us away from indecency and evil, purifies us of our sins, and brings peace to our hearts. Fasting teaches us taqwa, patience, and compassion for those in need. Zakat purifies our wealth and possessions of material and spiritual impurities while protecting us from the vice of miserliness. Hajj reminds us to refrain from foul language, quarrels, and anger, and that all people are equal in the sight of Allah, like the teeth of a comb.

Esteemed Muslims!

Every good deed and righteous act we perform seeking the pleasure of Allah is also an act of worship.[1] Indeed, earning a halal livelihood for ourselves and our families, being honest in our business dealings, and working and producing are all acts of worship. Maintaining strong ties with our families, relatives, and neighbors, caring for them, and sharing in their joys and sorrows are acts of worship. Making life easier for a brother or sister with a disability, supporting the education of a student in need, and extending a helping hand to a neighbor facing financial hardship are acts of worship. What a great blessing it is to receive the glad tidings of the Messenger of Mercy (saw): **"Allah continues to help His servant as long as the servant helps his brother."**[2]

Honorable Believers!

A smile on our faces, removing obstacles that cause harm to others, or extending a helping hand to the oppressed and those who have suffered injustice are all forms of sadaqah, and every act of sadaqah is an act of worship. Whether it is saving a life by donating blood to a patient or donating an organ to a brother or sister desperately awaiting help, while taking religious and medical considerations into account, these are acts of goodness, and every good deed is an act of worship. The following verse of the Qur'an clearly states: **"…Whoever saves a life, it will be as if they saved all of humanity…"**[3]

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Our lives are short, this world is temporary, and the Hereafter is certain, real, and eternal. A day will come when we take our last breath, our footsteps come to a halt, and we depart this world, leaving behind everything that belongs to it. **Indeed, Dear Brothers and Sisters!** What truly matters is not how long we remain in this world, but our devotion to Allah and the good deeds we perform seeking His pleasure. What truly matters is turning our entire lives into acts of worship by following the advice of our beloved Prophet (saw): **"…The deeds most beloved to Allah are those performed consistently, even if they are few."**[4]

We conclude this week's khutbah with the meaning of verse 97 of Surah An-Nahl: **"Whoever does good, whether male or female, and is a believer, We will surely bless them with a good life, and We will certainly reward them according to the best of their deeds."**[5]

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[1] Abu Dawud, Tatawwu', 12.
[2] Abu Dawud, Adab, 60.
[3] Ma'idah, 5/32.
[4] Abu Dawud, Tatawwu', 27.
[5] Nahl, 16/97.

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