

Sermon OF Eid Al-Fitr 1429 AH

Allah is the Greatest... Allah is the Greatest... Allah is the Greatest

**The light of mind rose with the intentions of sharia when it meditated and
contemplated,**

**And fasting impressed hearts so smell spread and diffused strong fragrance,
And the world face became flat so believers were pleased rejoiced**

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No God but Allah, Allah is the greatest

Thanks to Allah for His virtues, and praise be to Allah on His fate and decree. I believe that there is no God but Allah, the only one with no partner, to whose decision the universe is subject, and in his abilities all beings believed. I believe that Mohamed, May Allah's Peace and Blessings be on him, is His Servant and Messenger, and his fellows, and remind all in peace.

To Begin O' Muslims,

The world life is in flux based on fates, then fades by change of day and night. The happy person is the one who disregarded his lusts by building himself; whoever has good endeavors would have good ends. These are the lessons to be learned from Ramadan, that fasting Muslim grasps and understands by his vision, and perceives by the light of mind in the saying of Allah, the Almighty: "Ramadhan is the (month) in which was sent down the Qur'an, as a guide to mankind, also clear (Signs) for guidance and judgment (Between right and wrong)."

The month of fasting passed and left a message. As much as the nation has strength of mind and religion, Allah empowers it with the assets of civilization and glory, then each one would have his share of judgment and range of success, in fulfillment of the saying of Allah, the Almighty: " (They are) those who, if We establish them in the

land, establish regular prayer and give regular charity, enjoin the right and forbid wrong: with Allah rests the end (and decision) of (all) affairs." Whoever neglects the use of mind- including discretion in understanding the texts of religion- would be neglected by history, and surpassed by time, so those who understand will not be the same as those who don't understand.

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O' people:

All fellows of every religion have doctrines to believe in, and special rules whereby they work. Allah, the Almighty, says: "To every People have We appointed rites and ceremonies which they must follow". Difference between religions of the world is established and confirmed. Allah, the Almighty, says: "To each among you have we prescribed a law and an open way": Different laws and open ways that Allah bequeaths to whoever He likes, and deprives of it whoever He likes.

To every divine nation, there is a vision to gather around, and principles to govern its directions, to stem from the humans relation with Allah, and from the relation of humans with each other. The effect of those two principles varies in the holders of religions in strength and weakness, and their interpretations and situations vary in this respect, between narrowing and expansion, following or fabrication: " If only they had stood fast by the Law, the Gospel, and all the revelation that was sent to them from their Lord, they would have enjoyed happiness from every side. There is from among them a party on the right course: but many of them follow a course that is evil."

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For building good life, religion combined the reform of humans by morals and ethics, and reform of life system by sharia and law. Allah, the Almighty, says: "Whosoever doeth right, whether male or female, and is a believer, him verily we shall quicken with good life, and We shall pay them a recompense in proportion to the best of what they used to do."

The values of behavior and human relations in Islam are directly related to belief in Allah that all interrelate to serve the interest of religion on earth, and to build the stable human communities in accordance with supreme values based on virtue, reform and relief.

Every value benefits humanity in perfection and satisfies the sound minds and approved by people, and doesn't result in corruption of interests, are classified as good values called for by religion, and they are part of the intuition system: "Allah's handiwork according to the pattern on which He has made mankind."

The contract organizes life with the good benefits of legislation, when humans have supreme values on which their judgments revolve, and frame their life conditions by the system of assignment and reward. Islam upgraded the values of human relations to the level of holiness related to belief in Allah, and established them as great pillars. This was dictated by the religion of Islam- May Allah's peace and blessings be upon him- in his repeated saying: "No one of you would believe....." and His saying: "I swear with all that he doesn't believe.....", then guides the impact of this on the integrated moral system in land, and the link, benevolence, etc.

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Allah, the Almighty, says: "We have indeed sent down signs that make things manifest: and Allah guides whom He wills to a way that is straight." In the verses of

Allah, there is clarification of the meanings of sharia and rational science and good morals, including two values that define the Muslims' relation with others; the value of acquaintance mentioned by Allah, the Almighty, in his saying: "and made you into nations and tribes, that ye may know each other (not that ye may despise (each other).", and the value of competition over virtues, in his statement: " To each is a goal to which Allah turns him; then strive together (as in a race) Towards all that is good. Wheresoever ye are, Allah will bring you Together. For Allah Hath power over all things." These two values call to adopt the duty of communication among the nations, and openness to the other civilizations and call to virtue. This difference of religions, colors and tongues is nothing but token of the tokens of Allah, and means for integration to promote the right to succession in land and satisfaction of divinely assignments.

From the core of these two values, jurists of Islam perceived that our sharia came to maintain five basic components, namely: self, religion, mind, birth and domain.

These five components over the scope of sharia, along with the two values, indicate the rectitude of self and nation, and the right path of international relations and stability of humanity and its interests. They are sublime religious and moral values. All humans, regardless of their religions and across the international and humanitarian organizations and entities are required to maintain it and establish its pillars and care for its supplements.

Maintenance of life and self, and everything related to it, is a necessary and deeply established requirement, and maintenance of religious freedom and human right to choose his doctrine. Humans are required to maintain mind and reinforce it by education and teaching. They are required to build and protect family, and foster its interrelation and stability. At the end, they are required to maintain the right to possession, prevention of injustices and illegitimate profit, to maintain the wealth and fortunes of nations.

The other value is contest and race for virtue and competition over it. It expresses the human need to civilization move and its necessity for life and its continuity. However, its value is defined by three elements: mind, justice and morals. These are the practical controls that protect the safety of values, and establish the right path of relations among the nations and the general humanitarian field. There wouldn't be any hastening or irrational rush or non-noble competition that would destroy the capabilities and capacities of nations and civilizations. Allah, the Almighty, says: " Then We have given the Book for inheritance to such of Our Servants as We have chosen: but there are among them some who wrong their own souls; some who follow a middle course; and some who are, by Allah's leave, foremost in good deeds; that is the highest Grace."

O' People,

Acquaintance and charity work are the pillars of civilization that achieve its stability and growth, and life can only proceed and progress with them. The chaos of ethics today is caused by disregard of one or both of those two values, so they cripple the march of humanity, and increase its problems. This crisis can be overcome only by adopting them as uniform and consolidated international values.

The other problem we encounter today is separation between religion and ethics in the principles of international and humanitarian relations. It is a defect that shall not exit, and shall not be left, especially if practiced by Muslims against their brothers in religion, or their peers in humanity. Allah, the Almighty, says: "In most of their secret talks there is no good: But if one exhorts to a deed of charity or justice or conciliation between men, (Secrecy is permissible): To him who does this, seeking the good pleasure of Allah, We shall soon give a reward of the highest (value)."

Advocacy of establishment of international ethical system without religion, or raising force of religion against the world life human values, are two aspects of extremism and dissension. They lead to loss of both religion and ethics. Allah, the Almighty, says: "The same religion has He established for you as that which He

enjoined on Noah – the which We have sent by inspiration to thee – and that which We enjoined on Abraham, Moses, and Jesus: Namely, that ye should remain steadfast in religion, and make no divisions therein."

O' Muslims:

Allah ordered us to pray, and promised us to response: "When My servants ask thee concerning Me, I am indeed close (to them): I listen to the prayer of every suppliant when he calleth on Me."

(O Allah, bless Muhammad and his (Muhammad's) family as You did bless the family of Abraham. Verily You are Praiseworthy and Glorious. Grant favor to Muhammad and the members of his (Muhammad's) household as You did grant favor to the members of the household of Abraham in the world. Verily You are Praiseworthy and Glorious).

"O Allah, we pray you of your bounties and virtues in good and bless subsistence."

O Allah, every virtue you like make us like it and ease it to us, and whatever You hate make us hate and avoid.

O Allah, support our Sultan with the light of your wisdom, and support his steps with your help, and keep him for us with your caring eye, and glorify him by your support and power, O' Allah, the glorious and most generous

O Allah, make Oman the country of safety and security, peace and tranquility, and keep us away from any envious one, keep your bounties on us, and don't prevent us of your virtues, keep us away from the mischief of mutinies, the seen and the unseen.

O Allah, save the Muslim countries, bless their sustenance and make their homes secure.

Our Lord, grant us good in this world and good in the Hereafter, and save us from the chastisement of the Fire.

"Allah commands justice, the doing of good, and liberality to kith and kin, and He forbids all shameful deeds, and injustice and rebellion: He instructs you, that ye may receive admonition."

"Our last supplication is that all praise be due to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds".