

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْمُتَفَضِّلِ بِالْجُودِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ ، وَالْمُنْعِمِ عَلَى عِبَادِهِ بِنِعَمٍ لَا يُحْصِيهَا الْعَدُّ
وَالْحُسْبَانُ ، أَنْزَلَ الْقُرْآنَ هُدًى لِلنَّاسِ وَبَيِّنَاتٍ مِنَ الْهُدَى وَالْفُرْقَانِ .
أَحْمَدُهُ حَمْدًا يَلِيْقُ بِكِرَامِهِ وَجْهِهِ ، وَعَظِيمِ سُلْطَانِهِ ، يَسْأَلُهُ مَنْ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ
كُلَّ يَوْمٍ هُوَ فِي شَأْنٍ .

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ ، الرَّحِيمِ الرَّحْمَنُ ، وَالْكَرِيمُ الْمَنَّانُ .
وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ ، وَصَفِيُّهُ وَخَلِيلُهُ ، وَخَيْرُهُ مِنْ خَلْقِهِ ، أَرْسَلَهُ لِلنَّاسِ
وَالْجَانِّ ، وَخَتَمَ بِهِ الْكُتُبَ وَالْأَدْيَانَ ، صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ ، وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ وَالتَّابِعِينَ لَهُمْ
بِإِحْسَانٍ مَا تَوَالَتِ الْأَزْمَانُ ، وَسَلَّمْ تَسْلِيمًا كَثِيرًا .
أَمَّا بَعْدُ ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ :

تَقْوَى اللَّهِ ، وَصِيَّتُهُ سُبْحَانَهُ لِعِبَادِهِ ، فَهُوَ الْقَائِلُ فِي كِتَابِهِ : (وَلَقَدْ وَصَّيْنَا الَّذِينَ أُوتُوا
الْكِتَابَ مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ أَنْ اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ) ، فَلْتَتَّقِ اللَّهَ . أَحَبَّتِي فِي اللَّهِ . جَعَلَنِي اللَّهُ وَإِيَّاكُمْ
مِنْ عِبَادِهِ الْمُتَّقِينَ .
أَيُّهَا الْإِخْوَةُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ :

مِنَ الْأُمُورِ الْمُفِيدَةِ النَّافِعَةِ لِلْعَبْدِ فِي حَيَاتِهِ ، اَلْتَّفَكُّرُ فِي عَجَائِبِ مَخْلُوقَاتِ اللَّهِ ،
وَالتَّأَمُّلُ فِي عَظِيمِ آيَاتِهِ ، فَفِي ذَلِكَ زِيَادَةُ الْإِيمَانِ ، وَقُوَّةُ الصَّلَاةِ بِالرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحْمَنِ ، يَقُولُ
تعالى : (إِنَّ فِي خَلْقِ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ ، وَاخْتِلَافِ اللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ ، لآيَاتٍ لِأُولِي
الْأَلْبَابِ ...) لَمَّا نَزَلَتْ هَذِهِ الْآيَاتُ ، قَالَ النَّبِيُّ : ((لَقَدْ نَزَلَتْ عَلَيَّ اللَّيْلَةَ آيَةٌ ، وَبَلَغَ
لِمَنْ قَرَأَهَا وَلَمْ يَتَفَكَّرْ فِيهَا)) .

فَالْتَّفَكُّرُ . أَيُّهَا الْإِخْوَةُ . فِي آيَاتِ اللَّهِ ، وَالتَّأَمُّلُ فِي مَخْلُوقَاتِهِ . سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى . أَمْرٌ
مَطْلُوبٌ ، لِعَظِيمِ فَوَائِدِهِ ، وَثَمَارِ نَتَائِجِهِ .

وَمِنْ آيَاتِ اللَّهِ ، الَّتِي تَسْتَحِقُّ التَّأَمُّلَ وَالتَّفَكُّرَ ، فَصَلُّ الشِّتَاءِ ، وَهَذَا الْبَرْدُ الَّذِي
نَعِيشُهُ فِي هَذِهِ الْأَيَّامِ ، فَهُوَ آيَةٌ مِنْ آيَاتِ اللَّهِ ، وَعَلَامَةٌ وَأَصْحَةٌ تَدُلُّ عَلَى عَظَمَتِهِ وَقُدْرَتِهِ
سُبْحَانَهُ ، وَقَبْلَ أَشْهُرٍ فِي الصَّيْفِ كُنَّا نَبْحَثُ عَنْ مَا يُبَرِّدُ أَجْسَادَنَا ، وَالْيَوْمَ صِرْنَا نَبْحَثُ
عَنْ مَا يُدْفِنُهَا ، الشَّمْسُ الَّتِي كُنَّا نَتَّقِي حَرَارَتَهَا ، صِرْنَا الْيَوْمَ نَتَلَدَّدُ بِسُخُونِهَا ، فَهَلْ أَتَى
ذَلِكَ فِي نَفْسِنَا ، وَأَحْدَثَ شَيْئًا فِي عَقُولِنَا ، هَلْ زَادَ ذَلِكَ فِي إِيمَانِنَا وَبِقِيَمَتِنَا وَتَصَدِّيقِنَا

بِخَالِقِنَا ؟ فسبحان من غير الحرارة إلى البرودة ، والصيف إلى الخريف والخريف إلى شتاء! وسبحان من غير ألوان الأشجار من الخضراء إلى الحمراء والبرتقالي والصفراء، إن في ذلك لعبرة لأولى الأبصار!

All praises are due to Allah, we seek His aid, His forgiveness, we seek refuge in Allah from the evil of our selves and our evil deeds. Whomever Allah guides none can misguide him and whomever is misguided only Allah can guide him. I bare witness that there is no deity worthy of worship except Allah alone and I bare witness that Muhammad is Allah's final servant and messenger.

The best of speech is the speech of Allah and the best of guidance is the guidance of Muhammad. The worst of affairs are the newly invented affairs in the religion, and every newly invented affair in the religion is a misguidance and every misguidance is in the hellfire.

My dear beloved brothers and sisters.....Fear Allah and be conscious of Him and do not die except in a state of complete submission to him as a Muslim. From one of the most beneficial things that a believer can do in this lifetime, to aid and assist one in getting closer to Allah... is thinking and pondering over Allah's amazing and magnificent signs that surround us here on this earth.

Contemplating over Allah's creation of the heavens, the earth, the trees, the sun, the moon, the trees, the day, the night...pondering over the precise rising and setting of the sun, the organization of the stars and the planets, the descending of rain when the plant growth and animals are in need, the sending of winds to scatter the seeds and pollen to different places in the earth,

From extreme hot
to extreme cold

and even the changing of the seasons...Indeed all of these are signs of Allah's perfection, power, strength and might...

Allah mentions in the Quran:

إِنَّ فِي خَلْقِ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ ، وَاخْتِلَافِ اللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ ، لآيَاتٍ لِأُولِي الْأَبْصَارِ (...)

'Indeed in the creation of the heavens and the earth, and the changing of the night and the day...are signs for those who possess intellects'

لَمَّا نَزَلَتْ هَذِهِ الْآيَاتُ ، قَالَ النَّبِيُّ : ((لَقَدْ نَزَلَتْ عَلَيَّ اللَّيْلَةَ آيَةٌ ، وَبَلَ لِمَنْ قَرَأَهَا وَلَمْ يَتَفَكَّرْ فِيهَا))

And when this verse was revealed the Prophet Muhammad said: 'Indeed tonight a great verse was revealed to me, and woe to the one who recites it but does not think and ponder over it's meaning'.

So ponder and think by beloved brothers and sisters, think about Allah's verses in the Quran and also look, observe and ponder Allah's ^{SIGNS} signs in the creation which surround us here on the earth.

From the signs and occurrences within the creation that deserve our pondering, observing and thinking about...^{the} the four seasons, and especially the season we are currently in now....winter....

Indeed, the cold weather, the frost, the cold rain and wind, the trees becoming barren of leaves, and grass becoming dead and dried up, verily these are all clear and decisive proofs of Allah's greatness, ability and might.

Just a couple of months ago we were experiencing the hot and humid weather of summer, and searching for every means to cool off, such as air conditioners, fans, and going swimming...now we are trying to keep

pools
and beaches

ourselves warm with jackets, sweaters, scarves, boots and heaters. The hot summer sun that some were trying to avoid because of its extreme heat, now ~~in~~ ^{we find ourselves} winter we are ~~comforted by its warm~~ ^{searching for its comforting} rays and warmth...Have we given this any thought, have these occurrences increased our faith in ~~our creator~~ ^{Allah} and given us more certainty that indeed Allah is all wise and able to do all things.

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Praise be to Allah the one whose changed the rain of spring to the heat of summer, and the humidity of summer to the dryness of autumn, and the dryness of autumn, to the cold of winter.

Glory be to Allah who made the plant growth, grass and trees to be green and full of life and fruits in the spring and summer, and then caused the leaves to change colors from green, to red, to orange, to yellow, then to fall off the trees and die....Indeed within this is a reminder for the believers.

Winter time, ~~my beloved brothers and sisters in Islam~~...and what it contains of snow, hail, cold rain, frost, cold winds, lack of plant growth...all of these things are clear signs from Allah that are proofs of Allah' power, might and complete ability that necessitates that we affirm and confirm Allah's complete and perfect Lordship and that He has not partners.

So fear Allah my brothers and sisters and let us be from amongst those who think and ponder over Allah's verses and signs, and benefit from acting upon them to get closer to Him.

أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ لِي وَلَكُمْ فَإِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ .

الخطبة الثانية:

الحمد لله مغير الأحوال ، المتفرد بالبهاء والجلال ، المتحكّم بالآجال .
وأشهد أن لا إله إلا هو الكبير المتعال ، وأشهد أن محمدا عبده ورسوله ، وصفيه
وخليله ، صلى الله وسلم وبارك عليه وعلى ~~آله وصحبه~~ ^{آله وصحبه} وسلّم .
أما بعد ، معشر المسلمين :

Those with intellect should ponder and think about Allah's many signs contained in the creation, so that they can be used as lessons and reminders to remind one of Allah's magnificence and greatness.

The cold weather we're experiencing these days should be used as a reminder and lesson for the believer, and the pondering over these things should lead one to do righteous actions. It is of no benefit to just think and ponder over the changing of the seasons and the coldness of winter if it doesn't aid one in getting closer to Allah, and lead one to doing the things which are most beneficial during those times.

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~~And there are some people who get annoyed and upset about the winter season and it's cold weather, just as they are annoyed by the heat and humidity of summer.~~ ^{and spend most of their time sleeping and complaining...} what a loss for those who are ^{all} needless of Allah's signs

^{the seasons especially the} Be informed my brothers and sisters that the winter season ~~and summer season both~~ contain wisdoms and benefits within ~~them~~ ^{it}, that many of us may know and many of us may not know, but indeed Allah knows these benefits. Each season contains things that the other season does not, if it was summer all year round, then the benefits of winter would not be realized, and if it was winter all year round the benefits of summer would not be realized as well.

and wisdoms, and don't take advantage of his seasons.

And from Allah's blessings upon us is that He recommended and legislated actions of worship for certain times throughout the year so that we have more opportunities to get closer to Allah and do the things he loves and is pleased with.

My ~~dearly~~ beloved brothers and sisters, the winter season that we are currently entering, and that many people are annoyed or upset about...we find that the righteous predecessors used to be happy, give glad tidings and look forward to the winter season ...

The righteous predecessors wouldn't be concerned too much about the cold weather, even though many of them couldn't find anything at all to warm their bodies...They were busy gathering up the 'easy spoils or the easy rewards' that the prophet Muhammad called 'al ghaneemal al baaridah'

في الحديث عن النبي : ((الصيام في الشتاء الغنمة الباردة))

'Fasting in the winter is the easily earned reward'

~~Imam Ahmed and Tirmidhi~~ narrated.

So the prophet mentioned that the reward for fasting in the winter is like the easily gathered spoils during a battle.

وروي عن ابن مسعود قال : (مرحبا بالشتاء تنزل فيه البركة ، ويطول فيه الليل

للقيام ويقصر فيه النهار للصيام)

Welcome to the winter season, which contains many blessings, the night is long for praying and the day is short for fasting.

وكان أبو هريرة رضي الله تعالى عنه يقول : (ألا أدلكم على الغنيمة الباردة) قالوا : بلى ، فيقول : (الصيام في الشتاء وقيام ليل الشتاء) .

'Should I not inform you about the 'al Ghaneemah al baridah' (easy earnings), they said: Of course, so he replied: Fasting in the winter and praying at night in the winter.'

يَقُولُ عُمَرُ بْنُ الْخَطَّابِ : اَلشِّتَاءُ غَنِيْمَةٌ الْعَابِدِيْنَ ، وَمَعْنَى ذَلِكَ ، كَمَا قَالَ الْحَسَنُ الْبَصْرِيُّ : نِعَمَ زَمَانُ الْمُؤْمِنِ اَلشِّتَاءُ لَيْلُهُ طَوِيْلٌ يَفْوُمُهُ ، وَنَهَارُهُ قَصِيْرٌ يَصُوْمُهُ .

Umar ibn al Khataab said: 'winter is the 'ghaneemah' (spoils or easily earned reward) for the worshippers, this was explained by al Hasan al Basree when he said: 'What a blessed time the winter is for the believer, the night is long so he can pray and the day is short so he can fast.'

So as we can see that the righteous predecessors showed great concern to benefiting from their days and nights during the winter season, filling their nights with 'tahajud' and their days with fasting.

This is our opportunity my beloved brothers and sisters to receive great rewards with such little effort, fasting now in the winter is only 11 hours a day...and one has 12 hours to pray at night...indeed Allah is most generous and great....O Allah Enable us to be from amongst those who think about this and act upon these things so as to seek your pleasure and forgiveness O Allah.

Similiarly, the winter season should remind us of our less fortunate brothers and sisters who may not have a home, or clothing to keep them or their children warm, so let us thank Allah for what he has blessed us with by working together to fulfill the needs of those less fortunate by buying clothing, blankets, jackets and

maybe heaters for them. For as the Prophet said: whoever removes a hardship for his fellow Muslim in this world, Allah will remove hardships for him on the day of resurrection. end

And finally, we are coming up upon two non-Muslim holidays Christmas and the other is New Years. It is prohibited for Muslims to celebrate Christmas and New Years as well, and other Christian festivals solely because they are innovations and have no basis in Islam. And celebrating these festivals contains imitating of the non-Muslims and their religious practices.

working together and unifying upon righteousness and

and piety

as Allah told us in The Quran -

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وتكفروا