

We ask Allah to accept our fasting, our prayers and our charity during the past month of Ramadan. And I ask Allah to make us of those whom Allah has forgiven and to make us and our families from those whom Allah frees from the hellfire.

Know O slaves of Allah that the eids of Islam (Eid al Fitr, Eid al Adha and the day of Jumah) are days of happiness, pleasure, congregation and most important days in which we need to be thankful to Allah the most High. Eid al Fitr we thank Allah for enabling us to fast Ramadan and giving us an opportunity to have our sins forgiven and attain piety. Eid al Adha we thank Allah the most High for enabling us to perform the Hajj.

So we also have the weekly eid, which is the day of Jumah in which we are observing today. What is the wisdom behind these eids. What is the reason Allah ordered us to come to the masjid to pray. What is the wisdom behind congregating in our Masajid and within our communities?

Be informed O my dear beloved brothers and sisters that Allah the most

8 magnificent created us for a noble and wise purpose: Allah says

9 (وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِي)

10 "I didn't create the jinn and mankind except to worship me alone"

11 And Allah did not create us and neglect us without guidance, indeed he sent messengers proclaiming:

1 (وَلَقَدْ بَعَثْنَا فِي كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ رَّسُولًا أَنْ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُوا
2 الطَّاغُوتَ) رَسُولًا

3 "we sent a messenger to every nation saying
4 worship Allah and shun the Tagut"

5 And Allah emphasised this order in the Quran as he says:

6 (وَقَضَىٰ رَبُّكَ أَلَّا تَعْبُدُوا إِلَّا إِيَّاهُ وَبِالْوَالِدَيْنِ إِحْسَانًا)

7 Your lord has decreed that you worship none but him and that you behave kindly to your parents.

So Allah created us with a divine purpose then ordered us ~~to do what he~~ ~~decreed for us to perform~~ to worship him alone which is engraved in our natural disposition, and physical makeup.

So from the wisdom behind the Eids and Jumah and congregational prayers in the masjid is that we manifest ^{together} the sincere worship of Allah alone, outwardly and apparently, to each other and to the rest of the creation. We come to one place to worship one Lord, and we worship him together, all the same way. ^{what a great sign of unification.} ^{Allahu akbar} When the Muslims congregate and come together one observes something so beautiful and amazing, something that rulers, kings, presidents and all leaders dream of!

Unification, yes unity of the Muslims. Look around you today, you see different races, nationalities, customs, languages and cultures all gathered in the same place, at the same time, all here to worship and glorify one magnificent Lord.

What a beautiful manifestation of one of the greatest blessings Allah has bestowed upon us - a blessing that no other religion, race, nationality, or political party could even imagine witnessing amongst their followers. A blessing

8 which makes the black man love the white man,
 9 the Arab man love the Pakistani man, the
 10 rich man love the poor man, a blessing
 11 which transforms rival enemies into the
 12 best of friends. This is something
 amazing, unbelievable, unfathomable which boggles
 and puzzles the minds of intellectuals something
 that the history of mankind has never witnessed
 except in Islam.

1 what united all of us? what united all of
 2 these varying races, cultures, nationalities,
 3 colors? Was it money? Was it our
 4 languages? Was it our faces, nationalities,
 5 cultures or customs? Indeed the answer
 6 is no to all of these things.

7 Only one thing united us and it is the true
 8 belief, realization and implementation of
 9 "La ilaha illa Allah Muhammadar
 10 rasoolullah". This is the foundation
 11 and basis for true Islamic unity. ~~and~~
 12 ~~any political agenda~~

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It is impossible for anyone on the face of this earth to actualize true unity, justice, and equality without making the shahada tain as a basis for their unification.

And in order for us to become a unified, mighty, just and powerful nation ^{and community} all of us, all the Muslims collectively need to hold firmly unto something, we must hold firmly unto something, we and if we do so we will never be ^{pure and free from deficiencies} misguided and we will always be unified.

Allah says:

(وَاعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلَا تَفَرَّقُوا)

"And hold fast all of you, together to the rope of Allah and do not be divided amongst yourselves"

~~What is the rope of Allah? Is it the principles of Islam? A political figure, sect, or faction? It is~~

And the prophet said Explaining the rope of Allah

تَرَكْتُ فِيكُمْ شَيْئَيْنِ، إِنْ تَمَسَّكْتُمْ بِهِمَا لَنْ

تَضَلُّوا مِنْ بَعْدِي كَتَابِ اللَّهِ وَنَسِي

8 So hold together unto the Quran and
 9 ~~Sunnah~~ Sunnah my dear Muslims and know
 10 that nothing can unify us except holding
 11 fast unto the Quran and Sunnah.

~~Every day we are unified here~~
 12 The real sign for unification
 11 of the Muslims is being united
 12 upon the ^{correct} Creed and actions of

12) worship, not large groups of people
 gathered together in one place at one
 time. Indeed the bodies may
 be gathered together in one place
 but this is not a true sign of
 unity. The true sign of unity is
 being together upon the sole worship of
 Allah alone and the complete imitation
 of the prophet Muhammad, and unification
 of the Ummah.

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 جمعاً
 (نفساً)
 قلوبہ
 or
 sign
 that
 the
 hearts
 are
 unified

5 Second khutbah!

6 Unity, brothers and sisters, togetherness, unity
 and strength is that which all nations, religions and
 7 political parties strive for.

8 But know that no matter how much money

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wealth, political power, weapons or the likes that these things could never truly unite the hearts of the people, Allah says:

﴿لَوْ أَنْفَقْتَ مَا فِي الْأَرْضِ جَمِيعًا مَا أَلْفَتَ بَيْنَ قُلُوبِهِمْ ۚ وَلَٰكِنَّ اللَّهَ أَلْفَ بَيْنَهُمْ ۚ إِنَّهُ قَوِيٌّ عَزِيزٌ ۝﴾

"If you had spent all that is in the earth you could not have united their hearts, but Allah has united them. Certainly he is the all mighty - all wise."

So it is only the creator of these hearts who could unite them, not anyone or anything from amongst the creation.

So when we worship one lord alone, supplicate to him alone, establish our obligatory prayers for him alone, fast for Allah alone, then Allah will truly make us brothers and sisters in Islam unified upon the pure and sincere worship of him alone, Allah says:

﴿إِنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ إِخْوَةٌ فَأَصْلَحُوا بَيْنَ أُنْفُسِهِمْ﴾

"Verily the believers are nothing but brothers, so reconcile between them"

8 The true believers are unified and supporters of each other as Allah says:

9 (وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتُ بَعْضُهُمْ أَوْلِيَاءُ بَعْضٍ

10 يَا مَعْرُوفٍ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَيَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ)

11 "The believers are helpers, supporters, protectors of one another they enjoin the good and forbid the evil"

1 The true believers enjoin one another with the revelation of their one Lord, Allah says:

2 (..... وَاللَّهُ)

3 So in order for us to be united we must be unified upon the sincere worship of Allah alone, imitate the prophet Muhammad and enjoin one another with good and forbid each other from evil, and all of this is contained in the revelation of our one Lord, Allah the most High.

7 ONE this is realized then we will find the believers united and they will be as one body as

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The prophet said:

مثل المؤمن في تواددهم وتراحمهم وتعاونهم
 مثل اللحم إذا اشتد منه عظمه تهادى له
 سائر الجسد بالضر والحر والبرق والحر

"The likeness of the believers in the love, mercy, kindness and compassion between each other is like that of a body, when one organ of the body complains or suffers the rest of the body joins it in pain, restlessness and fever"

So be as one unified body O brothers and sisters, unify upon the Quran and sunnah upon the understanding of the noble companions.

So just as you love to follow the truth

love this for your brothers and sisters by reminding them to do good and continue upon goodness after Ramadan. For indeed continuing upon good deeds after Ramadan is a sign that our actions in Ramadan were accepted. And going back to sins and disobedience to Allah after Ramadan is a sign that our fasting, prayers and charity were not accepted.

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 8 So continue upon goodness O believers,
 9 continue praying your five daily prayers,
 10 keep giving charity, keep fasting and
 11 most importantly, single Allah out in
 worship and avoid and stay away
 from associating partners with Allah
 as this is the greatest thing
 a Muslim can do.

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