

كُلُّ الْخَلَائِقِ فِي حِمَى الدِّينِ
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وَأَنْبِذْ طَرِيقَ السَّهْوِ وَالنِّسْيَانِ
وَاجْتَهِدْ فِي حِفْظِهِ وَفَهْمِ كَلِمِ الرَّحْمَنِ

روى الإمام مسلم بالسند المتصل إليه عن نافع بن عبد الحارث، أنه لقي عمر بن الخطاب وكان عمر يستعمله على مكة فقال من استعملت على أهل الوادي فقال ابن أنزي . قال ومن ابن أنزي قال مؤلى من موالينا . قال فاستخلفت عليهم مؤلى قال إنه قارئ لكتاب الله عز وجل وإنه عالم بالفرائض . قال عمر أما إن نبيكم صلى الله عليه وسلم قد قال " إن الله يرفع بهذا الكتاب أقواما ويضع به آخرين "

a man by the name of

During the time of Umar ibn Al Khattab Nafé' bn Abdil Hareth was appointed as a governor ~~over the~~ city of Makkah. From the routine of Umar is that he would often patrol and go into the different cities that he had appointed governors. So One day when he was in a city called Usfan outside of Makkah he ran into Nafé' and asked him: if you are here O nafe' who did you leave behind in Makkah to look after the affairs of the people. He said: Ibn Abza. So Omar ~~could not recognize this name and he~~ asked: who is Abn Abza. Nafi replied: He is a mawla min al-mawali (someone who is a freed slave) Umar was shocked. He said:

to make sure they were doing their jobs properly

استخلفت عليهم مؤلى

You left the greatest city on the surface of this Earth and you handed that position to someone who is a freed slave?? Wasn't there anyone who was more qualified? Than a freed slave? So then Nafi ~~told Umar the reason as to why he chose Ibn Abza over the~~ ~~others~~ and He said:

replied

إنه قارئ لكتاب الله عز وجل وإنه عالم بالفرائض

~~He said~~ Ibn Abza is the most learned person when it comes to the book of Allah and he also knows the sciences of Inheritance. When Omar heard this he remembered the statement of the prophet. The prophet said:

روى الامام مسلم وأحمد وغيرهما

إن الله يرفع بهذا الكتاب أقواما ويضع به آخرين

That Allah raises the ranks and statuses of people giving them honor and dignity because of the Quran, and He makes people humiliated and low because of the Quran as well.

Think about his Hadeeth my dearly beloved brothers and sisters.. you will find that Ibn Abza who was a freed slave, maybe a few months or weeks ago he was a slave for someone tilling the soil, herding the sheep, cleaning the house, washing the clothes.... and because of the Quran that he had...it gave him the honor, the dignity, and the status to be the leader of the greatest city on the surface of this earth Makkah.

And slavery back then wasn't specific to a certain race or ethnicity, people would engage in wars, battles, conflicts and the winning tribes would take possession of the losing tribes women and children... More were slaves, Arabs who were slaves, Persians who were slaves

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look at the honor, dignity and high status that the book of Allah gave him...

So if any of us are searching for a reputation, a promotion, a high and lofty status in this world, then hold on to the book of Allah, learn how to recite it, read it, understand it, memorize it, and teach it to others... and Allah will honor you like how he honored Ibn

He was once one who was answering the beck and call of his masters... then after learning the Quran the whole city of Makkah was under his command !!

True respect, honor and dignity...

Abza one of the freed slaves who was made to be the governor of Makkah. The Quran

is what liberates people's minds, hearts and souls... it turns those who may once have been slaves... into kings... into leaders...

Brothers and sisters, the Quran will honor you in a way that nothing else on the face of this earth would be able to honor you. It will honor you better than your husband or wife, better than your children, better than your colleagues at work, better than your boss at the office... better than anything or anyone in existence.

Let us look at the pillars of Islam. You find that the pillar that is repeated on a daily basis, numerous times a day is the salah. Something that we practice 5 times a day. The salah is the first question that we are going to be asked on the Day of Judgment:

إِنَّ أَوَّلَ مَا يُحَاسَبُ بِهِ الْعَبْدُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ مِنْ عَمَلِهِ صَلَاتُهُ

The first of his actions for which a servant of Allah will be held accountable on the Day of Resurrection will be his prayers.

As-Salah is the act of worship that when the people of Jannah look down upon the people of Hellfire and they ask them what made you in the Hellfire they will say:

قالوا لم نك من المصلين

The first thing they would say: We were those who didn't used to pray.

Look at the honor and status that Allah has given the prayer now let us look at whom did Allah give the position to lead the Salah. The prophet said:

يَوْمَ الْقَوْمِ أَكْثَرُهُمْ قَرَأَنَا

The one who has the right to lead the people in the Salah is not the one who has the most money, not the one who has the most children, not the one who has the most investments, not the one who has the most real estate, rather he is the one who knows the most Quran. What an honor for the people of the Quran, those who study it, read it, understand it and memorize it..

Our prophet tells us that Allah has some special people here on this earth, yes we all belong to Allah, but there some people even more special in the eyes of Allah.

قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: (إِنَّ لِلَّهِ أَهْلِينَ مِنَ النَّاسِ) قَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، مَنْ هُمْ؟ قَالَ: هُمْ أَهْلُ الْقُرْآنِ، أَهْلُ اللَّهِ وَخَاصَّتُهُ

On the face of this Earth Allah has His own specialized people amongst mankind

قالوا من هم يا رسول الله

Who are those special people O messenger of Allah. He said

هم أهل القرآن أهل الله و خاصته

The people of the Quran they are the people of Allah and they are His special people.

Dear brothers and sisters we see how Allah is blessing the people of the Quran with honor after honor. And this honor does not stop in this life but also the Quran will honor them when they are inside their graves.

If you look at what took place in the battle of Uhud when 70 of the companions were killed and the Muslims were in a situation that they couldn't bury each companion in his own grave so they would have to make one big grave and bury a number of companions in one grave. They dug graves and didn't know who to put in the grave first. They went to the messenger of Allah asking: O prophet of Allah which of the shuhada should we place in the grave first? The prophet would look at them and ask:

أيهم أكثر أخذاً للقرآن؟

Which of them know the Quran most.

فَإِذَا أُشِيرَ إِلَى أَحَدِهِمَا قَدَّمَهُ فِي اللَّحْدِ

And when one of them was pointed out, he would put him in the Lahd (grave) first.

Even when you are laying down in your grave and your body can't move the Quran will still honor you, *and give you a better status than others ...*

What about in the next life? In the day of judgement? Not only will the Quran honor you but it will also honor your family. Your father your mother. The prophet said

قَرَأَ الْقُرْآنَ وَتَعَلَّمَهُ، وَعَمِلَ بِهِ، أَلْبَسَ وَإِلْدَاهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ تَاجًا مِنْ نُورٍ صَوَّغَهُ مِثْلَ ضَوْءِ الشَّمْسِ، وَيَكْسِي وَالِدَاهُ حِلَّتَيْنِ لَا يَقُومُ لِحَمَا الدُّنْيَا، فَيَقُولَانِ: مِمَّا كَسَيْنَا هَذَا؟ فَيَقَالُ: بِأَخْذِ وَلَدِكُمَا الْقُرْآنَ [رواه الحاكم: 2086، وقال: "صحيح على شرط مسلم" وقال الألباني: "حسن لغيره" كما في صحيح الترمذي والترتيب: 1434].

Whoever recites the Qur'an and acts according to its content, on the Day of Judgement his parents will be given a crown to wear whose light is better than the light of the sun, and they will be adorned with robes more beautiful than anything in this dunya...

The parents will know that they are being treated so special not because of their own good deeds so they will ask

Why are we being treated so special why are we given this specialty?

It would be said to them:

فَيَقَالُ : بِأَخْذِ وَلَدِكُمَا الْقُرْآنَ

It would be said to them because of the relationship you daughter or your son had with the book of Allah.

SubhanAllah! the people of Quran will be honored in this life, in their graves and then in the day of Judgment, and then in the Jannah. Yes in the Jannah as the Prophet Muhammad said:!

عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ " يُقَالُ لِصَاحِبِ الْقُرْآنِ أَقْرَأَ وَأَزْتَقَى وَرَتَّلَ كَمَا كُنْتَ تُرْتِّلُ فِي الدُّنْيَا فَإِنَّ مَنْزِلَتَكَ عِنْدَ آخِرِ آيَةٍ تَقْرَأُ بِهَا "

The Prophet Muhammad said: It will be said on the day of resurrection to the one who memorized and accompanied the Quran in his lifetime...recite, rise up, recite beautifully as you used to recite in this dunya, for indeed your rank in the hereafter shall be at the last ayat you recite..

And then it will be said (to the reciter of the Quran): Read and ascend through the levels of Paradise. He will go on ascending as long as he recites, whether reciting slowly or quickly

That's why it's no surprise that the prophet told us that the people of the Quran are those who we should be jealous of

لَا حَسَدَ إِلَّا فِي اثْنَتَيْنِ: رَجُلٌ آتَاهُ اللَّهُ الْقُرْآنَ فَهُوَ يَقُومُ بِهِ آتَاءَ اللَّيْلِ، وَآتَاءَ النَّهَارِ

The prophet said the people that are truly deserving of jealousy of one of them are the people of the Quran, who recite daily in the morning and in the evening to the extent that his neighbor hears him and says O how I wish I had what he had so I can do the same thing what he was doing.

Now here is very important that we distinguish the two types of jealousy The type of jealousy that is looked down upon and not praiseworthy and this is the jealousy that when you want Allah to remove the blessings from somebody and want it to come to you this is something that is looked down upon in our religion and this is what the Quraish said:

وَقَالُوا لَوْلَا نُزِّلَ هَذَا الْقُرْآنُ عَلَى رَجُلٍ مِّنَ الْقُرَيْشِ عَظِيمٍ

And they say: "Why is not this Qur'an sent down to some great man of the two towns (Makkah and Ta'if)?"

They were jealous how come the Quran come down upon Muhammad SAW.

Allah said to them:

أَلَمْ يَفْسِمُونَ رَحْمَتِيكَ

Are they the one who distribute the bounty of Allah?

The jealousy that you want Allah to remove the blessing from somebody is not what is meant in this hadeeth rather what is meant is that you want Allah to also give you the blessings that he has given to that person so when you see somebody that knows more Quran and he has more Islamic knowledge and you desire to be like him is praiseworthy.

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Translate *

The Quran will intercede for you on the Day of Resurrection...
Those who read Quran and act upon it they are the best of the people.

اقْرؤوا القرآن فإنه
يا شئ يوم القيمة
شفيقا لك صايب

He said in the famous hadeeth that everybody here have heard or knows from Uthmaan ibn Affan:

عن عثمان بن عفان ، عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم قال : خيركم من تعلم القرآن وعلمه

The best of you is the one who learns the Quran and he teaches it to others. What is very interesting about this hadeeth if you look into the chain of this hadeeth Abu Abdurahman Al-Sulami who is a taabee he heard this hadeeth from Uthman

and after hearing this hadith...

- the Quran will help you when no one will be able to help you ...
The Quran will testify for you either against you ...

heard this hadeeth from ^{he spent} ~~the~~ the last 40 years of his life ~~teaching~~ teaching people the Quran. This is the example of having knowledge and having acting upon it right away.

- So how many years have we spent trying to memorize the book of Allah? ... how many months, how many days a week. If we're looking for peace, stop -- end of khutbah |

Be reminded that

The noblest subject someone can teach is the book of Allah. Why? Because scholars say:

إن شرف العلم يعرف بشرف المعلوم

The virtue of the knowledge is known by the virtue of the subject that is being studied and if the subject here is the book of Allah the speech of Allah, then there is nothing better that someone can learn or teach

Second Khutbah.

Brothers and sisters the Quran was sent down as a book of guidance for all of mankind, but it is also a cure and a mercy.

وَنُنزِلُ مِنَ الْقُرْآنِ مَا هُوَ شِفَاءٌ وَرَحْمَةٌ لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ

And We send down from the Qur'an that which is a healing and a mercy to those who believe

You may ask as a cure for what? As a cure for any depression any stress any anxiety.

Allah will remove all of that once you start to recite the book of Allah and how will that happen the prophet said in the hadeeth narrated by Imam Muslim:

مَا اجْتَمَعَ قَوْمٌ فِي بَيْتٍ مِنْ بُيُوتِ اللَّهِ يَتْلُونَ كِتَابَ اللَّهِ وَيَتَدَارَسُونَ بَيْنَهُمْ إِلَّا نَزَلَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ السَّكِينَةُ وَغَشِيَتْهُمُ الرَّحْمَةُ وَحَفَّتْهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَذَكَرَهُمُ اللَّهُ فِيمَنْ عِنْدَهُ

There no group of people that come together in one of the houses of Allah in which they recite the book of Allah, they study the book of Allah except that tranquility and peace will come down upon them and mercy will cover them and angels will surround them and Allah will make mention of them in his gathering with the most noble angels. Allah will mention you by name in most noble gathering with the angels. This is why Allah says:

أَلَا بِذِكْرِ اللَّهِ تَطْمَئِنُّ الْقُلُوبُ

With the remembrance of Allah will your hearts find peace

A cure for all ills, a solution for all problems -- drugs -- alcohol -- domestic violence -- crimes -- stress -- depression -- anxiety -- nervousness -- etc --

guidance, tranquility in our lives even we need to read the Quran... if we're looking for social rectification we need to learn the Quran and practice it bring the guidance of Quran to our non-muslim neighbors...

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Once you start to read Quran you will find this tranquility. Let us look at the opposite let us look at the person who turn away from the book of Allah:

و بضده تبين الأشياء

With the opposite will the things become more clear

Allah says:

وَمَنْ أَعْرَضَ عَن ذِكْرِي فَإِنَّ لَهُ مَعِيشَةً ضَنْكًا وَنَحْشُرُهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ أَعْمَى

The one who turns away from my thikr from the Quran he will have a life that is full of difficulty, the one who turns away from the Quran will have a miserable life, a depressed life, a humiliating life.... Will be a life of difficulty, he will not be happy with his family at home, he will not be happy outside of his house, he will not be happy with his job he will not be happy with his kids, he will be completely miserable....

Brothers and sisters know that this Quran is perfect from every single angle. Ibn katheer he mentions under one of the verses inside surat yusuf:

Ibn katheer says says Allah has sent down the most honorable book with the most honorable language to the most honorable human being our prophet Muhammad thru the send it thru the most honorable angel the jibreel and was sent down in the most honorable land in Makkah at best time of the year in the month of Ramadan and I added in the night of al-Qadar. Ramadan is honored and virtued because of the Quran.

It is time for us to ~~connect~~ ^{re-connect} with the book of Allah ^{AND} I will leave you guys with two things that everyone including myself should act upon. The first thing is that we should make the Quran the part of our daily life. Every single day either recite a portion especially after fajr or listen to a portion if do that, you will find barakah in your time and the the rest of your day will be full of blessings. Because the Quran is Mubarak

وَهَذَا كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ مُبَارَكٌ

And this is a blessed Book (the Qur'an) which We have sent down

Second I encourage you including myself since this is the book of Allah and its an honorable book we should spend sometime to learn the tafseer of it.

كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ إِلَيْكَ مُبَارَكٌ لِيَدَّبَّرُوا آيَاتِهِ

Come to the masjid to learn how to recite the Quran, understand the Quran, read it with your brothers and sisters... Our brothers and sisters who know Arabic... you should come forth and volunteer

We ask Allah to make us from the people of the Quran

reciters of Quran,

listeners of Quran,

Actors upon the Quran,

teachers upon the Quran

Social reformers with the Quran,

removing all of the ills that plague us in Baltimore and the USA with

the guidance of the Quran...

So start today brothers and sisters

sign up for Quran classes --

tafsir classes... and learn more

about Allah's revelation so that

we can be guided and guide

others as well...

- Please keep brother Idreesa and his family in your supplications, his mother passed away, may Allah grant her Paradise...

إن الله وملائكته

اللهم صل على محمد

ربنا أتنا

واقم الصلاة.

some time to teach the Quran...

الْجَاهِلُونَ قَدْ افْتَرَوْا بِحَمَاقَةٍ
لِإِهَانَةِ الْقُرْآنِ فِي إِمْعَانٍ
فُرَاتِكُمْ يَا مُسْلِمُونَ مُحَارَبٌ
وَمُهَدَّدٌ بِقَدَائِفِ الْبُهْتَانِ
قَدْ بَدَّلُوا الْآيَاتِ بَعْدَ نُزُولِهَا
وَمُعَارِضِينَ هِدَايَةَ الْقُرْآنِ
لَمْ يُؤْمِنُوا بِفَصَاحَةِ وَبَلَاغَةِ
بَلِّ جَاهِرُوا بِالْحَقِّ وَالْعِصْيَانِ
إِنِّي أَنُوحُ مَهَابَةً بَلِّ خَشْيَةً
مِنْ خَالِقِ الْأَفَاقِ وَالْأَكْوَانِ
مَنْ ذَا يُدَافِعُ عَنِ كِتَابِ خَالِدٍ
مَنْ ذَا يُؤَمِّنُ سَاخَةَ الْفُرْقَانِ
يَا أُمَّةَ الْإِسْلَامِ أَيْنَ جِهَادِكُمْ
وَيَدْفَاعُكُمْ عَنِ حُوزَةِ الْقُرْآنِ
فَكِتَابُكُمْ جَمَعَ الْهَدَايَةَ كُلَّهَا
وَكَذَا الْعُلُومَ لِسَانِ الْأَزْمَانِ
إِنِّي أُحِبُّ الْمُتَّقِينَ بِقُوَّةٍ
وَأُحِبُّ مَنْ يَحْمِي حِمِّي الرَّحْمَانِ
سِيرُوا إِلَى الْهَدْيِ الْعَظِيمِ بِهَيْمَةٍ
وَتَسَلَّحُوا بِعَقِيدَةِ الْإِيمَانِ
قَالَ اللَّهُ خَيْرٌ حَافِظًا لِكِتَابِهِ
وَهُوَ الْقَوِيُّ بِعِزَّةِ السُّلْطَانِ