

KHUTBA

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English

WHAT HAVE WE DONE FOR ISLAM ?

Dear Muslims:

Every morning people go to work and school...etc, where they remain until the afternoon before coming back home thinking about eating, relaxing and sleeping. They wake up in the afternoon or after sunset, to go out and spend their time in markets, restaurants, parks and so on. Finally, they come back home to sleep after they have spent their time and money working for their lives and desires.

If you ask them what have they achieve for Islam or for God in this day, the answer will be Nothing.. Even worse, they might have done a great service to the devil and his Collaborators

Dear brothers and sisters in ISLAM

God's blessings are many and uncountable.. For He has created us ... And gave us the possibility to grow.... the ability to learn ... And guided us from going astray.. And save us from poverty.. And made us walk on this earth assured.. Eat, drink and enjoy the resources and blessings He offers in the earth.. for He gave us the greatest blessing, the mind to think, and did not create us as donkeys, birds, fish or any other animals that does not know difference between A or B

And indeed We have honoured the Children of Adam, and We have carried them on land and sea, and have provided them with At-Tayyibât (lawful good things), and have preferred them above many of those whom We have created with a marked preferment. Isra 70

See you not (O men) that Allâh has subjected for you whatsoever is in the heavens and whatsoever is in the earth, and has completed and perfected His Graces upon you, (both) apparent (i.e. Islâmic Monotheism, and the lawful pleasures of this world, including health, good looks, etc.) and hidden [i.e. One's Faith in Allâh (of Islâmic Monotheism) knowledge, wisdom, guidance for doing righteous deeds, and also the pleasures and delights of the Hereafter in Paradise]? Yet of mankind is he who disputes about Allâh without knowledge or guidance or a Book giving light! Luqman 20

Allâh is He Who has created the heavens and the earth and sends down water (rain) from the sky, and thereby brought forth fruits as provision for you; and He has made the ships to be of service to you, that they may sail through the sea by His Command; and He has made rivers (also) to be of service to you. Ibrahim 32

And He has made the sun and the moon, both constantly pursuing their courses, to be of service to you; and He has made the night and the day, to be of service to you. Ibrahim 33
And He gave you of all that you asked for, and if you count the Blessings of Allâh, never will you be able to count them. Verily, man is indeed an extreme wrong-doer. Ibrahim 34

Dear brothers and sisters:

After all these great blessing what did we do for God? Or for Islam?

We all need to revise our lives. Every day when we are going to sleep we should sit and evaluate our day. Each of us should ask himself and honestly answer this question, what did I do for my religion?.. but before answering the question remember that Islam is not only a religion, it is a way and guidance for perfect life, So, to answer properly, you need to look through every aspect of your life.

The man in his home, for example:

Does he fulfill their rights?

Does he treat his family in the right way?

Did he teach his children the principles and aspects of Islam in the proper way?

The officer should ask himself:

How does he behave at work?

Does he treat his fellow workers, in the Islamic nice way?

Does he motivates them to do good things, urges them to cooperate and keep the discipline at work?

Does he reflect and give a good picture about Muslims and Islam?

Has he encouraged people to join Islam, by saying nice words, enjoying high morals, or distributing a tape or book about Islam, if possible, or it's the opposite?

The men in their neighborhood should ask:

How does he behave with his neighbors?

Does he visits them and knows their conditions and needs?

Does he offer them help or advise when they needed?

Does he guide them to do the good for themselves and for the others?

Is he a good model for young people or the opposite?

Does he contribute positive to his community or just behave as a dull, selfish person who cares only about himself?

Does he hurt his neighbors and help in spreading bad values in the community?

And the merchant or businessman should ask:

Does he sell a good goods for people or not?

Is he honest in dealing with them or does he cheats them?

Does he make sure that his money is clean and earns it through a good way? Or does he only like to own the money, whether it's clean or dirty?

And the woman, the mile stone of the family and the community, whom we were all asked, by God, to respect, treat well and serve, should ask herself:

How does she treat her husband? Does she fulfill his rights?

Does she help him to become a good Muslim and share and motivate him in worship?

Does she teach her child to grow with good morals and values?

Does she treat her neighbors well and contribute positive to her neighborhood?

Does she play her role in rising up a good Muslim generation and brings up good individuals to the community?

Or is she doing the opposite by teaching them bad morals and values, not caring about them and wasting her time and husband's money in nonsense?

My brethren in Islam: we can ask many questions to which the answers, for most of us, will be very shocking and disappointing. Many people have lost their guide and divert from the right way. Many of us has abandoned God's way and has followed the devil's way, but there is still chance to get back to the right track. We are all lucky to be given another chance to live another day in which we can correct our mistakes and get back to the right path. So, we should use this chance before it is too late, who knows when we are going to die.

Brothers of faith: Let's sit and judge ourselves to see what we have done for Islam? And how much we have contributed positively or negatively to our religion? If we find good and we find ourselves in the right track we should say Alhamdulillah and work hard to keep following the right path.

If we find that we have deviated we should say Istagfarallah and try to work hard to get to the right path and avoid our previous mistakes.

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