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الحمد لله رب العالمين والصلاة والسلام على أشرف الأنبياء والمرسلين سيدنا محمد وعلى آله وصحبه أجمعين. أشهد أن لا إله إلا الله وحده لا شريك له وأشهد أن سيدنا محمدا عبده ورسوله.

We glorify Allah, our Creator, Sustainer, Provider, The Most Merciful, The Most Compassionate. We testify that there is no one worthy of worship except Him.

We testify that Nabi Mohammed (saw) was the best of messengers and the last of the Prophets.

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

I would like to divide my khutbah today into two parts.

Number one Al-Hayat Walmawt. Life and Death.

1. How temporary, unpredictable and fragile this life is.
2. The present condition, stress and tension in the Muslim world and Islamic communities with the subject of Palestine and Gaza.

An absolute certainty of life is death whether they are male or female, rich or poor, black or white, sick or healthy, young or old, despite the uneasiness of talking about or merely thinking about this topic.

Due to the unavoidable and evitable nature of death it only makes sense to know about it, understand it and prepare for it.

Our beloved Nabi (SAW) is reported to have said:

إن القلوب تصدأ كما يصدأ الحديد، قيل فما جلاؤها يا رسول الله؟ قال: كثرة تلاوة كتاب الله تعالى وكثرة الذكر لله عز وجل. والحديث ضعفه غير واحد من أهل العلم منهم ابن الجوزي في العلل، والألباني في السلسلة.

وفي رواية أخرى، قال عليه الصلاة والسلام: إن القلوب تصدأ كما يصدأ الحديد، فقيل يا رسول الله وما جلاؤها؟ فقال تلاوة لقرآن وذكر الموت (سنده ضعيف)

“The hearts get rusted just like iron gets rusted.” The Sahabah asked him. “Ya Rasulallah, how do we purify the rusted heart?” Rasulallah answered. “Regular recitation of the Quran and remembering death often”.

The Quran says: 31:34

إِنَّ اللَّهَ عِنْدَهُ عِلْمُ السَّاعَةِ وَيُنَزِّلُ الْغَيْثَ وَيَعْلَمُ مَا فِي الْأَرْحَامِ ۖ وَمَا تَدْرِي نَفْسٌ مَّاذَا تَكْسِبُ غَدًا ۖ وَمَا تَدْرِي نَفْسٌ بِأَيِّ أَرْضٍ تَمُوتُ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلِيمٌ خَبِيرٌ ﴿٣٤﴾

‘No soul knows what it will earn for tomorrow, and no soul knows in what land it will die. Surely Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware’.

No one has the knowledge of when he or she is going to die., nevertheless, one thing is certain and that is kullu nafs in za-iqatul maut

‘Every sole must taste (or undergo) death’.

There are numerous incidents in the life of Nabi (SAW) about his experience with death. I would like to mention only a few and very briefly.

- When he was very young his mother took him from Halimah (his wet nurse) and took him to his father's grave
- He witnessed his mother's death when he was very young.
- He attended the burial of his grandfather Abu Mutalib
- He buried with his hand all his children except Fatima.
- During his son Ibrahim's death he was so sad and he remarked "Eyes are tearful, my heart feels sadness and sorrow, nevertheless, oh Ibrahim, we only say what pleases our Rabb, our nourisher, cherisher and sustainer. We are indeed grieved with your separation Ibrahim".
- Once Rasulullah (SAW) was sitting with the Sahaba outside Masjid Nabawi. There was a Janazah procession going on. Nabi (SAW) stood up and asked the Sahabah to do the same. After the Janazah procession left the Sahabah remarked in astonishment: "He was a Jew," Rasulullah remarked. "Wasn't he a human being." Meaning that he stood in respect for the funeral of a Jew as well.
- There was a lady who regularly cleaned Masjid Nabawi. One day Rasulullah noticed he couldn't see her in the Masjid. He asked the Sahabah where she was. The Sahabah told him that she had died and that they had taken care of her Janazah to the kabr and performed her Janazah salat for her.

Dear brothers and sisters, due to time constraints I would like to come to the second part of the khutbah and that is Palestine and Gaza.

You all know the famous verse of the Holy Quran where Allah took his servant Mohammed (SAW) during the time of Meraj from Masjid al Haram to masjid Al Aqsa.

Allah could have taken him from Mecca to the 7th heaven. Why did He take him to Al Aqsa first? This was to make a point that Masjid Al Aqsa is part and parcel of the Muslims Amanah. Masjid Al Aqsa is the third sacred Haram along with Masjid Nabawi and Masjid Al Haram in Mecca.

Let this be clear that it is the responsibility of the Muslim ummah to take care of Masjid Al Aqsa and protect it.

My dear brothers the Muslim ummah is going through tremendous stress and tension today in Palestine. 10 months have passed, Gaza is still under siege. No water, no medicine, no food, no necessities of life, women, elderly, children are being massacred, all hospitals, school and universities have been either totally or mostly destroyed, all borders have been closed, no one can go out or come in. These inhumane acts have never happened in the annals of history.

Dear brothers and sisters, how pitiful and painful to see. 55 Muslim countries and 22 Arab nations hopelessly watching and unable to stop the genocide.

Last week Ismail Hania, the democratically elected leader of Muslims in Gaza has been bombed and killed by Israelis.

Dear brothers and sisters the history of the extremists among the Jews is well documented, many of their cowardly plots and assassinations are also recorded. They enter into agreement, and they never follow, they deceive people into trusting them and then poison or stab in them back.

- Our beloved Nabi (SAW) was poisoned by a an extremist Yahoodi.
- During the battle of Uhud Ibnu Qamea tried very hard to try and kill Mohammed (SAW). His sword touched very close to Nabi (SAW)s head. He thought he killed him and started spreading the news that he killed Mohammed. There was confusion among the Muslims. The fitnah of confusion in the battlefield was created by a Yahoodi. And because of that 100s of Sahabah were killed in Uhud.
- Sayidina Abu Bakr Siddeeq (r.a) was poisoned by one of them through his food.
- Sayidina Umar Farook (r.a) was stabbed in the back by a Magian enemy of Islam.
- Sayidna Uthman (r.a) was killed due a Yahoods incitements and sedition, the Yahoodi Abdullah Ibn Nasabah provoked and insurrection. Leading to his assassination.
- All these people were killed by extremist Yahood. These murders (or regicides) did not stop their sabotage. Every truce Sayidna Ali and Sayidna Muawia (r.a) was sabotaged by them.
- Imam Hassan (r.a) was poisoned to create fitnah but when that did not happen Imam Hussain was deceived, betrayed and killed. Then the big fitnah and division of the Muslims came about through the fitnah and master plan of the extremist Yahoodi right up until today, the ummah is suffering from Zionist Fitnas, even the extremists' riots in Brittain are led by a man who uses the name "Tommy Robinson" and he is supported and sponsored by Israel.
- Sayidna Ali was killed by Khawarij. Initially plotted by the Yahood.

This is the historical fact. These nefarious plots and acts of sabotage did not stop. It is continuing through to today, creating confusion, division, and attempting to make the Muslims fight amongst themselves.

The disciples of Abdulla ibn Saba-e who masterminded and sabotaged the truce between Sayidna Muawiah and Sayidna Ali is still working there; and the disciples Ibn Kameah whose fitnah and rumours and false and fabricated news is still going around in order the weaken the strength of the Muslims. The poisoning and backstabbing continues.

And remember what Allah says in the Quran. 15:9

إِنَّا نَحْنُ نَزَّلْنَا الذِّكْرَ وَإِنَّا لَهُ لَحَافِظُونَ

"Indeed, We sent down the Zikr (Qur'an) and we are the protectors of the Zikr."

Allah is the best of Protector and he the most merciful of all the merciful.

Al Quran 13:11

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُغَيِّرُ مَا بِقَوْمٍ حَتَّىٰ يُغَيِّرُوا مَا بِأَنفُسِهِمْ ۗ

"Allah will not change the condition of the people until they change themselves."

May Allah give us Toufeek to follow Islam and follow Siratul Mustaqeem. The right and straight path.

wa aakhiru da'waahum anil hamdu lillaahi Rabbil 'aalameen

Wasalamu Alaikum Warahmautllahi Wabarakatuhu