الْحُمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ، فَرَضَ عَلَيْنَا صِيَامَ رَمَضَانَ، وَسَنَّ لَنَا فِيهِ الْقِيَامَ؛ لِلِمَغْفِرَةِ وَدُخُولِ الْجَنَّةِ بِسَلاَمٍ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لاَ إِلهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ، ذُو الْفَضْلِ وَالإِكْرَامِ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، خَيْرُ مَنْ صَامَ وَقَامَ لِرَبِّهِ بِاللَّيْلِ وَالنَّاسُ نِيَامٌ، فَاللَّهُمَّ صَلَ وَسَلَمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَنَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

All praise is due to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds. He prescribed fasting for us and enjoined us to stand for prayer during night so that we may attain His forgiveness and enter His Paradise in peace. I bear witness that there is no deity save Allah, having no associates. He is the Bestower of favours and the Most Generous.

I also bear witness that our Master Muhammad is the Servant of Allah and His Messenger. He was the best amongst who observed fasting and stood for prayer at night while people were asleep. May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, his pure blessed family and companions, and all those who follow them in righteousness till the Day of Judgment.

"O people! A great and blessed month has approached you, a month containing a night better than a thousand months. Allah has made fasting in its days and prayer in its nights. Anyone who seeks nearness to Allah in this month through any virtuous (voluntary) act will be like one who carried out an obligatory act at another time (outside of Ramadan) Whoever performs an obligatory act in this month will be like one who performed seventy such acts at another time. It is the month of patience, and the reward for patience is Paradise. It is the month of equality The month in which the wealth of the believer is increased."

> How much do you want? How desperate are you? How much have you prepared for your return? What type of person are you? Where do you belong?

The Three Parts of Ramadan

• The first 10 days of Ramadan are a Mercy - *Rahmah*

"O My Lord forgive and have Mercy and You are the Best of Merciful"

Be Merciful To Fellow Beings, Give charity, Control your temper & Help

• The second 10 days of Ramadan brings Forgiveness - Maghfirah

"I seek forgiveness from Allah, my Lord, from every sin I committed"

Do Tawbah, Forgive others, Be kind, Forgive enemies

The last 10 days of Ramadan are emancipation from the fire.
 "O Allah! Save me from the Hell – Fire."

Save yourselves, help save others, pardon people & forget their errors

The Three Groups In Ramadan

- *The Elites* who will receive the all three blessings from Allah
- *The Moderates* who will receive some blessings of Ramadan
- The Losers who will not receive anything

Allah Sector categorises the inhabitants of the world into three groups:
 (1) The Sinners (2) The Moderates (3) And The Foremost in Doing Good

فَمِنْهُمْ ظَالِمٌ لِّنَفْسِهِ وَمِنْهُم مُّقْتَصِدٌ وَمِنْهُمْ سَابِقٌ بِالْخَيْرَاتِ بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ ذَٰلِكَ هُوَ الْفَضْلُ الْكَبِيرُ

So among them is one who wrongs himself; and among them is one who stays on the middle course; and among them is one who, by the command of Allah, surpassed others in good deeds; this is the great favour! (35:32)

 Spiritually, in this world and well as the next, there will always only be three kinds of people; The very good ones, the very bad ones and those in between.

وَكُنتُمْ أَزْوَاجًا ثَلَاثَةً ﴿٧﴾ فَأَصْحَابُ الْمَيْمَنَةِ مَا أَصْحَابُ الْمَيْمَنَةِ ﴿٨﴾ وَأَصْحَابُ الْمَشْأَمَةِ مَا أَصْحَابُ الْمَشْأَمَةِ ﴿٩﴾ وَالسَّابِقُونَ السَّابِقُونَ ﴿١٠﴾ أُولَـٰئِكَ الْمُقَرَّبُونَ ﴿١١﴾

And you will become divided into three categories. So those on the right – how (fortunate) are those on the right! And those on the left – how (wretched) are those on the left! And those who surpassed have indeed excelled, it is they who are the close ones. (56:7-11)

(1) The Moderate Ones (2) The Evil Ones (3) The Forerunners - The Elite

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