الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الملكِ الحكيمِ الوهاب، العظيمِ التواب، أَنزَلَ الكِتَابَ هُدًى وذِكْرَى لأولِي الأَلْبَاب، نحمدُهُ سبحانَهُ كمَا ينبغِي لجلال وجههِ وعظيمِ سلطانهِ، وأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لاَ إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الحَمْدُ، وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْء قَدِيرٌ، وأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سيِّدَنَا وَنبيَّنَا مُحَمَّداً عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، الشافِعُ الْمُشفَّعُ يومَ العرضِ والحساب، صَلَّى اللَّهُ وَسَلَّمُ وَبَارَكَ عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَعَلَى جَمِيعِ الأصحاب، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَاب

All praise and thank be to Allah, the Exalted, the Bestower. He sent the scripture as guidance and a reminder for those of understanding. We extol Him as is befitting to His great sovereignty and glorious status, and bear witness that there is no deity worthy of worship, except for Allah alone without any partners or peers. To Him belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth and whatever is within them.

I also testify that Muhammad is His Servant and Messenger, the Intercessor, the one whose intercession is accepted on the Last Day. May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, his family, his companions, and all those who will follow them in righteousness till the Day of Judgment.

- To pass or fail is dependant upon you. The answers are all given to us.
- Interrogation Question 1 Your Salah: An agonisingly precise interrogation as per every aspect of your Salah – the bows, prostrations, wudhu', concentration, delays, recitation and mistakes.
- Consequently your Zakah, Sawm and Hajj will also be finely checked.
- Interrogation Question 2 The Delights: You will be asked about every bit of comfort and bliss that was at our disposal.

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Then you shall be asked about the delights."(102:8)

- The Prophet ﷺ Abu Bakr and Umar & once in the middle of the night due to intense hunger went out in search for food and were fed by a companion, some water, dates and meat. The Prophet ﷺ after eating said "I swear by the One who possesses my soul, you shall be asked about this delight on the Day of Judgement." (Muslim)
- Think about this, what then about the 'delights' of the 21st century? Running water supplies from our homes? Availability of food around the clock? Warm homes at the press of a button? Creature Comforts?

• Question 3: Your Stance When Evil Took Place Before You

"Allah is going to ask people of the Day of Judgement, 'What prevented you from saying something against evil when you saw it happening? (Ibn Majah)

- Was an attempt made to offer advice? Did you use your influence or power to stop it? Did you leave the scene of the evil act? Did you give up after the first or second attempt? Was it family, friend, colleague?
- Interrogation Question 4-8: Your Life, Wealth and Knowledge
 لا تَزُولُ قَدَمَا ابْنِ آدَمَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ مِنْ عِنْدِ رَبِّهِ حَتَّى يُسْأَلَ عَنْ خَمْسِ عَنْ عُمْرِهِ فِيمَا أَفْنَاهُ وَعَنْ شَبَابِهِ فِيمَا أَبْلاَهُ
- The Prophet said , "The son of Adam will not be dismissed from the presence of Allah on the day of Resurrection until he has been questioned about five things: (1) his LIFE and how he spent it, (2) his YOUTH and how he used it, (3) his wealth and how he EARNED it and (4) how he DISPOSED of it, and (5) how he ACTED upon what he acquired of knowledge." (At-Tirmidhi)

"YOUR LIFE" – INTERROGATED

 What was the theme of your 60 or 70 years on earth? What was the purpose that you truly lived and died for? What occupied your time the most by day and your thoughts and concerns by night?

"YOUR YOUTH" – INTERROGATED

 When desires had rocketed and strength had peaked, how did you behave? Were you using your youth like the masses of young men and women around you, or were you different?

"YOUR WEALTH & CHARITY" – INTERROGATED

 There are multiple avenues of making cash. Did you subscribe to the 'by any means necessary' approach? And, when you acquired that money, what causes did you spend it in?

"YOUR KNOWLEDGE" – INTERROGATED

- You had heard hundreds of sermons and reminders throughout your life. The Jumu'ahs, Ramadans, Lectures will not pass unquestioned.
- Ponder over the clarity of these questions. How will you prepare for them? How will you answer them?