الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَكْمَلَ لَنَا الدِّينَ، وَأَتَمَّ عَلَيْنَا النِّعْمَةَ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لاَ إِلهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، اللَّهُ وَحَدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدً وَالشِّفَاءِ لِمَا فِي الصَّدُورِ، فَاللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلَمْ وَسَلَمْ وَبَارِكُ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَنَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ الطَّيِبِينَ الطَّاهِرِينَ، وَعَلَى وَبَارِكُ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَنَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ الطَّيِبِينَ الطَّاهِرِينَ، وَعَلَى وَبَارِكُ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَنَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ الطَّيْبِينَ الطَّاهِرِينَ، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

All praise is due to Allah. He completed our religion and bestowed His abundant bounties on us. I bear witness that there is no deity save Allah, having no associates. I also bear witness that our Master Muhammad is the servant of Allah and His Messenger. Allah sent him to the world with guidance, enlightenment and healing of what is in the breasts of the believers. May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, his pure family, companions, and all those who follow them in righteousness till the Day of Judgment.

## There has come to you from Allah a light and a clear Book. (5:15)

The life of the Prophet Muhammad **set is one of the most well** 

documented in human history. So how well do you know your Prophet? In a short period of 23 years, he took his people from being the weakest, most despised and oppressed, to being the honoured, leaders and role models. He did all that without lies, cheating, corruption, violence or bloodshed. Don't you want to know how to bring about transformational change in your life, family & society? Then read the life of our Prophet

There certainly has come to you a messenger from among yourselves. He is concerned by your suffering, anxious for your well-being, and gracious and merciful to the believers. (9:128)

Humanity is sick, the earth is sick, and we're spiralling towards chaos, darkness and destruction; we all need the guidance of the Prophet ...

And We have sent down to you the Book as clarification for all things and as guidance and mercy and good tidings for the Muslims. (16:89)

Call it a strange coincidence but 5<sup>th</sup> Century Makkah was a microcosm and mirror of our current global capitalist, hedonistic, pluralist, multicultural, & multiracial society.

Makkah was a safe haven due to the Ka'bah, thus all killing, hunting and fighting was banned. Businessmen were its leaders and they ran the town. Acquisition of wealth was the primary concern. Markets were not regulated by any central authority. Makkan traders became its nobility and created a sort of oligarchy. Rich got richer & remained above the law. Makkan society had no morals, humanity, values or equality for the poor.

The Prophet sed didn't focus on bringing about any materialistic changes in the lives of people, but rather ideological, ethical, moral changes to lives and changed the structure, laws, freedom and behaviour of Arab society.

Verily in the Messenger of Allah you have an excellent pattern for anyone whose hope is in Allah and the Last Day (33:21)

And indeed, you are of a great moral character. (68:4)

- The Prophet changed how people thought and viewed the world, he changed their attitudes and instilled humanity and love. All change must begin with us internally, with how we view the world.
- O Herald of the Hidden! We have indeed sent you as an observing present witness and a Herald of glad tidings and warning. And as a caller towards Allah, by His command, and as a sun that enlightens. (33:45-46)