

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْمَلِكِ الْقُدُّوسِ السَّلَامِ، مُدَبِّرِ الشُّهُورِ وَالْأَعْوَامِ، وَمُصَرِّفِ اللَّيَالِي وَالْأَيَّامِ،
نَحْمَدُهُ سُبْحَانَهُ كَمَا يَنْبَغِي لِجَلَالِ وَجْهِهِ وَعَظِيمِ سُلْطَانِهِ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ
وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، ذُو وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، الْمَبْعُوثُ
رَحْمَةً لِلْأَنَامِ، صَاحِبُ الْمَقَامِ الْمَحْمُودِ، وَالْحَوْضِ الْمَوْرُودِ، وَكَهُ الشَّفَاعَةِ الْعُظْمَى،
وَالدَّرَجَةِ الْعُلْيَا، صَلَّى اللَّهُ وَسَلَّم وَبَارَكَ عَلَيْهِ، وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ الْأَيْمَّةِ الْأَعْلَامِ، وَعَلَى
الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ، مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

All praise is for Allah, the Sovereign, the Source of Peace, who arranges months and years, days and nights. We thank Him as is befitting to His great sovereignty and glorious status and we bear witness that there is no deity but Him, having no associates.

We also testify that Muhammad is His Servant and Messenger. He was sent as a Mercy to all of mankind. He is of the praised station and intercessor of his Ummah, 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.

Muharram = New Year-Beginning, What is Aashura? A day of Joy/Grief?

- Aashurah is the 10th day in Muharram

أَفْضَلُ الصِّيَامِ بَعْدَ رَمَضَانَ شَهْرُ اللَّهِ الْمُحَرَّمِ، - Best fasts after Ramadan

وَصِيَامُ يَوْمِ عَاشُورَاءَ، أَحْتَسِبُ عَلَى اللَّهِ أَنْ يُكَفِّرَ السَّنَةَ الَّتِي قَبْلَهُ Expiates sins of preceding year

- Aashurah – day that Allah saved Musa عليه السلام and the Jews from Firawn
- Aashurah – day that Imam Hussain عليه السلام was martyred in Karbala
- **Grief/Mourn:** The Shi'ites have public processions of chest beating, wailing, injuring; refrain from eating meat, getting married or joy.

“Wailing, chest beating and ripping shirts are from the period of ignorance – Jahiliyah (Sahih Muslim)

- **Joy:** The Khawarij rejoice, they held animosity against Imam Husayn عليه السلام and the *Ahle Bayt*. Therefore, they celebrated this day by wearing new clothes, cooking special food and spending extra
- **We:** The *Ahl as-Sunnah* neither make it a day of celebration nor a day of mourning. We reflect on our history, take heed of its lessons and show our respect and love to the Ahle Bayt and Companions of the Prophet صلوات الله وسلامه عليه وآله.

إِنَّمَا يُرِيدُ اللَّهُ لِيُذْهِبَ عَنْكُمُ الرِّجْسَ أَهْلَ الْبَيْتِ وَيُطَهِّرَكُمْ تَطْهِيرًا

“Allah intends only to remove from you the impurity, O people of the Prophet's household, and to purify you with extensive purification.” (33:33)

- Who are the Ahle Bayt ? The literal meaning of Ahle Bayt is ‘those (people) of the house’. Scholars, have explained that there are three types of Ahle Bayt :
 - **1) Sakani:** Sayyidah Khadijah, Sawada, A'isha, Hafsa, Zaynab, Umm Salama, Juwayriya, Umm Habiba, Safiyya, Maymuna, Maria
 - **2) Nasabi:** Sayyidna Abbas, Hamza, Fatimah, Ali, Hassan, Hussain
 - **3) I'zaazi:** أسامة منا آل البيت ‘Salmaan is from our Ahl al-Bait, سلمان منا آل البيت
 - **All the pious are the family of Muhammad** [Majma' al-Zawa'id] كل تقى آل محمد
- أَنَا تَارِكٌ فِيكُمْ ثَقَلَيْنِ أَوْلَهُمَا كِتَابُ اللَّهِ فِيهِ الْهُدَى وَالنُّورُ فَخُذُوا بِكِتَابِ اللَّهِ وَاسْتَمْسِكُوا بِهِ وَأَهْلُ بَيْتِي أَذْكَرُكُمْ اللَّهُ فِي أَهْلِ بَيْتِي أَذْكَرُكُمْ اللَّهُ فِي أَهْلِ بَيْتِي (Sahih Muslim)
- **Birth:** Imam Hussain Bin Ali عليه السلام: Born Friday 5th Sha’ban 3AH, the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم named him Hussain – goodness/beauty.
 - **Youth:** The company of the pious and blessed in his youth meant that Imam Hussain عليه السلام grew up to become a character of great faith, patience, God-consciousness, politeness and bravery. He became a true reflection of the Prophet’s faith and actions.

“Whoever loves me and these two, along with their mother and father, they will be with me on the day of Judgement. (Tirmidhi)

"Husain is part of me and I am part of him. May Allah love those who love Husain. Husain is a tribe among tribes." (Ibn Majah)

Lesson: Imam Hussain lost his grandfather, the Messenger ﷺ when he was six years old; the most beloved person to him. **Can you imagine the pain?**

He lost his mother, Sayyidah Fatimah six months later whilst she was the one who would embrace him and wipe his tears. **Can you imagine the hardship?**

He saw the martyrdom of his father, Sayyiduna 'Ali whilst he was the leader of the believers. **Can you imagine the difficulty?**

He saw his brother, al-Hasan laying down in his final moments whilst he was the beloved of his heart and his best friend. **Can you imagine the hardship?**

He witnessed the martyrdom of his baby child on the battlefield whilst he held him in his arms. **Can you imagine the test?**

He left Madinah whilst it was the city that he grew up in, to fulfil the mission of his Grandfather. **Can you imagine the sacrifice?**

He experienced hunger and thirst for days upon end whilst he was the grandchild of the Prince of al-Kawthar. **Can you imagine the patience?**

He saw the oppression of his household whilst they were purified and raised, yet he never lost hope. **Can you imagine the courage?**

He lived a life of hardship to give ease to us. He led the way just so we could follow.

Can you imagine his greatness?

Jamaat Times:

- Fajr 6:30, Zhur 2:00, Asr 5:15, Isha 8:45
- Last Jumu'ah Collection £
- Angela Rayner MP Surgery After Jumu'ah