

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ حَمْدًا كَثِيرًا طَيِّبًا مُبَارَكًا فِيهِ كَمَا يُحِبُّ وَيَرْضَى،
وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ، وَهُوَ
عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، وَصَفِيَّهُ
مِنْ خَلْقِهِ وَخَلِيلُهُ، فَاللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ
وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

All praise is due to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds. We thank Him as is befitting to His glorious Sovereignty and Status. I 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. And He is over all things competent. I also witness that Muhammad is His Servant and Messenger. He is the Best of His Creation, the Closest to Him. 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.

A Just Ruler

- Such a position is not confined to the rulers of countries. It extends to every type of authority which one exercises justice in. Imam Ibn Hajar said

“This includes every individual who assumes a position of authority over Muslims and deals justly.” (Fathul Baari)

- This gives hope to teachers, parents, employees and their likes that the shade of Allah is within reach for those who fulfil its condition. Such people never accepted bribes, nor would they unfairly take sides, nor would they deprive their daughters or sisters from their Islamic rights of inheritance, nor would they delay the giving of payments to their employees or overwork them under the guise of ‘efficiency’.
- These are special people to Allah, thus the Prophet ﷺ would say, **“The people of justice will be given pulpits made from light. They are those who do justice in their rulings, amidst their families and in all that which they have authority over.” (Muslim)**

A Young Person Who Grew Up In The Worship Of Allah

- The Prophet ﷺ singles out the ‘young person’ as opposed to a child or elder, as the age of adolescence is a time when passion, desires and urges are at their peak. The pull towards sin reaches an all-time high but despite the power of such a force a youth manages to keep himself within the limits of Allah.

قَالَ مَعَاذَ اللَّهِ^ط

He said, I seek the refuge of Allah. (12:23)

- The same way this youth had guarded himself from the heat of prohibitions during his prime, Allah will guard such an individual from the heat of the Day of Judgement via His Shade. Though such an individual may slip from time to time.
- The Prophet ﷺ said:

كُلُّ ابْنِ آدَمَ خَطَّاءٌ وَخَيْرُ الْخَطَّائِينَ التَّوَّابُونَ

“Every human being is a sinner, but the best of the sinners are those who repent.”(Tirmidhi)

- What makes this **'young person'** so different is that he exerted the vast majority of his time and effort in the pursuit of Allah's pleasure, and when he would sin he would *immediately* return back Allah in regret and tears promising never to return to it again.
- Youth does not come twice in life, so those who utilised & protected their youth & remained steadfast will be given shade.

يَوْمَ يَفِرُّ الْمَرْءُ مِنْ أَخِيهِ وَأُمِّهِ وَأَبِيهِ وَصَاحِبَتِهِ وَبَنِيهِ لِكُلِّ امْرِئٍ مِّنْهُمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ شَأْنٌ يُغْنِيهِ

On the day when a man flee from his brother. And his mother and his father. And his wife and his children. Every man that day will have concern enough to make him heedless (of others). (80:34-37)

الْأَخْلَاءُ يَوْمَئِذٍ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ عَدُوٌّ إِلَّا الْمُتَّقِينَ

Friends on that day will be foes one to another, save those who kept their duty (to Allah). (43:67)

- So encourage your children to pray in congregation, attend Islamic circles, learn the Deen, wear correct clothing, speak well and exert their energy and efforts for the pleasure and shade of Allah.