

**No community can live successfully without a strong memory of their past - Muharram, Musa, Aashurah, Makkah, Hijrah, Karbala.**

Muharram was intended by Allah ﷻ before we were created

**Verily, the number of months with Allah is twelve months, so was it ordained by Allah on the Day when He created the heavens and the earth; of them four are Sacred. (9:36)**

Muharram is required to practice Islam – Hawl, Zakah, Sawm and Hajj.

Muharram is the month of Allah ﷻ - **The best fasts after Ramadan is the month of Allah – Muharram (Muslim)**

Muharram commemorates the most significant movement in human history – Hijrah. Emigration of the Prophet/Islam/Ummah from Makkah to Madinah. First state to apply full justice on all members of society.

This month contains the day of Aashoora (10<sup>th</sup> Muharram) where Allah ﷻ saved Musa عليه السلام and the Children of Isra'eel from Fir'awn.

**Fasting the Day of 'Aashoora is an expiation of a year of sins (Muslim)**

Muharram significant for it commemorates the life & sacrifice of Imam Hussain in Karbala.

Muslims are victimised, invaded and displaced. Our values questioned, beliefs interrogated, Qur'an contested and our Prophet ﷺ abused.

**Hijrah of our Hearts to Allah ﷻ** - He is capable over everyone and everything. The One who guides, protects, heals, honours, blesses. There is no strength or might except with Allah.

**“whoever holds firmly to Allah, he is indeed guided to the Right Path.”**

**Hijrah from the Warm Bed** - Overlook the pleasures and comforts of the world for something greater and everlasting. Seek His Pleasure.

**“And if Allah touches you with harm, none can remove it but He, and if He touches you with good, then He is Able to do all things.”(6:17)**

**Hijrah from that Old Dress** - Imaan is not something that occurs randomly, Imaan increases and decreases, strengthens and weakens, responds to good & evil. Imaan, if not renewed by our words and actions wears away like clothes

**“Imaan wears out in each and every one of you like a garment wears out, so ask Allah ﷻ the most high to renew the Imaan in our hearts.”**  
(Tabrani)

**Hijrah to the Qur'an** – no better constitution or guidance. It provides nourishment to our hearts and minds, giving success in both worlds.

**This is the Book about which there is no doubt, a guidance for those conscious of Allah (2:2)**

**Hijrah from Confusion to Confidence** - have confidence in Allah's promise and persevere towards Him, Deen & Prophet.

**“ it is incumbent upon Us to help them.” (30:47)**

**Hijrah to increased Worship**

**And worship your Lord until there comes to you the certainty.(15:99)**

**Hijrah from Bad to Good Friends**

**Handpick for yourselves good, righteous friends who fear Allah and be scrupulous in your selection.**

**“A Muslim is the one from whose tongue and hands the Muslims are safe; and a Muhajir is the one who refrains from what Allah has forbidden.” (Bukhari)**