

Jumu'ah Khutbah - 05.04.24

WELCOME

Salaam



English Speech 1:20 - 1:55 PM
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The month of Qur'an & Siyaam - both can intercede for us on Qiyamah - will they?

The month of Taqwa & Tazkiya - both can transform - did they?

Beg Allah ﷻ to accept & seal your deeds with His Acceptance.

Are we from the 1st category who glorified this guest, expanded their hearts & responded?

“Whoever honours the symbols of Allah - indeed, it is from the piety of hearts.” (22:32)

“We hear & obey. We seek Your forgiveness, our Lord, & to You is the final destination.” (2:285)

Are we from the 2nd category who heard but ignored, disobeyed & remained blind?

“We hear and disobey; we hear but without hearing” (4:46)

“But they preferred blindness over guidance” (41:7)

Be from the **Saabiqoon**, be **Ashaabul Yameen**, be **Rabbaaniyyen**, be **Ramadiniyyeen** people!

Even if you're not happy with your last 25 days, not enough Salah, Du'a, Qur'an, Sadaqah; do not give up, the best nights of the year are still here for us, give your best, make every moment count.

When the last 10 nights entered, the Prophet ﷺ would do **4 things**:

“Tightened his belt (folded his bed), kept awake all night, woke his family & strived” (Muslim)

The one guaranteed Jannah, protected by Allah ﷻ, yet exerting so much effort. **What's your plan?**

QUR'AN, QADR, BARAKAH, ANGELS, RUH, PEACE

“Indeed, We sent the Qur'an during the Night of Decree. What can make you know what is the Night of Decree? The Night of Decree is better than a thousand months. The angels & the Spirit descend by permission of their Lord for every matter. Peace until the emergence of dawn.” (97:1-5)

Everyone wishes to live longer - how old are you? 25/40/70? We all wish we could live longer right, but our lives are short. Even if we lived 1000 years would you be any different thought?

Allah blesses us & Muslims actually have the longest lives of all nations!

Seen 20 Ramadans = **1660 yrs old!** 40 Ramadans = **3320 yrs old!** 60 Ramadans = **4980 yrs old!**

Or are you **Mahroom** - unfortunate, deprived, that in 20-60 yrs you've not found Layla Tul Qadr or increased your lifespan and good deeds?

People in past lived 100+ years longer than us, but we surpass them all by **5000 YEARS.**

Reflect on your life - Puberty 12-15 Yrs, Sleep 25 Yrs. Social Media 7 Yrs, TV 6 Yrs, Eating 5 Yrs, Cleaning 2 Yrs, Driving 4 Yrs, Shopping 3 Yrs. 69 years spent on Dunya leaving **5 YEARS OF EBAADAH**

QADR IS BETTER THAN A 1000 MONTHS, BETTER THAN 83 YEARS OF ACCEPTED WORSHIP!

What an offer – **30,000 days** – **for price of just 5 nights** - but we still have so many excuses!

Anyone who loses this night of Qadr is truly deprived. Make every second, every moment count. It could be the difference between heaven & hell, between the lowest & highest of heavens.

Imagine your Boss/CEO says work for me 5 nights over time. 1 second of work = 1 hours pay, 1 minute of work = 58 days of pay, 1 hour of work = 9.8 years of pay, 8 hours of work (Maghrib to Fajr) = 83 years of pay = **3 MILLION POUNDS – Would you refuse or make an excuse?**

You would work tirelessly, focus & sacrifice everything for this pay, why not **LAYLATUL QADR?**

“Allah chooses Prophets, Angels & Peoples” (22:75)

Allah ﷻ chose the Prophet ﷺ, Qu’ran, Islam, Gibraeel عليه السلام, He Chose us & the night of Qadr!

Gibraeel عليه السلام is the Ruuhul Qudus & Ameen - Trustworthy & Pure Spirit. He brought the messages to mankind that brought their hearts alive. Every Prophet received his message via Gibraeel عليه السلام.

Gibraeel عليه السلام witnessed everything since beginning of time: the creation of Adam عليه السلام, arrogance of Iblees, glad tidings of Ismaeel & Ishaac عليه السلام, drowning of Firawn, glad tiding of Maryam عليها السلام, ascent of Eesa عليه السلام to the heavens, embracing of the Prophet ﷺ in the cave of Hira.

The majestic angel Gibraeel عليه السلام would come every day in Ramadan to visit the Prophet ﷺ & read Qur’an with him. The Prophet ﷺ would do Miswaak, bathe & dress up for Gibraeel عليه السلام.

But the Wahy stopped, & he stopped coming to earth.

However, Allah ﷻ has granted us just **ONE** opportunity to stand in the presence of Gibraeel عليه السلام.

When he descends – so does **SAKEENAH, RAHMAH & BARAKAH**. The connection to the Divine is reestablished. Imagine Gibraeel عليه السلام saying Aameen to your Du’a, **FIND THAT NIGHT! SEEK QADR!**