

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ، شَمِلَ بِرَحْمَتِهِ الْخَلْقَ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَخَتَمَ رَسُولَاتِهِ بِخَاتَمِ
النَّبِيِّينَ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ
عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، صَاحِبُ
الْمَقَامِ الْمَحْمُودِ، وَالْحَوْضِ الْمَوْرُودِ، وَالشَّفَاعَةِ الْعُظْمَى، صَلَّى اللَّهُ وَسَلَّم وَبَارَكَ
عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds. His mercy is over all His creation. He completed the last of His Messages through His Final Messenger Muhammad. I bear witness that there is no deity worthy of worship, except for Allah, having no Associates. To Him belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth, and He is over all things Mighty. I also bear witness that Muhammad is His Servant and Messenger. He is raised to the honoured station, promised with the Frequented Basin and granted the ultimate intercession. May the peace and the blessings of Allah be upon him, his companions and all those who will follow them in righteousness till the Day of Judgment, Amin

The month of Muharram marks the beginning of the Islamic New Year, but also serves as a reminder of a great tragedy that befell the Noble family of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ & Muslim Ummah.

Husain ibn Ali رضي الله عنه, the son of Sayyidna Ali ibn Abi Talib رضي الله عنه, son of Fatimah bint Muhammad, Grandson of the Prophet ﷺ sacrificed his life for Islam.

Whilst some mourn, shed tears or carry out other physical rituals, we remember his legacy and honour him & his family. The Ahlul Bayt are an intrinsic part of our everyday lives, in our Salah, in our Darood, in our way of life, for the young and old, males and females, they are for us all.

“I do not ask of you any reward for it but love for my near relatives. (42:23)”

“Protect (the rights of) Muhammad ﷺ with regards to his household.”

“O Allah (Ali, Fatimah, Hasan, Husain) they are my family.” (Muslim)

“O Allah, behold, I love him, You too love him and love one who loves him.” (Muslim) “Husain is from me and I am from Husain.” “Hasan and Husain are the leaders of the youngsters of paradise.” “Those who love him, love me, those who are his enemies are my enemies. One who fights Husain, fights the Prophet. (Tirmidhi)”

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The sacrifice of Imam Husain عليه السلام against the tyrant ruler Yazid is a lesson for Muslims & humanity. Through his sacrifice he taught us how to stand up against tyranny, oppression & injustice.

Imam Husain عليه السلام saw the spiritual, moral, ethical, intellectual, and constitutional decline in the Ummah.

Imam Husain عليه السلام saw the rise of corruption, power, and monarchy, so he stood up as would his father, mother & grandfather.

Imam Husain عليه السلام saw something that others could not,

Change in The State's Temperament, Objective & Rule.

Imam Husain عليه السلام saw that this **Deviation** had begun and would become catastrophic for the Ummah in the years to come. Leading to the end of the Caliphate, Shura & Divine Order, & the beginning of Kingship, Monarchy, Nepotism, Power & Self-Governance.

Imam Husain عليه السلام saw the **Decline & Neglect of Enjoining Right & Forbidding Wrong.**

Imam Husain عليه السلام saw the **Fundamental Principles of Islamic Constitution Changing.**

- 1. Free Election** - A government is to be established on the free consent of the masses and this is the foundation of the Islamic constitution.
- 2. Principle of Consultation** - A consultative system of government, where advice should be sought from individuals of learned, pious disposition.
- 3. Freedom of Expression of Opinion** - The furtherance of virtue and suppression of evils have been enjoined by Islam as an obligation.
- 4. Accountability before the Creator and His Creation** - The Caliph and his government are accountable before Allah and Allah's creation.
- 5. The Public Treasury, a Trust** - Nothing should be received except through lawful means, & on except lawful purposes.
- 6. Rule of the Law** – Law of Allah & his Rasool, nobody should be over-and-above the law, nor should they transgress the limits of Shari'ah.
- 7. Complete Equality in Rights and Status** - No distinction among the Muslims on the basis of race, language and place of birth. No one enjoyed superiority over another on the basis of clan, family and race.