

Eid Al Adha Khutbah - Adhering to Religion

First Khutbah

إِنَّ الْحَمْدَ لِلَّهِ , نَحْمَدُهُ , وَنَسْتَعِينُهُ وَنَسْتَغْفِرُهُ , وَنَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ شُرُورِ أَنْفُسِنَا
وَمِنْ سَيِّئَاتِ أَعْمَالِنَا , مَنْ يَهْدِهِ اللَّهُ فَلَا مُضِلَّ لَهُ , وَمَنْ يَضِلَّ فَلَا هَادِيَ
لَهُ , وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

Verily, all praise is for Allah. We praise Him, we seek His assistance and we ask for His forgiveness. And we seek refuge in Him from the evils of our selves. Whoever Allah guides, none can misguide. Whoever He misguides, none can guide. And I bear witness that there is no deity other than Allah and I bear witness that Mohammad is His servant and messenger.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ – آل

عمران:102

Al Imran (3) 102 : **O you who believe! Fear Allah as He should be feared, and die not except in a state of Islam.**

إِنَّ أَصْدَقَ الْحَدِيثِ كِتَابُ اللَّهِ وَأَحْسَنَ الْهَدْيِ هَدْيُ مُحَمَّدٍ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ
وَسَلَّمَ وَشَرُّ الْأُمُورِ مُحَدَّثَاتُهَا وَكُلُّ مُحَدَّثَةٍ بِدْعَةٌ وَكُلُّ بِدْعَةٍ ضَلَالَةٌ وَكُلُّ
ضَلَالَةٍ فِي النَّارِ

The truest speech is the Book of Allah and the best guidance is the guidance of Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم . The most evil matters are the

newly introduced, for every newly introduced matter is a Bid'ah (unprecedented matter without basis in Quran or Sunnah). Every Bid'ah is misguidance, and every misguidance is in the Hellfire.

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ.

Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar

To proceed:

Be conscious of Allah Almighty on this great day. For it is the best of days and it has the most deeds of Hajj.

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، وَلِلَّهِ الْحَمْدُ.

Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Laa Ilaha illaLah, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, wa liLahil Hamd

Allahu Akbar. You pilgrim brothers stayed yesterday in Arafat. Allahu Akbar

And how many supplications did they make to Allah Almighty! Allahu Akbar. How many needs did Allah fulfill! Allahu Akbar. And how many people were accepted by Allah Almighty yesterday. Allahu Akbar. And how many sins were forgiven yesterday! Allahu Akbar. And how much mercy did Allah bestow! And how many were spared from the Fire! Oh Allah

accept from us and the pilgrims and from all the Muslims. And make us and them those whom You have forgiven their sins and rewarded their efforts and accepted their deeds and obligated mercy for them and spared them from the Fire.

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، وَلِلَّهِ الْحَمْدُ.

Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Laa Ilaha illaLah, Allahu Akbar,
Allahu Akbar, wa liLahil Hamd

Oh people: Your brothers performing pilgrimage are now proceeding to the jamarat after having spent the night in Muzdalifah in large assemblies exalting, magnifying and praising Allah. So Glory be to the One Who guided them to Islam! And glory be to the One Who moved their tongues to make remembrance of Him and magnify Him. And glory be to the One who made these rituals in such few days! And glory be to the One Who within these days made the hearts move and the eyes tear!

ذَلِكَ وَمَنْ يُعْظِمُ شَعَائِرَ اللَّهِ فَإِنَّهَا مِنْ تَقْوَى الْقُلُوبِ-الْحَجِّ 32

Al Hajj (22) 32: That [is so]. And whoever honors the symbols [i.e., rites] of Allāh - indeed, it is from the piety of hearts.

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Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Laa Ilaha illaLah, Allahu Akbar,
Allahu Akbar, wa liLahil Hamd

The greatest blessing that Allah Almighty bestowed upon the believers is their guidance to Islam. For it is the true religion. Allah Almighty said:

إِنَّ الدِّينَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ الْإِسْلَامُ-آلِ عِمْرَانَ 19

Al Imran (3) 19: **Indeed, the religion in the sight of Allāh is Islām.**

And Allah will not accept from anyone a religion other than it.

وَمَنْ يَبْتَغِ غَيْرَ الْإِسْلَامِ دِينًا فَلَنْ يُقْبَلَ مِنْهُ وَهُوَ فِي الْآخِرَةِ مِنَ الْخَاسِرِينَ-آلِ
عِمْرَانَ 85

Al Imran (3) 85: **And whoever desires other than Islām as religion - never will it be accepted from him, and he, in the Hereafter, will be among the losers.**

And it is the religion that Allah Almighty perfected for His servants.

الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتْمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيْتُ لَكُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ
دِينًا-الْمَائِدَةِ 3

Al Maedah (5) 3: **This day I have perfected for you your religion and completed My favor upon you and have approved for you Islām as religion.**

وَتَمَّتْ كَلِمَتُ رَبِّكَ صِدْقًا وَعَدْلًا لَا مُبَدِّلَ لِكَلِمَاتِهِ وَهُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ-
الْأَنْعَامِ 115

Al Anam (6) 115: **And the word of your Lord has been fulfilled in truth and in justice. None can alter His words, and He is the Hearing, the Knowing.**

And Islam is from the words of Allah Almighty that he perfected, truth in what He informed and fair in His decree. And Islam through the protection of Allah Almighty is preserved from addition, subtraction, alteration, and distortion. Because through Islam, Allah sealed the Books. And sealed the prophethood with Mohammad ﷺ. So Islam shall remain until the end of time, so that humanity is guided through it. Allah Almighty said:

إِنَّا مَحْنُ نَزَّلْنَا الذِّكْرَ وَإِنَّا لَهُ لَحَافِظُونَ-الْحَجْرِ 9

Al Hijr (15) 9: **Indeed, it is We who sent down the message [i.e., the Qur'ān], and indeed, We will be its guardian.**

And the verses of the perfection of Islam were revealed to the Prophet ﷺ during his farewell Hajj. Omar, may Allah be pleased with him, said:

إِنِّي لَأَعْلَمُ الْيَوْمَ الَّذِي نَزَلَتْ فِيهِ، وَالْمَكَانَ الَّذِي نَزَلَتْ فِيهِ، نَزَلَتْ عَلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ -صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ- بِعَرَفَاتٍ فِي يَوْمِ جُمُعَةٍ-رَوَاهُ الشَّيْخَانِ

I know the place where it was revealed and the day on which it was revealed. It was revealed to the Messenger of Allah ﷺ at Arafat, on a Friday. [Bukhari 45, Muslim 3017c]

And with regards to the perfection of Islam, people are divided into three groups.

The first group are those who introduced into the religion of Islam unfounded religious practices and misguidances that have nothing to do with Islam. And they deceived their followers with worships for which Allah Almighty has not sent down any authority. So they went astray and misled. And they are the common introducers of unfounded religious practices and those who follow them in their fabricated practices. And the Prophet ﷺ said:

مَنْ أَحَدَّثَ فِي أَمْرِنَا هَذَا مَا لَيْسَ فِيهِ فَهُوَ رَدٌّ - رَوَاهُ الشَّيْخَانِ

If anyone introduces into this affair of ours anything which does not belong to it, it is rejected. [Bukhari 2697, Muslim 1718a]

And the second group are those who succumbed to the pressures of the times. So they have renounced some of the Islamic rulings and removed and omitted from it that which is inconsistent with the contemporary pressures on Islam and its followers. So they have permitted a number of forbidden matters and dropped a number of religious duties. And they dabble in the anomalies of jurisprudence and points of disagreement to extinguish the clear religious texts. And to reach their goal, they relied on the mistakes of those scholars who preceded them. And some of them did that for worldly aim. So how bad is what they did. They traded their religion for a worldly gain.

And some of them did that in defense of Islam, as they claim, to repel attacks against it, and this is from their ignorance. For the antagonists will not be satisfied with them until they destroy all of Islam, not some of it and until their way is followed. For they have ruined their souls and exposed it to the sources of sins and destruction. Islam is a great victorious religion, even if falsehood besieges it. Indeed the good consequence is for the Allah conscious.

And the third group are those who know the perfection of Islam, and worship Allah Almighty by it, and adhere to His ordainments, and do not add anything to it and do not subtract anything from it. And they are the greatest majority of Muslims, praise be to Allah the Almighty. And those in this group who fall short in adhering to their religion and those who wrong themselves by sinning, do not consider what they commit of the forbidden as permissible. And they do not consider what they leave out of the obligations as not required. Nor do they alter anything from Islam. Rather, they admit their negligence in their religion and their transgression upon themselves. They hope for repentance and ask others to supplicate for them. And such people are close to repentance and befitting for being given success in attaining it, since following desires did not destroy their hearts, nor do misleading unfounded religious practices divert them from the truth. For they know the perfection of Islam, just as they know they know their mistakes regarding the rights of their religion and their own rights. And a man was

brought to the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم to be disciplined for drinking alcohol so another man said:

اللَّهُمَّ الْعَنَّهُ، مَا أَكْثَرَ مَا يُؤْتَى بِهِ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ-، فَقَالَ عَلَيْهِ
الصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ: لَا تَلْعَنُوهُ؛ فَإِنَّهُ يُحِبُّ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ

O Allah, curse him. How often he is brought to the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم ! So he صلى الله عليه وسلم said, do not curse him, for he loves Allah and His messenger. [Bukhari 6780]

And this does mean taking the major sins and misdeeds lightly. But rather those who become weak before sin then fall into it, while blaming themselves for what they did, are better than those who consider the sin permissible or take it lightly even if they do not commit it.

One of the requirements for belief in the perfection of Islam is adherence to all of its ordainments, and care in not splitting it by accepting some parts and not others. For Allah Almighty rebuked people who did that and warned them of humiliation in this world and torment in the hereafter. The Almighty addressed them saying:

أَفْتُوْمُنُونَ بِبَعْضِ الْكِتَابِ وَتَكْفُرُونَ بِبَعْضٍ فَمَا جَزَاءُ مَنْ يَفْعَلُ ذَلِكَ مِنْكُمْ
إِلَّا خِزْيٌ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَيَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ يُرَدُّونَ إِلَى أَشَدِّ الْعَذَابِ وَمَا اللَّهُ بِغَافِلٍ
عَمَّا تَعْمَلُونَ-البقرة 85

Al Baqarah (2) 85: So do you believe in part of the Scripture and disbelieve in part? Then what is the recompense for those who do that among you except disgrace in worldly life; and on the Day of Resurrection they will be sent back to the severest of punishment. And Allāh is not unaware of what you do.

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Allahu Akbar, wa liLahil Hamd

أَقُولُ مَا تَسْمَعُونَ وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ لِي وَلَكُمْ مِنْ كُلِّ ذَنْبٍ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ
الْعَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

I say what you have heard and I seek forgiveness from Allah for me and you from every sin. So seek forgives from Him, Verily He is Oft-Forgiving, the Most Merciful.

Second Khutbah

So be conscious of Allah Almighty on this great day. And thank Him for favoring you with this religion, and for what He guided you to its rituals and rulings which are the best of rituals and ordainments. And ask Him for steadfastness upon it until death, for the hearts are in the Hands of the Allah Almighty and He turns them as He wills. Oh Changer of the Hearts, make our hearts steadfast upon Your religion.

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Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Laa Ilaha illaLah, Allahu Akbar,
Allahu Akbar, wa liLahil Hamd

Oh Muslim women:

The religion of Islam in its perfection and what it has of justice and mercy has not changed. For its rulings for women are the same rulings from when Allah Almighty revealed them to His Messenger Mohammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. So nothing was removed from it and nothing was added to it, in spite of attempts of some of the afflicted to distort, change or take away from it.

Indeed the woman who loves her Lord and religion and is certain of the perfection of Islam, adheres to all of the religion and holds on to it with determination and strength. And the words of the people of base desires and false notions do not deviate her from any part of her religion. And she is not turned away from the religion by the many women who take its rulings lightly. Because her greatest aim is pleasing her Lord, the Almighty and seeking the home of the hereafter. So she does not back down from this goal even if it means losing this entire worldly life. So how could she while she hears what Allah Almighty has permitted for her, and it is a lot, and she has pleased her Lord, Most glorified and she is pleased with herself. For the knot of sin around the heart is not unraveled except through repentance. And the pain of the sin does not leave the believer, because their modesty before their Lord, Glory be to

Him, and their consciousness of His grace upon them. O believing women, adhere to all of Islam. For Islam is the religion of justice and perfection, and the reward for it is great, and this worldly life is short.

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Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Laa Ilaha illaLah, Allahu Akbar,
Allahu Akbar, wa liLahil Hamd

Oh Muslims:

And let the hearts that are far apart from one another gather together on this great day. And be brothers in religion. And remove what you have in your hearts of ill feelings. And be dutiful to your parents and join your kinship. And be good to your neighbor. And bring happiness to your family and your children. And enjoy what Allah Almighty has made lawful for you, and beware of sin, for it is evil and a burden upon those committing them in this world and the Hereafter.

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Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Laa Ilaha illaLah, Allahu Akbar,
Allahu Akbar, wa liLahil Hamd

Make Allah Almighty repeatedly bestow upon us and you and upon all Muslims faith and blessings and safety and security. Make Allah accept from us and you the righteous deeds. Indeed Allah is All Hearing, Answering.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا
تَسْلِيمًا- الْأَحْزَابِ 56

Al Ahzab (33) 56: Indeed, Allāh confers blessing upon the Prophet, and His angels [ask Him to do so]. O you who have believed, ask [Allāh to confer] blessing upon him and ask [Allāh to grant him] peace.