



THE GLORY OF AL-QURAN

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَرْسَلَ رَسُولَهُ بِالْهُدَىٰ وَدِينِ الْحَقِّ لِيُظْهِرَهُ عَلَى الدِّينِ
كُلِّهِ وَلَوْ كَرِهَ الْمُشْرِكُونَ،

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا
مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ،

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ وَمَنْ
تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ
مُسْلِمُونَ.

Let us increase our righteousness to Allah the Almighty by doing all that He prescribes and and leaving all that He prohibits. May we be forgiven by Allah the Almighty in this life and the hereafter.

Dear brothers and sisters,

The Holy Quran is a scripture revealed by Allah the Almighty to the last Prophet i.e. Prophet Muhammad (pbuh). Believers of Islam are obliged to believe that the Al-Quran is a true holy book which guides human beings, gives happiness and tranquility, contains reminders, provides intercession in the Hereafter and its contents are preserved until the Day of Judgment. Allah the Almighty says in chapter 15 (surah al-Hijr) verse 9:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

إِنَّا نَحْنُ نَزَّلْنَا الذِّكْرَ وَإِنَّا لَهُ لَحَافِظُونَ ﴿٩﴾

Which means: *Indeed, it is We who sent down the Qur'an and indeed, We will be its guardian.*

Let us deeply embrace the glory of the Al-Quran by trying to master its recitation and learning the *tajwid* (set of rules governing the way in which the words of the Koran should be pronounced during its recitation). Then, understand the meanings and teachings of the Al-Quran with the intention of memorizing the quranic verses as much as we can.

Dear brothers and sisters,

The truth of the al-Quran as a holy book is undeniable. There are many historical and scientific proofs about the greatness and genuity of the al-Quran. For example, the al-Quran had mentioned about the journey of

planets around its orbit, the circulation of the sun and moon, mountains as support for Earth, the miracles of the wind and rain, the creation of humans among others. Besides. The al-Quran also brings many teachings for humans to reflect and follow as well as being a source of treatment for all sorts of diseases. Allah the Almighty says in chapter10 (surah Yunus) verse 57:

يَأْتِيهَا النَّاسُ قَدْ جَاءَتْكُمْ مَوْعِظَةٌ مِّن رَّبِّكُمْ وَشِفَاءٌ لِّمَا فِي الصُّدُورِ وَهُدًى وَرَحْمَةٌ

لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿٥٧﴾

Which means: *O mankind, there has to come to you instruction from your Lord and healing for what is in the breasts and guidance and mercy for the believers.*

Besides its healing properties, the al-Quran is also a medicine for sad and restless souls. Allah the Almighty says in chapter2 (surah al-Baqarah) verse 38:

فَإِذَا يَا تَيْنَكُمْ مِّنِّي هُدًى فَمَن تَبِعَ هُدَايَ فَلَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ ﴿٣٨﴾

Which means: “...And when guidance comes to you from Me, whoever follows My guidance - there will be no fear concerning them, nor will they grieve.”

Dear brothers and sisters,

To conclude this sermon, let us recite the Quran dilligently. Make our homes a place where reading the Quran is part of our daily activities. Do not make the al-Quran a decoration in our homes. Indeed, how happy and fortunate are those who receive intercession (*syafaat*) from the al-Quran on the Day of Judgment and those who abandon the al-Quran during their lifetime are indeed at a loss. The Prophet (pbuh) said in a hadith narrated by Imam Muslim:

اقْرءُوا الْقُرْآنَ فَإِنَّهُ يَأْتِي يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ شَفِيعًا لِأَصْحَابِهِ...

Which means: *“Read the Quran, for indeed it will come on the Day of Standing (Judgement) as an intercessor for its companions.”*

Allah the Almighty says in chapter 17 (surah al-Isra) verse:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
إِنَّ هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ يَهْدِي لِلَّتِي هِيَ أَقْوَمُ وَيُبَشِّرُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ الَّذِينَ يَعْمَلُونَ
الصَّالِحَاتِ أَنَّ لَهُمْ أَجْرًا كَبِيرًا



Which means: *Indeed, this Qur'an guides to that which is most suitable and gives good tidings to the believers who do righteous deeds that they will have a great reward.*

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنْ
الآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ، وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ
الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ، وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ
الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.