

HAJJ MABRUR (PILGRIMAGE THAT IS ACCEPTED BY ALLAH)

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الْحَمْدُ 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 وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدَهُ
وَرَسُولَهُ
اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.
أَمَّا بَعْدُ،

فِيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ، فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Let us all increase our devotion towards Allah the Almighty by performing all that He has decreed and abstaining from all that He has prohibited. Hopefully, we will be blessed in this world and in the Hereafter.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Indeed, every Muslim who performs *hajj* (pilgrimage) hopes to obtain *hajj mabrur* (pilgrimage which is accepted by Allah). Allah the Almighty commands us to perform *hajj* as He mentioned in the Quran in Chapter 2 (*Surah Al-Baqarah*) verse (*ayah*) 196:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
وَأَتِمُّوا الْحَجَّ وَالْعُمْرَةَ لِلَّهِ

Which means: “Complete the pilgrimages, major and minor, for the sake of Allah.”

The Prophet (peace be upon him [PBUH]) said in a *hadith* narrated by Imam Ahmad:

الْحَجُّ الْمَبْرُورُ لَيْسَ لَهُ جَزَاءٌ إِلَّا الْجَنَّةُ

Which means: “...a hajj which is accepted will receive no less a reward than paradise.”

According to Jalaluddin as-Suyuthi, one of the signs that a person has obtained *hajj mabrur* is that he becomes a better person and strives to reduce immoral acts upon returning from *hajj*.

A positive change in personal conduct, being punctual and avoiding things that are not beneficial are signs that a person’s *hajj* has been accepted by Allah the Almighty. In addition, people who achieve *hajj mabrur* always invite others to love Allah the Almighty and the Prophet (PBUH), increase their recitation of the Quran, *tahajud*, congregational prayers and *sunnah* prayers as well as enlivening mosques. If he is a businessman, civil servant, entrepreneur, etc. he is an honest and trustworthy person when working.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Hajj mabrur does not only benefit those who performed the *hajj*, but also benefits their parents, wives, children, and the community.

Allah the Almighty reminds us to remember Him much as stated in the Quran in Chapter 2 (*Surah Al-Baqarah*) verse (*ayat*) 200:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

فَإِذَا قَضَيْتُمْ مَنَسِكَكُمْ فَادْكُرُوا اللَّهَ كَذِكْرِكُمْ ءَابَاءَكُمْ أَوْ أَشَدَّ ذِكْرًا ۗ

فَمِنَ النَّاسِ مَن يَقُولُ رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا وَمَا لَهُ فِي الْآخِرَةِ مِن خَلْقٍ ﴿١٠١﴾

Which means: “When you have completed your rites, remember Allah as much as you remember your own fathers, or even more. There are some who pray, ‘Our Lord, give us good in this world,’ and they will have no share in the Hereafter;”

بَارِكِ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْءَانِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ
الآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ، وَتَقَبَّلْ 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.