

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا ارْكَعُوا وَاسْجُدُوا وَاعْبُدُوا
رَبَّكُمْ وَأَفْعَلُوا الْخَيْرَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ .
وَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:
مَنْ صَامَ رَمَضَانَ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ
مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ.

Honorable Muslims!

Ramadan is the month of fasting, which leads us to piety with our patience and will. Fasting is a divine blessing and entrustment our Lord (swt) has honored us with. It is a civilization and a miracle of revival that we welcome every year. Our bodies, emotions, minds and hearts are refreshed with fasting. Our bodies attain health with fasting. Our character is formed with fasting. Our nafs is disciplined with fasting. Our soul is purified with fasting. In this respect, the Prophet Muhammad (saw) says, **“Whoever observes fasts during the month of Ramadan out of sincere faith, and hoping to attain Allah’s rewards, then all his past sins will be forgiven.”** ¹

¹ Bukhari, Iman, 28.

Dear Muslims!

Ramadan is the month when the Holy Qur’an, which offers a unique horizon to the world of existence, was revealed and is recited the most. The Qur’an is the light of our lives; it is our seeing eyes and running heart. The Qur’an is the healing for human, healing for societies, and healing for civilizations. Then, let us seek healing with the Qur’an. Let us unite our homes and hearts with the Qur’an. Let us strive to duly recite, understand, and live by the word of Allah.

Dear Muslims!

Ramadan is the month of helping and solidarity. Let us increase the barakah of our property by spending in His cause, with sadaqah, with charitable works and good deeds. Let us try to be the solution to the problems of our brothers and sisters with zakat and fitrah. Let us relieve their sorrows and increase their joys.

I would like to conclude this Friday’s khutbah with the following commandment of the Almighty Allah (swt), **“O you who have believed, bow and prostrate and worship your Lord and do good - that you may succeed.”** ²

² Hajj, 22/77.