



## Family: A Nest Of Trust, Loyalty, And Compassion

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ أَنْ خَلَقَ لَكُمْ مِنْ أَنْفُسِكُمْ أَزْوَاجًا لِتَسْكُنُوا إِلَيْهَا  
وَجَعَلَ بَيْنَكُمْ مَوَدَّةً وَرَحْمَةً إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَآيَاتٍ لِقَوْمٍ يَعْقِلُونَ.  
وَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:  
خَيْرُكُمْ خَيْرُكُمْ لِأَهْلِهِ ...

## Honorable Muslims!

One of the greatest blessings our Almighty Lord has bestowed upon us is the family. The family is a haven of compassion and mercy, as stated in the verse: **“And one of His signs is that He created for you spouses from among yourselves so that you may find comfort in them. And He has placed between you compassion and mercy. Surely in this are signs for people who reflect.”**<sup>i</sup> The family is the only institution that has no true alternative and can never be replaced.

## Dear Believers!

Our Lord Almighty declares that the family is a source of well-being by stating, **وَاللَّهُ جَعَلَ لَكُمْ مِنْ بُيُوتِكُمْ سَكَنًا** **“And Allah has made your homes a place to rest...”**<sup>ii</sup> Both the mother and the father play vital roles in establishing and maintaining a peaceful family environment. Children need a father’s authority and discipline just as much as they need a mother’s tenderness and compassion. Therefore, the responsibility of educating and disciplining children, and raising them to become upright individuals, should not be left solely to caregivers, schools, televisions, tablets, or computers. When children cannot find compassion and mercy in their parents, they begin to seek security, love, and affection elsewhere—often leading to a distortion of their natural disposition.

## Dear Believers!

In one of his hadiths, our Prophet (saw) says, **“... Whoever among you can marry, should marry, because it helps him lower his gaze and guard his modesty...”**<sup>iii</sup> Indeed, marriage is a fundamental necessity of human nature. It is a sacred beginning that brings peace and happiness in this world and leads to eternal bliss in the Hereafter. Marriage is a safe harbor that preserves one’s dignity and respect, protecting them from evil and sin. It is the surest way to safeguard our souls and future generations, and to build a pure and healthy society.

## Dear Muslims!

Let us take the hadith of our beloved Prophet (saw) as our guiding principle: **“The best of you is the one who is best to his family...”**<sup>iv</sup> Let us cultivate love and affection, kindness and grace within our families. Let us remain vigilant against harmful trends that threaten the family structure and cast a shadow over our future. Let us join hands and unite our hearts to remove all obstacles to family happiness, unity, solidarity, and brotherhood. Let us not forget that protecting and strengthening the family is not solely the responsibility of the parents. Everyone who bears responsibility in this regard—including all institutions and organizations—must strive diligently to fulfil their duties properly.

Let us conclude with the following warning from our beloved Prophet (saw):

**كَفَى بِالْمَرْءِ إِثْمًا أَنْ يُضَيِّعَ مَنْ يَفْقُوتُ** **“It is sufficient sin for a man that he neglects those whom he maintains.”**<sup>v</sup>

<sup>i</sup> Rum, 30/21.<sup>ii</sup> Nahl, 16/80.<sup>iii</sup> Bukhari, Nikah, 3.<sup>iv</sup> Tirmidhi, Manaqib, 63.<sup>v</sup> Abu Dawud, Zakat, 45.