

Friday Khutbah of Masjid Otsuka
July 17, 2022
The Grace Of Allah And The Prais For Allah



All praises are due to Allah the Lord of all the worlds, who accepts from His slaves deeds that are intended sincerely for His sake. I testify that there is nothing worthy of worship except Allah the uniquely One, who has no partners in His one-ness. And I testify that the Prophet Muhammad is the slave of Allah and His Messenger.

O servants of Allah! Allah the Most Exalted says in the Qur'an in Surah Anfaal:

“O you who have believed, if you fear Allah, He will grant you a criterion and will remove from you your misdeeds and forgive you. And Allah is the possessor of great bounty.” (S.8 V.29)

Allah's magnificence is always esteemed and His blessed rank abides, so we affirm the blessings He gives us and the manifest goodness He has brought into being. For He, glorified be He, is the bestower and ultimate controller of His dominion. Allah says in the Qur'an in Surah Mulk and Surah Furqan:

“Blessed is He in whose hand is dominion. ...” (S.67 V.1)

“Blessed is He who has placed in the sky great stars and placed therein a [burning] lamp and luminous moon.” (S.25 V.61)

From this creation, the epitome is the human being who Allah has created in the best of forms, completing his disposition in the best of ways. About this Allah, glorified be He, says in the Qur'an in Surah Al-Mu-min:

“...[He] formed you and perfected your forms and provided you with good things. That is Allah, your Lord; then blessed is Allah, Lord of the worlds.” (S.40 V.64)

O Slaves of Allah! The Prophet SAW used to glorify his Lord for whenever he would narrate: **“Allah the glorified and exalted states.”** [Bukhari] Similarly, the Prophet SAW has instructed us to say in our prostration: **“My face is prostrated to the One Who created it, fashioned it, and gave it hearing and sight. Blessed is Allah, the Best of creators.”** [Muslim] And the Prophet SAW advised us to call upon Allah in our supplication by saying: **“There is no god but Allah, the Most Generous, the Forbearing, glory be to Him. Blessed be Allah, Lord of the mighty Throne and praise be to Allah the Lord of the Worlds.”** [Ahmad] Indeed, the believer if he increases his glorification of his Lord, finds that faith is embedded into his heart and that devotion is further facilitated for them. Allah loves such a person and facilitates baraka for them wherein this baraka accompanies them throughout their lives. For example, look at the life of the Prophet Yusuf SAW, he used to constantly glorify Allah in his life, hence Allah made him to have a blessedness.

Allah says in the Qur'an in Surah Maryam:

“And He (Yusuf) has made me blessed wherever I am and has enjoined upon me prayer and zakah as long as I remain alive.” (S.19 V.31)

Indeed Allah, glorified be His Name, has revealed to us His blessed Book, in which He glorifies Himself. So whosoever holds it and does much recitation of it, Allah makes such a person blessed in turn, entering them into Paradise by His Mercy. Allah says in the Qur'an in Surah Anaam:

“And this [Qur'an] is a Book We have revealed [which is] blessed, so follow it and fear Allah that you may receive mercy.” (S.6 V.155)

So, let us make true the meaning of the words “Blessed be Allah” in our lives, such that we can estimate Him with His worthy estimate and glorify Him with a complete glorification. And let us reflect us about His origination and constantly maintaining creation, remembering His blessings and being grateful for His favor.

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May the peace and the blessings of Allah be upon prophet Muhammad SAW, his family and all of his Companions. May Allah be pleased with the Rightly Guided Caliphs: Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman and Ali, and all those who will follow them in righteousness until the Day of Judgment.

- O Allah! Please accept all of us for Your obedience and bless us with obedience towards Your Messenger SAW.
- O Allah! Guide us to the right path and make us of those on whom You bestows Your mercy.
- O Allah! Accept our prayers and all our ibada.
- O Allah! Accept all of our good deeds and forgive us for our sins.
- O Allah! Accept us for Your service and for the service of Islam and Muslims.
- O Allah! Grant safety and security to everyone here in Japan as well as all over the world. Amin ya Rabbil Aalam.