Reminder to Believers

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اعلموا إخوتى فى الله أن من فى الدنيا ضيف وما فى يده عارية. وإن الضيف مرتحل والعارية مردودة فرحم الله امرءا نظر لنفسه ومهد لآخرته قبل أن ينفد أجله وينقطع عمله فأيقنوا من الدنيا بالفناء و بالآخرة بالبقاء واعملوا لما بعد الموت فكأنكم بالدنيا كأن لم تكن وبالآخرة كأن لم تزلز واعلموا أن دنيانا سريعة الذهاب وشيكة الانقلاب فاحذروا حلاوة رضاعها لمرارة فطامها واهجروا لذيذ عاجلها لكربة آجلها.

Everyone in this life is a guest and whatever he has possessed in his hands is a loan, and a guest is always expected to leave and a loan is always expected to be paid back. May Allah have mercy on the one is introspective and prepares for his burial while he is alive and takes this opportunity before his time is up and his deeds are finished. ***People have to be certain that this life is vanishing and the hereafter is everlasting so they should work for what is after death when the life will feel like it never existed and the hereafter will feel as though it has always been there".***

Our life rapidly goes away, frequently changing, beware, and be careful of this weakness of possessing it because shortly we will feel the bitterness of loosing it.

والمسلم عليه أن لا يعمر دارا قد قضى الله خرابها وأمرنا باجتناب ما فيها من متاع زائل وعليه أن يعمر آخرته ويحسن مثواه فيها قبل انتقاله إليها فإن قصور الجنة وبساتينها تعد وتهيئ بحسب ما يقدم المسلم و المسلمة من صالح الأعمال والأقوال ومن فاته منزله فى الجنة فليس له إلا النار. والناس يوم القيامة يصيرون إلى فريقين: فريق في الجنة وفريق في السعير. فليأخذ كل منا من نفسه لنفسه ون دنياه لآخرته ومن الحياة قبل الممات. فليس بعد الموت من مستعتب ولا بعد الدنيا دار إلا الجنة أو النار.

Muslims should not keep strong connection with material things as Allah wants from us to stay away from this. Rather seek developing our hereafter and work hard to perfect it and beautify it before we move to it. For the mansions and castles of paradise and it's gardens are being prepared according to how you practice and from righteous deeds you do and from what righteous words you say.

Whoever misses his dwelling in paradise will have no other place but the dwelling of the people of humility and grief and the hellfire. On the Day of Resurrection ultimately there will be only two groups, the group of paradise, and the group of the hellfire.

Let the servant of Allah do righteous deeds in this world to benefit in the hereafter, and utilize his young age before he grows old and take advantage of life before death. there will be no chance after death to ask forgiveness, and there is no dwelling after this life except for paradise or the hellfire".

وكثيرا ما يذكر الله تعالى أنواع الأعمال الصالحات وما أعد لأهلها من أصنف النعيم المقيم: من المساكن والغرف المبنية والفواكه والعيون والأنهار الجارية وأكبر من ذلك رضوان الله وجواره فى الجنة. كل ذلك حثا منه سبحانه وتعالى لعباده على تحري الأعمال الصالحة واغتنام الفرص والموسم طلبا للربح (وعد الله المؤمنين والمؤمنات جنات تجرى من تحتها الأنهار خالدين فيها ومساكن طيبة فى جنات عدن ورضوان من الله أكبر. ذللك هو الفوز العظيم)

O Muslims it is often that Allah mentions the different kinds of good deeds. He also mentions what he has prepared for those who do good deeds, such as different kinds of pleasure and honoring like beautiful dwellings and rooms and the tasty fruits and springs and running rivers, sweet drinks and the greatest favor of all is the acceptance and pleasure of Allah and being close to Him.

All of that encourages the believers slaves and servants to do righteous deeds and to take advantage of opportunities and seasons seeking the profitable trade as Allah says which translates as: "***The believing men and the believing women are allies of one another. They enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong and establish prayers, and give Zakaah and obey Allah and his messenger***" (At-Tauba: 71-72).

Allah has promised the believing man and the believing women gardens beneath which rivers flow wherein they abide eternally in pleasant dwellings, in gardens of perpetual residence but the approval and pleasure from Allah is greater, it is that which is the great attainment.

يقول تعالى:(الذين آمنوا وهاجروا وجاهدوا فى سبيل الله بأموالهم و أنفسهم أعظم درجة عند الله وأولئك هم الفائزون. يبشرهم ربهم برحمة منه ورضوان وجنات لهم فيها نعيم مقيم. خالدين فيها أبدا. إن الله عنده أجر عظيم) فرتب الله الثواب وحسن المئاب على العمل الصالح وهجر المنكرات. فاجعلوا آخرتكم لأنفسكم وسعيكم لمستقركم واجعلوا جهدكم فيما تبنون به منازلكم وتغرسون به حدائقكم فى الجنة. أخرج الترمذى عن رسول(ص) الله أنه لقى إبراهيم عليه السلام ليلة أسرى به فقال يا محمد أقرئ أمتك منى السلام وأخبرهم أن الجنة طيبة التربة عذبة الماء وأن بها قيعان وأن غراسها سبحان الله والحمد لله ولا إله إلا الله والله أكبر.

Allah also says which translates as: "***The ones who have believed emigrated and striven in the cause of Allah with their wealth and their lives are greater in rank in the sight of Allah and it is those who are the attainers of success. Their Lord gives them good tiding of mercy from him and approval and of gardens for them wherein is enduring pleasure. They will be in abiding forever. Indeed Allah has with him a great reward***" (At-Tauba: 20-22).

Therefore, Allah based his generous reward on the good consequences on the righteous deeds and the refraining from prohibitions and evil deeds. So, we should prepare our place in the hereafter for ourselves and strive for our eternal dwellings. It is important to Make our minds busy and concentrate our efforts and think how to build our dwellings and what to plant in our gardens of paradise.

It is reported that the Prophet met Ibrahim in the night of Al Israa. So, Ibrahim said to him: "***O Muhammad salute your nation on my behalf and say Salam and tell them that paradise has good soil and sweet water and it's land is fertile and it's plants are Subhanahu Allah Wa Hamdulillah Wa La ilaha ill Allah Wallahu Akbar".***

وكم فى السنة من ذكر أعمال يسيرة يعطى الله أهلها فضلا واسعا وبيوتا فى الجنة. ففى صحيح مسلم عن عثمان بن عفان عن رسول الله (ص) أنه قال:(من بنى لله مسجدا ولو كمفحص قطاة بنى الله له بيتا فى الجنة) وفى صحيح مسلم أيضا عن أم المؤمنين أم حبيبة عن رسول الله (ص) أنه قال: (مامن عبد يصلي لله ثنتي عشرة ركعة تطوعا غير فريضة إلا بنى الله بيتا في الجنة)

O Believers, the Prophet often mentions in his ***Sunnah*** minor deeds or actions for which Allah grants people a lot of rewards and dwellings in ***Jannah***.

Uthman Radhiyallahu Anhu he said I heard the messenger of Allah saying: "***He who builds a mosque for Allah as little as a dwelling of a small bird. Allah will build a home for him in paradise".***

Also our mother Umu Habiba Radhiyallahu Anha said that she heard the messenger of Allah saying : "***Any Muslim slaves praying for the sake of Allah twelve rakaat optionally not obligated upon him but Allah will build for him a home in paradise***".

وأخرج الترمذي وابن ماجة عن رسول الله(ص) أنه قال:(من صلى الضحى ثنتي عشر ركعة بنى الله له قصرا في الجنة). وفي فضل صبر المؤمنعلى موت ولده وصبره واسترجاعه يقول اله تعالى كما أخرج أحمد والترمذي : (ابنوا لعبدي بيتا في الجنه وسموه بيت الحمد) وفي سنن أبي داوود بسند صحيح عن رسول الله (ص) أنه قال:(انا زعيم أي ضامنببيت في ربض الجنة لمن ترك المراء وإن كان محقا وبيت في وسط الجنة لمن ترك الكذب وإن كان مازحا وبيت في أعلى الجنة لمن حسى خلقه.)

Anas Radhiyallahu Anhu said that the messenger said: "***He who prays Ad-Duha, which is the prayer after sun rise, twelve Rakaat Allah will build a castle of gold for him in paradise***".

In the virtue of persevering the death of a child and thanking the Lord and saying "***Inna lilahi wa inna ilayhi Raji'un***" which means we belong to Allah and to Him we shall return. Allah says to His angels build a house for My slave in paradise and name it as the house of praise (Baitul hamd).

He also said: "***I guarantee a house at the lower level of paradise for he who gives up arguing even if he was correct, and a house in the middle of paradise, for he who gives up lying even when joking and a house at the top of paradise for he who has good manners***".

فـياعباد الله! بادروا الحظات في استباق الخيرات والمنافسة في الأعمال الصالحات قبل فوات الآوان وتزودوا من دار الدنيا لدار الآخرة وقدموا خيرا يسركم. ولنعلم أن الخير كله في اتباع الكتاب والسنة والسير على منهج السلف الصالح من هذه الأمة. يقوت تعالى: (والسابقون الأولون من المهاجرين والأنصار والذين اتبعوهم بإحسان رضي الله عنهم ورضوا عنهوأعد لهم جنات تجري تحتها الأنهار خالدين فيها أبدا ذلك الفوز العظيم)

Therefore, servants of Allah rush and compete in doing good deeds. It is an honorable competition and do it before it is too late. Take provisions from the interim dwelling with what suits your eternal dwelling and set for good that will please you and all good is in following the book of Allah and the way of his messenger and the way of our righteous Salaf of this Ummah.

Allah says which translates as: "***And the first four runners in faith among the muhajirun and the Ansaar and those who followed them with good conduct, Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with him and he has prepared for them gardens beneath which rivers flow wherein they will abide for ever. That is the great attainment***" (At-Tauba: 100).

I ask Allah to bless you and I with the guidance of the Qur'an.