



Tranquility in the homes

First Khutba

All praises are due to Allah, a profuse praise as we have been commanded to do. He is the One who has made peace in our homes the means by which the family attains unto felicity and contentment, and a means of ease for the hearts of people. And 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 our Sayyid, our Prophet, Muhammad is the slave of Allah and His Messenger, may the peace and blessings upon him and upon whomsoever follows them in guidance until the Last Day.

To Continue: I advise you, O slaves of Allah and myself, with the Taqwa of Allah, as Allah says:

وَتَزَوَّدُوا فَإِنَّ خَيْرَ الزَّادِ التَّقْوَى

And take provisions, but indeed, the best provision is fear of Allah. [Qur'an: ٢:١٩٧]

O Believers: Allah says in the Quran: هُوَ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ مِنْ

نَفْسٍ وَاحِدَةٍ وَجَعَلَ مِنْهَا زَوْجَهَا لِيَسْكُنَ إِلَيْهَا

It is He who created you from one soul and created from it its mate that he might dwell in tranquility with her. [Qur'an: ٧:١٨٩]

The tranquility here indicates that he finds comfort in her, so is able to live with her in affection, mercy, compassion and love. This tranquility between spouses is the greatest

tranquility we can seek amongst creation and it is literally a sign from Allah, as He says: **وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ أَنْ خَلَقَ لَكُمْ مِنْ**

أَنْفُسِكُمْ أَزْوَاجًا لِتَسْكُنُوا إِلَيْهَا وَجَعَلَ بَيْنَكُمْ مَوَدَّةً وَرَحْمَةً

And of His signs is that He created for you from yourselves mates that you may find tranquility in them; and He placed between you affection and mercy.

[Qur'an: ۳۰:۲۱]

This tranquility also increases happiness and contentment in our homes, entailing that each spouse value and honor the other, knowing their rank, being grateful for their efforts, and to recognize each of their devotion and sacrifices. The spouses should also recognize in each other goodly character and an easygoing tolerant nature, for it with such lenience and expansion that their relationship will have the foundation to succeed. This is in accordance with what the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) indicated when he said:

خَيْرُكُمْ خَيْرُكُمْ لِأَهْلِهِ

The best of you is he who is best to his family (wife)

[Tirmidhi]

From that which increases the tranquility in the house is when the parents assume responsibilities regarding the upbringing of the children, by ensuring they strive for the best upbringing they can give them, so that they in turn will respect and honor their parents. All in accordance with

Allah's saying: **وَوَصَّيْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ بِوَالِدَيْهِ حُسْنًا**

And We have enjoined upon man goodness to parents.

[Qur'an: ٢٩:٨]

For being grateful to one's parents is an extension of one's gratitude to Allah:

رَبِّ أَوْزِعْنِي أَنْ أَشْكُرَ نِعْمَتَكَ الَّتِي أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيَّ وَعَلَىٰ وَالِدَيَّ

My Lord, enable me to be grateful for Your favor which You have bestowed upon me and upon my parents. [Qur'an: ٢٧:١٩]

O Allah increase our families in love and tranquility, and bring this into our societies in the form of contentment and happiness, and bless our children, the boys and girls. I say this and seek forgiveness for myself and for you, so seek His forgiveness for He is the most-forgiving.

Second Khutba

All praises are for Allah, the One, and may peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, and upon his family and companions, and whomsoever follows them in the best of ways.

O Believers: Indeed, tranquility in homes is dependent upon their being mutual understanding, dialogue and concern between the spouses. This in turn has to be built upon a foundation of mutual consultation based on love. The kids within such a home will learn and develop such characteristics, this is how they will be distinguished when they grow up. O Allah enter into our hearts such tranquility, and into our societies. And make us of those who are content with You and Your decree, bless our homes and nations with your contentment and tranquility.

And with this, let us send our prayers and blessings upon all of the Prophets and Messengers, and especially on the

seal of them, our master, our Prophet, Muhammad. O Allah send Your peace and blessings upon him, and upon his family, his companions, all of them.

O Allah, grant success to the UAE President HH Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, to the Vice-President, the Crown Prince and his Brothers, their Highnesses, the Rulers of the Emirates. and guide them to all that is good and what pleases You. O Allah: Bestow your mercy on the late Sheikh Zayed, Sheikh Maktoum and the other late UAE Sheikhs who have passed on to Your mercy. We ask you to admit them into Paradise by Your grace. O Allah have mercy on the martyrs, and grant their families with patience and a great reward.

And have mercy, our Lord, upon our fathers and mothers, and upon whoever has a right upon us. And continue perpetuating blessings and bounties upon the UAE. O Allah, confer upon us Your blessings and do not make us from those who despair. O Allah, bless us, bless us, bless us. O Allah: Give us in this life that which is beautiful and in the next life that which is beautiful, and save us from the fire. Remember Allah and He will remember you, Stand up for prayer.