



## **So, exalt [Allah] with praise of your Lord and be of those who prostrate [to Him].**

### **First Khutbah**

All praises are due to Allah who is praised by all of creation, for whom the Heavens and Earth has submitted. 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 Sayyiduna Muhammad is the slave of Allah and His Messenger. So, O Allah, send Your peace and blessings upon him and upon his family, his companions and whomsoever follows him in guidance until the Last Day.

**To Continue:** I advise you slaves of Allah and myself with the Taqwa of Allah as Allah says: **يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ اعْبُدُوا رَبَّكُمُ الَّذِي**

**خَلَقَكُمْ وَالَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ**

**O mankind, worship your Lord, who created you and those before you, that you may become righteous - [Qur'an: ٢:٢١]**

**O Believers:**

It is narrated on the authority of Abu Dharr (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) was once asked as to what is the best of speech, he (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) responded by saying:

**مَا اصْطَفَى اللَّهُ لِمَلَائِكَتِهِ أَوْ لِعِبَادِهِ: سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ**

**That which Allah selected for His angels (to say): ‘Glory to my Lord, and to His praise. Glory to my Lord, and to Him is due praise (Subhan Allah wa bi Hamdihi) [Sahih Muslim]**



The act of Tasbih (saying Subhan Allah) is affirming the transcendence of Allah beyond all that is not befitting of Him. For this reason, it comes coupled with what indicates proof of His perfection, Glory be to Him. So, sometimes it is coupled with praise, and sometimes with greatness and glory. And everything in the universe glorifies Allah, as He says:

تُسَبِّحُ لَهُ السَّمَوَاتُ السَّبْعُ وَالْأَرْضُ وَمَنْ فِيهِنَّ وَإِنْ مِنْ شَيْءٍ إِلَّا  
يُسَبِّحُ بِحَمْدِهِ وَلَكِنْ لَا تَفْقَهُونَ تَسْبِيحَهُمْ

**And there is not a thing except that it exalts [Allah] by His praise, but you do not understand their [way of] exalting.**

[Qur'an: ١٧:٤٤]

So the Angels who carry the throne and around it praise Him:

يُسَبِّحُونَ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّهِمْ وَيُؤْمِنُونَ بِهِ

**Those [angels] who carry the Throne and those around it exalt [Allah] with praise of their Lord and believe in Him.**

[Qur'an: ٤٠:٧]

And all of those of the Heavens praise Him:

يُسَبِّحُونَ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ لَا يَفْتُرُونَ

**They exalt [Him] night and day [and] do not slacken.**

[Qur'an : ٢١:٢٠]

وَيُسَبِّحُ الرَّعْدُ بِحَمْدِهِ

**And the thunder exalts [Allah] with praise of Him.**

[Qur'an : ١٣:١٣]

وَالطَّيْرُ صَافَاتٍ كُلُّ قَدِّعِلْمٍ صَلَاتِهِ وَتَسْبِيحِهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ بِمَا يَفْعَلُونَ

**Do you not see that Allah is exalted by whomever is within the heavens and the earth and [by] the birds with wings**



**spread [in flight]? Each [of them] has known his [means of] prayer and exalting [Him], and Allah is Knowing of what they do.** [Qur'an :٢٤:٤١]

The Prophets and Messengers also praised and glorified Allah, so the Prophet Musa (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: **سُبْحَانَكَ تَبَّتْ إِلَيْكَ وَأَنَا أَوَّلَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ**

**"Exalted are You! I have repented to You, and I am the first of the believers."** [Qur'an :٧:١٤٣]

And Allah said to our Prophet:

**وَمِنَ اللَّيْلِ فَاسْجُدْ لَهُ وَسَبِّحْهُ لَيْلًا طَوِيلًا**

**And during the night prostrate to Him and exalt Him a long [part of the] night.** [Qur'an:٧٦:٧]

So, the Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) used to prolong his prostration in the night saying:

**سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ**

**Glorified be Allah, Lord of all the Worlds.** [Tirmidhi]

Indeed, when a human being worships his Lord, humbly prostrating to his Creator, reverently extolling His majesty in his heart, glorifying His praises, recalling His greatness - Allah responds by bestowing upon him His mercy. So, such a person finds their worries and anxiety going away, their hearts reassured, and their minds at ease. O Allah, help us remember and glorify You. And bless us with devotion to You, and accept all of us for Your obedience and bless us with obedience towards Your Messenger (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), and obedience towards those whom You have ordered us to show obedience towards, in accordance with Your saying:



يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَأُولِي الْأَمْرِ مِنْكُمْ

**O you who have believed, obey Allah and obey the Messenger and those in authority among you.** [Qur'an: ٤:٥٩]  
I say this and I seek forgiveness for myself and for you, so seek His forgiveness, indeed He is the most forgiving, most Merciful.

## Second Khutbah

All praises are due to Allah, I praise Him with the best of praises, for He is the One who sends down His reward on those who listen to His speech and follow the best of it. And may peace and blessings be upon our Sayyid, Sayyiduna Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and upon all of his companions. I advise you slaves of Allah and myself with the Taqwa of Allah, so have Taqwa of Him.

**O Believers:** Indeed, the blessings of tasbeeh and its fruits is greater than what can be encompassed and articulated or even enumerated. So, it is the most beloved speech to Allah, as the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said:

إِنَّ أَحَبَّ الْكَلَامِ إِلَى اللَّهِ: سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ

**Verily, the words liked most by Allah are: Glory be to Allah and to Him is due praise (Subhan Allah wa bi Hamdihi)** [Sahih Muslim]

The weight of the tasbeeh is heavy upon the scale and acquires forgiveness from the Most Merciful. As the Prophet (peace and

blessings of Allah be upon him) said: مَنْ قَالَ حِينَ يُصْبِحُ وَحِينَ

يُمْسِي: سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ، مِائَةَ مَرَّةٍ، لَمْ يَأْتِ أَحَدٌ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ،

بِأَفْضَلِ مِمَّا جَاءَ بِهِ، إِلَّا أَحَدًا قَالَ مِثْلَ مَا قَالَ، أَوْ رَامَ عَلَيْهِ



**Whoever says in the morning and in the evening ‘Glory be to Allah and with His Praise (Subhan Allah wa bihamdihi) a hundred times, none shall bring better than him on the Day of Judgment except one who did the same as him, or increased upon it. [Sahih Muslim]**

Tasbeeh also brings about expansion of the heart, as Allah says: **وَلَقَدْ نَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ يَضِيقُ صَدْرُكَ بِمَا يَقُولُونَ\* فَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ**

**وَكُنْ مِنَ السَّاجِدِينَ**

**And We already know that your breast is constrained by what they say. So, exalt [Allah] with praise of your Lord and be of those who prostrate [to Him]. [Qur'an: ١٥:٩٧-٩٨]**  
Tasbeeh is also the means for bringing about contentment with Allah, as Allah says:

**فَاصْبِرْ عَلَىٰ مَا يَقُولُونَ وَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ قَبْلَ طُلُوعِ الشَّمْسِ وَقَبْلَ غُرُوبِهَا وَمِنْ آنَاءِ اللَّيْلِ فَسَبِّحْ وَأَطْرَافَ النَّهَارِ لَعَلَّكَ تَرْضَىٰ**

**So be patient over what they say and exalt [Allah] with praise of your Lord before the rising of the sun and before its setting; and during periods of the night [exalt Him] and at the ends of the day, that you may be satisfied.**

[Qur'an: ٢٠:١٣٠]

**سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ عَدَدَ مَا خَلَقَ، وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ مِائَةَ مَا خَلَقَ، وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ**

**عَدَدَ مَا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَالسَّمَاءِ، وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ مِائَةَ مَا فِي الْأَرْضِ**

**وَالسَّمَاءِ، وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ عَدَدَ مَا أَحْصَىٰ كِتَابُهُ، وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ عَدَدَ**

**كُلِّ شَيْءٍ، وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ مِائَةَ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ**



**Glory be to Allah to the number of creation, glory be to Allah to the expansiveness of creation, glory be to Allah to the number of what is in the heavens and the earth, glory be to Allah to the expansiveness of what is in the heavens and the earth, glory be to Allah to the expansiveness of what is in His Book, glory be to Allah to the number of everything, glory be to Allah to the expansiveness of everything.** [Sahih ibn Hibban]

O Allah make us for You of those who praise and glorify, remembering You and being grateful. Those who are affirming Your devotion, and preserving Your blessings upon us. And with this we ask that You, O Allah, that You send Your prayers and blessings upon all of the Prophets and Messengers, especially on the seal of them, our master, our Prophet, Sayyiduna Muhammad.

O Allah send Your peace and blessings upon him, and upon his family, his companions, all of them. And send your blessings upon the righteous and rightly guided Khulafa: Sayyiduna Abu Bakr, Sayyiduna Umar, Sayyiduna Uthman and Sayyiduna Ali, and upon all of the companions and those of the righteous who come after them, may Allah be pleased with them all. O Allah, grant success to the UAE President HH Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, to the Vice-President and his Brothers, their Highnesses, the Rulers of the Emirates and guide them to all that which is good and what pleases You.

O Allah, bestow your mercy on the late Sheikh Zayed, Sheikh Maktoum, Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed 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 those martyred for Your sake, and grant them intercession for their people, and grant their



families patience and a great reward. And have mercy, our Lord, upon all of the believers, the living and the dead. Believers, remember Allah and He will remember you, forget Him not, lest you be forgotten. Be grateful for your blessings and you will be increased therein.

So, stand up for prayer.

