

Friday Sermon

Namaz

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ -

أَمَّا بَعْدُ فَأَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ ه بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ ه أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ ه
مَلِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ ه إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ ه إِهْدِنَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ ه صِرَاطَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيْنَا غَيْرِ
الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا الضَّالِّينَ ه

لِنَّ الصَّلَاةَ تَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ

Surely, Prayer restrains one from indecency and manifest evil. [29:46]

Allah Ta'alla mentions the quality of the true believers in Holy Quran and most important one is that they establish Namaz and keep it established. The verse mentioned tells us the benefit of the right Namaz. The right Namaz will always help the believer stay away from wrong doings and bad deeds.

Offering Namaz on right time and with congregation is also very important and it helps one gain nearness and love of Allah. Life of Holy Prophet^{SA} is a very good path for us to follow in this regard as well.

Hudur^{SA} would spend most of his night praying and asking for Allah's mercy and blessings. Holy Prophet^{SA} said once that,

إِنَّ بَيْنَ الرَّجُلِ وَبَيْنَ الشِّرْكِ وَالْكَفْرِ تَرَكَ الصَّلَاةَ
(صحیح مسلم کتاب الایمان)

Translation: Leave Namaz make one close to non-believer and idol worshipping.

Hadhrat Masih Ma'ud^{AS} said in Kashti-e-Nuh, that “whoever is not offering five daily prayers is not from my Jama'at”.

In another place Hadhrat Masih Ma'ud^{AS} said, “Offer Namaz! Offer Namaz because it is the key to all goodness. When you stand for Namaz, don't stand like it is a custom, but first the way you do physical ablution, do spiritual ablution. Wash your limbs from anti-GOD thinking. Then with both ablutions, stand in front of Allah, and pray a lot, make habit of crying and weeping so that you will be shown mercy.”

(Azala Oham)

May Allah help us follow this very important teaching of the Holy Quran and help us establish our Namaz with both ablutions. Amin!

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ نَحْمَدُهُ وَنُسْتَعِينُهُ وَنَسْتَغْفِرُهُ وَنُؤْمِنُ بِهِ وَنَتَوَكَّلُ عَلَيْهِ - وَنَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ شُرُورِ أَنْفُسِنَا
وَمِنْ سَيِّئَاتِ أَعْمَالِنَا مَنْ يَهْدِهِ اللَّهُ فَلَا مُضِلَّ لَهُ وَمَنْ يَضِلَّهُ فَلَا هَادِيَ لَهُ - وَ نَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا
اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَنَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ - عِبَادَ اللَّهِ - رَحِمَكُمُ اللَّهُ أَنْ اللَّهُ يَا مُر
يَالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَ اِئْتَاءِ ذِي الْقُرْبَى وَ يَتِيمَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ - يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ
تَذَكَّرُونَ - أَذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَادْعُوهُ يَسْتَجِبْ لَكُمْ وَ لِدِكْرِ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ -