

Friday Sermon

Spending in way of Allah

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 الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ ه
مَلِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ ه إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ ه اهْدِنَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ ه صِرَاطَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ غَيْرِ
الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا الضَّالِّينَ ه

مَنْ ذَا الَّذِي يُقْرِضُ اللَّهَ قَرْضًا حَسَنًا فَيُضِعَّهُ لَهُ أَضْعَافًا كَثِيرَةً وَاللَّهُ يَقْبِضُ وَيَبْصُطُ وَإِلَيْهِ تُرْجَعُونَ ه

Who is it that will lend Allah a goodly loan that He may multiply it for him manifold? And Allah receives and enlarges, and to Him shall you be made to return. [2:246]

The verse just recited talks about the result of spending in the way of Allah, and Allah had promised that whatever from your Mal you spend it will be returned with more than what you have spent.

Our Holy Prophet^{SA} is the best example in regards to spending in the way of Allah; Hudur^{SA} never kept anything in his house and whatever money and other assets came to him were quickly distributed to all poor and needy among Muslims and non-Muslims. Hudur^{SA} helped everyone in the society. Companions of the Holy Prophet^{SA} had a similar examples set for us, where in occasions companions would sacrifice their entire assets and income and some with half of what they had and so on. Holy Prophet^{SA} mentioned in one of his Hadith that,

“Every morning two angels come down and one of them say, O Allah! Give more to a person who spends in the way of Allah and produce more of this kind, and other one says, O Allah! Whoever so stop spending in way of Allah, destroy his income and assets.” (Bukhari Kitabul Zakat)

In another location Holy Prophet^{SA} advised that, “Whoever spends in the way of Allah Allah returns it to him by 700 times more.” (Bukhari Kitabul Aiman)

Hadhrat Masih Ma'ud^{AS} mentioned that, “it is apparent that you cannot love two things, it is not possible for you to love your money and assets and then love Allah also, and you can only love one. Therefore fortunate is that who loves Allah, and if someone among you love Allah and then spends in his way, then

with complete faith, Allah will grant him more blessings in his income than others. Because income does not come by itself, it comes from the Will of Allah.” (Majmoa-e-Ishtiharat Vol. 3 Page 749)

May Allah grant us his pure love and help us spend in his way and achieve his nearness and more love.

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