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PURPOSE OF LIFE

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الحمد لله نحمده ونستعينه ونستغفره، ونعوذ بالله من شرور أنفسنا ومن سيئات أعمالنا ، من يهده الله فلا مضلَّ له، ومن يُضلل فلا هادي له، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ، اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى حَبِيبِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ

أما بعد ، فيا عباد الله ، اتقوا الله أوصيكم وإياي بتقوى الله فقد فاز المتقون ، قال الله تعالى في كتابه العزيز: يا أيها الذين آمنوا اتقوا الله حق تقاته ولا تموتن إلا وأنتم

مسلمون (آل عمران 102)

- My dear brothers, may Allah bless you,
- Let us be taqwa to Allah SWT with a true taqwa, hopefully with taqwa we will receive mercy and guidance from Allah SWT.

- In a world filled with prejudice and cultural conditioning, it is very hard to find people who can take a moment to think about life objectively and try to arrive at the truth about this world and the real purpose of our life.

- Unfortunately, when you ask most people this question, what is the purpose of life?

- They will not tell you what they have concluded through observation and analytical reasoning.

- In most cases they will simply tell you what someone else said or they will tell you what is commonly presumed by others, what my father said purpose of life is, what the Alim in my Masjid said purpose of life is, what my teacher said, what my friend said and so on.

- If we ask anyone what the purpose of eating is, i.e. why do we eat? In one word or another, everyone will say, well it is for nutrition, because nutrition sustains life.

- If we ask anyone why they work, they will say because it is a necessity in order to support themselves and provide the needs of their families.

- If we ask anyone why they sleep, why they wash, why they dress etc, they will answer this is a common necessity for all human beings.

- Hundreds of similar other questions could be asked and we will receive the same or similar answers from anyone in any language in any place in the world. Simple.

- Then why is it that when we ask the question what is the goal and purpose of life, we receive so many different answers?

- It is because people are confused, they are stumbling in the dark and don't really know.

- Rather than to say, they don't know, they just answer any answer which they have been programmed to answer. Please think about it.

- Is our purpose in this world, simply to eat, sleep, dress, work, acquire some material gains and enjoy ourselves? Is it our purpose?

- Why are we born? What is the object of our existence and what is the wisdom behind the creation of man and this tremendous universe? Think about that question.

- Some persons argue that there is no proof of any Divine Origin, there is no proof that there is a God, there is no proof that this Universe has come about through any divine purpose.

- There are people who argue about that. And they say that perhaps this world came about by chance. A big bang and the whole great world with all its orchestration just came together.

- They argue that life doesn't have any definite purpose. That there is nothing that can be proven through either logic or science that there is a God or purpose or any divine reason behind this world.

- Allah (the Glorified and Exalted) said to us in the Quran:

إِنَّ فِي خَلْقِ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَأَخْتِلَافِ اللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ لآيَاتٍ
لِّأُولِي الْأَلْبَابِ ﴿١٩٠﴾

الَّذِينَ يَذْكُرُونَ اللَّهَ قِيَمًا وَقُعُودًا وَعَلَىٰ جُنُوبِهِمْ وَيَتَفَكَّرُونَ
فِي خَلْقِ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ رَبَّنَا مَا خَلَقْتَ هَذَا بَطْلًا سُبْحَانَكَ فَقِنَا
عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿١٩١﴾

- Which means:
- **Indeed, in the creation of the heavens and the earth and the alternation of the night and the day are signs for those of understanding.**

- **Who remember Allah while standing or sitting or [lying] on their sides and give thought to the creation of the heavens and the earth, [saying], "Our Lord, You did not create this aimlessly; exalted are You [above such a thing]; then protect us from the punishment of the Fire.**
- **Surah Ali Imran, Verses 189-191**

- Now, here in these verses, Allah has mentioned very clearly to us, by first drawing our attention to the creation of ourselves, the different postures of the human body, the different attitudes of the human psychology.

- He draws our attention to the heavens, the alternation of the day and the night, the stars, the constellations.

- And then he says to us, he has not created all of these for any foolish purpose, because when we see the design of it, we know that the design of it is very powerful and very precise.

- Something very powerful and precise, which is beyond our imagination and beyond our own calculation, cannot be foolish.

- For instance, if you took 10 marbles of different colours and numbered then 1 to 10.

- If you put them in a bag and shook the bag and then closing your eyes, reached inside that bag and I tell you to pullout marble no. 1, then pullout marble no. 2, and then pullout marble no. 3 in order.

- What is the chance of you pulling out those marbles in order? Do you know what the chances are? 26 million to 1.

- So what are the chances of heaven/earth, been thrown in the big bang and are orchestrated like they are? What is the chance of that?

- Dear brothers, we have to ask ourselves a further question, when you see a bridge, building or an automobile, you automatically consider the person who constructed it.

- When you see an airplane, rocket, satellite or a large ship, you automatically consider how incredible vehicle it is.

- When you see a nuclear plant or a space ship, you will have to be thoroughly impressed with the engineering dynamics involved.

- Yet, these are things that are manufactured by human beings. Then what about the human body with its massive and intricate control system? Think about it.

- Think about the human brain - how it thinks, how it stores and retrieves information, how it analyses, how it distinguishes and characterizes information in a millionth of a second and does it constantly.

- This is the brain that made the automobiles, space ship and so on, but who made the brain? Think about that.

- Think about the heart – how it pumps continuously for 60 to 70 years, in taking and discharging blood throughout the body and maintains that steady position throughout the life of that person.

- Think about the kidneys – what kind of function do they carry. It purifies instruments of the body, which performs hundreds of chemical analysis simultaneously and also controls the level of toxicity in the content of the body and it does this automatically.

- Think about your eyes - the human camera that adjusts, focuses, interprets, evaluates, applies colour automatically. The natural reception and adjustment to light and distance is automatic. Think about it.

- Who created all of these? Who mastered all of these? Who plans and regulates all of these? Human beings themselves? No, of course not.

- What about this Universe? Think about this. This earth is one planet in the Solar system and our solar system is one of the systems in the Milky Way and the Milky Way is one of the constellations in that Galaxy.

- There are millions of Galaxies like that Milky Way. And they are all in order, they are all precise, they are not colliding with each other, they are not conflicting with each other and they are all swimming along in an orbit that has been set for them.

- Has human beings set that into motion and are human beings maintaining that position? No of course not.

- Think about the Oceans, the fish, the insects, the birds, the plants, bacteria, the chemical elements – which have not been discovered and cannot be detected even with the most sophisticated instruments, yet each one has a law that they follow.

- Did all of these – synchronization, harmony, variation, design, maintenance, operation and infinite numeration, they just happened by chance.

- Also, do these things function perfectly and perpetually – also by chance? Do they keep on reproducing themselves and maintaining themselves – also by chance? No of course not.

- It is totally illogical to think and in the least, it would indicate that however it came to be, it is totally outside of our own capability. We will all agree to that.

- The Being, the Almighty Power, God, the Creator, Who has knowledge to design, to proportion, Who has created all of these and is responsible for the maintenance of all of these; is the only ONE deserving of Praise and Gratitude.

- If I gave each one of you \$100 for no special reason, but just for coming here, you would at least say thank you.

- So what the gifts in the form of your eyes, your kidneys, your brain, your life, your breath, your children.

- What about that? Who gave you that? Is He not worthy of Praise and Thanks? Is He not worthy of your Worship and your recognition?

- My respected brothers, that is in a nutshell is the purpose and goal of our life.

- Allah (the Glorified and Exalted) said to us in the Quran:

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ ﴿٥٦﴾

- **And I created not the jinn and mankind except that they should worship Me.**
- Surah al-Dzariyat, Verse 56
- This is what the Almighty said.

- So in my conclusion, our purpose in life is to recognize our Creator, to be grateful to our Creator, to worship the Creator, to surrender ourselves to our Creator and to obey the laws that He has determined for us.
- In a nutshell it means Worship.

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ بِالْقُرْءَانِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِيْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنْ
الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلْ مِنِّيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ
السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ . أَوْصِيَكُمْ عِبَادَ اللهِ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ
الْمُتَّقُونَ ، وَأَحْتُكُمُ وَنَفْسِيْ عَلَى طَاعَةِ اللهِ وَرِسُوْلِهِ فِيْ كُلِّ
وَقْتٍ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ ، أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوْهُ فَيَا
فَوْزَ الْمُسْتَغْفِرِيْنَ وَيَا نَجَاةَ التَّائِبِيْنَ .

2nd Sermon



الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ حَمْدًا كَثِيرًا كَمَا أَمَرَ ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا
شَرِيكَ لَهُ ، إِقْرَارًا بِرُبُوبِيَّتِهِ وَإِرْغَامًا لِمَنْ جَحَدَ بِهِ وَكَفَرَ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ سَيِّدَنَا
مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ، سَيِّدُ الْخَلَائِقِ وَالْبَشَرِ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا
مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ مَصَابِيحِ الْغُرَرِ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ تَعَالَى فِيمَا أَمَرَ ، وَانْتَهُوا عَمَّا
نَهَاكُمْ عَنْهُ وَزَجَرَ.

O servant of Allah, remember that this world is a place for temporary lodging. Truly, hereafter is the everlasting and permanent abode. So let us devote to Allah for obtaining happiness and escape from the punishment of hellfire.

- Allah says in Surah Al Ahzab verse 56:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ
ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٦﴾

- Which means:

“Indeed Allah confers blessing upon the prophet and His angels (ask Him to do so). O! You who have believed, ask Allah to confer blessing upon him and ask Allah to grant him peace.”

أَلَا صَلُّوا وَسَلِّمُوا عَلَى نَبِيِّ الْمُصْطَفَى خَيْرِ الْأَنْبَاءِ ، فَقَدْ أَمَرَنَا اللَّهُ بِذَلِكَ
حَيْثُ قَالَ فِي كِتَابِهِ الْعَزِيزِ : إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ ، يَا أَيُّهَا
الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا .

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ ، كَمَا صَلَّيْتَ وَسَلَّمْتَ
عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَعَلَى آلِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ فِي الْعَالَمِينَ إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ .

- Let us pray that may Allah SWT be please with the khalifahs of Rasulullah s.a.w i.e Sayyidina Abu Bakr al-Siddiq r.a., Sayyidina Umar al-Khattab r.a., Sayyinda Uthman ibn Affan r.a., Sayyidina Ali ibn Abi Thalib r.a.

- And to his companions who struggle to uphold the religion of Allah, also to his uncles Sayyidina Hamzah and Sayyidina Abbas r.a. and to his grandchildren Sayyidina Hassan and Sayyidina Hussain r.a., his daughters Sayyidatina Fatimah al-Zahraa', his wives Sayyidatina Khadijah and Sayyidatina Aisyah r.a. and the other wives. Followed by his family, companions, followers of the companions and those who come after them from time to time until the end of the world.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ ، وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ
وَالْأَمْوَاتِ ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَقَاضِي الْحَاجَاتِ يَا رَبَّ
الْعَالَمِينَ.

- O Allah, forgive all Muslims and believers, whether surviving or deceased. O Allah, grant us glory and prosperity to those who fight and spend their wealth in your way such as those who pay zakat, waqaf etc.

- Ya Allah, bestow your guidance and help to the leaders and kings of the Muslim countries especially to Abdaka Al-Harith Lishariatika Al-Sultan Ibrahim Ibni Almarhum Al-Sultan Iskandar, the Sultan and ruler for the State of Johor Darul Takzim.

- And to Raja Zarith Sofea Binti Al-Marhum Sultan Idris Shah, Tengku Ismail Ibn Sultan Ibrahim, Pemangku Raja Johor and, the Prince and Princess, the royal kinship, and all Muslims.

اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزَّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ ، وَاخْذُلِ الْكُفْرَةَ
وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَكُلَّ مَنْ هُوَ عَدُوٌّ لِلدِّينِ .
رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا
لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا .

اللَّهُمَّ ادْخِلْنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتَنَا وَأَصُولَنَا وَفُرُوعَنَا الْجَنَّةَ مَعَ الْأَبْرَارِ يَا عَزِيزُ يَا
غَفَّارُ يَا رَبَّ الْعَالَمِينَ . رَبَّنَا اغْفِرْ لَنَا وَلِإِخْوَانِنَا الَّذِينَ
سَبَقُونَا بِالْإِيمَانِ وَلَا تَجْعَلْ فِي قُلُوبِنَا غِلًّا لِلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا
رَبَّنَا إِنَّكَ رءُوفٌ رَحِيمٌ . رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي
الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ .

عِبَادَ اللَّهِ ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي
الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ
يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ .

فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ ، وَاشْكُرُوا لَهُ عَلَىٰ نِعْمِهِ
يَزِدْكُمْ ، وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ ، وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ .

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