

**Selected Friday Sermons Compiled by Sh. Muhammad Jumu'an:**

**SPEECH NO.6**

**TOPIC: THE BLESSING OF SECURITY AND HOW TO PRESERVE IT**

**INTRODUCTION:**

All praise is due to Allah –The Almighty, The All Gracious. We praise Him, we seek His Guidance and ask for His Forgiveness. We seek refuge in Allah from the evil of our own souls and bad deeds. Whoever Allah guides, none can lead him astray and whoever Allah leaves astray, no one can guide him to the straight path besides Allah. I bear witness that there is no deity worthy of worship except Allah alone without any associates and I bear witness that Muhammad is the slave and messenger of Allah. May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him and all his family members and companions. Amen.

O you who have believed! Fear Allah as he should be feared and do not die except as Muslims (in the state of full submission to Him).

O mankind! Fear your Lord who created you from one soul and created from it its mate and dispersed from both of them many men and women. And fear Allah through whom you ask one another, and the wombs. Indeed, Allah is ever, over you, an Observer.

O you who believe! Fear Allah and speak in a straight forward manner. He will amend your deeds and forgive you your sins. And whoever obeys Allah and His messenger has indeed attained the greatest success.

**Part 1 of the speech:**

Dear Muslims! O Believers!

The first prayer of Prophet Abraham as mentioned in the Qurán was: “O Allah! Make this country safe and secure! (Surah Al Baqarah; Chapter 2 verse 126). So Allah-The Almighty answered his prayer and said: “And whosoever enters it (Makkah) will be secure”. (Qurán: Surah Al Imran; Chapter 3 verse 97).

Allah –The All Glorious reminded the people of Thamud of His blessing and said; “They used to carve from the mountains houses feeling secure.” (Surah AlHijr; Chapter 15 verse 82).

Allah –The All Glorious said the following regarding the people of Saba in Yemen:

“And We placed between them and the cities which We had blessed (many) visible cities. And We determined between them the distances of the Journey (saying): “Travel between them by night or by day in safety.” (Surah Saba; Chapter 34 verse 18).

Allah- The Almighty also mentioned His special favour to Prophet Joseph and his family members by providing them a safe country to live in. Allah –The Almighty says in the Holy Qurán: “ Enter Egypt, God Willing, safe and secure. (Surah Yusuf: Chapter 12 verse 99).

O Believers! When there is security and faith, the souls become united and life becomes better and enriched, sustenance increases, people get to know each other, knowledge is shared among the people and the ties of kinship are then maintained. The people all become happy and they exchange mutual benefits and the religious worship is established and the law of Allah (Sharia) will be established on the land of Allah upon the slaves of Allah. On the other hand, if there is no security, the situation will change and no one will have peace of mind. The people will be consumed with fear while performing their religious worship and this will lead to the people deserting the Mosques. Consequently, the religious rituals will lose their significance. This situation is clearly illustrated in the following verse of the Holy Qurán; Allah-The Almighty says: “ Only a few people believed in Moses (Peace be upon Him) from his people due to the fear of Pharaoh and his supporters that they will torture them.”

When there is no security, the sick will groan in pain as there will be no doctor or medicine. The livelihood of the people will deteriorate as people will vacate the land, families will be separated, contracts and truces will be violated. The means of livelihood will become difficult and the people’s mentality will start changing.

Dear Believers! The blessing of security is a great blessing which is worth remembering and worth reminding others about it to encourage each other to preserve it. Allah –The Almighty says in the Holy Qurán: “And remember when

you were few and oppressed in the land, fearing that people might abduct you, but He sheltered you, supported you with His victory and provided you with good things that you might be grateful.” (Surah Al Anfal; Chapter 8: verse 26).

The blessing of security should be appreciated by constantly thanking Allah –The Almighty for this great blessing and remembering it all the time so as to show gratitude to Allah who is the actual source of security. Allah-The Almighty says:

“And when you are secure, then whoever performs Umraah (during hajj months) followed by hajj(offers) what can be obtained with ease of the sacrificial animals.

(Surah Al Baqarah; Chapter 2 verse 196).

In another chapter of the Holy Qurán, Allah-The Almighty says:

“For the accustomed security of Quraysh-

Their accustomed security in the caravan of winter and summer-

Let them worship the Lord of this House,

Who has fed them (saving them) from hunger and made them safe, (saving them) from fear. (Surah Quraysh; Chapter 106 verses 1-4).

Sins and security do not go hand in hand as sins remove the blessings of Allah and cause punishment to descend on the people. Allah-The Almighty says in the holy Qurán: “So Allah punished them with hunger and fear because of their evil deeds.” Again, Allah-The All Glorious says: “That is because Allah does not remove a blessing that He has bestowed upon a people unless they first change what is within themselves.” There is a common wise saying that no trial or tribulation occurs upon a person or a community except due to committing sins and no trial or tribulation is removed except by sincere repentance.

Obedience to Allah-The Almighty is the best protection for the believer from calamities and trials and whoever enters this fortress is indeed secure. This is a binding promise from Allah-The Almighty as mentioned in the following verses of the Holy Qurán: (Surah Al-Noor; Chapter 24 verse 55):

“Allah has promised those who have believed among you and done righteous deeds that He will surely grant them succession (to authority) upon earth just as He granted it to those before them and that He will surely establish for them

(therein) their religion which He has preferred for them and that He will surely substitute for them after their fear, security, (for) they worship Me, not associating anything with Me. But whoever disbelieves after that, then those are the defiantly disobedient.”

May Allah-The Almighty continue to bless us with the teachings of the Holy Qurán and enlighten us with its wonderful verses, knowledge, wisdom and beautiful exhortations. I say this and seek Allah’s forgiveness for all of us and for all the Muslims from our sins so ask for His forgiveness for He is the Most Forgiving, the Most Merciful.

**Part 2 of the speech:**

All praise is due to Allah for His generosity and All thanks is due to Allah for His guidance and countless blessings. I bear witness that there is no deity worthy of worship except Allah alone and I bear witness that Muhammad is His slave and Messenger. May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him and all his family members and all his companions.

Dear Muslims! O Believers!

The complete and perfect security is the life of the people of paradise as there is no fear, no pain, no sorrow or grief in paradise and no possibility of their excellent condition changing or their happiness ending. It is perpetual happiness in full security. It will be said to them on the day of Judgement: “ Enter Paradise in a safe and secure manner.” And when they enter their dwellings and castles in paradise, peace and security descends upon them. Allah-The Almighty says:

“And they will be safe and secure in their rooms (dwellings) in paradise.”

Allah-The All Glorious also says about the righteous and pious people: “The pious will be in a secure station on the day of Judgement.”

May Allah-The Most Gracious and Most Merciful grant us all to be among them. Ameen.

Allah –The Most Glorious has commanded you to send salutations of peace and blessings upon His prophet as mentioned in the Holy Qurán:

“Allah and His Angels send salutations of peace on the prophet. O you who believe send salutations of peace and blessings on the prophet”

O Allah! Exalt the mention of Muhammad and the family of Muhammad as you exalted the mention of Ibrahim and the family of Ibrahim. You are the Praised and Most Glorious. O Allah! Bless Muhammad and the family of Muhammad as you have blessed Ibrahim and the family of Ibrahim. You are Praised and Most Glorious.