

FAREWELL SERMON: PRINCIPLES AND VALUES

Caring for Proclaiming the Call to Islam and Establishing the Proof

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "O people, listen to me for I am making things clear for you. Indeed, I do not know if I will meet you again after this year in this situation..."
"Did I convey (the message of Islam)? O Allah bear witness."

The Prohibition of Illegal Bloodshed

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "O people, your blood, your wealth and your honor are inviolable to you until you meet your Lord, just as the sanctity of this day of yours, in this month of yours, in this land of yours. Did I convey (the message of Islam)? O Allah bear witness."

Trust is a Responsibility

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "Whoever has a trust, he has to pay it to the one entrusted him with it."

Annulation of the Corrupted Characters, Principles and Values of Jahiliyyah

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "Every practice of the Jahiliyyah is beneath my feet and the blood feuds of the Jahiliyyah are cancelled. The first claim of blood that I abolish is that of Ibn Rabi'ah ibn Al-Harith. The customs of Jahiliyyah are abolished except the custody of Ka'bah and supplying (the pilgrims with) water."

The Prohibition of Interest

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "The interest of the Jahiliyyah is abolished, and the first that I abolish is that of Al-'Abbas ibn 'Abdul-Muttalib."

Warning against the Satan

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "O people, the Satan has despaired of being worshipped in your lands but he has accepted to be obeyed in other than that of your deeds that you deem little."

Adherence to the Book of Allah Is the Key of Superiority and Victory in This World and the Hereafter:

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "I left amongst you what if you stuck to it, you will not be misguided; the book of Allah and His Sunnah."

Establishing Justice and Human Equity

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "O people, your Lord is one, and your father is one. All of you belong to Adam, and Adam (was created) from dust. The most honorable of you for Allah is the most righteous one. There is no merit for an Arab over a non-Arab except by piety. Did I convey (the message of Islam)? O Allah bear witness."

Establishing the Rights and Good Treatment of Women

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "Be kind to women, for they are your prisoners and they can do nothing for themselves. You have taken them with the pledge of Allah and have made their bodies lawful to you by the words of Allah. So, fear Allah concerning women and treat them kindly."

Determining the Social Basics, Rights and Duties in the Muslim Society:

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "O people, your blood, your wealth and your honor are inviolable to you until you meet your Lord, just as the sanctity of this day of yours, in this month of yours, in this land of yours. Did I convey (the message of Islam)? O Allah bear witness."

"O people, your women have rights upon you and you owe rights upon them that they should not allow anyone other than you to sit on your furniture, let not anyone you dislike enter your houses except with your permission and not to commit the guilty of lewdness. If they do that, then Allah has permitted to forsake them in bed and to hit them but not in a harsh manner. If they desisted from that and obeyed, you have to provide for them and clothe them on a reasonable basis..."

"O people, the believers are brothers. The properties of a person are not permissible for his brother except with his own accord. Did I convey (the message of Islam)? O Allah bear witness. Do not return after I (pass away) as disbelievers; some of you strike the necks of the others..."

"The boy is for (the owner of) the bed and the stone is for the person who commits illegal sexual intercourse. Whoever ascribes himself to other than his father or claims that his Wala' is for other than his real master, there is upon him the curse of Allah and that of His angels and that of the whole mankind, and there will not be accepted from him his obligatory acts or supererogatory acts on the Day of Resurrection..."

"O People, indeed Allah has defined for every inheritor his share of inheritance. Bequeathing for an inheritor is not permissible. It is not allowable to make a will in more than the third (of the estate)..."

These inclusive percepts and beneficial values pave the way to family and economic stability, social solidarity and humanitarian acquaintance, in consideration of carrying out the obligation of calling to this religion in the way that is best.