



Don't Let Ramadan End Without Seeking Forgiveness

Description

Bismillahi Wal Hamdullillah Was Salātu Was Salāmu 'alaa Rasūlillahi

Ammā Ba'd:

With this the final day of the blessed month of Ramadhān, no doubt it grieves us to see it end with such quickness. And it the likes of this rapid movement of time that we witness that brings to mind the like of the statement of the Sahābi Al Jalīl Abdullah Ibn Mas'ūd – Radhiyallahu 'Anhu who said:

"I have not grieved over anything the way I grieve over a day that the sun sets, my determined period shortens, and I have not increased in my actions"

But keep in mind constantly that the affairs are by ones final actions (as occurs in an authentic hadeeth), so let the end of this month of Ramadhān be with Istighfār (seeking forgiveness) from Allah and Taubah (repentance).

For certainly Istighfar is the seal of righteous actions.

Allah the most high said to his Messenger – Sallallahu alaihi was Salam at the end of his life:

"When comes the help of Allah and the conquest (of Makkah), And you see that the people enter Allah's religion in crowds,



Then glorify the praise of your lord (declare him free of imperfections) and seek his forgiveness.

Verily he is the one who accepts the repentance and forgives."

(Suratun Nasr)

Allah the most high similarly commands the Hujaaj (Pilgrims) when they have finished their rites to make istighfar

"Then depart from the place whence all the people depart <u>and ask Allah for his</u> <u>forgiveness</u>. Truly Allah is Oft Forgiving Most Merciful"

(Suratul Bagarah Vs 199)

And the examples of this are many.

Likewise the Salaf of this Ummah would fear their actions being rejected after their performance, as Allah informs us:

"And those who give (in charity) that which they give, with their hearts full of fear (whether their charity has been accepted or not) because they are sure to return to their Lord (for reckoning)"

(Suratul Mu'minūn Vs 60)

Where are such feelings within us as this month comes to an end?

As Ali – Radhiyallahu anhu mentioned:

"Be as ardent upon your actions being accepted as you are upon the performance of the action, have you not heard the statement of Allah:

"Indeed Allah accepts only from those who are muttagūn (God-fearing)"

(Suratul Mā'idah Vs 27)

May Allah accept our Fast, our salaah and our righteous actions and grant us a blessed Eid

Wa Sallallahu Alaa Nabiyinā Muhammad Wa 'Alaa Aalihi Was Sahbihi Ajma'een

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