



## **The Graduation of Thousands of Hufaz Quran will not change the condition of the Ummah of Islam unless they become among those working to establish the Khilafah**

(Translated)

In recent years, Muslims' interest in memorizing the Holy Qur'an has dramatically increased, and a faction of the loyal sons and daughters of the Islamic Ummah has set out to establish more Qur'anic associations and be preoccupied with teaching learners the Tajweed of the Qur'an, including recitation, readings, drawing, discipline and interpretation, in the hope of change and taking the Ummah's hand towards its righteousness and changing its condition. Associations have been established and multiplied, and online schools, Facebook groups, WhatsApp groups, etc. have also multiplied, and the motto is one: serving the Great Qur'an.

Although it is gratifying to witness the graduation ceremonies of thousands of bearers of the Book of Allah in various parts of the Muslim countries, and the eagerness of young and old to memorize Allah's speech and recite them throughout the night and at the end of the day with a perfect Arabic tongue free from hidden melodies, it is necessary to remind of great matters for those whose goal is pleasing Allah (swt):

1- Acting on what the Qur'an revealed is obligatory and is the basis, and that is why the Companions, may Allah be pleased with them, used to receive the Qur'an to implement and comply with Allah's commands and refrain from its prohibitions, and they prayed to Allah not to be among those who scrutinize its letters and misuse its limits. So, the whole loss is when a Muslim spends his life memorizing the Qur'an or teaching it to others while he is far from understanding its rulings and applying them. It is known from the religion of necessity that adherence to the rulings of Islam is an obligation on every Muslim, male and female. And this matter, although we are reminded of it, our reminder is not a matter of detracting from the great reward of the memorizer, and it is also known from what came in the hadiths, but rather a matter of placing matters in their places and putting points on the letters.

Awareness of the rulings of Islam and the duty of receiving for implementation necessitates that the Hafiz seeks the word of Allah to restore the Islamic State to existence, and that s/he be on one of the gaps of Islam, command good and forbid evil, caring for the affairs of all Muslims, following their news, seeking to support the oppressed, and not being separated from reality confined to a narrow crucible, as if he is in a valley and his ummah is in a valley!!

2- Focusing solely on associative work and graduating thousands of memorizers is not sufficient to save the Islamic Ummah from what it has reached, because the disease is well known, which is the absence of a state that governs according to Islamic law (Shariah), and despite how much the numbers increase and join the ranks of those who follow the Qur'an, three-quarters of the rulings of Islam will remain absent and suspended, and we will be questioned about them before Allah (swt).

These include political and economic provisions, the penal system, internal and external borders, and others.

We know that many of those who embarked on associative work have a lot of goodness and a great desire to serve the religion, but it is necessary that the goal be clear and the path of change known to them in order to succeed in their goal.

Our noble Messenger (saw) was preoccupied with political work, and it is no secret to two that he worked to establish a state and even established it in Medina after the supporters – the Ansar - embraced him (saw) and believed in what he was sent with, and everyone also knows how the state was able at that time to fuse the first society with the concepts of Islam, and how it elevated it and embodied in them charity and virtue. And they lived for the sake of Allah (swt), carrying the banner of Islam to the entire world.

For how long will the laggards take no action in the great political work continue as a result of the distortion and fallacies that the enemies marketed?! How long will benevolent efforts be spent on treating symptoms without diagnosing the disease and taking medication?!

It is befitting for the holders of the Book of Allah today to be in the first row of those working for change and the revival of the Islamic Ummah, and it is befitting for them to follow the steps of the Messenger of Allah (saw) in Da'wah and fighting the Kuffar (disbelievers), in intellectual struggle, cracking down on the truth and pushing at the hands of the oppressors. This is their gap that they must fill, and it is not enough for them to be preoccupied with education, charitable work, or anything else.

Reforming individuals does not reform society because societies are built on thoughts, sentiments, and the systems that control them and prevail in their societal atmospheres. It is necessary to remove this confusion from the minds in order to clarify what is required and the path that must be followed. If you call people to be good in themselves, it only produces good people, and this does not necessarily lead to the good of society, as the majority of people are affected by the general atmosphere and the laws applied on them, and therefore they must be intended and replaced if the quest is serious to make change.

The martyrdom of many in this context is due to the Almighty's saying: **﴿إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَغَيِّرُ مَا بِقَوْمٍ حَتَّى يُغَيِّرُوا مَا بِأَنْفُسِهِمْ﴾** **Indeed, Allah would never change a people's state of favour until they change their own state of faith** [Ar-Ra'd 13:11] claiming that reform begins with self-change only is misplaced martyrdom. Change in society is only possible with the presence of righteous and reformers, in accordance with what came in the hadith: **«لَتَأْمُرَنَّ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ، وَلَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ، وَلَتَأْخُذَنَّ عَلَى يَدِ الظَّالِمِ، وَلَتَأْطِرْنَهُ عَلَى الْحَقِّ»** **"You either enjoin good and forbid evil and catch hold of the hand of the oppressor and persuade him to act justly and stick to the truth, or, Allah will involve the hearts of some of you with the hearts of others and will curse you as He had cursed them."** The hadith indicates a clear indication of the obligation of the Muslim to strive to change the falsehood around him, which includes the oppression of the rulers and the taking at the hands of the oppressor, but called the hadith to frame it on the right and warned of the consequences of not doing so. And he (saw) was asked in another

incident: "Shall we perish, and among us are the righteous?" The Messenger of Allah (saw) said: «إِذَا كَثُرَ الْخَبْثُ» **"Yes, if there is much wickedness."** What malice is greater in the sight of Allah than what is happening today in terms of disrupting His Shariah, usurping the Ummah's authority, dividing Muslims, and enmity against them?! And what is the benefit of the righteous among us multiplying if they are not reformers?!

The one who scrutinizes what the Messenger of the Messenger of Allah (saw) did to Medina prior to the establishment of the first Islamic state, realizes that Mus'ab al-Khair did not set himself on making the people of Medina memorize where they had embraced the Qur'an so that they could be guided by it alone. Rather, his task, and those with him who converted to Islam, was to prepare a public opinion in support of Islam by seeking the dignitaries, calling groups, exposing falsehood (al-batil), fighting corruption, and targeting the societal thought and feeling and the system applied to them. Therefore, those whose concern is the Ummah's revival must not spend their efforts on things that do not achieve the same goal.

O bearers of the Book of Allah: Be worthy of what you carry in your chests, and be righteous and reformers, enjoining what is right and forbidding what is wrong, speaking the truth even in the presence of an unjust ruler, and not buying the verses of Allah for a small price. Be politicians as your Prophet (saw) was busy taking care of people's affairs and presenting Islam as an alternative to compulsory regimes, and move forward in accordance with the Almighty's saying: ﴿وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنْكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيُمَكِّنَنَّ لَهُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِي ارْتَضَى لَهُمْ وَلَيُبَدِّلَنَّهُمْ مِنْ بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمْنًا يَعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ بِي شَيْئًا وَمَنْ كَفَرَ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ فَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْفَاسِقُونَ﴾ Allah has promised those of you who believe and do good that He will certainly make them successors in the land, as He did with those before them; and will surely establish for them their faith which He has chosen for them; and will indeed change their fear into security—"provided that" they worship Me, associating nothing with Me. But whoever disbelieves after this 'promise', it is they who will be the rebellious. [An-Nur 24:55]. And he (saw) said: «ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةٌ عَلَىٰ مِنْهَاجِ النَّبُوءَةِ» **There will then emerge Khilafah (Caliphate) on the precepts of Prophethood'.**

These are the gaps that you must fill, for by Allah, this is the right path for those who want to serve Islam and serve the Qur'an. May Allah (swt) guide us and you to what He loves and is pleased with.

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