



## In the name of Allah Most Gracious and Most Merciful

All praises are due to **Allah**. We believe in **Him** and **His** Angels, **His** Books, **His** Messengers, the Last Day and in Destiny its good and apparent bad. We are content with **Allah** as our **Lord**, **Islam** as our religion. I testify that there is nothing worthy of worship except **Allah** the uniquely One, who has no partners in **His** one-ness. And I testify that the Prophet **Muhammad** is the slave of **Allah** and **His** Messenger.

O servants of **Allah!** **Allah** says in the **Qur'an** in **Surah an-Nur** and **Surah an-Nisaa**:

**“And whoever obeys Allah and His Messenger and fears Allah and is conscious of Him - it is those who are the attainers.”** (S.24 V.52)

**“He who obeys the Messenger has obeyed Allah. ...”** (S.4 V.80)

Indeed, **Allah** has sent down the **Qur'an** upon the Prophet **Muhammad** and the **Qur'an** has within it commands and prohibitions, and the prescription of the sacred law unto the creation. **Allah** says in the **Qur'an** in **Surah an-Nahl**:

**“...And We revealed to you (Muhammad) the message that you may make clear to the people what was sent down to them. ...”** (S.16 V.44)

So, the Prophet **SAW** clarified for us the affairs in our religion, he is the one who elucidates what has come to us from the **Lord**, teaching us through his guidance, the details of our worship. So, he clarified for us how to worship **Allah** and its times, the number of **Rakaat** it has. Similarly, the Prophet **SAW** clarified for us the rulings related to fasting, he explained the amount of **Zakat**, and he also made the **Hajj** with the people and explained for the rites by saying:

**“Learn your rites from me.”**

O servants of **Allah!** The Prophet **SAW** came with the best of character. **Jafar ibn Abi Talib RA** states: The Prophet **SAW** called us to **Allah**, he commanded us to have sincerity in our speech, to fulfill our trusts and to be kind and connected to our relations and to be kind to our neighbours. So we were sincere to him and believed in him, and followed him in what he brought forward, taking as **haram** that which made **haram** for us, and taking as **halal** that which is made **halal**. So the Messenger of **Allah SAW** is our example in our worship, he is our example in his character and interpersonal dealings, in all of the affairs of our lives. **Allah** says in the **Qur'an** in **Surah al-Ahzab**:

**“There has certainly been for you in the Messenger of Allah an excellent pattern for anyone whose hope is in Allah and the Last Day and [who] remembers Allah often.”** (S.33 V.21)

Indeed, the following of the Prophet **SAW** is to be in all aspects of our life. In his social and family values, for he was an excellent husband and father. And we follow all him in all of his traces, in his striving and struggles, in his mercy, in his gentleness, his tolerance and in all his lofty traits of character and humanity. Each of us is tasked to do this in his own domain, the employee in their employment, the worker in their work, the teacher in their teaching, the student in their studying, the husband with their wives and their children, and the wife with her husband and children. For it is through this that we can strengthen the love of the Prophet **SAW** in our hearts, in our souls, such that we can feel the sweetness of faith in our hearts.

The Prophet **SAW** said: **“There are three qualities for which anyone who is characterized by them will experience the sweetness of faith: [the first of what he mentioned was] He to whom God and His messenger are dearer than all else.”** [Bukhari and Muslim]

May the peace and the blessings of **Allah** be upon prophet **Muhammad SAW**, his family and all of his Companions. May **Allah** be pleased with the Rightly Guided **Caliphs: Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman** and **Ali**, and all those who will follow them in righteousness until the Day of Judgment.

O **Allah!** Accept our prayers and all our **ibada**.

O **Allah!** Accept all of our good deeds and forgive us for our **sins**.

O **Allah!** Guide us to the right path and accept all our worships

O **Allah!** Accept us for **Your** service and for the service of **Islam** and **Muslims**.

O **Allah!** Accept all of us **Dawah** worker in Japan

O **Allah!** Grant safety and security in Japan and all over the world. **Aamin ya Rabbil Aalamin**