

Summarised Friday Sermon

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Importance in Living the Attributes of an Excellent Muslim Community

- Return to Islam and to the true teachings of Islam. Be a true Muslim, who is proud of his religion, and practices Islam fully.
- Our true objective and actual vision in life, is to gain Allah's Pleasure, so as to be freed from the torment of hellfire, and so that we may gain entrance to paradise. This is our first utmost vision. And to achieve this vision, we need to know that it cannot be achieved by isolating ourselves from the community, and by praying on the prayer mat only.
- Two very basic things and very important for every Muslim which must be possessed are, firstly: Knowledge. And secondly: Good character.
- Knowledge is very important. It is obligatory upon every Muslim to seek knowledge. Both worldly and religious knowledge and Islam does not segregate between the two. Without knowledge, a Muslim can be easily influenced by misleading schools of thought, such that it may cause him to lead a path away from Islam.
- A knowledgeable man, but without good character, will be looked down upon. It is pointless to have a sea of knowledge, but his character will cause people to resent him. Thus Islam emphasizes on good character.
- With these two principles, knowledge and good character, we will be more confident and able to interact better with other communities, be it Muslim or non-Muslim. We will know the boundaries which are allowed, and reject politely those which are against our religion.
- An excellence of individuals together with our Muslim brothers in this life and in the hereafter is the peak of knowledge and good character, and to show clear evidence to others, that Islam is a complete and all-encompassing religion
- Islam is exalted, and there is none that is more exalted than it.



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