

The Speech of the eminent scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Rashtah, the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir on the start of the month of Dhul Hijjah 1438 AH



“By the Dawn; by the Ten Nights” [Al-Fajr: 1-2]

(Translated)

To the virtuous, the pure, the good and the righteous Dawah carriers, though we do not ascribe purity to anyone before Allah (swt).

To the website visitors who are determined to the Truth that it proclaims, and the good that it carries with Allah's permission...

To all Muslims who love Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw).

To all these, I salute you with the greeting of Islam, Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh,

As you know, we have been accustomed to congratulating you on the morning of Eid, but the Imam had read in Fajr prayer the holy verse ﴿وَالْفَجْرِ \* وَلَيَالٍ عَشْرٍ﴾ “**By the dawn; by the ten nights**”. [Al-Fajr: 1-2], and I decided that I discuss with you the first day of these ten blessed days that Allah has taken oath of, and that the Messenger of Allah (saw) had made the good deed more beloved to Allah than in others. Ahmed extracted in his Musnad from Saeed bin Jubayr from Ibn Abbas who said: The Messenger of Allah (saw) said: **«مَا مِنْ أَيَّامٍ الْعَمَلُ الصَّالِحُ فِيهَا أَحَبُّ إِلَى اللَّهِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ مِنْ هَذِهِ الْأَيَّامِ يَعْنِي أَيَّامَ الْعَشْرِ»** “**There is no day wherein any good action is more beloved to Allah Ta’ala than these ten days (the first ten days of Dhul Hijjah)**”. The Sahaabah (ra) enquired: “**Not even Striving in the path of Allah?**” “**Not even Striving in the path of Allah,**” replied Rasulallah (saw), “**with the exception of that person who left with his life and wealth (in the path of Allah) and did not return with any of it (i.e. he is martyred).**”

These are great days beginning with the sacred (Muharram) month of Dhul-Hijjah and ending the Day of Sacrifice on Eid al-Adha, that I ask Allah Almighty to make it good and blessing to Islam and all Muslims. And that Allah accepts our acts of worship, and that these ten nights are good for those who witness them correctly and give them their right. For these are days of truthfulness, sincerity and closeness to Allah with good deeds and answered Duaa (supplications), with Allah’s permission.

**Dear Brothers and Sisters:**

Some Shabab say that the harassment has intensified on us internationally, regionally and locally. Yes, this is true, but it is not a cause of despair or sorrow, rather it is a foreshadowing of relief, since the intensification of a crisis is a sign of its relief, and the intense darkness of the night is a notification of the true dawn. Thus, the infidels of Quraysh fought the Dawah of the Prophet (saw) and stood in his (saw) face in various ways, with escalating harassment and intensity. Thus, they boycotted the Prophet (saw) and his Companions (ra), in the Shi'b and tortured them and they caused the Prophet’s feet to bleed. They slandered the Prophet (saw) accusing him of magic, madness and lying. ﴿كَبُرَتْ كَلِمَةً تَخْرُجُ مِنْ أَفْوَاهِهِمْ إِنْ يَقُولُونَ إِلَّا كَذِبًا﴾ “**Grave is the word that comes out of their mouths; they speak not except a lie.**” [Al-Kahf: 5].

Then the crisis intensified and they agreed to kill the Messenger of Allah (saw). They chased him, blessings and peace of Allah be upon him, to the Cave of Thawr, where he (saw) and his closest companion Abu Bakr, may Allah be pleased with him, were hiding, and the disbelievers stood in front of the mouth of the cave, only an arm's length away between them and the Messenger of Allah (saw). This was on the eve of that day, and after a day or two the Prophet (saw) established the state in al-Medina al-Munawarrah and towered up its structure so that it illuminated the Deen and proclaimed the Truth. ﴿إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَذِكْرًا لِأُولِي الْأَبْصَارِ﴾ “**Indeed, in that is a reminder for those of understanding.**” [Az-Zumar: 21].

And so is the call that we carry, following the example of the Rasulallah (saw). Hizb ut Tahrir which leads the call, its Shabab and its leadership were exposed to the various harassment and

torture leading to martyrdom, from the conspiracies of the plotters, the spies of the oppressors and the spite of the haters:

As for the Hizb, it has been banned and prevented in the countries of the Muslim world. Even those countries that are open to parties of various forms such as Indonesia, they have banned the party. And countries that open their doors to parties of all kinds, even the wretched ones, like Tunisia, have banned the Hizb ... As for why is that? It is for the word of truth that the Hizb proclaims.

As for the Shabab of the Hizb, the prisons of the tyrants speak of their status, for they are in their narrow prison being tortured, and in their wider prison are being pursued, indeed, we belong to Allah, and indeed to Him we will return.

As for the leadership of the party, the first Ameer was slandered by the spiteful and spies with exposed lies and fabrications and they said and said ... The second Ameer they did not just slander him, but claimed that he had violated the thought and the method... The poor servant, the third Ameer, they did not limit themselves to slander him or allege his violation of the thought, but had spread rumors of his death, supposing that they would extinguish their rage! They are truly fools, for they have hearts with which they do not understand, because if they understand they would have known that the death of the Ameer of the Hizb does not mean the death of the Hizb. But rather, Ata will be succeeded by a stronger and tougher Ata who will address them by the saying of the Almighty: **«وإِذَا خُلُوعُ عَضْوًا عَلَيْكُمْ مِنَ الْغَيْظِ فَلَنْ مَوْثُوا بِغَيْظِكُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلِيمٌ بِذَاتِ الصُّدُورِ»** **“But when they are alone, they bite their fingertips at you in rage. Say, "Die in your rage. Indeed, Allah is Knowing of that within the breasts”** [Ali-Imran: 119].

This Dawah belongs to Allah, and it will not be harmed by the conspiracies of the plotters, the spies of the oppressors and the spite of the haters, nor by the slander of the slanderers, but will rise from high to higher and extends its light, with Allah's permission to the sky. And the promise of Allah Almighty and the glad tidings of Rasulallah (saw) will be fulfilled in its three divisions:

This forcible rule will fall into an abyss and there will be Khilafah (Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood. The Prophet (saw) said: **«ثُمَّ تَكُونُ مُلْكًا جَبْرِيَّةً، فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ، ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا، ثُمَّ لَا تَقُومُ السَّاعَةَ حَتَّى يُقَاتِلَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ الْيَهُودَ، فَيَقْتُلُهُمُ الْمُسْلِمُونَ...»** **“Then there will be a forcible rule, as long as Allah wants, then Allah will remove if He so wants, then there will be a Khilafah on the Method of Prophethood, and then he (saw) was silent”**. (Narrated by Imam Ahmad from Hudhayfah ibn al-Yaman) The world will enlighten and Allah will establish the truth by His words and eliminate the den of the disbelievers...

And we will uproot Jewish entity. Muslim said in his Saheeh on the authority of Abu Hurayrah: The Messenger of Allah (saw) said: **«لَا تَقُومُ السَّاعَةَ حَتَّى يُقَاتِلَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ الْيَهُودَ، فَيَقْتُلُهُمُ الْمُسْلِمُونَ...»** **“The Hour will not come until the Muslims fight the Jews, and the Muslims will kill them...”** In another narration, he (saw) said: **«تَقَاتِلُكُمْ يَهُودُ، فَتَسْلُطُونَ عَلَيْهِمْ»** **“The Jews will fight you and you will dominate them.”**

And we will enter the Blessed Land as liberators, and pray at Al-Aqsa Mosque by the Adhan of our companion in Iraq, who sent a message in which he supplicates to Allah to be the first *Mu'athin* in Al-Aqsa after its liberation.

As well as we will open Rome, by the permission of Allah. **Ahmad narrated in his Musnad and al Haakim and corrected and approved by Adh-Dhahabi on the authority of Abu Qaabeel who said: كُنَّا عِنْدَ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو بْنِ الْعَاصِ، وَسُئِلَ: أَيُّ الْمَدِينَتَيْنِ تَفْتَحُ أَوْلًا: الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةَ أَوْ رُومِيَّةَ؟ قَالَ: فَقَالَ عَبْدُ اللَّهِ: بَيْنَمَا نَحْنُ حَوْلَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ نَكْتُئِبُ، إِذْ سَأَلَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: أَيُّ الْمَدِينَتَيْنِ تَفْتَحُ أَوْلًا: قُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةَ أَوْ رُومِيَّةَ؟ فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَدِينَةُ هِرَقْلٍ تَفْتَحُ أَوْلًا، يَعْنِي قُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةَ.»** We were with ‘Abdullaah ibn ‘Amr ibn al-‘Aas and he was asked which city will be conquered first Constantinople or Rome? Then ‘Abdullaah said, **“While we were with the Messenger of Allah (saw) writing, the Messenger of Allah (saw) was asked, “The Messenger of Allah ﷺ was asked which of the two cities will be opened first Constantinople or Rome? He ﷺ said: “The city of Hercules will be opened first”, meaning Constantinople.”**

Constantinople was opened and Rome will be opened, InshaAllah, and the aspiration of our companion in Palestine will be fulfilled who sent a letter in which he supplicated to Allah to give him a plot of land in the folds of Rome to be like that of the Seerah of Tamim al-Dari, may Allah be pleased with him.

Therefore there will be no house made of mud or fur that Islam has not reached it by the glory of a powerful or humiliation of the humiliated. A glory that Allah will give to Islam and humiliation He (swt) will give to the Kufr. The Prophet said in the hadeeth narrated by Ahmad in his Musnad on the

authority of Tamim al-Dari said: I heard the Messenger of Allah (saw) says: **«لَيَبْلُغَنَّ هَذَا الْأَمْرُ مَا بَلَغَ اللَّيْلُ وَالتَّهَارُ وَلَا يَتْرُكُ اللَّهُ بَيْتَ مَدْرٍ وَلَا وَبَرَ إِلَّا أَدْخَلَهُ اللَّهُ هَذَا الدِّينَ بِعِزِّ عَزِيزٍ أَوْ بِذُلِّ ذَلِيلٍ عَرَا يُعِزُّ اللَّهُ بِهِ الْإِسْلَامَ وَذَلَّا يُذِلُّ اللَّهُ بِهِ الْكُفْرَ...»** **“This matter will reach all places reached by day (light) and night; Allah will not leave a house of mud or hair/fur, without making this Deen enter it, by the glory of a powerful or humiliation of the humiliated. A glory that Allah will give to Islam and humiliation He (swt) will give to the Kufir...”** Bai’haqi extracted a similar Hadith in As-Sunan Al-Kubra as well as in the Mustadrak of Hakim.

The malevolent and the slanderers, those in whose hearts is a disease or corruption on earth, they may say we are dreaming, or we are dreamers... And their kinds have said it before. They said about the Messenger of Allah (saw), and his companion, may Allah be pleased with them: their religion has deluded those, how can they look to the treasures of Caesar and Chosroes?! And then Allah’s promise was fulfilled despite the malice of those fallen. So, Chosroes and Caesar fell and the State of Islam and the banner of Islam rose, and this will happen again with Allah’s permission, and the spiteful will die in their rage and will be followed by the spies of the oppressors and the conspirators and all those who shout with falsehood **«وَسَيَعْلَمُ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا أَيَّ مُنْقَلَبٍ يَنْقَلِبُونَ»** **“And those who have wronged are going to know to what [kind of] return they will be returned.”** [Ash-Shu’ara: 227].

### Dear Brothers and Sisters:

We do not work in fantasy, rather we work and are confident of the promise of Allah, which is not only for the prophets, and not only in the Hereafter, but also for the believers in this world and the Hereafter. **«إِنَّا لَنَنْصُرُ رُسُلَنَا وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَيَوْمَ يَقُومُ الْأَشْهَادُ»** **Surely We do help Our messengers and the believers in the worldly life as we as on the Day on which witnesses will stand (to give their testimony).”** [Ghafir: 51].

I assure you, brothers and sisters, that the Hizb has almost reached its goals many times since its inception until today, but **«لِكُلِّ أَجَلٍ كِتَابٌ»** **“For every term is a decree.”** [Ar-Ra’d: 38].

And Allah has the extensive wisdom... If Al-Qaw’iee Al-Aziz decrees a matter, He makes the reasons for it easy and it will not be delayed **«إِنَّ اللَّهَ بِأَمْرِهِ فَعَلَّ اللَّهُ لِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدْرًا»** **“Indeed, Allah will accomplish His purpose. Allah has already set for everything a [decreed] extent”** [At-Talaq: 3].

In conclusion, I go back to where I started, I saw that I discuss with you on the first day of these ten blessed days, that Allah has taken oath of, and that the Messenger of Allah (saw) said about them: **«مَا مِنْ أَيَّامٍ الْعَمَلُ الصَّالِحُ فِيهَا أَحَبُّ إِلَى اللَّهِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ مِنْ هَذِهِ الْأَيَّامِ يَعْنِي أَيَّامَ الْعَشْرِ...»** **“There is no day wherein any good action is more beloved to Allah Ta’ala than these ten days (the first ten days of Dhul Hijjah)”**.

These are great days, beginning with the sacred (Muharram) month of Dhul-Hijjah and ending with the day of Sacrifice on Eid al-Adha, that I ask Allah Almighty to make it good and blessed for Islam and all Muslims. And that Allah accept our acts of worship, and that these ten nights are good for those who witness them correctly and give them their right. For these are days of truthfulness, sincerity and closeness to Allah with good deeds and answered prayers, with Allah’s permission.... I ask Allah to return those days and we are under the shade of Rayat ul Okab and we are on a pure ground bearing the Good (al-Khair) in our hands, and our tongues chant for it, so the hearts are assured, and breasts expand for it: **«وَيَوْمَئِذٍ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ\*يَنْصُرُ اللَّهُ يَنْصُرُ مَن يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ»** **“And that day the believers will rejoice; In the victory of Allah. He gives victory to whom He wills, and He is the Exalted in Might, the Merciful.”** [Ar-Rum: 4-5].

In conclusion, I reiterate that this Dawah belongs to Allah, and will not be harmed by the conspiracies of the plotters, the spies of the oppressors or the spite of the haters, nor by the slander of the slanderers, but rather the call of Allah will rise, and its light will please the sincere onlookers and its brightness will repel the hearts of the spiteful envious. **«وَلَتَعْلَمَنَّ نَبَأَهُ بَعْدَ حِينٍ»** **“And you will surely know [the truth of] its information after a time.”** [Sad: 88]

Wasslamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh,

Your Brother, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah

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