Khutba, 19.03.2021 **Masjid Manners**

وَيَا بَنِي اٰدَمَ خُذُوا زِينَتَكُمْ عِنْدَ كُلِّ مَسْجِدٍ وَكُلُوا وَاشْرَبُوا وَلَا تَسْجِدٍ وَكُلُوا وَاشْرَبُوا وَلَا تُسْرِفُوا اِنَّهُ لَا يُحِبُّ الْمُسْرِفِينَ ﴾ وقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ: «مَنْ أَكَلَ ثُومًا أَوْ بَصَلاً، فَلْيَعْتَزِلْنَا أَوْ لِيَعْتَزِلْنَا أَوْ لِيَعْعُدْ فِي بَيْتِهِ » لِيَعْتَزِلُ مَسْجِدَنَا، وَلُيقُعُدْ فِي بَيْتِهِ »

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Our masjids are our holy places that gather us inside, give peace and confidence, the sign of the existence of Islam in that region, and ensures our unity. At the same time, our masjids, in the words of Rasulullah (saw): "The most beloved places to Allah are the mosques." Because, our masjids, are sacred places that offer messages of salvation to humanity, stop non-belief and ignorance, aim to raise a community of knowledge and wisdom, and send calls to people, especially Muslims, to act together in human identity.

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Islam is the religion of order. Our masjids are sacred places where five daily prayers are performed. Muslims, who come together in masjids five times a day, have to follow orders and rules in masjids, which are called masjid etiquettes. If these rules are followed, the reward and reward to be gained will increase accordingly.

When a Muslim goes to the mosque to pray, they must first ensure the bodily cleanliness as required and take their wudu well. Since they will be amongst the community, they must choose their clean clothing and the ones that are suitable for the conditions of prayer. And they should not enter the masjid with dirty socks or wet feet. Allah (swt) mentions in the Quran: "O Children of Adam! Dress properly whenever you are at worship. Eat and drink, but do not waste. Surely He does not like the wasteful."

Rasulullah (saw) has said that; "He who eats garlic or onion should remain away from us or from our Mosque and stay in his house" Acting in accordance with this hadeeth, after eating food with an offensive odour, one should refrain from coming to the masjid until that smell has gone away.

Dear Jama'ah!

When entering the masjid, it is necessary to enter with the right foot, after saying: "Allahummaftah li abwaba rahmatika (O Allah, open to me the gate of Your mercy)" and exiting with the left foot by saying "Allahumma innee as-aluka min fadlik (O Allah, I ask You from Your Favour)" In addition, when entering the masjid, the sunnah of praying at least two rak'ah tahiyyetü'l masjid should be fulfilled. We should not speak loudly in masjids because it is makruh; We should not disturb others around us, with our actions and even with our recitations during prayers. Mobile phones should either be turned off or at least muted. One should pay attention to the line order, form the line starting from the front line, and not stop at the back while there is empty space in the front line. We should not step in front of people who are praying, especially in the area of where they are prostrating.

From the moment we enter the masjid, it should not be forgotten that we are in a state of worship, we should be busy with prayers, and we should fully benefit from the spiritual atmosphere of our masjids, which are the stops on the way to Jannah.



¹ Müslim, Sahih, 2/132, H. No: 1560.

² Surah Al-A'raf, 7:31.

³ Buhari, Sahih, 3/362, H. No: 808.