



First khutbah

My brothers and sisters to Bani' Israel, Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى sent Musa عليه السلام with the Torah and then Esa عليه السلام with the Injeel and these scriptures had a description of everything which was needed for them to be successful. Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى says:

إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَا التَّوْرَةَ فِيهَا هُدًى وَنُورٌ يَحْكُمُ

"Indeed, We sent down the Torah, in which was guidance and light" al-Ma'idah (The Table, The Table Spread) 5:44

But these revelations and these scriptures were entrusted to the rabbis and the priests to protect them:

وَالرَّبَّانِيُّونَ وَالْأَحْبَارُ بِمَا اسْتُحْفِظُوا مِنْ كِتَابِ اللَّهِ وَكَانُوا عَلَيْهِ شُهَدَاءَ

"...as did the rabbis and scholars by that with which they were entrusted of the Scripture of Allah , and they were witnesses thereto" al-Ma'idah (The Table, The Table Spread) 5:44

In these scriptures the Torah and the Injeel, both of them they were informed of a man that was coming. A man from a place called Paron and he was known as the comforter Esa عليه السلام says to his nation:

وَمُبَشِّرًا بِرَسُولٍ يَأْتِي مِنْ بَعْدِي اسْمُهُ أَحْمَدٌ

“...and bringing good tidings of a messenger to come after me, whose name is Ahmad”

as-Saff (The Ranks, Battle Array) 61:6

Ibn Qayyim رحمه الله says that, “In these scriptures they talk about a man who came from Paron or a place which is known as Bakka. He will be from the descendants of Ismail عليه السلام. He will not speak from himself, rather he will only speak of what he hears of revelation. And with him, he will have a large number of saints, up to 10,000 saints will follow him.

My brothers and sisters, 10,000 saints. Even the Companions were foretold in the previous scriptures because on the day of Fateh of Makkah, the army was 10,000 strong mentioned in the previous scripture. Ibn Qayyim رحمه الله then continues, he will illuminate the world. He will illuminate the world صلى الله عليه. He will overwhelm the two latter Prophets, meaning Musa عليه السلام and Esa عليه السلام. A man who loves the people and his saints are at his service, they will sit at his feet and they will receive his words. Then Ibn Qayyim رحمه الله points out that in surah at Tin, Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى swears by three places, each one of them representative of a Prophet:

وَالَّتَيْنِ وَالزَّيْتُونِ ۝

“By the fig and the olive” at-Tin (The Fig, The Figtree) 95:1

عليه السلام Esa

وَطُورِ سَيْنِينَ ۲

“And [by] Mount Sina” at-Tin (The Fig, The Figtree) 95:2

عليه السلام Musa

وَهَذَا الْبَلَدِ الْأَمِينِ ۳

“And [by] this secure city [Makkah]” at-Tin (The Fig, The Figtree) 95:3

صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم Muhammad

All three confirmed in the previous scriptures as well as the current one.

My brothers and sisters, we know this and we know that they know this, because the Hijra of the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم from Makkah to al Madinah is also found in their scriptures and it is for this reason why the Jews, or a party of the Jews migrated from Sham to Hijaz even before the Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم was born. Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى makes notice of this in the Qur'an:

وَكَانُوا مِنْ قَبْلُ يَسْتَفْتِحُونَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا



“...although before they used to pray for victory against those who disbelieved...”

al-Baqarah (The Cow) 2:89

They were waiting for him صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم . In Sahih al Bukhari, one of their own rabbis who then became one of the noble Companions of the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم , Abdullah ibn Salam رضي الله عنه , he says to his people addressing them in Madina, “Oh nation of Jews, fear Allah. Be truthful to Allah, for by Allah there is no deity worthy of worship except him سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى . You know full well that he is the Messenger of Allah and that he has come with the truth”. Another one of their leaders and his name is Ibn Hibban, he said about our Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم , he saw him and he gave a description of him, he said, “By Allah, for I’ve never seen a man who has prayed five times a day better than this man صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم ”.

In this my brothers and sisters, we learned that the previous scriptures have confirmed and they know that he is the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم , but also in this statement of Ibn Hibban. The Jews pray three times a day. Ibn Hibban, he knew that the sign of his truthfulness is that he’s going to pray five times a day, hence he says, “I have never seen a person who prays five times a day better than this man”.

Even your five daily prayers my brothers and sisters is mentioned in the scriptures and is a sign of the truthfulness of the coming of Muhammad صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم and the nation of Muhammad صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم .

So my brothers and sisters, when he migrated to Madina and his call has emerged, they came to him quizzing him yet they were left convinced even though they did not admit it. And we know this because of the



speech of the One who knows what is apparent and what is hidden in the chest of the man. Allah **سُبْحَانَهُ** says:

الَّذِينَ ءَاتَيْنَاهُمُ الْكِتَابَ يَعْرِفُونَهُ كَمَا يَعْرِفُونَ أَبْنَاءَهُمْ

“Those to whom We have given the Scripture recognize it as they recognize their [own] sons” al-An`am (Cattle, Livestock) 6:20

They knew him to be the seal of the Prophets because he didn't eat from charity and he used to accept gifts. In Sahih al Bukhari, Abd Allah ibn Amr ibn al-As **رضي الله عنه**, he told us what he actually says in the Torah about the description of this man **صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم**. It says in the Torah:

“Oh Prophet, we have sent you as a witness and as a bearer of glad tidings. A saviour to the unlettered nation. You are my slave and my Messenger and I have named you al Mutawakkil [meaning the one who puts his trust solely in Allah **سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى**] they will know him meaning Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم** because he is not course. He's not rude. He is not barbaric. He doesn't shout in the streets. He doesn't shout in the marketplace. He repays. He does not repay evil with evil, rather he overlooks and he forgives”, mentioned in the Torah about your Messenger **صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم**.

So my brothers and sisters, this description of the Prophet **صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم** was clear to them and they knew he was coming. They knew his name. They knew his location. They even knew events in his life. They knew the fact that he's going to come with five daily prayers. They recognized him by his noble akhlaaq. All



of this documented in the Torah, despite the fact that the Torah was distorted and they took out bits that they didn't like. This still remains.

But my brothers and sisters, your description is also in the previous scripture. Your description, the followers of Muhammad صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم and his nation, even that is in the book, with clear detail which leave no room for imagination. Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

تَرَاهُمْ رُكَّعًا سُجَّدًا يَبْتَغُونَ فَضْلًا مِّنَ اللَّهِ وَرِضْوَانًا سِيمَاهُمْ فِي وُجُوهِهِمْ مِّنْ أَثَرِ السُّجُودِ ۗ ذَٰلِكَ مَثَلُهُمْ فِي التَّوْرَةِ ۗ وَمَثَلُهُمْ فِي
الْإِنْجِيلِ

"You see them bowing and prostrating [in prayer], seeking bounty from Allah and [His] pleasure. Their mark is on their faces from the trace of prostration. That is their description in the Torah. And their description in the Gospel" al-Fath (Victory, Conquest) 48:29

My brothers and sisters, there are people in this Ummah that they knew were coming, not a Prophet, individuals from this Ummah, even their description is mentioned in their scriptures. So for example Umar ibn Khattab رضي الله عنه, when he entered into Bayt ul Maqdis and Jerusalem during his caliphate, the priests were waiting for Umar رضي الله عنه to arrive and when he arrived, they gave him the keys to Bayt ul Maqdis without any dispute. They said, "This is yours". How? Umar رضي الله عنه was not ready for this. They said, "In our scriptures, it is clearly confirmed that there will be a liberator who will come and he will have 17 patches on his garment. The garment that you are wearing right now, has 17 patches on it. You are Umar, the liberator of Bayt ul Maqdis".



But my brothers and sisters, the Ummah of Muhammad s Ali عليه وآله وسلم doesn't stop there and the legacy of this man صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم who has left the dunya, but he still remains its master, he has left the Ummah who follow him and the people of the book recognize him because of the fact that their followers still follow him صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم .

A Christian once visited imam Ahmed ibn Hanbal رحمه الله once he was released from prison and the Christian man started to praise imam Ahmed رحمه الله and kiss him on his head and he says to him, “By Allah I have wished to meet you for a number of years. You being here and free from prison, your presence here is not just a benefit for the Muslims, rather it is for all of creation”. Imam Ahmed ibn Hanbal رحمه الله, not a Prophet, not a Messenger, but a follower of Muhammad صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم, then the Christian goes on and he says, “There is none of my Companions, there is no one that I know from the Christians in my community except that they love you and they are pleased with you and they have said exactly what I have said”.

My brothers and sisters, there are so many versions of religion, but they can only be one truth. All the Prophets we know, came from the very beginning with this truth. This message is so strong that سبحانه وتعالى has given to you, Allah سبحانه وتعالى has given it to your Messenger صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم and He has mentioned him in those previous scriptures and He has mentioned you with so many different examples, it becomes impossible to deny. This is because my brothers and sisters, Allah سبحانه وتعالى loves to talk about His servants and you from the Ummah of Muhammad صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم are the Servants of Allah سبحانه وتعالى . Allah سبحانه وتعالى tells us in the Qur'an:

فَإِنْ كُنْتُمْ فِي شَكٍّ مِمَّا أَنْزَلْنَا إِلَيْكَ فَسْئَلِ الَّذِينَ يُقْرَأُونَ الْكِتَابَ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ ۚ لَقَدْ جَاءَكَ الْحَقُّ مِنْ رَبِّكَ فَلَا تَكُونَنَّ مِنَ الْمُمْتَرِينَ



“So if you are in doubt, [O Muhammad], about that which We have revealed to you, then ask those who have been reading the Scripture before you. The truth has certainly come to you from your Lord, so never be among the doubters” Yunus (Jonah) 10:94

Second khutbah

My brothers and sisters, the Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم told us if they had only accepted the truth, there would be no differing and there would be no bloodshed. In Sahih al Bukhari it's been reported that the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم said:

“If only 10 of their leaders, not all of them, even just 10 of their leaders believed in me, then all of the Jews would have believed in me, but Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى has decreed that differing will continue with the wisdom which is known to Him سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى . But from those wisdoms is that we know that one of the Prophets of Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى will return and he will confirm everything that he said about Muhammad صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم and the Ummah of Muhammad صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم . Confirming the favour of Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى upon him and his nation, to the extent that when Esa ibn Maryam عليه السلام returns, he will return as a follower and not as a Prophet. There is none from the People of the Book except that they will believe what Esa عليه السلام said in the first place, before Esa ibn Maryam passes away when he returns.

My brothers and sisters, the description and the honour you have in Islam is confirmed by the people of the Book themselves. In Sahih al Bukhari, a group of the Yahood, they came to Umar رضي الله عنه and they said, “There's a ayah in your Book, if we had something like that, we would make it an Eid day. There's one ayah in your Book, if we had something like that, we would make it as a day of Eid”. Confirmation that this is from Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى, but we have something from the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم directly. In the Musnad of Ahmed رحمه الله, the Prophet صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم said, “There is nothing that they envy you with [very important] the enmity is connected to envy. Some of them will not accept Muhammad صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم and coming with the truth, only because they're envious and jealous. No other reason”. He says صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم, “they envy you from the things that they envy you with the most after tawheed and



having the haq and worshipping Allah **سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى** alone, is this day of Jumuah. You have been given the day of Jum'uah where they haven't. And they are jealous of you that you have the Qiblah, you have masjidul Haram. You have the Ka'bah and you have been guided to it, whereas they don't don't have anything which is even similar to that and they are envious because behind the imam we say ameen. They wished that they could have something like that. They recognized that this is the truth instead of accepting they were envious.

My brothers and sisters, Allah **سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى** has told them that Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم** is coming. He's told them that he's going to have a Ummah of worshippers that follow him, but the question is why is it that Allah **سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى** has honoured you, the Ummah of Muhammad **صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم** in front of the creation like this. And the answer is very simple, the more you accept the fact that Allah **سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى** has honoured you, the more you will increase in submission, and the more you increase in submission, the more Allah **سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى** will continue to elevate you.

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