12 DHULHIJJA Week 3

This lesson should focus totally on Eid ul Ghadeer. The last 20 minutes of the lesson to be a party in celebration.

EID UL GHADEER

Invariably this is the most important Eid, which identifies who we are. The story of Ghadeer must be ingrained in the students as the story of Christmas is for Christianity....

The important aspects are highlighted below and emphasis on the ayaat of Qur'an is important. Maybe to know the numbers 5:67 & 5:3 every time they think of Ghadeer...



KEY EXTRACTS FROM THE SERMON OF GHADEER KHUM

"It seems the time approached when I shall be called away (by Allah) and I shall answer that call. I am leaving for you two precious things and if you hold on to them both, you will never go astray after me. They are the Book of Allah and my Progeny, which is my Ahlul Bayt. The two shall never separate from each other until they come to me by the Pool (of Kawthar)."

This is known as HADITH THAQALAYN (The narration of the two weighty (important) things). Then he continued holding up the hand of Imam Ali (pbuh): "For whoever I am his Leader (mawla), 'Ali is his Leader (mawla)." The Prophet (pbuh) continued: "O' God, love those who love him, and be hostile to those who are hostile to him."

As soon as he finished aya 5:3 was revealed: "Today I have perfected your religion and completed my favour upon you, and I was satisfied that Islam be your religion." The Prophet (pbuh) then asked everyone to pay allegiance to Imam Ali (pbuh). Amongst them was Hazrat Umar bin Khattab who said: "Well done Ibn Abi Talib! Today you became the Leader (mawla) of all believing men and women."

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The meaning of the words RELIGION, ISLAM & FAVOUR as in Aya 5:3 "This day I have perfected your religion and completed my favour upon you, and chosen for you Islam as your religion."

RELIGION

Religion (deen) is your life transaction. It is that which you have exchanged your life for. In other words it is that which drives you to do what you do.

ISLAM

Peace with God, Submission to God is the general translation... In essence it is submission to Divinity, which is perfection. This in turn means you persist in driving towards what you perceive is perfection... Allah says in Hadith Qudsi; "I am what you believe Me to be." The higher you aim, the more barriers you break.

FAVOUR (BLESSING)

Ni'ma, Baraka & Hasanaat are all words that mean a favour or blessing from God. However, Ni'ma refers to a specific blessing and is only called a Ni'ma (sometimes referred to as ne'mat by Urdu, Gujarati speakers) when the recipient is intelligent enough to recognise it as a favour... SO here He is saying what He says in 14:34 "And He gives you of all that you ask Him; and if you count Allah's favours, you will not be able to number them......"

A SIMPLISTIC TAKE ON EID UL GHADEER

- 1. I was created with a goal to reach my full potential (to recognise the awesomeness of HIS creation and thus HIM)
- 2. Instruction manual (The Qur'an) downloaded from the server in the sky through an awesome flawless man (Rasulullah) who has the password and showed how to live as a perfect human being (Yaseen is the name of the Prophet which means O Perfect Human Being)
- 3. Needed life long support & guidance that was flawless as well so HE said announce the company (the Ahlul Bayt) to the world on Ghadeer 5:67
- 4. Life long support announced (Hadith Thaqalayn) and its CEO (Ali) and accepted by those present on behalf of themselves and those who would come after them. Divine confirmation 5:3
- 5. Some decided to switch companies and are still suffering from power outages, error messages and well just about everything....
- 6. I for one rejoice at the wisdom of my parents and teachers to have taught me to stick to this company THE AHLULBAYT and thus the awesomeness of GHADEER....



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