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Indeed all Praises are for Allāh alone. We praise Him, seek His assistance, and seek His forgiveness. And we seek refuge in Him from the evil of our own selves and the evil consequences of our actions. Whomever Allāh guides, there is no one to lead him astray, and whomever is lead astray, there is no guide for him. I testify that there is no deity worthy of worship except Allāh, who is alone without any partner, and I testify that Muhammad is His slave and final messenger. To proceed:

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## Welcoming the Month of Ramadan (part 2)

A Friday sermon by,  
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These things which break the fast do not break the fast unless the fasting person does them knowingly and intentionally while remembering their ruling thusly if he does them ignorantly of their ruling or the time, then his fast is not broken so if a person eats and thinks that the dawn prayer has not come in or eats thinking that the sun has set and then it becomes clear that the time has not come to pass then his fast is correct and he does not have to make it up as The Most High has said, **"And there is no sin on you if you make a mistake therein, except in regard to what your hearts deliberately intend."** (Al-Ahzab 33:5)

And in Al-Bukhari on the authority of Asma bint Abi Bakr ؓ who said, "we broke our fasts during the time of the prophet ﷺ on a cloudy day then the sun shone" and it is not mentioned that the prophet ﷺ ordered them to make up their fasting knowing that if it was an obliga-

tion he would have ordered them with it and if he ﷺ had ordered them with making it up, it would have reached us by way of narration as it would be from the legislation which Allah obligated its conveyance and obligated upon His messenger ﷺ to deliver. But when it is known that it is still daytime then it is a must to refrain from that which breaks the fast for if he continues after knowing then his fast will be void. And whoever does something out of forgetfulness the his fast is complete and there is nothing to make up as the Most High said,

**"Our Lord! Punish us not if we forget or fall into error, our Lord!** (Al-Baqarah 2:286)

And the statement of the prophet ﷺ, "whoever forgets while fasting and eats or drinks then let him finish his fast for Allah has fed him and given him drink." But when he remembers it is a must that he refrain even the one who has something in his mouth then he must remove it from his mouth for swallowing it after remembering voids the fast and whoever

sees a fasting person eat or drink then he should remind him as this is from cooperation upon righteousness and piety. The prophet ﷺ said when he forgot something in the prayer, "if I forget then remind me". Whoever has something of that which breaks the fast occur without choice then his fast is correct so if someone has some dust blown in his mouth, drinks water from the cleaning of his mouth and nose during ablution or inhales water which reaches his insides without his choice then his fast is complete and there is nothing to make up as he did not intend this and Allah the Mighty and Majestic has said, **"And there is no sin on you if you make a mistake therein, except in regard to what your hearts deliberately intend."** (Al-Ahzab 33:5)

The seventh type is the release of menstrual and postpartum blood. When the blood begins to flow even if before the sunset by moments the fast of the women is void and if it flows after sunset even by a moment the fast is correct and sound and she has nothing to make up. Likewise it is permissible for

the one fasting to apply any type of kuhl they please and to use medical eye or nose drops as this does not break the fast even with the presence of a taste in the throat. It is also permissible for the one fasting to medicate his wounds and perfume ones self with incense or other perfumes but he is not to sniff or draw in the smoke of incense to his nose so that it reaches his insides. It is also permissible for the one fasting to do what will lighten or reduce the difficulty of heat and thirst like cooling off with water and moistening the clothes etc. as it has been reported by Malik on the authority of some of the companions that prophet ﷺ was seen pouring water on his head due to thirst or heat while he was fasting and Ibn Umar moistened his clothes and poured water on his body. Likewise it is permissible for the fasting person to rinse his mouth with water if it becomes dry and to clean his mouth with the miswak in the beginning of the day or the end, rather the miswak is a sunnah for the one fasting and others and certain at the times of ablution, prayer, awaking from sleep, and entering the house.

O Mulims, safeguard your fast and stick to the boundaries set by Allah regarding it not being extreme or negligent for the religion of Allah the Most High is in the middle between extremeness and negligence. Have the pre-fasting meal for it contains blessings and delay it for its delay is more virtuous and break your fast when the sun sets and be quick in breaking your fast as the people will not cease to be upon goodness so long as they are hasty in breaking their fast. Break your fast with moist dates and if this is not possible then with dry

dates and if this is not possible then with water for it is pure and if this is not possible then with any permissible food or drink. If the sun sets and you are in a place that there is not food found then break the fast with an intention of the heart, do not suck your fingers or chew your clothes as some people think. Safeguard your obedience to Allah and increase in it during the days of fasting and stay away from that which Allah has prohibited such as extravagance in the religion, foul language, false speech and acting by it even if someone curses you where in you say, "I am fasting" and leave him. Establish the prayer in the mosque and do not be lazy regarding it wasting it. Know that every obligation that you waste or impermissible act that you commit is a decrease in your faith and fast. Stay away from listening to stringed instruments and instruments of distraction such as the radio etc. for fasting is a shield which the one fasting places between him and sin and gains salvation with it from the fire. Listen to the wisdom which Allah obligated for fasting as He said,

**O you who believe! Observing As-Saum (the fasting) is prescribed for you as it was prescribed for those before you, that you may become Al-Muttaqûn (the pious - see V.2:2).** (Al-Baqarah 2:183)

O Allah we ask you in our position to safeguard our religion. O Allah safeguard for us our religion, our desire in it, our firmness upon it, and do not deviate our hearts after you have guided us. Provide for us from your mercy for you are the Provider. O Allah may your peace and blessings be upon your servant and prophet Muhammad, his family, companions, and followers till

the day of judgment...

O people fear Allah the Most High and know that the Noble Quran which you read morning and night is the speech of Allah the Mighty and Majestic the Lord of the Worlds both its utterance and meaning were spoken by Him the Most High in the form of real speech. He dictated it to Jibreel who in turn dictated it to heart of the Messenger ﷺ,

**And verily! Your Lord, He is indeed the All-Mighty, the Most Merciful. And truly, this (the Qur'ân) is a revelation from the Lord of the 'Alamîn (mankind, jinns and all that exists), Which the trustworthy Rûh [Jibrael (Gabriel)] has brought down; Upon your heart (O Muhammad SAW) that you may be (one) of the warners, In the plain Arabic language.** (Ash-Shu'ara 26:195)

O servants of Allah recite the speech of Allah the Mighty and Majestic, recite it correctly,

**Verily, those who recite the Book of Allah (this Qur'ân), and perform As-Salât (Iqâmat-as-Salât), and spend (in charity) out of what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, hope for a (sure) trade-gain that will never perish. That He may pay them their wages in full, and give them (even) more, out of His Grace. Verily! He is Oft-Forgiving, Most Ready to appreciate (good deeds and to recompense).**

To Be Continued...

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