

**In the Name of Allah the Most compassionate, the Most Merciful**  
**Juma (Friday) Speech by Sayed Mahmood Madani**  
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Praises and thanks are to the God who is Sufficient for a person who seeks His help. And, He guides the one who asks to be guided. And peace be upon Muhammad and His Ahlul-Bait and curses be upon their enemies.

**Virtuous**

I advise myself and you to be pious and I also advise you to prepare for death and our journey for the next world. Do not stick to this world and its deception and you must keep remembering that we will have a hard day and it is a very hard trip. **“1. When the earth is shaken with its (final) earthquake.2. And when the earth throws out its burden.”** On that day children will get old and all human beings will have a resurrection and they will be judged carefully. So, please open your ears, heart and eyes for the truth, return to god and repent to him, truly he is kind and compassionate, he is the forgiver and all-merciful. We ask Allah to give us the success of avoiding the deceit of this material world.

**Great events**

Guests of Allah start going to Allahs house. Millions of people gather there from different languages and different places, with different cultures and sects but all of them come to worship the one, Allah. People gather to show their abidance to him and they perform their Haj. Because of this great event and blessed gathering I want to warn and point some important points.

First, Hajj is one of the most important prayers. Imam Baqer(A.S) said, **“Islam is based on five things. Salat, Zakat, Fast, Haj and Welayat (Authority). None of them have been emphasized as strong as Welayat in the day of Ghadir”**. Also Haj has been ordered in the holy Quran and whoever denies it, is called a pagan” ***In it are manifest signs (for example), the Maqam (place) of Ibrahim (Abraham); whosoever enters it, he attains security. And Hajj (pilgrimage to Makkah) to the House (Ka'bah) is a duty that mankind owes to Allah, those who can afford the expenses (for one's conveyance, provision and residence); and whoever disbelieves [i.e. denies Hajj (pilgrimage to Makkah), then he is a disbeliever of Allah], then Allah stands not in need of any of the 'Alamin (mankind and jinns)”***. and one of the gifts that Allah will give them is that god will forgive all of their sins. Imam Sadeq (A.S) said, whoever performs Haj and he does not have intent of show off, Allah will forgive his sins.

Second, Haj is the class of learning and all Muslims must know and learn from this prodigious classroom. Any one who performs Haj must get this message and must understand the power and the potential that Muslims have. They must have the unity as they have one qiblah and they are one from religion and worship One God. They must look back and understand that non-Muslim people stole their wealth. If they all gather and turn into one community no one will ever be able to defeat them. Hajj is an example to show the world the power of Islam and Muslims. The power that Muslims can change the world and reform the world. Muslims should understand that they are all brothers. Islam has made such a gathering and socio political worship to teach us unity and kindness and brotherhood between people that they don't have same language and are not from the same region but they have same thoughts and religion. Unfortunately, some small group trying to cause disruption between Muslims and they call different group of heretic people. They are trying to break this unity.

Thirdly, Hajj is the opportunity to know about different cultures and to try to get closer and destroy such disputes. It is also a good opportunity to discuss the most important issues of Muslim World such as Palestine.

In conclusion, Hajj is a good opportunity to repent and returning to the straight path. Hajj is also an educational term for ethics and morals. Also leaving the bad habits and sins that someone may have done it before the Hajj.

We ask Allah that he gives the pilgrims the tawfeeq and success to perform their hajj in the best way and we ask god to help Muslims around the world and we also congratulate the people of Libya for their triumph in their revolution.

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