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PREFACE

All praise is due to the *Rabb* (Lord) of the worlds and peace and blessing be upon His slave and His Messenger, Muhammad ﷺ his family and all his Companions.

This is a brief treatise about the rites, virtues and etiquettes of *Hajj* for the guidance of those who intend to perform *Hajj*. It briefly and clearly deals with all the important matters related to *Hajj*, *'Umrah* and *Ziyarah*. I have presented in it only such issues which are proven by the *Qur'ân* and *Sunnah*. In writing it my objective was to offer advice to my fellow Muslims in accordance with this word of Allâh:

﴿وَذَكِّرْ فَإِنَّ الذِّكْرَ يُنْفَعُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ﴾

"And remind (by preaching the *Qur'ân*, O Muhammad ﷺ) for verily, reminding profits the believers." (51:55)

Allâh the Exalted also said:

﴿وَإِذْ أَخَذَ اللَّهُ مِيثَاقَ الَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْكِتَابَ لَتُبَيِّنُنَّهُ لِلنَّاسِ وَلَا تَكْتُمُونَهُ﴾

"(And remember) when Allâh took a Covenant from those who were given the Scripture (Jews and Christians) to make it (the news of the coming of Prophet ﷺ and the religious knowledge) known and clear to mankind, and not to hide it." (3:187)

﴿وَتَعَاوَنُوا عَلَى الْبِرِّ وَالتَّقْوَىٰ﴾

"Help you one another in *Al-Birr* (virtue, righteousness) and *At-Taqwa* (piety)." (5:2)

My efforts are also in accordance with this authentic *Hadith*. The Prophet ﷺ said:

((الدِّينُ التَّصِيحَةُ قِيلَ: لِمَنْ يَأْسُؤُكَ اللَّهُ؟ قَالَ: "لِلَّهِ وَلِكِتَابِهِ، وَلِرَسُولِهِ، وَلِأُمَّةِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَعَامَّتِهِمْ)).

"Religion is sincere advice". (He said it three times). It was asked: "For whom"?

He replied: "Allâh, His Book, His Messenger and the leaders as well as general Muslims."

At-Tabarani reported on the authority of Hudhaifah, that The Prophet ﷺ said:

((مَنْ لَمْ يَهْتَمَّ بِأَمْرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ فَلَيْسَ مِنْهُمْ. وَمَنْ لَمْ يُنْسِ وَيُصْبِحْ نَاصِحًا لِلَّهِ، وَلِكِتَابِهِ، وَلِرَسُولِهِ، وَلَا أُمَّةٍ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَعَامَّتِهِمْ، فَلَيْسَ مِنْهُمْ.))

"Whoever is not concerned with the affairs of the Muslims then he is not one of them; and he who does not offer advice by day and night for Allâh, His Book, His Messenger, the leaders and the general Muslims, is not one of them."

I pray to Allâh that this treatise may benefit me and all the Muslims. He is the All-Hearing, Ever-Responsive and He suffices for us and He is the Best Disposer of affairs.

CHAPTER ONE

Proofs for Hajj and 'Umrah as Prompt Obligations

May Allâh grant you and us the strength and ability to perceive and follow the truth. Let it be known that Allâh has made Hajj (pilgrimage) to His Sacred House obligatory on His slaves as a prompt obligation on whoever can afford it and it is preferable to perform it often. He has prescribed it as one of the articles of Faith in Islâm. Allâh the Exalted says:

﴿وَلِلَّهِ عَلَى النَّاسِ حِجُّ الْبَيْتِ مَنِ اسْتَطَاعَ إِلَيْهِ سَبِيلًا وَمَنْ كَفَرَ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ غَفُورٌ عَلِيمٌ﴾

"...And Hajj (Pilgrimage to Makkah) to the House (Ka'bah) is a duty that mankind owes to Allâh, those who can afford expenses (for one's conveyance, provision and residence); and whoever disbelieves [i.e. denies Hajj (pilgrimage to

Makkah), then he is a disbeliever of Allâh], then Allâh stands not in need of any of the 'Alamîn (mankind and jinn).” (3:97)

In the *Hadith* collections of Bukhârî and Muslim it is reported on the authority of 'Umar رضى الله عنه that the Prophet ﷺ said:

((بُنِيَ الْإِسْلَامُ عَلَى خَمْسٍ: شَهَادَةِ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، وَأَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ، وَإِقَامِ الصَّلَاةِ، وَإِيتَاءِ الزَّكَاةِ، وَصَوْمِ رَمَضَانَ، وَحَجِّ بَيْتِ اللَّهِ الْحَرَامِ))

“The foundation of Islâm is based on these five pillars:

1. To testify that there is no true god

other than Allâh and that Muhammad ﷺ is His Messenger.

2. To perform the Obligatory Prayers.

3. To pay *Zakât* (charity).

4. To observe Ramadan fasting.

5. To perform *Hajj* to the Sacred House of Allâh.”

Sa'id narrated in his *Ṣunan* on the authority of 'Umar رضى الله عنه that he said:

((لَقَدْ هَمَمْتُ أَنْ أُبْعَثَ رِجَالًا إِلَى هَذِهِ الْأَمْصَارِ، فَيَنْظُرُوا كُلَّ مَنْ كَانَ لَهُ جِدَّةٌ وَلَمْ يَحُجَّ، لِيَضْرِبُوا عَلَيْهِمُ الْعِزْيَةَ، مَا هُمْ بِمُسْلِمِينَ، مَا هُمْ بِمُسْلِمِينَ))

“Verily, I intended to send my men to these areas in order to look for people who do not perform *Hajj*, although they can afford it, to impose *Jizyah* (money paid by a non-Muslim to live safely amongst Muslims) on them. Such persons are not Muslims; they are not Muslims.”

'Ali رضى الله عنه reported:

((مَنْ قَدَرَ عَلَى الْحَجِّ فَتَرَكَهُ، فَلَا عَلَيْهِ أَنْ يَمُوتَ يَهُودِيًّا أَوْ نَصْرَانِيًّا))