



Yawmu l-ithnayni kāna huwa bidāyatu shahri l-Muḥarram, wa bi dhālika bidāyatu ‘āmin hijriyin jadīd. Fīhi ashhurin wa ayyāmin mubāraka. Fa hadha t-taqwīm huwa ni‘matun mina l-llāh ‘alā rasūlih ﷺ. Fīhi layāli wa ayyāmin mubāraka wa yu‘addā ṭibqan lahu aṣ-ṣawmu wa z-zakātu wa l-ḥajj: li dhālika yaḥtafi l-muslimūna bi hādha t-taqwīm.

Wa muḥarramun huwa ākhirī l-ashhuri l-ḥurum, al-latī tabda’u bi rajab thumma dhi l-qa‘da wa dhi l-ḥijja thumma tukhtam bi l-muḥarram. Wa shahru muḥarram yaḥta-wī ‘alā yawm ‘āshūrā’. Man aḥyāhu baraka l-llāhu lah wa man ṣāmahu fa thawābuhu ‘adhīm.

Innahu l-‘āmu l-hijrī ... limādha l-hijrī?
La’annah yabda’u min tārīkh hijrati r-rasūl ﷺ min makka ilā l-madīna, wa sayabqā t-taqwīmi l-hijrī ilā yawmi l-qiyāma, ḥattā fi ismihi huwa mubārak.

Allahuma ij‘al hādha l-‘ām ‘āmi l-islām wa tadmīra l-kufr, wa na‘malu an ya’tī sayidna l-mahdī fi hādha l-‘ām inshaAllah wa ma’ahu l-insāniyya.

Lā tafqīdu l-amal kamā qāla l-llāhu ‘azza wa jalla, „*lā taqnaṭū!*“ (39:53)

This Monday was the beginning of the month of Muḥarram and also the beginning of the new Hijri year. In it there are holy months and holy days. This calendar is a favour from Allāh to His Prophet ﷺ. In it are holy nights and days, fasting, zakāh, ḥajj according to it. That is why Muslims follow this calendar.

This month Muḥarram is the last of the forbidden months. The first is Rajab, then comes Dhu l-Qa‘dah, Dhu l-Hijjah and finaly Muḥarram. It contains the ‘āshūrā’-day. Whoever observes it, Allāh blessings are on him. Whoever fasts on this day, there are great Thawwāb for him.

It is the Hijri year. Why Hijrā? Because the calendar begins with the date of the Prophet’s migration from Mecca to Madīna. It will remain the Hijri calendar until Qiyāmah. There is a blessing attached to its very name.

May Allāh make this year the year of Islām, the year of the destruction of kufr, in shā‘a Llāh. We hope that Sn. Mahdi (as) comes this year, in shā‘a Llāh, and with him humanity.

Do not lose hope! „*lā taqnaṭū!*“ (39:53), says Allāh ,Azza wa-Jalla.

لَا تَقْنَطُوا مِنْ رَحْمَةِ اللَّهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ جَمِيعًا
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

„*Lā taqnaṭū min r-raḥmati l-llāh, inna Allāha yaghfiru dhunūba jamī‘an, innahu huwa l-ghafūru r-raḥīm.*“

„Do not despair of the mercy of Allah; surely Allah forgives the faults altogether; surely He is the Forgiving the Merciful.“

Mahmā ḥadatha lā tafqīdū l-amal fa inna l-llāha ma‘anā. Wa ṭālama naḥnu ma‘a l-llāh, fa lan ta’dhuma l-mashākil in shā‘a Llāh.

Whatever happens, do not lose hope. Allāh is with us. As long as we are with Allāh, there will be no dominant problem in shā‘a Llāh.

Allāhumma aṣliḥ lanā hādha l-‘ām wa bār-ikh.

„O Allāh, we ask You to make this year good and blessed for us!“