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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
وَابْتَغِ فِيمَا آتَاكَ اللَّهُ الدَّارَ الْآخِرَةَ وَلَا تَنْسَ نَصِيبَكَ مِنَ
الدُّنْيَا وَأَحْسِنْ كَمَا أَحْسَنَ اللَّهُ إِلَيْكَ وَلَا تَبْغِ الْفُسَادَ فِي
الْأَرْضِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ الْمُفْسِدِينَ.
قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:
إِعْمَلْ عَمَلًا يَمُرُّ بِكَ يَوْمَ تَمُوتُ أَبَدًا وَاحْذَرْ حَذَرَ
أَمْرٍ يَخْشَى أَنْ يَمُوتَ غَدًا.

BALANCE BETWEEN THIS WORLD AND THE HEREAFTER

Dear brothers and sisters, our faith is the faith of balance. The strong balance our faith has established between this worldly life and the afterlife does not imply that we sacrifice the afterlife for this world, nor that we leave this world for the afterlife. It advises to act in balance between these two lives, to avoid extremes and to follow the middle way. The Prophet ﷺ therefore teaches us to ask for the good for this world and for the hereafter. Let us adopt the balance taught to us by the Qur'an and the Prophet ﷺ as our motto. I end my *khuṭba* with the Prophet's *du'ā'*: **“O Allah, make my world and my hereafter good for me. Grant me all kinds of goodness and abundance of blessings in this life.”** *Āmīn.*