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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَلْتَنْظُرْ نَفْسٌ مَا قَدَّمَتْ لِغَدٍ
وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ إِنَّ اللَّهَ خَبِيرٌ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ.
قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:
اَللّٰهُمَّ بَارِكْ لَنَا فِي رَجَبٍ وَشَعْبَانَ، وَبَلِّغْنَا رَمَضَانَ.

THE NIGHT OF RAGHĀ'IB

Dear brothers and sisters, every day and every moment of human life is very valuable. However, there are some times that are more valuable than others. At the top of these blessed times are the months of Rajab, Sha'bān and Ramaḍān. When the three holy months arrived, the Messenger of Allah ﷺ used to do the following *du'ā'*:
“O Allah! Bless us in Rajab and Sha'bān, and let us reach Ramaḍān!”¹ This Thursday is the first night of the blessed months, the night of Raghā'ib. These months are a blessed period that invite people to move from darkness to light, inviting people not to be a servant of their desires, but a servant of the Lord of the worlds. This is a blessed period that indicates the descent of the Qur'an, which gives light to darkened hearts, which guides the misguided and gives life to soulless consciences. This is the time to return to Allah ﷻ and the Quran, which revives our frozen hearts.

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¹ Al-Ṭabarānī, Al-Muḥjam al-Awsaṭ, IV, 189. Musnad Aḥmad, I, 259.