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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
الَّذِي خَلَقَ الْمَوْتَ وَالْحَيَاةَ لِيَبْلُوَكُمْ أَيُّكُمْ أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ  
الْعَفُورُ.  
قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:  
أَكْثَرُوا ذِكْرَ هَازِمِ اللَّذَاتِ.

## EVERY SOUL WILL TASTE DEATH

Dear brothers and sisters, Ibrāhīm, the dear son of Rasūlullāh ﷺ, was only sixteen months old when the Prophet ﷺ heard the news that he was sick and dying. With tears in his eyes, the Prophet ﷺ looked at the slowly closing eyes of his beloved son. Then he spoke to his as follows: **“If death were not a sure promise and a truth for all, and if the one left behind would never meet those who went before, O Ibrāhīm, we would now be much sadder than what we feel now. We are truly saddened for you.”**<sup>1</sup> Dear Muslims, death is not an end, nor an emptiness. What makes death meaningful is the existence of the Hereafter. We believers know that we are in line for death, that we are guests in this world, that the true home after this worldly life is the eternal Hereafter, and that we are on a journey to Allah. May Allah ﷻ grant us all a blessed life and a blessed passing. *Āmīn*.

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<sup>1</sup> Al-Bukhārī, Al-Janā'iz, 59.