

FRIDAY SPEECH SUMMARY May 9, 2008

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Subject: "Optimism in Islam"

The main points of the speech are:

- 1) People can not be effective in the society without optimism especially after disasters. The Quran teaches us to be optimistic during hard times.
 - a) As a nation: The Quran gave strength and hope to Muslims after the battle of Uhud. [So do not become weak, nor be sad, and you will be superior if you are indeed true believers.] Al-Imran 3:139.
 - b) As individuals: The Quran gave many examples of hope to people on an individual level. The Quran promised hope to married couples after the first or second divorce. [You know not, it may be that Allah will bring about thereafter some new situation] At-Talaq 65:1. After the grace period of the final divorce, Allah said [And unto everyone who is conscious of Allah, He (always) grants a way out (of unhappiness)] At-Talaq 65:2. [And provides for him in a manner beyond all expectation; and for everyone who places his trust in Allah He [alone] is enough. Verily, Allah always attains to His purpose: [and] indeed, unto everything has Allah appointed its [term and] measure.] At-Talaq 65:3.
- 2) Quran gives us hope of a bright future on the condition of obeying his orders. [Allah has promised, to those among you who believe and work righteous deeds, that He will, of a surety, grant them in the land, inheritance (of power), as He granted it to those before them; that He will establish in authority their religion- the one which He has chosen for them; and that He will change (their state), after the fear in which they (lived), to one of security and peace: 'They will worship Me (alone) and not associate aught with Me.' If any do reject Faith after this, they are rebellious and wicked.] An-Nur 24:55

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