

# THE MONTH OF RAMADHAAN

There is no real need for a discourse on the *fadhaail* (virtues) and *barakaat* (blessings) of the glorious and blessed Month of Ramadhaan. It suffices to observe that Ramadhaan is a special Month of *Ibaadat*. It is a Month of *Tilaawat*, *Istighfaaar*, *Nafl Salaat*, *Dua and Sadqah*. It is a Month in which the fasting Muslim has to incumbently dedicate himself to acts of Ibaadat.

While it is incumbent to refrain from futility, frivolity, haraam and mushtabah throughout the year, this abstention has greater meaning and greater emphasis during this glorious Month in which one of its *mubarak* nights is more virtuous than a thou-sand nights of ibaadat.

Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said:

"The lahw of the Mu'min is baatil except his play with his wife, his bow and his horse."

'Lahw' refers to everything futile and frivolous play and amusement which the kuffaar describe as 'recreation' and sport. Staying awake after Isha Salaat to engage in idle talk and mer-rymaking comes within the scope of the *baatil lahw* which the Shariah proscribes.

It is of utmost importance to abstain from all acts which pollute the holiness of the Month of Ramadhaan and which contaminate the spirituality of the Muslim. Games, sport, abusive language, shouting, screaming, excessive laughter, unedifying jokes, speaking ill of people (*gheebat*), listening to *gheebat*, etc., etc. are all evil acts from which it is absolutely necessary to abstain, especially during the Month of Ramadhaan

# **AUSPICIOUS TIMES AND PLACES**

It should be understood that just as the thawaab (reward) for righteous deeds and acts of ibaadat is multiplied manifold in holy places and at times of holiness, so too is the punishment of Allah Ta'ala multiplied

manifold for committing reprehensible acts in holy places and holy times such as the Month of Ramad-haan.

The Mubaarak Month of Ramadhaan is among the *Sha-aair* (Outstanding and conspicuous Features of Islam). About ho n- ouring His *Sha-aair*, Allah Ta'ala states in the Qur'aan Majeed:

"Those who honour the Sha-aair of Allah, verily it (theirs honouring) is as a result of the Taqwa (emanating) from the hearts."

It does not behove the Muslim to pollute the glorious Month of Ramadhaan thereby depriving himself of the vast rewards and blessings of this Holy Month. While there are many ways in which Muslims contaminate this sacred Month and destroy the benefits which we are commanded to gain, one of the most spir itually destructive activities in which many Muslims indulge during the Month of Ramadhaan is listening to the broadcasting of the appendages of Shaitaan, the so-called 'Islamic' radio stations.

# THE STATIONS OF SHAITAAN

A Muslim of average healthy Imaan who has suffered the mis- fortune of having listened to some of the programs of the sha i- taani radio stations, will not fail to conclude that there cannot be scope for permissibility to listen to these evil radio stations.

Zina of a variety of stages, music, female exhibition, promoting homosexuality, shi'ism and other baatil, emulating and mimick- ing like apes the methods and styles of kuffaar male and kuffaar women broadcasters, frivolity, shaitaani jokes, promotion of bid'ah, haraam advertising, etc., etc., are among the haraam ac- tivities in which these evil radio stations excel.

Simple- minded Muslims have been misled to believe that these radio stations are "Islamic". The basis of the deception is the Ulama-e-Soo' (Evil Molvis) who operate these shaitaani ap- pendages for worldly and nafsaani motives and gains. Other Muslims who are not so simple, and who do

understand how silly, stupid and un-Islamic the Muslim broadcasters appear and sound when they acquit themselves in their shaitaani programs, commit self deception by the utterly baseless argument that they listen to the Qur'aan being recited and to the *bayaans* (lectures).

The magnitude of the evil of these radio stations overshadows and obliterates the insignificant amount of whatever could pos- sibly be described as good. Everything in this world is an ad- mixture of good and bad. Everything has advantages and disad- vantages. The evils of the satanic radio stations by far outweigh the minute degree of any good there may be in these haraam in-stitutions.

In this Month of Ramadhaan, the Muslim is required to engage in Tilaawat of the Qur'aan Majeed, not listen to the shaitaani radios under the self-deceptive pretext of listening to 'qira't and bayaans'. Everyone who listens to these shaitaani radios, do so for nafsaani gratification. The great *thawaab for Tilaawat* in this Month is gained by actual recitation of the Qur'aan Majeed, not by listening to a cassette playing on an appendage of shaitaan which excels in immorality in general.

The mubaarak nights of Ramadhaan are auspicious occasions

when Allah Ta'ala descends to the First Heaven with His spe-cial mercies for the Believing and Practising Muslims. It is not permissible for Muslims to squander the holy moments of these auspicious nights listening to men and women aping kuffaar broadcasters. It is not permissible to listen to the *lahw-la'ab* and *haraam* gorged out by the radios of shaitaan.

Muslims should reflect and think intelligently so that they may understand the spiritual harm they are inflicting on themselves by squandering the valuable and holy time in *nafsaani* pursuits which they find soothing to their ears and pleasurable to their nafs.

The moments of Ramadhaan are extremely precious. It is truly a spiritual calamity of colossal magnitude to squander this sacred and valuable time and opportunity of Ramadhaan vouchsafed to us, in *nafsaani* pursuits. Rasulullah (salallahu alayhi wasallam) said:

"The sleep of the fasting person is Ibaadat and his silence is Tasheeh".

Is it now intelligent for a Muslim to destroy the precious time of Ramadhaan listening to the evil and corruption broadcast by the radios of shaitaan?

No one should deceive himself/herself with the notion that listening to qira't cassettes over the shaitaani radio stations is an act of thawaab and a substitute for *Tilaawat and Ibaadat* of Ramadhaan. In fact, it is not permissible to listen to any Qur'aan recital broadcast by these radio stations immersed in spiritual pollution and haraam. A smattering of ostensibly virtu- ous activity does not sanctify and legalize a thoroughly evil and shaitaani institution. Listening to qira't being played and broadcast over radio shayaateen is like listening to a qira't cassette being played in a toilet. It is an act of sacrilege and disgrace heaped on the Qur'aan Majeed.

The *thawaab* of *Tilaawat* will be gained by personal recitation of the Qur'aan Majeed during the precious moments of the aus- picious Month of Ramadhaan.

The time of this holy month should be spent in ibaadat, not in listening to evil radio stations. People are truly unaware of the spiritual harm and deprivation they are inflicting on themselves by squandering the holy time of Ramadhaan to soothe and sat isfy the dictates and demands of the nafs.

# THE NIGHT OF EID

The operators of radio shaitaan descend to an abysmal level of silliness, frivolity and moral corruption when the ending of Ramadhaan is confirmed with the sighting of the crescent moon for Shawwaal. The Night of Eid is of tremendous spiritual im-portance. The Night of Eid is superior to the Night of Qadr. It is a night which has to be devoted to ibaadat, not to haraam, frivolity, futility and obliviousness of Allah's remembrance. But for the miscreant molvis of the shaitaani radio stations, the Night of Eid is a night of frivolity.

Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) commanded the Ummah to celebrate

the Night of Eid with Ibaadat. But the operators of the evil radio station, making themselves sound absolutely riddiculous, stupid and ludicrous, announce over their shaitaani appendage that the women should "prepare their biryani pots". In an extremely silly manner the molvi sahib of the radio seeking to impress the opposite sex, makes his biryani-pot announcement.

Every holy occasion comes with its own specialities and virtues, mercies and benefits. After Ramadhaan departs, enters the aus-picious Night of Eid with its special Rahmat and benefits. In this regard Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said:

"The heart of the one who remains awake (in ibaadat) during the night of Eidul Fitr and Eidul Adha will not perish on the Day when hearts will be dead (with fear and terror)."

About these hearts which will be full of spiritual life on the Day of Qiyaamah, the Qur'aan Majeed says:

"There will be no fear on them nor will they grieve."

While Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) instructs us to prepare for Ibaadat on this auspicious Night, the shaitaani radio stations addressing women, say: "Prepare your biryani pots for tomorrow". What a lamentable mockery!

# **EMULATING THE KUFFAAR**

In every facet of the radio activity, the Muslim operators, both male and female, of radio shaitaan are at pains to mimic the styles and sounds of non-Muslim broadcasters. The non-Muslim acts naturally. He/she does not imitate anyone, hence they do not sound silly and do no appear to suffer mental inferiority when the y present their stories of kufr and baatil over their radio stations. But, these Muslims, especially the molvis on the radios, who seek to impress others with the kuffaar styles of speaking and presentation make a laughing stock of themselves with their mimicking and trying to sound western and enlightened. They have truly descended to

ludicrous levels of silliness. Imitators are always artificial. They lack originality, hence they make such a mockery Muslims who spend the precious time of the day and night of Ramadhaan to listen to the drivel and trash which these vile radio stations gorge up fail to understand the spiritual harm and deprivation they cause to themselves. The intelligent Mu'min should heed what Allah Ta'ala says in the Qur'aan Majeed:

"The life of this world is but play and amusement while the Abode of the Aakhirah is best for those who fear (Allah). What have you no intelligence?"

A little reflection will convince any sensible Muslim of the mockery and sin of these shaitaani radio stations which are falsely called 'Islamic' radio stations. This designation is furthest from the truth. There is no better appellation for these radios stations than 'Radio Shaitaan' and 'Channel Shaitaan."

May Allah Ta'ala save the community from the evil tentacles of these evil institutions. The evil and harm of these shaitaani radio stations are worse than the collective harm of the Ahl-e-Bid'ah and the modernists with all their bid'ah and kufr. This is so because these vile radio stations operate deceptively and falsely under the aegis of Islam and are spearheaded by molvis who have hoodwinked unwary and simple people into believing that they speak on behalf of Islam.

Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said:

# "I fear for my Ummah the Aimmah Mudhilleen."

Among the worse specimens of leaders who mislead Muslims are the molvis who operate the shaitaani radio stations.

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