



97 Years of Absent Honor and Lost Dignity!

(Translated)

97 years of disgrace, weakness, and the plotting of the nations against us; 97 years our awe has been ripped from the chests of our enemies as per what the Messenger (saw) said: «وَلَيَنْزِعَنَّ اللَّهُ مِنْ صُدُورِ عَدُوِّكُمْ الْمَهَابَةَ مِنْكُمْ» **“Allah will take fear of you from the breasts of your enemy”**. 97 years have passed without an Imam to protect us and to fight behind him, through him the essence of the Deen is preserved, and the Muslims are protected.

In those 97 years we have moved from the era of when kings and cesars used to fear us and were wary about angering us so they rushed to please us, to an era of embarrassing reactions, but rather humiliating most of the times under the governance of weak rulers. Ibn Kathir reported in his book *“The Beginning and the End”* that when the Muslim armies reached the border of China to open it under the leadership of Qutayba ibn Muslim, he sent a convoy to the king of China headed by Hubayra Al-Kilabi. The king of China told them, “Go back to your friend and tell him to go back, as I know his cautiousness and his lack of friends, or else I will send upon you someone who will destroy all of you including him.” Hubayra replied: “How can he be lacking of friends when his first horse is in your country, and his last horse is in the olive orchids?! How can he be cautious from the humans of this world whom he can defeated and conquer you?! As for you trying to strike fear in us by killing us, we all are predestined to die so if it comes, honor us by killing us, for we do not hate nor fear death.” To that the king of china responded: “What will please your friend?” He said: “He has sworn not to leave until he steps on your land, discuss with your kings and order upon you the Jizyah.” The king replied: “We shall escort him out from his right side, we shall send to him some of our children to discuss with, and we shall send to him a Jizyah which will please him.” He said: “He called upon boxes of gold which contain dirt, and he sent silk and gold, and four young men from the children of their kings, then he approved them properly. Then they moved forward and they were presented with what the king sent to them, so Qutayba accepted the Jizyah, he discussed with the young men then sent them back, and he stepped on the dirt. Things have moved from an era where we used to talk to the clouds due to the vastness of the land under the ruling of Islam, to an era where our countries are torn apart and are divided with borders and dams!!

In those 97 years we moved from action and initiating action to an era where we seek assistance from our enemies and we seek refuge in the Security Council, the General Organization, the International Communities to solve our problems and lift the oppression off of us, for them to play the enemy and the judge and the same time!

In those 97 years we moved from an era where if a Muslim was murdered or captivated or a Muslim woman was violated would be enough to mobilize the strong army beginning from the capitol of the Khilafah and ending at the violator. Whereas nowadays, our blood is being shed in order to pave way for the plots and colonialist plans of our enemies in Syria, Afghanistan, Yemen, Iraq, Libya, and Pakistan. The pagan Buddhists are burning us alive in Burma, we are being cut with cleavers in CAR, our dignities are being violated in Burma, Iraq, Syria and other Muslim countries; and our cries for help are filling up the sky yet falling on deaf ears, with no one helping us to seek vengeance or respond to our cries.

In those 97 years we moved from an era where any blasphemy against our Prophet (saw) or our Quran would call for chopping off heads and threatening nations, whereas nowadays our Prophet (saw) is being subject to blasphemy, our Quran is being burnt, and our sacred sites are being attacked, but the response of some would be holding comparative religions conferences and campaigns introducing our Prophet (saw) and his character!!

The list goes on and on in showing the sights of disgrace and weakness due to the absence of the Khilafah, and if we wanted to list everything we would run out of pages. Thus, let's achieve dignity in both Duyna and Akhira, let's get to work hard on retrieving our dignity and our place amongst the nations. We invoke upon you Muslims to work with us to the resumption of the Islamic lifestyle by establishing the second Khilafah Rashida upon the method of Prophethood. We invoke upon you Muslims, so are you ready to respond?!

﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَجِيبُوا لِلَّهِ وَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ وَاعْلَمُوا أَنَّ اللَّهَ يَحُولُ بَيْنَ الْمَرْءِ وَقَلْبِهِ وَأَنَّهُ إِلَيْهِ تُحْشَرُونَ﴾

“O you who believe! Answer Allah (by obeying Him) and (His) Messenger when he (SAW) calls you to that which will give you life, and know that Allah comes in between a person and his heart (i.e. He prevents an evil person to decide anything). And verily to Him you shall (all) be gathered.” [Al-Anfal: 24]

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