

Life after Ramadan, worshipping the Lord of every month

Ramadan ends, but the One we worship does not change. The clearest sign of benefit is a life that carries something good beyond the month.

CENTREPIECE Surah al-Hijr 15:99, Sahih Muslim 1164

FIRST KHUTBAH

1. Worship has no seasonal expiry

Allah commands the Prophet (peace be upon him) to worship his Lord until certainty, meaning death, arrives (al-Hijr 15:99). Ramadan gives worship intensity, but the relationship continues through every ordinary month.

Source: Quran 15:99

2. Keep a thread rather than the entire programme

Do not try to preserve every Ramadan routine at full size. Keep one protected Quran appointment, one night prayer, one recurring charity or one family habit. A thread that remains can pull the heart back when it drifts.

3. Shawwal offers an immediate continuation

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said that fasting Ramadan and following it with six days of Shawwal is like fasting the year (Muslim 1164). The opportunity teaches that endings in Islam can open into new beginnings.

Source: Muslim 1164

SECOND KHUTBAH

Remind people not to read every stumble as proof that Ramadan was rejected. Consistency includes returning after interruption. The believer's path is not a straight line of motivation.

Suggested closing: O Allah, Lord of Ramadan and every month, keep us close after the gatherings end. Accept the month from us and make its best lessons permanent in our lives.

ONE ACTION FOR THIS WEEK

Put one post-Ramadan practice into the calendar now, including its day, time and the person who can help you keep it.

PREPARATION NOTES

1. Read every cited verse or hadith in full before using it.
2. Add one example your own congregation will recognise.
3. Check questions of fiqh and recognised disagreement with a qualified local scholar.

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