An Address to the REVOLUTIONARIES

O my Muslim ummah: We are observing with you this great historical event. We are sharing with you the joy, glad, and happiness. We rejoice as you rejoice and we grieve as you grieve. Therefore, be delighted with your victories. May Allah have mercy on your martyrs, and may He heal your wounded and release your captives.

Days of glory have emerged
upon Islam's followers

As rulers have disappeared
from Arab lands

These days have brought an end
to thrones as news came to us

In it there are signs
of glad tidings and guideposts

The ummah often pointed its attention towards the victory of which its first indications have become visible from the East. Then all of a sudden, the sun of revolution rose from the direction of the West. The revolution has shined from Tunisia and the ummah went along with it, so people’s faces were brighten while the rulers throats became choked and the Jews were panic stricken because of the approaching promised moment. Hence with the falling of the tyrant, the meanings of humiliation, subservience, fear and abstention have also fallen. On the other hand, the meanings of freedom, glory, courage and fearlessness rose up so the winds of change breezed with the desire to liberate. As for Tunisia, it got the better of it and immediately the Kinânah knights (i.e., Egyptians) took with them a firebrand from Tunisia’s freemen to the liberation square. Consequently, a great revolution was launched, and what kind of revolution was that? It was a decisive revolution for the entire Egypt along with the whole ummah if it’s to hold firmly to the rope of its Lord all together. This revolution was not after foodstuff or clothing; rather it’s
after glory and honor. It is a revolution of sacrifice and giving. It lightened the cities and villages around the Nile from one end to the other. At that point, glory presented itself to the youth of Islam and their souls longed for the time of their grandfathers so they obtained it from the liberation square in Cairo torching it in order to overcome the tyrannical regimes. They stood up in the face of falsehood, upraised their fists against it, feared not its soldiers and entered into a covenant and indeed they preserved the covenant as determinations were firm, forearms were supportive and the revolution was promising.

To those free revolutionaries in every land: hold fast to the reins of the first initiative, be cautious of dialogue since there is no meeting in the middle way between the people of truth and the people of deception; far be it from that and not at all!

Also remember that Allah bestowed upon you such days that will reap fruits at a later time. You are its knights and leaders and in your hands are its rein and path. Indeed, the ummah had preserved you for this significant event so complete the march and do not become afraid of difficulties.

The march started towards the target
And the freedman proceeded with firm will
As for the free, if he started marching
He neither tires easily nor ceases to move

Thus, he is not going to stop until the pursued objectives are accomplished as well as the concluded expectations, by the will of the Almighty Allah. Your revolution is the pole of the erupted war and it is the object of hope for the ones who are hurt and wounded. As you have already given a sense of ease to the ummah, may Allah relieve you from your sufferings. As you are achieving great expectations, may Allah enable you to achieve your hopes.

The opportunity is knocking at your door
Despair is behind while hope is in front
By blood, honor is restored as it was seized
For the lion dies in order to protect his den
How can the one who sacrifices the precious soul for his Lord

In an effort to push away bâţil be blamed?

Thereupon O sons of my Muslim ummah, ahead of you are serious crossways and a great and rare historical opportunity to rise with the ummah and be liberated from slavery to the desires of rulers, man-made laws as well as Western dominance. It is considered to be a great sin and massive ignorance that this opportunity is lost which the ummah had been waiting for since long decades. Therefore, seize the opportunity to destroy the idols and its sculptures and establish justice and îmân.

On this occasion, I would like to remind the truthful ones that instituting a body to present the views and counselling for the Muslim people in each of the important pivots is wâjib(obligatory) and it is even more emphasized on those vigilant ones who had advised earlier of the necessity to eradicate these oppressive regimes since the fact is that they are trusted and widely credible among the Muslim masses. So they should start working towards establishing this project, to broadcast it without delay and it should be away from the dominance of the dictatorial rulers.

Along with that is setting up an operational room that is in touch with the developing events in order to work on equivalent lines that encompass all of the ummah’s requirements and to benefit from the proposals of the intelligent ones amongst the ummah. Also making use of the qualified centers of investigations and taking advantage of those of understanding amongst the acquainted people. It is for the purpose of rescuing and delivering the people who struggle to overthrow their tyrants while their sons are subjected to killing. It is also to instruct the people who have brought down some of the ruler’s elements with the required steps in order to protect the revolution and achieve its objectives.

Additionally, cooperation should be with those who have not yet started their revolutions with the view to determine the appointed time and what is needed beforehand as delaying makes the opportunity subject to loss and rushing prematurely increases the number of victims. Although I assume that the winds of change will spread over the entire Islamic world – by Allah’s will – the youth should prepare what is required and they should not proceed with any matter before the
consultation of the truthful people of experience, those who are far away from half-solutions and away from sweet talk to oppressors as it has already been said:

Counselling comes before the courage of the courageous

It should be considered first and then bravery comes second

My Muslim ummah: you have witnessed before several decades many revolutions which people rejoiced with and then it didn’t take long before they tasted its woes. However, the way to protect the ummah and its revolutions nowadays from misguidance and oppression is through advancing in the revolution of awareness and correcting concepts in various fields, especially the fundamentals and its most important one is the first pillar of Islam. Hence among the best of what was written about that is the book entitled “Concepts that must be rectified” by Shaykh Muhammad Qutb.

As to the fragility of awareness among many of the sons of the ummah, which was generated by erroneous education that was propagated by the rulers for long decades, is indeed the greatest disaster. The other disasters that afflict the ummah are not but a fruit of its bitter fruits. The culture of disgrace, humiliation, subservience, sanctifying unrestricted obedience to the rulers is indeed worshiping other than Allah, and giving up the most important rights of religious and worldly ones to them and making values, principles and individuals spin around their orbit. All of that causes the human being to lose his humanity and makes him run after the ruler and his desire without a conscious or reflection thus becoming a pawn. If people do well, he does so and if they do badly he does too, which makes him like a waste product with which the ruler does as he wishes. Those are the victims of oppression and dictatorship in our countries who were sent out by the rulers to shout with their names in support and to be in their trench. The rulers have made every effort so that people give up the most important rights that Allah gave to them; they thus paralyzed the intellects of the ummah and neglected its function in the important public affairs. They did so through uniting the efforts of the state institutions of religious organizations and informative mass media to give themselves the legitimacy and validity. Hence they performed magic on the people’s eyes, wishes and minds and promoted the idolization of the ruler and set it up falsely in the name of religion as well as in the name of loving the homeland so that people have great regard for it and to plant it in the souls so that elders sanctify it. Unfortunately, the young were not also saved from it; they are a trust in our necks since they were born upon the fitrah (pure nature).

However, they assassinated their fitrah without conscience or mercy. So the youth and elders grew older upon that. As a result, the tyrants increased in tyranny and those deemed weak
increased in weakness, so what are you waiting for? Save yourself and your children since the opportunity is available especially after the ummah’s youth endured the burden of revolutions and its casualties, endured the tyrant’s bullets and their pain. They paved the way with their sacrifices and built the bridge of freedom with their blood. They are youth who are in the prime of their life; they have divorced this dunyâ of humiliation and subjugation and vowed to either have honor or the grave; so will the rulers fully understand that the people rose up and are not going to go back until they achieve the promises, by the will of the Almighty Allah?

Lastly, indeed the mighty oppression in our lands has reached to a major critical point and we have been lingering long before disproving or changing it. So whoever started doing so then let him complete his action and Allah will support him. As for the ones who have not yet started, then let him prepare for this matter what it demands of him and reflect upon the authentic hadith that is narrated from the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم as He said: “Never a Prophet had been sent before me by Allah towards his nation who had not among his people disciples and companions who followed his ways and obeyed his command. Then there came after them their successors who said whatever they did not practice, and practiced whatever they were not commanded to do. He who strove against them with his hand was a believer. He who strove against them with his tongue was a believer. And he who strove against them with his heart was a believer and beyond that there is no îmân even to the extent of a mustard seed.”

And He صلى الله عليه وسلم as well: “The chief of martyrs on Judgment Day is Hamza bin Abdul Muttalib and also a man who stood up against a tyrannical Imam [ruler] and then forbids him (from evil) and enjoins him (to good), but he (the ruler) kills him. So joy is his who went out with this great intention because if he is killed then he is the chief of martyrs and if he lives then he lives honorably with glory.”

So support the truth and do not care about anything else

As saying the truth to the tyrant is glory and glad tidings

It is the way to this dunyâ, and the way to the other

If you wish, you have the choice
to die while being enslaved

Or if you wish, you have the choice
to die as a freeman

O Allah, grant success to those who are managing the affairs in order to support the cause of Your religion and endow them with a mighty success. Bestow upon them patience, rightness and assurance. O Allah, decide for this ummah a command of right guidance; in it Your obedient people are honored and in it the sinful people are disgraced. With it, commanding the good is enabled and forbidding the evil is also possible. Our Lord, give us in this world that which is good and in the Hereafter that which is good and protect us from the punishment of the Fire. O Allah, strengthen our weakness, treat with kindness our inability, plant firmly thereby our feet. O Allah, deal with the chief of oppression, the local ones as well as the international ones. Give us victory over the disbelieving people and the last of our supplication is that all praises belongs to Allah, the Lord of the worlds.

By shaykh Usama bin Ladin رحمه الله
Taken From The INSPIRE Magazine Issue #6 Page 51-53