

Sayyid Al-Hakeem: continues on stomach's right in the Message of Rights



In today's Ramadan lecture, Sayyid Ammar Al-Hakeem, Head of Al-Hikma National Movement, continued his discussion in the Message of Rights of our master and Imam Zain Al-Abidin Imam Ali Ibn Al-Hussein (peace be upon him). His Eminence concluded with the eighth right, which is the right of the stomach. After explaining its linguistic meaning and reviewing the fourth illumination, which is the metaphorical use of eating in the Quran, meaning general conduct rather than literal eating, H.E. recalled four metaphorical instances of eating in the Quran from the previous lecture.

H.E. said, "The fifth metaphor: Profiting from religion, meaning using religion as a trade and a source of profit, which is regrettable.

"Indeed, those who hide Allah's revelations, trading them for a fleeting gain consume nothing but fire into their bellies. Allah will neither speak to them on the Day of Judgment, nor will He purify them. And they will suffer a painful punishment." (02:174 Holy Quran). H.E. added, "The sixth metaphor: Eating the dowry of women. "Give women [you wed] their due dowries graciously. But if they waive some of it willingly, then you may enjoy it freely with a clear conscience." (04:04 Holy Quran).

The seventh and eighth metaphors: The Rabbis and the monks.

"O believers! Indeed, many rabbis and monks consume people's wealth wrongfully" (09:34 Holy Quran).

The fifth Illumination: The forbidden morsel and its destructive impact on human life, explaining that prohibited actions leave their mark on human life, and humans must be extremely careful to avoid prohibitions.

H.E. pointed out that every good or evil deed has two material worldly forms and a spiritual form, with the former accompanying the person in this world and the latter in the Hereafter.

"Indeed, those who unjustly consume orphans' wealth [in fact] consume nothing but fire into their bellies. And they will be burned in a blazing Hell!" (04:10 Holy Quran).

Regarding Imam Ali (peace be upon him), "Worship with forbidden sustenance is like building on sand," indicating the impact of a forbidden morsel.

And regarding the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him and his pure family), "Leaving a forbidden morsel is more beloved to Allah than performing two thousand units of voluntary prayers."

"Then We will turn to whatever [good] deeds they did, reducing them to scattered dust." (25:23 Holy Quran).