The Importance of Hajj from the Viewpoint of Imam Khomeini

Hajj provides the best rendezvous for Muslims, where they become acquainted with their brothers and sisters from all over the world, and while abstaining from disputes and discarding all hindrances, they demonstrate sincere Islamic brotherhood.

(Sahifeh-ye Imam, Vol. 20, P. 324)

Hajj is meant for seeking proximity to God Almighty and man's connection to the owner of the House. Hajj is not merely confined to certain rituals, movements, acts, and utterances. Man cannot get close to God through hollow and soulless words, utterances, and acts.

(Sahifeh-ye Imam, Vol. 21, P. 74)

Hajj is the center of all knowledge on God, from which the essence of the policy of Islam with regard to all aspects of life must be sought. Hajj is the manifestation of all the loving scenes of man's life and the perfect society in the world. All the rituals of Hajj are the rituals of life.

(Sahifeh-ye Imam, Vol. 21, P. 76)

All brothers and sisters in faith should bear in mind that one of the most important philosophies of Hajj is to foster understanding and to solidify brotherhood among Muslims.

(Sahifeh-ye Imam, Vol. 10, P. 43)

Hajj is the congregation that trains Muslims and teaches them the monotheistic way of life. Hajj is the mirror that reflects and demonstrates the tangible and intangible talents and capabilities of Muslims.

(Sahifeh-ye Imam, Vol. 21, P. 74)

Hajj is not a trade journey. It is a travel towards God Almighty. While you are going to God's House, whatever you do must be divine; just like the divine travelers toward God such as divine prophets and our religious leaders (the infallible Imams).

(Sahifeh-ye Imam, Vol. 10, P. 127)

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