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Speech 1:20 PM - 1:55 PM - ACM OL6 9JA

Recently millions of students received their **A-LEVEL & GCSE RESULTS**.
Results that will affect their future – potentially make or break their future/careers.

How much do we realise that **2X** a week we are being examined.
How much do we remember that our entire life is full of tests.

“O man, you are labouring toward your Lord with exertion & will meet Him.” (84:6)

These tests are constantly there until we take our last breath.
Our career & true path on earth is to recognise & worship Allah ﷻ.

“I have not created the Jinn and men but to worship Me.” (51:56)

The preliminary results are given in your grave - & final results in the hereafter.
How much do we fear, prepare and sacrifice for these ultimate grades?

“He who is given his book in his right hand...He who given his book behind his back”

In life we can retake, but in death, there are no retakes.

“Who created death & life to test you, reveal which of you does best”(67:1-2)

**“We have adorned the earth with attractive things so that We may test people to find out
which of them do best.” (18:7)**

**The measure of success for the Dunyaa is very different to the Aakhirah.
The world just cares about memory, status, money, how fast or sly you are.**

**The Aakhirah cares about intentions, sincerity, integrity, honesty and effort.
The Aakhirah cares about faith, small deeds, hope & beauty of your character.**

“Nothing is heavier upon the scale of a believer than his good character. (Tirmidhi)

Invest in your Aakhirah - Not just Dunyaa - Invest With Allah ﷻ - Not just His Dunyaa.

As GCSE & A-Level students now move on to the next stage in their lives, they need to make good choices with the guidance of their parents who have truly lived & recognise the value of the Dunyaa vs Aakhirah.

Success isn't just Money, Car, House, Clothes, Products, Women, Kids, Business, Career, Influence – these are all finite & limited worldly things.

**“O you who believe, shall I tell you about a that saves you from a painful punishment?
Have faith in God & His Messenger & struggle for His cause with your possessions & your persons - that is better for you, if only you knew” (61:10-11)**

The choices we make now will define our Dunyaa & Aakhirah.

“There is indeed a good model for you in the Messenger of Allah - for the one who has hope in Allah and the Last Day and remembers Allah profusely.” (33:21)

The Prophet ﷺ did not know how to read nor write, yet he illuminated an entire nation, taking them from the darkness to the light, from the Dunyaa to the Aakhirah.

Say: "Shall I tell you whose labour will be wasted? Theirs whose effort is misspent in pursuit of the pleasures of the world, even though they think they are doing good things." They are those who reject the signs of their Lord, and the meeting with Him. So their good deeds will be fruitless, and on the Day of Judgement We shall not appoint any weighing for them. (18:103-105)

All students, as you move forward in your education, assess your علم of Deen, Akhlaaq, Adaab, Qur'an, Sunnah, Seerah & ask yourself how much do you truly know of value.

In your chosen subjects & career paths, ask yourself can you maintain your Salah, Deen, Identity, Modesty, Integrity? Or will you have to compromise them for a slice of the apple.

Our goal is to set up ourselves in Jannah, never compromise on your morals & religion when picking a career or profession.

Banks, Fashion, Singing, Acting, Boxing, Modelling, Sports, Social Media...?

Information Based Life - we live in an Information World - 147 Zettabytes...

Skilled Based Life - 50,000 skills in the world - fix cars, table, plane, cook...

Education Based Life - is about formalising idea, theories & processes...

Faith Based Life - علم is more profound & transformative. It's there to understand, reflect, recognise, humanise, civilise & illuminate the individual & society. To give them purpose & guidance in this short life & prepare them for the hereafter.

علم connects us to Allah ﷻ, our Creator, Recognise Him, build a relationship with Him, strive to please Him, rely on His Mercy & look towards His Forgiveness.

“O Allah, I seek refuge in You from knowledge which does not benefit, from a heart that does not fear, from a soul that is not satisfied and the supplication that is not answered.”

“Indeed, in the creation of the heavens and the earth and the alternation of the day and night there are signs for people of intelligence. Those who remember Allah while standing, sitting, and lying on their sides, and reflect on the creation of the heavens and the earth and say, “Our Rabb! You did not create this in vain. Glory be to You! Protect us from the torment of the Fire. (3:190-191)