

The Sunnah of meeting the Haji

Rasulullah ﷺ has said: “The *Haji* and one who performs *Umrah* are the Ambassadors of Allah. If they beseech Him, He would respond to them, and if they seek His forgiveness, He would forgive them.” (Ibn Majah)

Rasulullah ﷺ has said: “When you meet the *Haji*, greet him, shake his hands and instruct him to seek forgiveness for you before he enters his home, for undoubtedly he is forgiven.” (Ahmed)

Hajj affords the best training grounds for the revival of one's faith and purity of character. It is the most sublime manifestation of the universal brotherhood of the Muslim *Ummah*. It is a journey of intensified devotion and discipline.

A Haji is therefore expected to return as a transformed person.

When Hasan Basri (R.A.) was asked, “What constitutes a Hajj-e-Mabroor?” He replied, “That you return from Hajj turning your back to this world and facing towards the hereafter.” (Al-Tabsirah)

May the Almighty accept your Hajj, make it a source of your salvation in this world and the hereafter and grant you the ability to say “*Labbaik*” to the call of Allah at all times, Ameen.



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