

TRANSLATION

Speech of Dr. Shaikh

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2014 Winner of the King Faisal International Prize
For Service to Islam

36th KFIP Awards Ceremony
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In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate

Your Royal Highness Prince Salman Bin Abd Al-Aziz,
Crown Prince, Deputy Premier, Minister of Defense,
Your Highnesses,
Your Eminences, Your Excellencies,
Distinguished Guests.

As-Salamu Alaikum and may Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you.

I am greatly honored by winning King Faisal International Prize for Service to Islam. It is also an honor to our Society - the Islamic Education Trust – whose establishment was assisted in 1971 by a generous donation by King Faisal, may Allah have mercy upon him.

The merit of any achievement upon which my selection to the Prize was based is due to Allah Who guided me, and then to my parents and my teachers - may Allah reward them in the best manner.

Finally, I would like to express our delight and gratitude to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Abd Allah bin Abd Al-Aziz, and the King Faisal Foundation which incepted this Prize. May Allah reward you generously. We are also indebted to His Excellency, the Vice President of Nigeria and his delegation and to all honorable audience at this ceremony.

As-Salamu Alaikum and may Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you