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# DU'AA: THE PRACTICE OF THE BELIEVERS



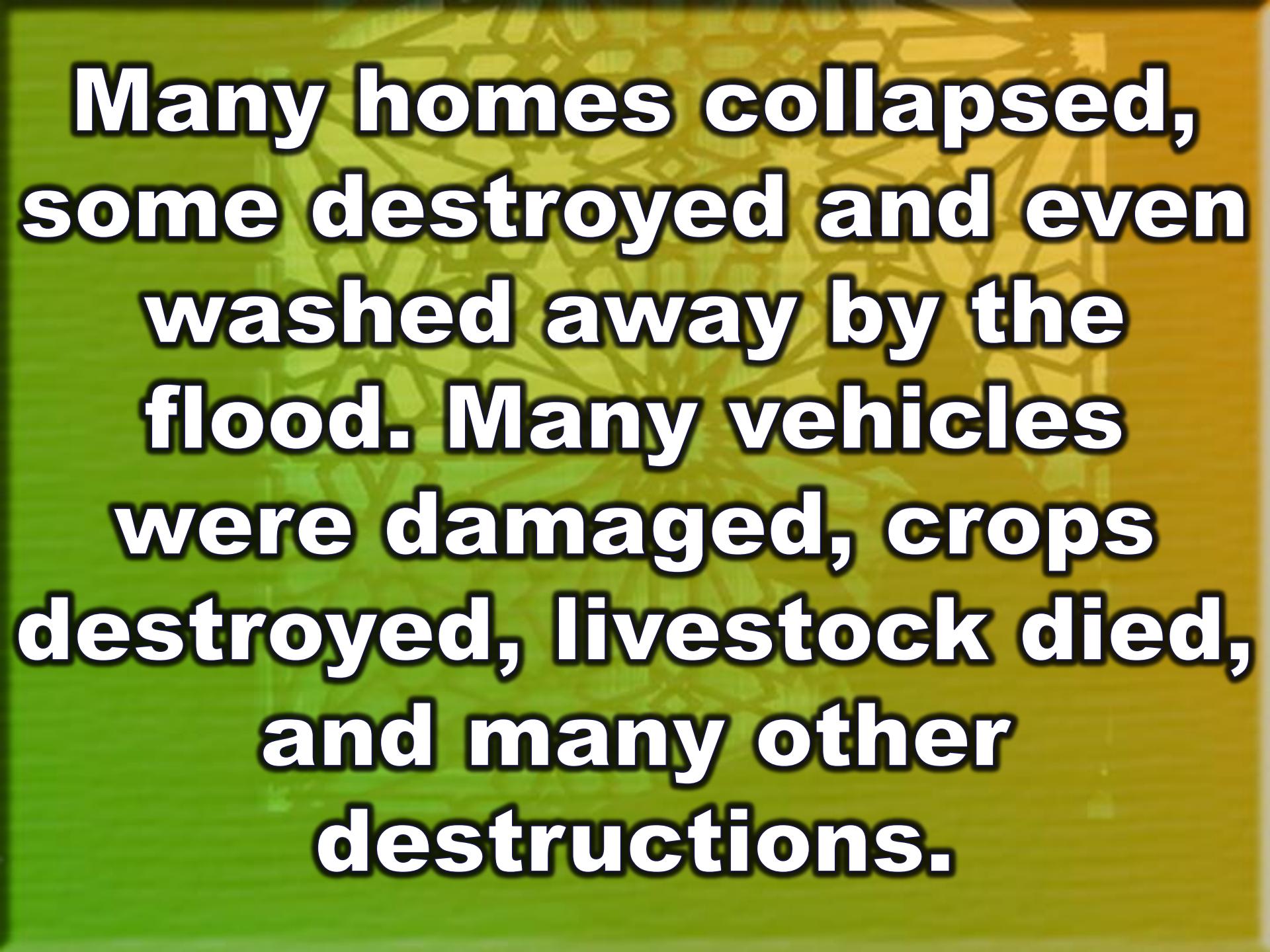
I remind myself and all of  
us to strive in increasing  
our *taqwa* of Allah

*Subhaanahu Wata'aala*  
with full commitment to  
remain upon His Path  
(His Religion) and

**preventing ourselves  
from deviating from the  
Straight Path. The  
*khutbah* for this week  
will expound on an  
interesting topic, namely:  
“*Du‘aa: The Practice  
Of The Believers*”**

**Early this year, our nation especially in the East Coast region was afflicted with an enormous disaster that was unimaginable for many of us. Almost all areas in Kelantan were inundated**

**with unusual flooding,  
including various districts  
in Penang, Terengganu,  
Perak, and Perlis.  
Residential areas were  
destroyed with some  
areas submerged 30  
meters under water.**



**Many homes collapsed,  
some destroyed and even  
washed away by the  
flood. Many vehicles  
were damaged, crops  
destroyed, livestock died,  
and many other  
destructions.**

**It was like a mini tsunami leaving us wondering how such massive flood could occur in our country. In the wake of this major disaster, it behooves us to:**

**1- To endure with a heart  
that is full of *imaan* and  
*taqwa* of Allah**

***Subhaanahu Wata'aala.***

**2- Leave off the heart  
that is full of doubt and  
replace it with firm belief  
upon the full**

**justice of Allah**  
***Subhaanahu Wata'aala.***

**3- Quash away any  
thoughts in our mind and  
whispers of *Shaytaan*  
inciting us to believe  
that Allah has committed  
oppression and**

**injustice towards His  
slaves.**

**Verily, among the wisdoms  
from major calamities, aside  
from being trials for the  
believers, it is intended to  
subjugate mankind's ego  
that began to brag and  
glorify**

**their own selves after attaining success in their lives, achieving great scientific and technological feat, after amassing massive amount of wealth. In the end, it triggered in their hearts**

**that they could do anything they want, for they possess a lot of money, high rank, and that everything falls within their authority. All these can breed a great sense of self-pride, egotism,**

**and arrogance from  
bowing down in  
submission to Allah,  
having difficulty in  
performing *salaah*, feeling  
heavy to withstand  
fasting, stinginess in  
donating, and hands that  
are always heavy**

**to be raised for  
supplicating. Moreover,  
he would always  
transgress against the  
Commands and Laws  
of Allah *Subhaanahu  
Wata'aala.***

**Truthfully, tribulations  
teach us that mankind is  
not strong, not that  
great, and unable to  
overcome the Power of  
Allah. No one would have  
thought that the city of  
Temerloh would**

**submerge, the old city of  
Gua Musang would  
submerge, the city of  
Kuala Krai would  
submerge, and dengue  
fever would intensify. But  
by the Will of Allah all  
these had occurred**

**in front of our very own  
eyes.**

**This calamity must be  
looked upon as something  
positive, in destructing  
the arrogance and  
selfishness of humans  
that all feats and**

**success were by the Will  
and Power of Allah.  
Mankind must recognize  
that all their efforts and  
planning are merely  
attempts for it is Allah  
Alone who can make us  
wealthy.**

**It is only Allah that can make us intelligent and successful. How many amongst us would strive and toil, way better than us, but they were unfortunate and not as successful as us.**

**Hence, this tribulation  
should provide us the  
very opportunity to re-  
evaluate ourselves and  
remind our souls how  
minute we are in front of  
Allah, and realize that  
this worldly life is**

**“loaned” to us.**

**Supplicating is one of the ways to make us humble, submissive, obedient, and truly hopeful upon Allah. It can dispose boastfulness, arrogance, and egotism**

**towards Allah's  
Commands. Those that  
are always making *du'aa*  
(supplication) are those  
that are always positive  
with Allah for they know  
that the successes and  
great feats achieved were  
not**

**due to their own will,  
efforts, great ideas, or  
accurate planning, but  
instead they were all  
due to the Will and  
Power of Allah.**

Making *du'aa* is the essence of '*iбаадah*', for the purpose of '*iбаадah*' is to produce individuals that are always hopeful upon Allah and always having *tawakkal* (full reliance) and humility with

**Allah. This is also the essence from the definition of “*salaah*” in its linguistic sense, which is “*du‘aa.*”**

**Moreover, all ‘*ibaadah* would contain *du‘aa.* Whether in the obligatory**

**prayers, fasting, zakaat,  
and hajj, they all would  
entail *du‘aa*.**

**Anas bin Maalik  
*radiyAllaahu‘anh*  
narrated that: Rasulullah  
صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ said:**

**“*ad-Du‘aa* (the supplication) is the essence of ‘ibaadah (worship).”**

**(at-Tirmidhi: da‘eef)**

**Perhaps some may ask,  
why do we still need to  
supplicate? Is it not that  
Allah is All-Knowing, All-  
Hearing, and All-Seeing?  
Definitely Allah will know  
our condition that is full  
of**

**hardship, painful,  
poverty, calamity-  
stricken, and so forth. In  
that case, Allah will  
straightaway provide aid  
without needing us to  
supplicate and beseech  
Him.**

**This is truly a misconception. Actually, we supplicate to Allah not because we are poor, or in pain, or impoverished, or afflicted by calamity. And it is also not because Allah**

**does not know, for it is  
Allah who had willed for  
such trials and  
tribulations.**

**Indeed, our purpose for  
making *du'aa* is to  
manifest our true servitude  
to Allah. If making  
supplication is due**

**to hardship, then the wealthy and healthy ones would no longer need to make *du'aa*. But in actuality, the more one attains success, wealth, victory, stature, and authority, the more he needs**

**to raise his hands and supplicate to Allah.**

**Making *du‘aa* is not merely asking and**

**begging from Allah, but also as a sign of gratitude and appreciation to Allah.**

**It is Allah Alone who has**

**provided everything with  
infinite grace.**

**Those that are rich,  
intelligent, great, and yet  
would raise their hands  
supplicating to Allah,  
such is the sign of one  
that is**

**thankful, humble, not arrogant, and able to tame his ego. While those that seldom supplicate or do not even supplicate, or remain indifferent when making *du‘aa*, such is the sign of a**

**hardened heart,  
rude, arrogant, and  
conceited with Allah**

***Subhaanahu  
Wata'aala.***

**In reality, many amongst mankind would strive their utmost in beseeching or supplicating to Allah, or performing *salaat al-haajjah* (prayer due to need) when experiencing calamity,**

**when their children will be sitting for examinations, or sick, possessed by the jinn, and others. But in times of ease, they would forget about Allah, the House of Allah, and the obligations**

**decreed upon them. The masjid or *surau* that is next to their residence was never visited by them. Such are the characteristics of mankind that Allah had mentioned in al-Qur'an:**

**“And if We give man a taste of mercy from Us and then We withdraw it from him, indeed, he is despairing and ungrateful. But if We give him a taste of favour after hardship**

**has touched him, he  
will surely say, “Bad  
times have left me.”**

**Indeed, he is  
exultant and  
boastful.”**

*(Hood 11:9-10)*

**While on the contrary, in order to have our supplications accepted quicker by Allah, we are to make *du'aa* during times of ease. When we are acquainted with Allah in**

**times of ease, then Allah  
will be acquainted with  
us during times of  
difficulty.**

**Abu Hurayrah  
*radiyAllaahu'an*  
narrated that: Rasulullah  
said:**

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ

**“Whoever wishes that Allah would respond to him during hardship and grief, then let him supplicate plentifully when at ease.”**

*(at-Tirmidhi: hasan)*

The common misconception amongst us is that making *du‘aa* is a request made to Allah only during difficulty, while the supplication would contain praises for Allah and *salawaat* upon Rasulullah ﷺ.

صلى الله عليه وسلم

**Therefore, the more we  
praise Allah, the better  
the *du‘aa* becomes for  
when we praise Allah  
with lofty praises, we are  
actually reflecting our  
lowness and  
insignificance,  
possessing no**

**value except that we are  
truly hoping for the  
mercy of Allah.**

**Feeling remorse and  
recognizing our  
weakness and lowness in  
front of Allah, then it  
behoove us to:**

**1- Strengthen our relationship with Allah**

***Subhaanahu Wata'aala***

**at all times through good deeds such as the obligatory and supererogatory prayers.**

**2- Always supplicating to Allah whether in times of ease or need, and inculcating it as a daily practice.**

**3- The believers must make a self-confession to Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* for**

**in reality, mankind is  
desperately hopeful for  
the mercy and  
forgiveness from Allah**

***Subhaanahu Wata'aala.***

**4- The believers should  
not easily despair and  
feel**

**hopeless with the tribulations inflicted upon them, and instead remain pleased with whatever that has been decreed upon them.**

**“O mankind, you are  
those in need of  
Allah, while Allah is  
the Free of need, the  
Praiseworthy.”**

*(Faatir 35:15)*

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ  
وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْأَيَّاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ  
الْحَكِيمِ وَتَفْقِيلَ مِنِي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ  
السَّمِيعُ الْعَظِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ  
اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ  
وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ  
مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ  
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

**Once again, I would like to remind all of us that Islam teach its adherents to remain moderate in all actions and deeds. At the same time, the Muslims are to avoid any form of extremism in which its**

**consequences will only disrupt  
the harmony, unity, and  
security of the Muslim ummah  
and our nation. Extremism will  
only give negative impression  
upon the nobility and holiness  
of al-Islam. On the contrary,  
the Muslim**

ummah must inculcate noble akhlaaq, having utmost personality and attitude as true Muslims so that the world will know that Rasulullah (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) was sent down as a messenger, and Islam that was revealed is mercy

**for the entire nation and  
universe.**

**O Allah, You are the Lord that  
is All Mighty, we are grateful to  
You for having bestowed upon  
us *rahmah* and *ni'mah*, that we  
are able to continue the effort  
in empowering the Muslim  
*ummah* especially in Selangor,  
as an**

**advanced state, prosperous,  
and providing welfare.**

**Hence, we sincerely beseech  
you, O Allah, strengthen our  
*imaan*, accept our deeds,  
strengthen our unity,  
increase our *rizq*, enrich us  
with**

**beneficial knowledge, cultivate  
our soul with good  
mannerisms, return us to the  
path that you are pleased with,  
protect us from disasters and  
your severe trials, so that our  
nation will become more  
peaceful and filled with  
blessings.**

**O Allah, we sincerely beseech  
you, strengthen our beliefs  
according to the creed of *Ahlus  
Sunnah wal-Jamaa‘ah*, and  
protect us from deeds and  
‘aqeedah that are astray such  
as the extreme *Shee‘is*,  
*Qadiyani*, and other ideologies.**

O Allah, open up our hearts in fulfilling the five daily prayers, performing *zakaat*, and other obligations. Bless those that have fulfilled their *zakaat* and loving the *fuqaraa'* and *masaakin*, and those that have

made *waqf* and gave up their wealth for *Tabung Amanah*

*Pembangunan Islam Selangor*  
(Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor) with continuous reward until the Hereafter.

**O Allah, increase and widen  
the *rizq* of those that made  
*waqf* from their wealth with  
perpetual rewards until the  
Last Day.**



بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ

JABATAN AGAMA ISLAM SELANGOR

***DI SEDIAKAN OLEH :***

**UNIT KHUTBAH.**

**BAHAGIAN PENGURUSAH MASJID,**

**JABATAN AGAMA ISLAM SELANGOR**