



جَابَطَانُ اِسْلَامِ سِلَانْجُور
JABATAN AGAMA ISLAM SELANGOR

THE COMMITMENT TO UPHOLD ISLAM





I remind myself and implore
on fellow congregation, to
strive our utmost in
increasing our *taqwa* of
*Allah Subhaanahu
Wata'aala* by fulfilling all of

His Commands and avoiding
all of His prohibitions. May
we attain blissfulness in this
world and the Hereafter.

The title of the *khutbah* that
will be delivered today is:
***“The Commitment To Uphold
Islam”***

Indeed, Islam is an exalted religion and nothing is exalted above it.

It was narrated from

‘Aa’idh bin ‘Amru
radiyAllaahu ‘anh:

Rasulullah ﷺ said:

**“Islam should prevail and
should not be prevailed
over”**

(al-Bayhaqi and ad-Daaraqutni: hasan)

The glorified position of
Islam should be felt by every

**Muslim, not solely based
on assumptions but
instead it should be firmly
founded upon sound
knowledge and research
without neglecting
righteous deeds.**

Many negative perceptions regarding Islam espoused by irresponsible entities are due to their misunderstanding and also our own failure to project authentic Islam in ourselves and our deeds.

We assumed that whatever we have been practicing since young that are compatible with our lives are actually true Islam.

The failure to properly comprehend Islam is due to

our lackadaisical attitude in attaining real authentic Islamic knowledge. Hence, we as Muslims must work harder to attain as much authentic Islamic knowledge as possible whether in

**courses, lectures, lessons,
books, magazines, and
other forms.**

**A civilized society is a
society that has mutual
respect with others,
promoting peace, justice,
and**

the rights to practice religion. Islam is a religion of peace and harmony where its adherents are not to disturb the beliefs of other religions that exist in this world.

**Islam is a firm religion
where we as adherents
must not at all provide
any opportunity for
others to question and
mock this religion.
Such firmness has been**

recorded in Islamic history during the reign of Caliph Mu'tasim Billaaah of the Abbasid Caliphate, as was mentioned in the book titled “*al-Kaamil fee at-Taareekh*” by ibn al-Atheer. The Caliph

had defended the honor of a Muslimah who lived in a faraway land that was not yet conquered by the Muslims. The dignity of this Muslimah was violated where a Roman man had uncovered her,

intending to expose her ‘awrah and humiliate her. This heinous act had caused the Muslimah to scream, “*O Mu’tasim, where are you?*” Her cry actually came to his knowledge and he

straightaway commanded
for a military expedition to
defend the honor of the
Muslim woman.

Such was the greatness of
Caliph Mu'tasim in
protecting the honor of
the

Muslims, ensuring that Islam is not mocked at or derided.

This historical account regarding Caliph al-Mu'tasim Billaah's firmness provides several valuable lessons for us.

First, we should always ensure the stature of Islam as the noblest above other ranks. We should give priority to beliefs that is based upon ‘aqeedah and the *Sharee’ah* of Allah without

distinguishing the levels and degrees between the rich and the poor. It is due to the solid *imaan* that Caliph al-Mu‘tasim took such courageous decision to defend the Muslimah sharing

the same ‘aqeedah even though she was not a citizen subjected to his rule.

Second, the Muslim *ummah* must ensure that virtuous personal qualities are embedded within every

Muslim and its society. Therefore, the Muslims must practice all Islamic teachings that encompass their entire lives. Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* mentions in al-Qur'an:

**“O you who have believed,
enter into Islam completely
[and perfectly] and do not
follow the footsteps of Satan.
Indeed, he is to you a clear
enemy”**

(al-Baqarah 2:208)

On the authority of Abu
Muhammad 'Abdullah bin
'Amr bin al-'As
radiyAllaahu'anhu
said: Rasulullah ﷺ said:
“None of you [truly]
believes until his desires

**are subservient to that
which I have brought”**

*(No. 41 from an-Nawawi’s 40
Hadeeth: saheeh)*

Third, we shall practice with what we believe in for it is with those deeds that our beliefs will increase and our *imaan* becomes solidified. Imagine the strength of the conviction of a Muslimah

living under the reign of a non-believing king, having the courage to call upon Caliph Mu‘tasim, firmly believing in his faith and justice. Faith is born out of strong commitment and

istiqaamah drives towards continuous deeds.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* mentions in al-Qur'an:

“Say, “Indeed, my prayer, my rites of sacrifice, my

living and my dying are
for Allah, Lord of the
worlds””

(al-An'am 6:162)

Fourth, we must realize that the ties of brotherhood amongst Muslims are very important where the strength or weakness of a society lies upon the soundness of these ties.

Strong *silaaturrahm*

amongst Muslims will cause the Muslims to appear as strong and difficult to be humiliated and mocked at.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* mentions in al-Qur'an:

**“And if they had intended
to go forth, they would
have prepared for it
[some] preparation. But
Allah disliked their being
sent,**

so He kept them back,
and they were told,
“Remain [behind] with
those who remain”

(at-Tawbah 9:46)

Lastly, we should learn from the story of Caliph Mu‘tasim regarding the importance of being concerned and having compassion for the Muslims. The virtue of compassion amongst Muslims is not only

guaranteed with tremendous reward in the Hereafter but it will cause the Muslims to become closer and caring, such that Rasulullah ﷺ described the close relationship between a

Muslim and another as if
they are one body.

an-Nu‘maan bin Basheer
radiyAllaahu‘anhuma
reported that Rasulullah

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ said:

“The believers in their

**mutual kindness, compassion
and sympathy are just like
one body. When one of the
limbs suffers, the whole body
responds to it with
wakefulness and fever”**

(Agreed Upon)

“And whoever desires other than Islam as religion - never will it be accepted from him, and he, in the Hereafter, will be among the losers.”

(Aal-‘Imraan 3:85)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ وَنَفَعَنِي
وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ
وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ
الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِيْ 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 (صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم) 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'iis,
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.



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