



## “EMBRACING TRUE HAPPINESS”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: يَتَأْتِيهَا النَّفْسُ الْمُطْمَئِنَّةُ ﴿٢٧﴾ أَرْجِعِي إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ رَاضِيَةً  
مَّرْضِيَةً ﴿٢٨﴾ فَأَدْخُلِي فِي عِبْدِي ﴿٢٩﴾ وَأَدْخُلِي جَنَّتِي <sup>1</sup> ﴿٣٠﴾  
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ.  
اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَىٰ سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَىٰ آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ،  
فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ. قَالَ  
اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we always attain mercy and happiness in this world and the Hereafter.

Let us altogether internalize upon today's *khutbah* entitled “**EMBRACING TRUE HAPPINESS.**”

Dear respected guests of Allah,

Everyone in this world yearns for a blissful life. No one in this world would want to live in misery and endure suffering, whether in this world or the Hereafter. The value of happiness is not the same for everyone in this world. Some would feel happy when immersed with overflowing wealth. Some would feel happy when everything desired are attained. However, are they actually true happiness according to Islam? Will all happiness attained in this world actually lead to blissfulness in the Hereafter? How do we actually attain true happiness that is everlasting and remains eternally?

As such, to unveil the feeling of happiness in providing the necessities for the soul to embrace ultimate happiness, there are guidelines mentioned by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* through His Messenger, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

In the *hadeeth* of Suhayb *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

**“Strange are the ways of a believer for there is good in every affair of his and this is not the case with anyone else except in the case of a believer for if he has an occasion to feel delight, he thanks (Allah), thus there is a good for him in it, and if he gets into trouble and shows resignation (and endures it patiently), there is a good for him in it.”**

(Muslim)

This *hadeeth* explains to us that this life is actually a gift and benefit for mankind. Everything that occurs in the human life, whether good or bad, is actually good if they

<sup>1</sup> al-Fajr 89:27-30



would actually comprehend and ponder upon this life with true faith in Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Verily, those having belief in Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* will feel that this life is an arena for the perfection of the essence of servitude of oneself unto Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. This is because they truly know that the real purpose of their very existence in this world is solely to devote themselves to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 56 of soorah adh-Dhaariyaat:

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ ﴿٥٦﴾

***"And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me."***

**Dearest guests of Allah,**

The feeling of servitude is the key in appreciating our lives in this temporary world. Those feeling that they are just slaves to the One Being that is Most Exalted, Who controls the entire universe, will surrender and remain obedient to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* Alone. His or her entire life will be dedicated purely for Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* Alone. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 162 of soorah al-An'aam:

قُلْ إِن صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٦٢﴾

***"Say, "Indeed, my prayer, my rites of sacrifice, my living and my dying are for Allah, Lord of the worlds.""***

**Dear blessed Muslims,**

Many people failed to enjoy life as a gift because they lacked the sense of servitude to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. As a result, they would betray Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by transgressing against His Commands and prohibitions. They would feel disappointed, lonely, worried, despair, and living in sorrow and misery while continuing with their lives, especially when calamity stricken.

At times, they are deprived from enjoying the delights of this world. Even though they would be seen smiling externally, but deep inside there is emptiness that is unsatisfied by all types of pleasure and luxury available in this world.

Hence, let us return in regaining our consciousness as the slaves of Allah so as to embrace the ultimate happiness.

**Dear blessed audience,**

The ultimate purpose of life in this world is to worship Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. The history of previous nations has proven to us through various verses of al-Qur'an that many in the past had gone astray from the real purpose of life in this world. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 47 of soorah ar-Room:



وَلَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا مِنْ قَبْلِكَ رُسُلًا إِلَىٰ قَوْمِهِمْ فَجَاءَهُمْ بِالْبَيِّنَاتِ فَأَنْتَقَمْنَا مِنْ  
الَّذِينَ أَجْرَمُوا وَكَانَ حَقًّا عَلَيْنَا نَصْرُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

***“And We have already sent messengers before you to their peoples, and they came to them with clear evidences; then We took retribution from those who committed crimes, and incumbent upon Us was support of the believers.”***

**Respected audience,**

Those that do not know the actual purpose of life in this world are actually the most unfortunate ones. This is because in this worldly life, the ultimate objective is a very important essence. Those living without a purpose will feel the emptiness and vagueness in their daily lives, hence feeling at loss with their own life. Therefore, to attain true happiness we must have a clear objective in our lives, so that we will know what needs to be done in this life, and that we shall die with *husn al-khaatimah* (the good ending).

**Dear blessed Muslims,**

How unfortunate for those that lives worshipping material possessions, where they would devote their entire lives purely in seeking and accumulating wealth alone. They would satiate their desire with wealth hoarded. They remain busy in constructing magnificent luxurious mansions that they forget there will be the Day of Resurrection. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 24 of soorah al-Jaathiyah:

وَقَالُوا مَا هِيَ إِلَّا حَيَاتُنَا الدُّنْيَا نَمُوتُ وَنَحْيَا وَمَا يُهْلِكُنَا إِلَّا الدَّهْرُ وَمَا لَهُمْ  
بِذَلِكَ مِنْ عِلْمٍ إِنْ هُمْ إِلَّا يَظُنُّونَ ﴿٢٤﴾

***“And they say, “There is not but our worldly life; we die and live, and nothing destroys us except time.” And they have of that no knowledge; they are only assuming.”***

Therefore, let us embrace true happiness by returning with cognizance in recognizing ourselves as true slaves of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Wealth and material possessions are not measures of happiness. This life is not for us to live with the ways and objectives that we freely choose. Instead, this life is just a moment for us to endure with the ways and objectives stipulated by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* upon us.

**Dear beloved audience,**

Among the early steps for a person in heading towards Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* to embrace the ultimate happiness is by increasing his or her religious knowledge. Authentic religious knowledge is vital in perfecting one's *'ibaadah* so as to illuminate life in the Hereafter. Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh* reported: Rasulullah

ﷺ said:



**"He who does not acquire (religious) knowledge with the sole intention of seeking the Pleasure of Allah but for worldly gain, will not smell the fragrance of Jannah on the Day of Resurrection."**

(Abu Dawood and ibn Maajah)

**Dear blessed Muslims,**

Before concluding the *khutbah* today, I implore upon myself and all members of the community that:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that ultimate happiness is attained by having belief in Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, while those chasing after worldly gain solely will not attain true happiness.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must internalize and practice upon all of the teachings of Islam in accordance with the *Sharee'ah*, as taught by Rasulullah ﷺ, in attaining the ultimate happiness.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must strive in *jihaad* against its desires so as to avoid and abstain from the prohibitions of Allah.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ  
 مَنْ عَمِلَ صَالِحًا مِّنْ ذَكَرٍ أَوْ أُنْثَىٰ وَهُوَ مُؤْمِنٌ فَلَنُحْيِيَنَّهٗ حَيٰوةً طَيِّبَةً  
 وَلَنَجْزِيَنَّهُمْ أَجْرَهُم بِأَحْسَنِ مَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ ﴿٩٧﴾

**"Whoever does righteousness, whether male or female, while he is a believer - We will surely cause him to live a good life, and We will surely give them their reward [in the Hereafter] according to the best of what they used to do."**

(an-Nahl 16:97)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ  
 الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.  
 أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ،  
 فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.

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**THE SECOND KHUTBAH**



الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

**Dear blessed audience,**

Once again, I would like to remind all of us to always have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and realize that Islam teaches us to remain moderate in every actions and deeds. As Muslims, we are to manifest noble *akhlaaq*, having utmost personality and attitude for Rasulullah ﷺ was sent to perfect *akhlaaq* and as mercy for the entire mankind and the worlds. Therefore, let us always increase our *salawaat* and *salaam* upon our Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions:

***"Indeed, Allah confers blessing upon the Prophet, and His angels [ask Him to do so]. O you who have believed, ask [Allah to confer] blessing upon him and ask [Allah to grant him] peace."***

(al-Ahzaab 33:56)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا.

اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اَللّٰهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اَللّٰهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ يَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنَ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ سُلْطَانَ سَلَاعُور، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفُ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحُ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيَّ عَهْدِ سَلَاعُور، تَغْكُو أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانَ



شَرَفُ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِّ فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمَوْظِفَيْنِ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

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 the state of Selangor, as an advanced state, prosperous and providing welfare, under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.

Hence, we sincerely beseech You, O Allah, strengthen our *imaan* and creed according to that of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*, accept our righteous deeds, cultivate our soul with good mannerisms, unite our hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from disasters and save us from deviant teachings such as *Shee'ah*, *Qadiyaani*, and other teachings deemed as deviating from Islamic teachings or contradicting the creed of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*. O Allah, open up our hearts in performing the five daily prayers, fulfilling *zakaat* through *Lembaga Zakat Selangor* (Selangor Zakaat Board), making *waqf* and *infaaq* of our wealth to *Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor* (Selangor Waqf Corporation), and *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor).

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ.

عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٠٦﴾

فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُواهُ عَلَىٰ نِعَمِهِ ۖ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ ۖ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.

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