



"WHAT IS AFTER RAMADAAN?"

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions, especially after the month of Ramadaan has recently gone by. We should always strive with diligence in continuing to increase our quality of *imaan* and righteous deeds. May we attain the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* and protection from the Hellfire.

The title of our *khutbah* today is **"WHAT IS AFTER RAMADAAN?"**

Dear blessed audience,

The days that have gone by are actually part of our lives. In reality, each day that has gone by actually means that our age is decreasing, and the grave is getting closer without any gap in between. Let us perform righteous deeds as much as possible with full sincerity. Indeed, we will stand before Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* on that one day, hoping for the fruits from the righteous deeds that we have performed.

Few days ago, while in Ramadaan, a month of mercy, forgiveness, and freedom from Hellfire, we had fasted during the day, performing *qiyaam* (standing in prayer) in the night, abandon our lust, wickedness, and disobedience due to our fear of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Those days have now gone by, and its nights will never return again, but they will be recorded in the book of deeds. It will be displayed on the Day of Judgment, a day in which no one will be wronged.

Whoever was excellent during Ramadaan with tremendous good deeds, then let him become grateful to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and strive to increase righteous deeds after Ramadaan, while continuing to engage in charitable deeds. While those that were heedless and lacking in their good deeds, then hasten to make *istighfaar* (seek forgiveness) and *tawbah* (repentance) to Allah 'Azza wa Jalla in redeeming those shortcomings. While there is still time left, extinguish that wickedness by performing good deeds as much as possible. May it serve as *kaffaarah* (expiation) and barrier from the punishment of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Narrated Abu Dharr *radiyAllaahu 'anh*: Rasulullah ﷺ said to me:

"Have *taqwa* of Allah wherever you are, and follow an evil deed with a good one to wipe it out, and treat the people with good behavior."

(at-Tirmidhi)

Dear blessed guests of Allah,

A true believer will leave Ramadaan with full sadness, while a *munaafiq* (hypocrite) will leave Ramadaan with happiness. A true *mu'min* (believer) will always hope that his deeds



throughout Ramadaan will be accepted by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. On the contrary, the *munaafiq* will embrace the departure of Ramadaan with disobedience and heedlessness.

That is why it is emphasized and highly recommended to continue our *'ibaadah* even after Ramadaan has left us, by performing the six days fasting of Shawwaal. Abu Ayyoob al-Ansaari *radiyAllaahu 'anh* narrated that the Prophet ﷺ said:

"Whoever fasts during the month of Ramadaan and then follows it with six days of Shawwaal will be (rewarded) as if he had fasted the entire year."

(Muslim)

What are six days compared to the month long fasting of Ramadaan that we had endured? However, when both are combined, its virtues are equivalent to twelve months. Islam wants us to always remain in the zone of *'ibaadah* and righteous deeds without interruption.

Dear blessed audience,

Islam recommends us to remain *istiqamah* (steadfast) in performing *'ibaadah*. Righteous deeds are not exclusive for the month of Ramadaan alone. Verily, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, the only One deserving to be worshipped and whose commands are to be adhered to, is also Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* for the month of Ramadaan and other months. Hence, let us become the slaves of Allah, not just the slaves of Ramadaan.

What we are witnessing is that there are some people that do not "know" Allah except in the month of Ramadaan. Even more unfortunate are those that do not "know" Allah at all, whether during Ramadaan or not. They would brazenly abandon the obligation of the five daily prayers while Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* has promised the punishment of the Hellfire for them.

Therefore, let us preserve our *'ibaadah* of *salaah* and invite our family members to perform their *salaah* in congregation. This is because the prayer is the distinguishing factor between a Muslim and non-Muslim. Narrated Abu 'Abdullaah bin Buraydah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*: Rasulullah ﷺ said:

"The covenant between us and them is the salaah, so whoever abandons it he has committed disbelief."

(at-Tirmidhi)

Similarly with other acts of *'ibaadah* that we had performed in Ramadaan, they are to be maintained such as praying in congregation, reciting al-Qur'an, giving charity, and others.

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us celebrate the joy and victory of *'Eidulfitr* by visiting each other in strengthening the *silaaturrahm* (ties of kinship) and render good treatment to our parents. Indeed, reviving the *silaaturrahm* will increase one's provision and prolong one's life. On the contrary, severing



brotherly ties will incur punishment in this world and the Hereafter. Abu Bakrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh* mentioned that Rasulullah ﷺ said:

"There is no sin more deserving that Allah hasten the punishment in this world, in addition to what is stored up for him in the Hereafter – than injustice and severing the ties of kinship."

(Abu Dawood)

Therefore, strengthen the *silaaturrahm*, be they far or near. Let us render the best service to our parents, and fulfill the rights to whomever deserving of it.

Dear guests of Allah,

What comes next after Ramadaan is obedience that is continuous. What comes after Ramadaan is *istiqaamah* that is long lasting. *'Eidulfitr* marks a victory due to obedience. Let us spread the love, increase the *ukhuwwah* (brotherhood), and extend forgiveness.

Dear blessed Muslims,

As an important reminder from today's *khutbah*, I implore the Muslims to implement these following matters:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must remain *istiqaamah* while continuing to remain obedient to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* after Ramadaan as a manifestation of their actual *imaan* and *'aqeedah*.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must avoid all acts that are contrary to the Islamic *Sharee'ah* while rejoicing in celebrating *'Eidulfitr*.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must embrace the practice of visiting one another in strengthening the *silaaturrahm*, especially the ones with family ties.
4. The Muslim *ummah* must avoid any activities that are harmful, damaging, or threatening, whether to itself or others.

"But those who break the covenant of Allah after contracting it and sever that which Allah has ordered to be joined and spread corruption on earth - for them is the curse, and they will have the worst home."

(ar-Ra'd 13:25)

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. اللَّهُمَّ 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."

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِينَ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعَظَّمِ سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُور، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفُ الدِّينِ ادريس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحُ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيَّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُور، تَغْكُو أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانِ شَرَفُ الدِّينِ ادريس شاه الحاج فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِينَ لِلْمَوْظَفَيْنِ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لَطَرِيقِ 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 ءَاتِنَا 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 ﴿٩١﴾

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