



"ENTERING PARADISE TOGETHER WITH THE FAMILY"

1 الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَاهُ فِي لَيْلَةٍ مُبَارَكَةٍ إِنَّا كُنَّا مُنذِرِينَ ﴿١﴾
 أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ.
 اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى 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,

In this very month of Ramadaan that is truly blessed, 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, so that we will attain the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in this world and the Hereafter.

Our *khutbah* today is titled **"ENTERING PARADISE TOGETHER WITH THE FAMILY"**.

Dear respected audience,

Alhamdulillah, we are truly grateful to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* for having been given the ability to perform *'ibaadah* (acts of worship) in the month of Ramadaan, for verily its rewards are tremendous especially on a very special night known as *Laylat al-Qadr*, which means the night of Decree and glory. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* has explained this in soorah al-Qadr, verses 2 and 3:

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ ﴿٢﴾ لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ خَيْرٌ مِّنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ ﴿٣﴾

"And what can make you know what is the Night of Decree? The Night of Decree is better than a thousand months."

This verse explains that the reward for those spending the night in *'ibaadah* during *Laylat al-Qadr* is greater than performing *'ibaadah* for a thousand months in other months. It is a special reward that is bestowed only to the *ummah* of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

The question is, when is *Laylat al-Qadr*?

This matter often leaves a question mark for the people of worship. For sure, it is kept secret by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. In several *hadeeth* and narrations, it was mentioned that the wisdom of it being kept secret was so that the believers would indulge in worship for the entire Ramadaan. However, there are several *hadeeth*

¹ ad-Dukhaan 44:3



mentioning *Laylat al-Qadr*, among them is the *hadeeth* of 'Ubaadah bin as-Saamit *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, where Rasulullah ﷺ said:

فَالْتَمِسُوهَا فِي الْعَشْرِ الْآخِرِ، فَإِنَّهَا وَتُرِّ لَيْلَةً إِحْدَى وَعِشْرِينَ، أَوْ ثَلَاثَ
وَعِشْرِينَ، أَوْ خَمْسٍ وَعِشْرِينَ، أَوْ سَبْعٍ وَعِشْرِينَ، أَوْ آخِرَ لَيْلَةٍ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ، مَنْ
قَامَهَا احْتِسَابًا، غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ.

"It (Laylat al-Qadr) is in Ramadaan, so seek it in the last ten nights, for it occurs in the odd nights, which are the nights of the 21st or 23rd or 25th or 27th or 29th or on the last night of Ramadaan. So whoever spends this night in prayer out of faith and in the hope of reward, he will be forgiven for his past and future sins."

(Ahmad)

Dear blessed audience,

Ramadaan is a month where the Books of Allah were revealed to the Messengers, including al-Qur'an. In the *hadeeth* of Waathilah bin al-Asqa' *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

أُنْزِلَتْ صُحُفُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ أَوَّلَ لَيْلَةٍ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ، وَأُنْزِلَتْ التَّوْرَةُ لِسِتِّ
مَضْيَيْنَ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ، وَأُنْزِلَ الْإِنْجِيلُ لثَلَاثَ عَشْرَةَ لَيْلَةً خَلَتْ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ، وَأُنْزِلَ
الزَّبُورُ لِثَمَانِ عَشْرَةَ خَلَتْ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ، وَأُنْزِلَ الْقُرْآنُ لِأَرْبَعٍ وَعِشْرِينَ خَلَتْ مِنْ
رَمَضَانَ.

"The Scriptures of Ibraaheem (peace be upon him) were revealed on the first night of Ramadaan, the Torah was revealed on the sixth of Ramadaan, the Gospel was revealed on the 13th of Ramadaan."

(Ahmad)

While the night in which al-Qur'an was revealed is named as the night of *Laylat al-Qadr* and the blessed night, as mentioned by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in the first verse of soorah al-Qadr:

إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَاهُ فِي لَيْلَةِ الْقَدْرِ ﴿١﴾

"Indeed, We sent the Qur'an down during the Night of Decree".

Al-Qur'an that was revealed in the night of al-Qadr is the biggest miracle that is full of wisdom, guidance, and instructions in changing the lives of mankind from being rebellious to a person of loyalty, from being savages to becoming humane, from division to becoming a unified group.



According to *Tafseer al-Maraaghiy*, the night of al-Qadr is deemed as laying the foundation stone of Islam, which becomes the seal to all religions of the prophets (*anbiyaa'*). The revelation of al-Qur'an is in accordance with the need of its time and place. Before this, the residents of Makkah lived drowning in shirk, through worshipping idols.

Dear blessed Muslims,

As a Muslim, it behoove us to strive to increase our righteous deeds and also that of our family's, which would enable us to enter Paradise together through the relationship with Allah such as by performing the *taraweeh* prayer, reciting al-Qur'an, making *istighfaar* (seeking forgiveness), making *dhikr*, supplicating, and others, purely hoping for the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Allah has promised forgiveness to those who perform *'ibaadah* during *Laylat al-Qadr*, as mentioned in the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, where Rasulullah ﷺ said:

مَنْ قَامَ لَيْلَةَ الْقَدْرِ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا، غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ

"Whoever established prayers on the night of al-Qadr out of sincere faith and hoping for a reward from Allah, then all his previous sins will be forgiven."
(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, though a Messenger who is *ma'soom* (infallible), protected from committing sins, and guaranteed Paradise, yet he would continue to engage in *'ibaadah* such as *i'tikaaf* in Masjid an-Nabawi especially in the last ten nights of Ramadaan. This matter was mentioned by 'A'ishah *radiyAllaahu 'anha*:

كَانَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ إِذَا دَخَلَ الْعَشْرُ الْأَوَّلَ مِنْ رَمَضَانَ أَحْيَا اللَّيْلَ وَأَيَّقُظَ أَهْلَهُ وَجَدَّ وَشَدَّ الْمِئْزَرَ

"When the last ten nights (of Ramadaan) would begin, the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) would keep awake at night (for prayer and devotion), awaken his family and prepare himself to be more diligent in worship (tighten his waist belt i.e. avoid sleeping with his wives)."

(Agreed Upon)

His wife, 'A'ishah *radiyAllaahu 'anha*, also did not want to miss out in performing righteous deeds in this month, she said: **I asked the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) 'O Messenger of Allah (ﷺ), if I know what night the night of al-Qadr is, what should I say during it?' He said, "Say:**

اَللّٰهُمَّ اِنَّكَ عَفُوٌّ تُحِبُّ الْعَفْوَ فَاعْفُ عَنِّي

O Allah, You are Most Forgiving, and You love forgiveness, so forgive me."



(Ahmad, ibn Maajah and at-Tabraani)

In the night of al-Qadr, the angels would descend down to earth while supplicating, and they would supplicate for those that are engaged in worship, until dawn. They would attain peace and prosperity in this world and the Hereafter, as mentioned in verse 5 of soorah al-Qadr:

تَنْزِلُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَالرُّوحُ فِيهَا بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهِمْ مِنْ كُلِّ أَمْرٍ ﴿٥﴾ سَلَامٌ هِيَ حَتَّىٰ مَطْلَعِ الْفَجْرِ ﴿٦﴾

"Peace it is until the emergence of dawn."

Dear noble audience,

Imaam al-Ghazzaali mentioned in his book *Ihya' 'Uloom ad-Deen* the story of 40 *taabi'een* who performed the dawn prayer with the *wudoo* retained from the 'Ishaa' prayer. This means that they had continued to perform *'ibaadah* without sleeping the entire night. Qatadah *radiyAllaahu 'anh* would read the entire al-Qur'an and complete (*khatm*) it once every three nights in Ramadaan. In the last ten nights, he would complete the entire al-Qur'an every night. Similarly with Imaam ash-Shaafi'i *rahimahullaah* who would complete the entire al-Qur'an sixty times in Ramadaan.

Likewise, after the time of the Prophet ﷺ, the residents of Madeenah would pray 36 *raka'ah* of *taraweeh* in Masjid an-Nabawi, just to match the virtues of Makkah residents who would pray 20 *raka'ah* of *taraweeh*, where every four *raka'ah* is followed by *tawaaf*. Such was their zeal in racing towards increasing their *'ibaadah* unto Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in this blessed month.

Through those examples, it is hoped that they would inspire us to increase our *'ibaadah*, sacrificing our time and energy in performing 20 *raka'ah* of *taraweeh* every night and reciting al-Qur'an with at least one *khatm* in this month, with *tarteel* (in proper order) recitation, *insha Allaah*.

Dear beloved Muslims,

On this very opportunity that we are still in this blessed month, let us altogether increase our righteous deeds as a manifestation of our gratefulness to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* for all the bounties bestowed upon us.

To end the *khutbah* today, let us internalize upon the following *tausiyah* (recommendation):

1. As a person of faith, it is *waajib* (obligatory) upon us to fulfill all of the Commands of Allah, and have full certainty with the rewards promised by Him.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must always strive to increase their *'ibaadah*, in earning as much reward as possible, especially during the last ten nights of Ramadaan.



3. The Muslim *ummah* is obligated to train and educate their offspring and families, so that they would fast with perfection, encourage them to perform the *taraweeh* prayer, recite al-Qur'an, make *istighfaar*, and supplicate.

4. The Muslim *ummah* must diligently perform *'ibaadah* together with the family and avoid harmful matters such as purchasing and setting off firecrackers, resulting in serious injuries.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَاهُ فِي لَيْلَةِ الْقَدْرِ ﴿١﴾ وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ ﴿٢﴾ لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ خَيْرٌ
مِّنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ ﴿٣﴾ تَنَزَّلُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَالرُّوحُ فِيهَا بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهِمْ مِّنْ كُلِّ أَمْرٍ ﴿٤﴾ سَلَامٌ
هِيَ حَتَّىٰ مَطْلَعِ الْفَجْرِ ﴿٥﴾

"Indeed, We sent the Qur'an down during the Night of Decree. And what can make you know what is the Night of Decree? The Night of Decree is better than a thousand months. The angels and the Spirit descend therein by permission of their Lord for every matter. Peace it is until the emergence of dawn."

(al-Qadr 97:1-5)

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،
فَأَسْتَغْفِرُوهُ 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. 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 بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُور، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحُ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِيُولِّيَ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُور، تَغْكُو أَمِيرَ شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفُ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا



ذَٰلِجَلَالٍ وَإِكْرَامٍ. 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
ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ.

عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ
وَالْمُنكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٩٠﴾

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