



## "PRESERVING THE LINEAGE"

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلُ: وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ أَنْ خَلَقَ لَكُمْ مِنْ أَنْفُسِكُمْ أَزْوَاجًا لِتَسْكُنُوا إِلَيْهَا وَجَعَلَ بَيْنَكُمْ مَوَدَّةً وَرَحْمَةً إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَآيَاتٍ لِقَوْمٍ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ <sup>1</sup>

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، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ. قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ 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, so that our lives in this world and the Hereafter will always be pleasing to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Today, I would like to invite all of us to internalize upon a *khutbah* titled "**PRESERVING THE LINEAGE**".

**Dear honorable audience,**

Islam encourages its adherents to get married and procreate, in raising a happy family according to the *Sharee'ah*, and not just to merely fulfill one's own desire. This is because a legitimate marriage has its role in curbing the immoral act of adultery that could give birth to illegitimate children.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 32 of soorah al-Israa':

وَلَا تَقْرَبُوا الزَّوْجَ إِنَّهُ كَانَ فَحِشَةً وَسَاءَ سَبِيلًا

**"And do not approach unlawful sexual intercourse. Indeed, it is ever an immorality and is evil as a way."**

This verse firmly asserts that *zinaa* (adultery) is a vile act, and all avenues that would lead to fornication are prohibited altogether.

**Dear honorable guests of Allah,**

Preserving the lineage is one of the higher objectives of Islam or also known as *Maqaasid ash-Sharee'ah*. And a valid marriage provides the main route towards the preservation of lineage. In other words, marriage is not just purely to provide pleasure

<sup>1</sup> al-Ahzaab 33:4



and enjoyment, externally (physical) and internally (spiritually), but as a proper channel in obtaining offspring and continuing a legitimate descendant.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in the first verse of soorah an-Nisaa':

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ اتَّقُوا رَبَّكُمُ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ مِنْ نَفْسٍ وَاحِدَةٍ وَخَلَقَ مِنْهَا زَوْجَهَا  
وَبَثَّ مِنْهُمَا رِجَالًا كَثِيرًا وَنِسَاءً ...

**"O mankind, fear your Lord, who created you from one soul and created from it its mate and dispersed from both of them many men and women. ..."**

### **Blessed Muslims,**

Even though the religion encourages us to increase our offspring and lineage, however it must be reminded and asserted here that it is not to be attained through *zinaa* or illegitimate sexual relationship. A child born out of wedlock is an illegitimate child, and so on and so forth, from one descendant to another descendant. According to Islamic rulings, an illegitimate child cannot be attributed to the male who had impregnated the mother.

Imaam ibn Rushd had mentioned in his book *Bidaayah al-Mujtahid* and Imaam ibn Qudaamah mentioned in his great work *al-Mughni* that it was agreed by the *jumhoor* (majority) of scholars that children born out of wedlock cannot be ascribed to their biological father.

### **Dear beloved Muslims,**

To avoid confusion in the matter of lineage within the Muslim *ummah*, the Selangor Fatwa Committee has issued a fatwa regarding circumstances that would ascertain a child having the status of illegitimate child, namely:-

- i. A child that is born out of wedlock, whether as a result of *zinaa*, rape, or through scientific means that contradicts Islamic law;
- ii. A child that is born less than six (6) months two (2) *lahdhah qamariyah* from the time of "*imkaan ad-dukhul*" and not resulting from *shubhah* (doubtful) intercourse; and
- iii. A child that is born less than six (6) months two (2) *lahdhah qamariyah* from the time of "*imkaan ad-dukhul*" after a valid '*aqd*' (marriage contract), with a proof from the *Shara'* (Islamic law) that the child is born out of wedlock based on *iqraar* (confession or pledge) by relevant individuals (the husband and the wife, or one of them), or four (4) credible witnesses whom have fulfilled the criteria according to the *Shara'*.

This manifests that the issue of lineage cannot be deemed as trivial, and instead it is greatly emphasized in Islam.

### **Respected Muslims,**



If illegitimate children are ascribed with "*bin*" or "*binti*" with their biological father, then it can possibly lead to greater problems, among them:-

i. The marriage of a child born out of wedlock with the guardianship (*wali*) of the biological father is not rendered valid. Its impact is that there will be damages within the family institution due to continuous adultery resulting from invalid marriage contract.

ii. The birth of illegitimate children will be widespread in the society.

iii. It will give birth to a nation having chaotic lineage;

iv. Illegitimate children will claim the same rights as legitimate children in issues pertaining *wali* (guardianship), inheritance, and many others, which could further cause greater destruction.

v. In terms of inheritance, children born out of wedlock are not entitled to inherit the estate of their father, due to having illegitimate status. They can only inherit from their mother. Similarly, their fathers are not entitled to inherit the estate of his children, having illegitimate status.

**Dear respected audience,**

All of these harmful effects and implications are due to the sins of the mother and her partner. However, the children born will not bear the sins committed by their father and mother. Therefore, I advice the Muslims to not look down upon children born out of wedlock, whom will not at all inherit the sins of their father or mother. Hence, the Muslim *ummah* is urged to not sidestep the *Shara'* solely due to the stigma and psychological effects upon illegitimate children.

In addition, any dispute shall be referred to the main authority in Islamic law, which is the Fatwa Committee whom is recognized by the legal system. The decision reached by the Selangor Fatwa Committee regarding the status of illegitimate children should be respected so as to avoid confusion and division within the Muslim *ummah*.

It must be emphasized here that according to Section 49 of the Islamic Religious Administration Enactment (Selangor) 2003, *fataawa* that have been gazetted should bind every Muslim individuals present in the state of Selangor who profess Islam as their religion, and that it is an obligation upon them according to Islam to adhere and obey those *fataawa*. The same Section also stipulates that any particular fatwa that has been issued must be recognized by all courts within the state, with regard to all matters mentioned within it.

**Blessed Muslims,**

To end this week's *khutbah*, I would like to emphasize that:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have cognizance upon the implication of children born out of wedlock, that when it is widespread, it will result in severe effect upon the lineage and wellbeing of the society.

2. The Muslim *ummah* must return to the authentic guidance of al-Qur'an and as-Sunnah by fully internalizing its teachings and applying them in daily lives.



3. The Muslim *ummah* must preserve its lineage or ancestry by avoiding matters that can lead to disorderliness within the lineage and hereditary.
4. The Muslim *ummah* must avoid *zinaa* to ensure a lineage that is valid and legitimate.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ  
أَفْحَكَمَ الْجَاهِلِيَّةِ يَبْغُونَ وَمَنْ أَحْسَنُ مِنَ اللَّهِ حُكْمًا لِّقَوْمٍ يُوقِنُونَ ﴿٥٠﴾

**"Then is it the judgement of [the time of] ignorance they desire? But who is better than Allah in judgement for a people who are certain [in faith]."**

(al-Maa'idah 5:50)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ  
الآيَاتِ 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. 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 Muslims,**

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 اللّٰهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اَللّٰهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُّجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِيْنَ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُور، سُلْطَانَ شَرْفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ ابْنِ الْمَرْحُومِ سُلْطَانَ



صَلِّحُ الدِّينِ عَبْدَ الْعَزِيزِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ،  
وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِيُوَلِّيَّ عَهْدٍ سَلَاطُورٍ، تَغْكُوْا اَمِيْرَ شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانِ  
شَرْفُ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ فِيْ اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا  
ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِيْنَ لِلْمَوْظِفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ،  
وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا 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  
وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٩﴾

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

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