



NURTURING LOVE

FOR PROPHET

MUHAMMAD

sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam



Blessed Muslims,

Let us increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata 'aala* will full obedience, certainty, and sincerity, which is by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding of all of His prohibitions.

Indeed, we truly hope to
become among those having
taqwa, attaining safety and
success in this world and the
Hereafter.

On this blessed day in the month of Rabee' al-Awwal, which is the month of the birth of our beloved prophet, Muhammad *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam*, let us ponder and internalize the khutbah titled

“Nurturing Love For
Prophet Muhammad
*sallAllahu ‘alayhi
wasallam.”*

Blessed Muslims,
Prophet Muhammad *sallAllahu
'alayhi wasallam* is the greatest
prophet and superior messenger.

Even his name bears the
meaning “the oft-praised one.”

He was the last and final prophet and messenger sent by Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala* for the entire creation on earth. He possessed noble *akhlaaq* and character that his wife

‘A’ishah *radiyAllaahu ‘anha*
described his *akhlaaq*
sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam
was that of al-Qur’an.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*
also mentioned his virtuous
akhlaaq in al-Qur'an:

“And indeed, you [O
Muhammad] are of a great
moral character.”

(al-Qalam 68:4)

Blessed Muslims,
Indeed, believing in the
prophethood and messengership
of Muhammad *sallAllahu*
'alayhi wasallam is an
obligation.

Whoever does not have belief in
him *sallAllahu ‘alayhi
wasallam* and his message, then
that person’s Islam is invalid
and has indeed disbelieved.

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

“And whoever has not
believed in Allah and His
Messenger – then indeed, We
have prepared for the
disbelievers a Blaze.”

(al-Fath 48:13)

Belief in Muhammad *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* means to acknowledge and affirm his messengership and the message that he conveyed and taught had

all came from Allah
Subhaanahu Wata‘aala. Belief
in him *sallAllahu ‘alayhi
wasallam* must be synchronized
and manifested in the heart and
on the tongue.

From among the obedience and adherence to the Prophet *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* is to comply and adhere to all of his teachings, and abstaining from all matters that he forbade.

In the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah
radiyAllaahu 'anh, Rasulullah
sallAllaahu 'alayhi wasallam said:
“Whatever I prohibit you from
doing, refrain from it, and
whatever I command you to do,
do of it what you are able.

**Those who came before you
only perished on account of
their excessive questioning
and their disagreeing with
their Prophets.”**

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

Blessed Muslims,
Muhammad *sallAllahu ‘alayhi
wasallam* was sent as *ni‘mah*
and mercy from Allah
Subhaanahu Wata‘aala to the
Worlds.

This is because from the fruits
and effort of his work, the
da‘wah that he carried out, and
the tribulations that he endured,
we are reaping the benefit and
sweetness of *imaan* and Islam
until today.

Similarly with the legacy of al-Qur'an and *as-Sunnah* that he *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* left behind, that they both had provided mankind salvation,

rescued from darkness into the light of guidance. In another *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, the Messenger *sallAllaahu 'alayhi wasallam* said:

“By Him in Whose Hands my life is, none of you will have faith till he loves me more than his father and his children.”

(al-Bukhaari)

Loving Prophet Muhammad
sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam by
adhering to all of his commands
and prohibitions is included in
the obligation of loving Allah
Subhaanahu Wata ‘ala.

With the love from Allah
Subhaanahu Wata‘aala then all sins will be forgiven. Allah *Subhaanahu Wata‘aala* mentions in al-Qur’ān:

“Say, [O Muhammad], “If you should love Allah, then follow me, [so] Allah will love you and forgive you your sins. And Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.”

(Aal-‘Imraan 3:31)

Blessed Muslims,
In fulfilling the obligation of
imaan and attaining the love of
Allah *Subhaanahu Wata‘aala*,
our love for Muhammad

sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam

must be nurtured and enhanced.

But the question begs, how does one plant and nourishes the love for Rasulullah?

The love for Rasulullah
sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam can
only exist after his personality
has been thoroughly learned,
studied, and internalized.

Those claiming to have belief in
Allah *Subhaanahu Wata‘aala*
and His Messenger, then it
becomes *waajib* upon them and
their family to get up close and

know Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* better, whether through knowledge circles, explanation of *seerah*, reading *seerah* books, poetry, and others.

It is very unfortunate if there
those among us today, among
the *Muslimeen*, that do not
know about our beloved Prophet
Muhammad *sallAllahu ‘alayhi
wasallam*.

So what more with his wives,
children, and Companions
radiyAllaahu ‘anh ajma‘een.

Equally saddening are those
parents that did not educate
their children to know and love
Rasulullah *sallAllaahu ‘alayhi
wasallam.*

Such a calamity for this *ummah*
when their Prophet is no longer
known and his teachings are
abandoned, for this would only
lead to deviation, humiliation,
and destruction.

Blessed Muslims,
Making *salawaat* upon the
Messenger *sallAllahu ‘alayhi
wasallam* can increase and
solidify our love towards him.

Whoever makes *salawaat* upon
Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi
wasallam* once, Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala will also
make *salawaat*, by bestowing
rahmah and 10 times the reward
upon him.

Moreover, those that are always engaged in making *salawaat* upon Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* are those that will be foremost in receiving his

shafaa ‘ah on the Day of Resurrection. ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ood *radiyAllaahu ‘anh* reported that the Messenger *sallAllaahu ‘alayhi wasallam* said:

“The people who will be
nearest to me on the Day of
Resurrection will be those
who supplicate Allah
(*salawaat*) more often for me.”

(at-Tirmidhi: *hasan lighayrihi*)

Furthermore, loving Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* entails loving his family, also known as “*Ahl aal-Bayt.*”

Loving Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* means to

strictly obey and adhere to his commands and prohibitions.

To obey and fulfill all that comes from him, abstaining from all that he prohibits, hating everything that he hated, and loving everything that he loved.

Every Muslim must ensure that their ‘*aqeedah*, *Sharee‘ah*, and *akhlaaq* are fully according to authentic teachings of al-Qur’an and *as-Sunnah* that was left behind for us.

Without knowledge, all of our affairs will be void of guidance. Indeed, the right guidance for this life has been conveyed and taught by Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam*.

Blessed Muslims,
The conclusions that can be
drawn from today's *khutbah* are:

1. Loving Prophet Muhammad *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* is part of *imaan*. It is incumbent upon every Muslim to believe, obey, and love Prophet Muhammad *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam*.

2. Al-Qur'an and *as-Sunnah* are heritage and legacy that was left by our beloved Prophet *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* that can rescue and save mankind from falling into misguidance and darkness, unto the light of *imaan* and righteousness.

3. Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* is the best exemplary and role model that must be emulated. He has provided guidance and examples for us in all aspects of our lives such as in leadership, education, economy, and many more.

4. To acknowledge that Prophet Muhammad *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* is the last and final prophet and messenger.

Therefore, whoever claims to be a prophet or messenger at the end of time, then that person is misguided and further astray.

“Indeed, those who abuse Allah and His Messenger – Allah has cursed them in this world and the Hereafter and prepared for them a humiliating punishment.”

(al-Ahzaab 33:57)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي
وَإِيَّاکُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْأَيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ
مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاقُتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ أَقُولُ
قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتَ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

**O Allah, You are the Almighty Lord,
we are grateful unto You for having
bestowed upon us Mercy and
Blessings, nourishing us to strive
to continue in strengthening the
Muslim nation especially the state
of Selangor, as an advanced,
progressive, peaceful, and
benevolent state.**

**We beseech and beg You, Ya Allah,
to strengthen our *imaan*, increase
our good deeds, strengthen our
unity, increase our provision,
enrich us with beneficial
knowledge, nourish our soul with
beautiful *akhlaaq*, guide us to the
Path that is Pleasing to You,**

protect us from Your severe tribulations such as the long drought, severe flooding, disease outbreak, violence and instability, poverty, and others, so that our land will become more peaceful and blessed.

Oh Allah, we ask You to open up the hearts of the Muslim *ummah* especially in Selangor, to fulfill their *zakaat* obligation as You had decreed in al-Qur'an. Bless the lives of those who have fulfilled their *zakaat* obligation, loving and caring for the poor and needy.

**Purify their wealth and soul so that
they will live according to that
which pleases You. Protect the poor
and needy from disbelief and
everlasting poverty. *Allaahummaa
ameen***



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