



## “CELEBRATING ‘EIDULFITR WITH PROPER ETIQUETTE”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: يَبْنِي ءَادَمَ خُذُوا زِينَتَكُمْ عِنْدَ كُلِّ مَسْجِدٍ وَكُلُوا وَاشْرَبُوا وَلَا تُسْرِفُوا إِنَّهُ لَا يُحِبُّ الْمُسْرِفِينَ ﴿١٩٠﴾  
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى ءَالِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيَكُمْ 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 Wata’aala* by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions, especially with the end of Ramadaan and the forthcoming of Shawwaal. We should always strive with *istiqamah* (steadfastness) in continuing to increase our quality of *imaan* and righteous deeds. May we attain the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata’aala* and the protection from the Hellfire.

The title of our today’s *khutbah* is “CELEBRATING ‘EIDULFITR WITH PROPER ETIQUETTE.”

**Dear blessed audience,**

Soon enough, Ramadaan al-Mubaarak will depart, leaving with us 1001 fond memories of *‘ibaadah* that should not be halted when Shawwaal dawn upon us. For as long as we are still breathing, our veins pulsating, and the angel of death has yet to invite us, then our righteous deeds and *‘ibaadah* should not stop and remain seasonal. We must continue with our *‘ibaadah* for the remaining one or two days from the last ten days of Ramadaan, and not give up in our chase and hunt for *Laylat al-Qadr*, a night that is greater than a thousand month in worship.

The madrasah of Ramadaan that occurs only once a year should trigger the increase in our *imaan* and *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata’aala*, as its objective was stated by Allah *Subhaanahu Wata’aala* in verse 183 of soorah al-Baqarah:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الصِّيَامُ كَمَا كُتِبَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ ﴿١٨٣﴾

“O you who have believed, decreed upon you is fasting as it was decreed upon those before you that you may become righteous.”



**Dear blessed guests of Allah,**

'Eidulfitr that we will be celebrating soon is a gift from Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* to the believers who were diligent in fulfilling the *'ibaadah* of fasting throughout Ramadaan. It is a symbol of victory in defeating all forms of lust and desire during the month long fasting.

Nabi Muhammad ﷺ would celebrate 'Eidulfitr with full gratitude upon all of the bounties bestowed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*. The presence of 'Eidulfitr should be decorated with *sunnah* acts so that it will further continue the glory of Ramadaan. Among the *sunnah* that should be practiced prior to performing *Salaat al-'Eid*:

**First:** Performing *ghusl* (bath) before going out for *Salaat al-'Eid*

**Second:** To eat (preferably odd number of dates) before leaving for the place of prayer.

Narrated Anas bin Maalik *radiyAllahu'anh*:

كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ لَا يَغْدُو يَوْمَ الْفِطْرِ حَتَّى يَأْكُلَ تَمَرَاتٍ

**"Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) never proceeded (for the prayer) on the Day of 'Eidulfitr unless he had eaten some dates."**

(al-Bukhaari)

**Third:** Not taking the same route when going to and leaving from the prayer area.

This is based on the *hadeeth* of Jaabir *radiyAllahu'anh* whom reported:

**"On the occasion of the 'Eid, the Prophet (ﷺ) would proceed to the prayer place taking one route and returning from another."**

(al-Bukhaari)

**Fourth:** To wear the best clothing and putting on fragrance (for men)

Rasulullah ﷺ recommended his Companions to don their best clothing on 'Eid. His grandson, al-Hasan *radiyAllahu'anh*, stated:

**"The Prophet (ﷺ) commanded us to put on our best clothing and fragrance on the morning of 'Eid."**

(al-Haakim)

However, Islam forbids the Muslims from wastefulness and extravagance while celebrating 'Eidulfitr especially in terms of food, clothing, decorations, which includes excessive entertainment and others.



**Fifth:** To increase the recitation of al-Qur'an, making *dhikr*, *tahmeed*, and *tahleel* in glorifying the Greatness of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*.

It is from the *sunnah* to utter the *takbeer* of 'Eid beginning from Maghrib after the sunset that marked the end of Ramadaan, up until when *Salaat al-'Eid* is to be performed.

**Dear blessed audience,**

The month of Shawwaal can also be described as the month of *silaaturrahm* (ties of kinship). How it is a month that is full of *barakah* (blessings), for the noble practice of visiting one another can further strengthen the *silaaturrahm* within the Muslim *ummah*. It can rekindle the brotherhood or family ties that have long been severed. There are many wisdom and virtues that can be attained from the deeds performed in this noble month.

Narrated Anas bin Maalik *radiyAllaahu'anh*: Rasulullah ﷺ said:

مَنْ أَحَبَّ أَنْ يُبَسِّطَ لَهُ فِي رِزْقِهِ وَيُنْسَأَ لَهُ فِي أَثَرِهِ فَلْيَصِلْ رَحِمَهُ

**"He who likes that his sustenance should be expanded and his age may be lengthened should join the tie of kinship."**

(al-Bukhaari)

Therefore, let us visit the homes of our relatives including our neighbors, and the highly recommended ones are those nearest to our homes. Let us leave the television and all types of gadgets including the social media, so that we will be able to revive the noble practice of visiting one another, and restore *silaaturrahm* as highly recommended by the Prophet ﷺ.

**Dear blessed Muslims,**

*Sadaqah* (charity) and *infaaq* (gift) should also decorate our Shawwaal agenda with the tradition of giving out "*duit raya*" ('Eid gifts) to the children including our relatives, which would increase the cheerfulness in celebrating 'Eid.

Salmaan bin 'Aamir *radiyAllaahu'anh* reported: Rasulullah ﷺ said:

**"Charity given to the needy is (counted as) charity, and if it is given to relatives it is (counted as) two: charity and nurturing (the ties of kinship)."**

(at-Tirmidhi)

**Dear blessed audience,**

The virtues and *barakah* of Ramadaan should be continued to be achieved in the month of Shawwaal, where the Muslim *ummah* is highly recommended to perform the six days of fasting in Shawwaal, with its reward equivalent to fasting the entire year.



Abu Ayyoob al-Ansaari *radiyAllaahu'anh* narrated: Rasulullah 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)

In Shawwaal, the Muslim *ummah* will attain great rewards through the 'ibaadah of fasting the six days that is never granted in other months.

The Muslim *ummah* is reminded to hasten in fulfilling the obligation of *zakaat al-fitr* before its time expires. It is a command from Allah that must be fulfilled for the interest and welfare of the poor and needy so that they will be joyful on 'Eidulfitr.

In addition, the Muslims are prohibited from getting involved in any activities that are harmful such as setting off firecrackers, and leave out entertainment that is against the *Sharee'ah*.

**Dear audience,**

As reminders from today's *khutbah*, I invite my fellow congregation to the following:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must realize that 'Eidulfitr is an 'ibaadah and not merely following or purely fulfilling the local customs or traditions.
2. The Muslim *ummah* should celebrate 'Eidulfitr with full gratitude and moderation according to the *Sharee'ah* as outlined in Islam, without extravagance and wastefulness.
3. The Muslim *ummah* is highly recommended to perform the six days of fasting of Shawwaal.
4. The Muslim *ummah* should extend its hands in seeking forgiveness and forgiving others, especially with the parents, spouses, children, and friends, as well as visiting others while observing the limits within the *Sharee'ah*.
5. The Muslim *ummah* should maintain and continue those righteous deeds performed in Ramadaan, such as Qur'anic recitation, increasing supererogatory prayers, and giving charity.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ  
فَاذْكُرُونِي أَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لِي وَلَا تَكْفُرُونِ

**"So remember Me; I will remember you. And be grateful to Me and do not deny Me."**

(al-Baqarah 2:152)



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.



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، أُوصِيكُمْ 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.

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 وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِيْنَ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُور، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ ابْنِ الْمَرْحُومِ سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عَبْدِ الْعَزِيزِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ



وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيَّ عَهْدٍ سَلَاعُورُ، تَعْكُو أَمِيرَ شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانِ شَرَفُ الدِّينِ  
ادريس شاه الحاج في أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ.  
اللَّهُمَّ أَطِلْ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمَوْظَفَيْنِ 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 ﴿١٠٦﴾

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

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