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HOLDING FIRM UPON THE 'AQEEDAH OF AHLUS SUNNAH WAL JAMAA'AH

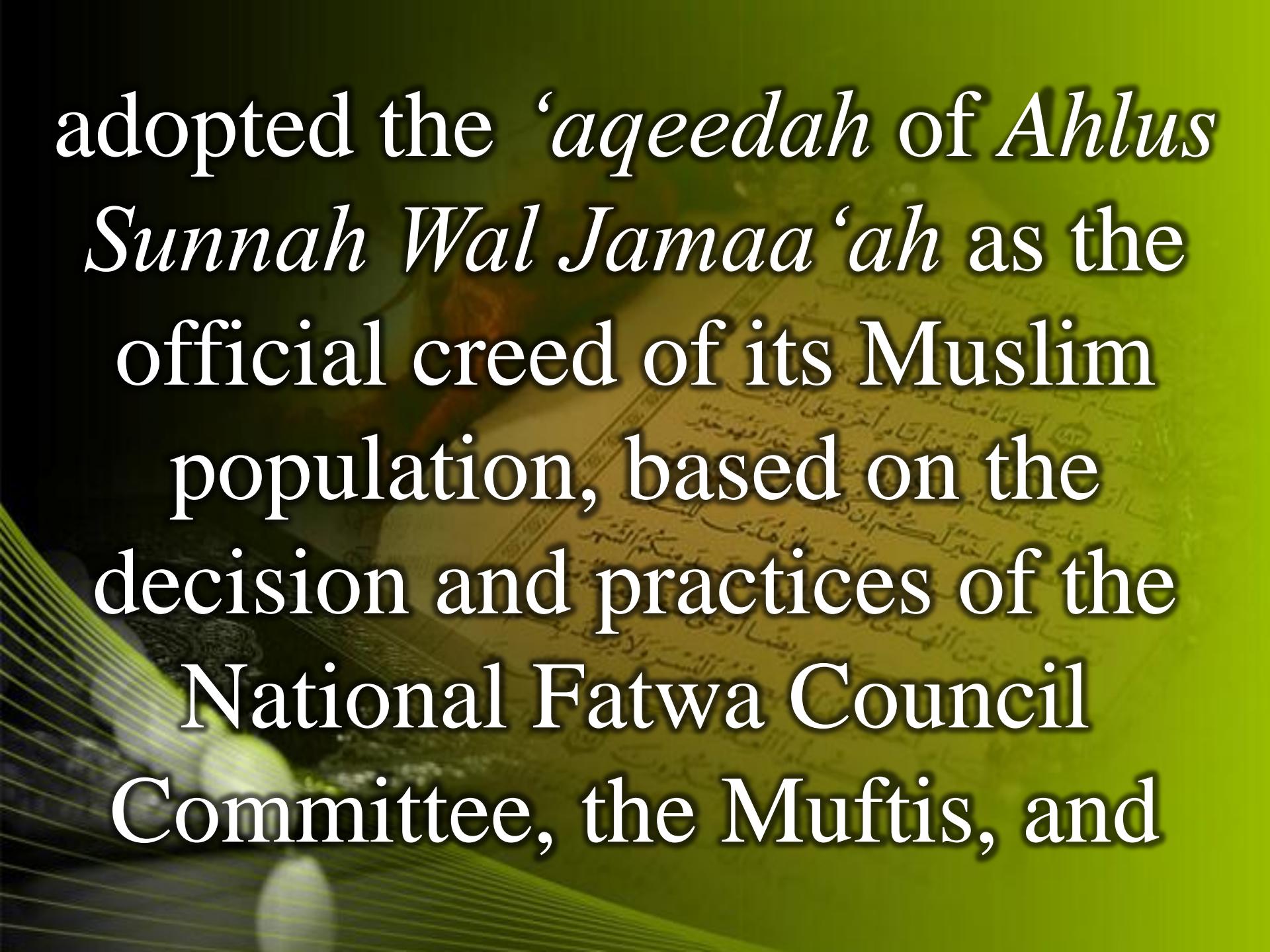


Let us all strive to increase our
taqwa of Allah *Subhaanahu
Wata'aala* with full obedience,
certainty, and *ikhlaas*.

It is by performing all of His Commands and abstaining from all of His prohibitions. Indeed we truly hope to become individuals having utmost *taqwa*, with prosperity and security in this world and the Hereafter.

On this blessed day, let us
contemplate upon the *khutbah*
titled: ‘*Holding Firm Upon The*
‘Aqeedah Of Ahlus Sunnah Wal
Jamaa ‘ah.’”

The ‘*aqeedah* of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* is the most dominant creed among Muslims worldwide especially in Southeast Asia including this country. Malaysia is among the nations that have



adopted the ‘*aqeedah* of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* as the official creed of its Muslim population, based on the decision and practices of the National Fatwa Council Committee, the Muftis, and



members of Malaysian Fatwa Committee. The special *muzakarah* (discourse) by the National Fatwa Council Committee that took place on the 5th of May, 1996 has stipulated that,

“Muslims in Malaysia must only adhere to Islamic teachings that is according to the creed of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* in aspects of ‘aqeedah, Sharee‘ah, and akhlaaq.”

The term *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* originated from two words, namely “*Ahlus Sunnah*” and “*al-Jamaa‘ah*,” which indicates a group that adheres to the beliefs of Prophet *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam*

or following his way of life
sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam and
his Companions *radiyAllaahu ‘anhum ajma‘een* especially the
Rightly Guided Caliphs whom
were groomed and trained by
Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* himself.

The beliefs of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* encompasses Islamic teachings pertaining to ‘aqeedah, Sharee‘ah, and akhlaaq, which was taught since the time of the Prophet *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* and his Companions.

The term *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* was coined and concluded by the scholars from a *hadeeth*. ‘Abdullah bin ‘Amr *radiyAllaahu ‘anhu* reported that the Messenger *sallAllaahu ‘alayhi wasallam* said:

“Verily, the Children of Israel had split into seventy-two sects and my *ummah* will split into seventy-three sects. All of them will be in Hellfire, except one group.”

They (the Companions) said:
“Who are they, O Messenger
of Allah?” He (*sallAllahu
‘alayhi wasallam*) said:
“(Those who follow) that
which I and my companions
follow.”

(at-Tirmidhi: *hasan*)

Based on the narration above,
combined with various
narrations having the same
meaning, the scholars have
concluded that the definition of
those that strictly follow the
sunnah of the Messenger and

the Companions are referred as

Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah.

Their ‘aqeedah is deeply rooted

within the teachings brought by

Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi*

wasallam and his Companions

radiyAllaahu ‘anhum ajma‘een.

The ‘aqeedah of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* is deemed as the teachings that is true, guided, safe, clear, and having no confusion within itself. On the contrary, all other teachings are colluded, misguided, and

erroneous, prone to stray far beyond the teachings of al-Qur'an and *as-Sunnah*. Among the characteristics of the creed of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa'ah* are:

1- Firm belief and interpretation of Islamic rulings based on primary sources, namely al-Qur'an, *as-Sunnah*, *ijmaa'*, and *qiyaas*, without rejecting or reducing the role of any one of them.

2- Firm adherence to Islamic teachings that include matters pertaining to *imaan* that is ‘*aqeedah*; Islam that is *shara*‘; and *ihsaan* that is *akhlaaq*.

3- Clinging onto al-Qur'an that
was compiled by the
Companions *radiyAllaahu
'anhum ajma'een* especially that
which is known as *Mus-haf
'Uthmaani*, and holding firm
onto *as-Sunnah* especially
ahaadeeth that was collected by

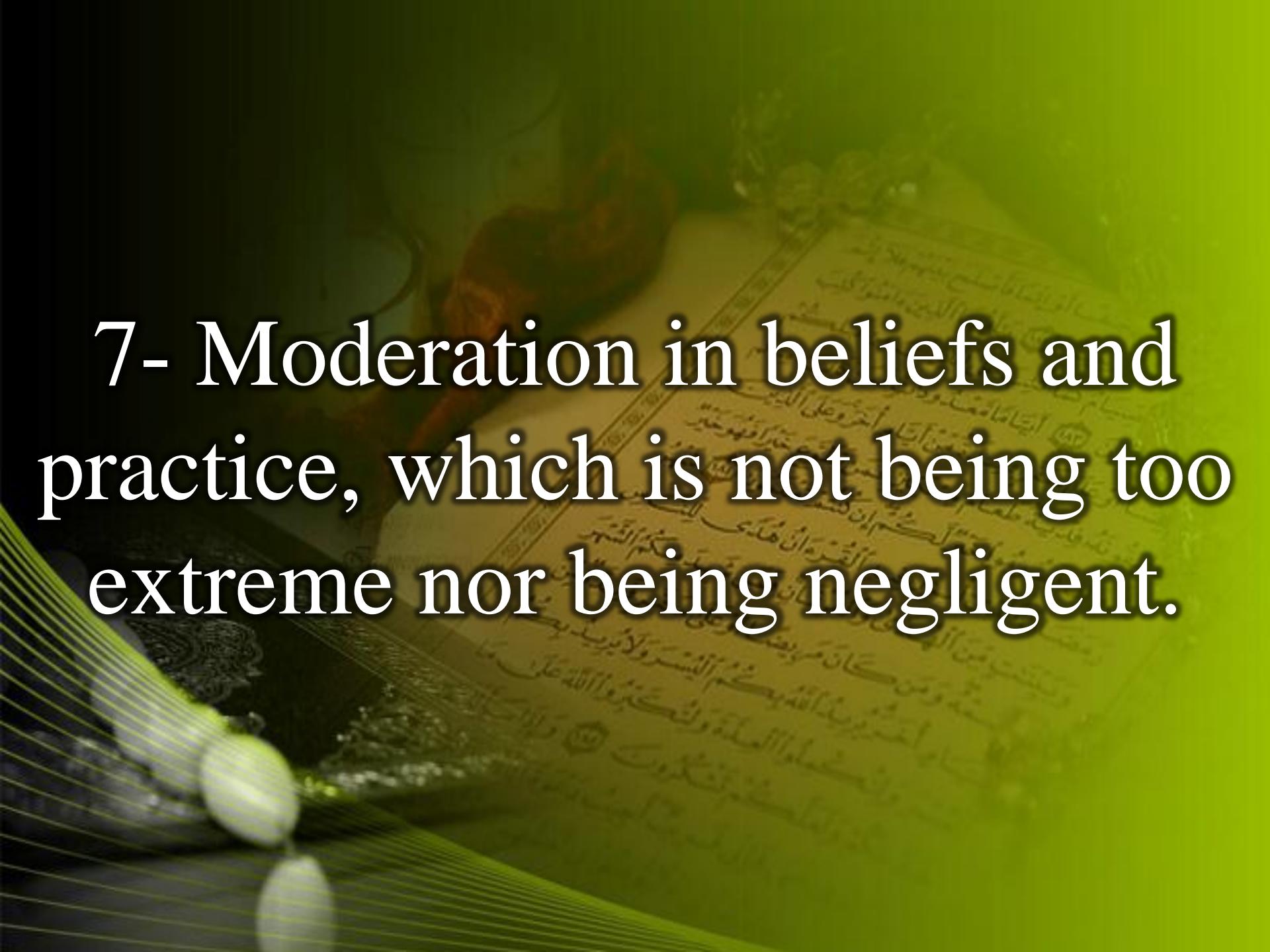
the great imams such as Imam al-Bukhaari, Imam Muslim, Imam at-Tirmidhi, Imam Abu Dawood, Imam an-Nasaa'ie, Imam ibn Maajah, and others that are also recognized *rahimahumullah.*

4- Believing that the Companions are all trustworthy and just without declaring any one of them as apostates, especially the Rightly Guided Caliphs, whom are Abu Bakr,

Umar ibn al-Khattaab,
‘Uthmaan ibn ‘Affaan, and ‘Ali
bin Abi Taalib *radiyAllaahu
‘anhum ajma‘een.*

5- To believe and have firm *imaaan* upon Unseen matters, especially those that are affirmed by al-Qur'an and *as-Sunnah*, such as the torment of the grave, the reward of Paradise, the torment of Hellfire, and many more.

6- Not easily and hastily
declaring *kufr* upon the Muslims
or *ahlul Qiblah* (those having
Ka‘bah as their *qiblah*) except
with full knowledge, established
proofs, and justice.

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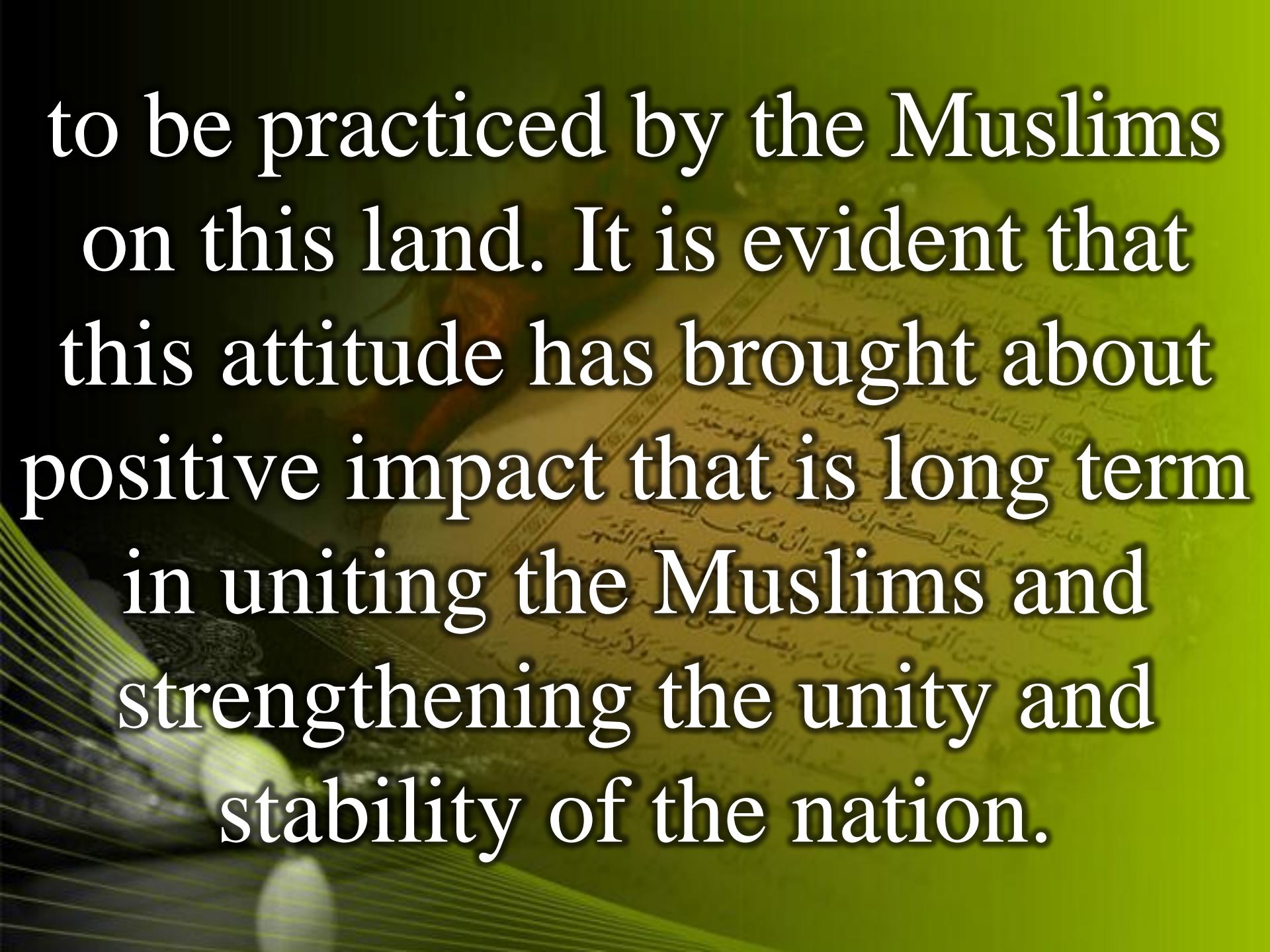
7- Moderation in beliefs and practice, which is not being too extreme nor being negligent.

There are various other ideologies that are upheld by groups like the *Shi‘ah*, *Khawaarij*, *Qadariyyah*, *Murji‘ah*, *Jahmiyyah*, and others that have violated some or even all of the previously mentioned matters.

For example, rejecting al-Qur'an and *as-Sunnah*, interpreting Islam based on rational (reason) due to whim desire, renouncing the Companions as apostates, adopting extreme views, and others.

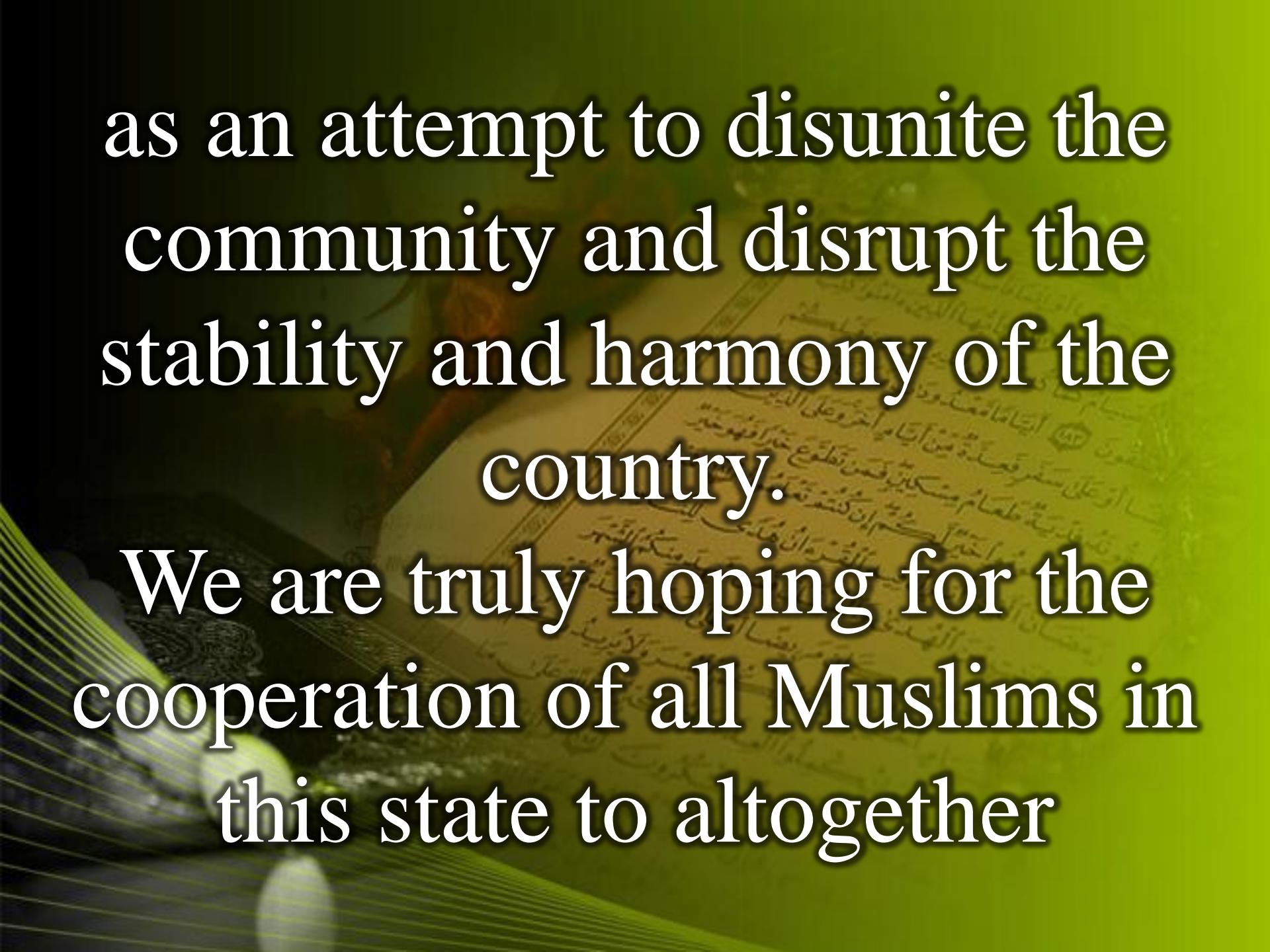
Hence, all of these ideologies
and understanding mentioned
just now are all rejected and lies
outside the fold of *Ahlus
Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah*.

The established stance of the authorities and Islamic institutions in Malaysia in specifying *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa ‘ah* as the official creed is solely for the purpose of providing a guideline and way of life,



to be practiced by the Muslims on this land. It is evident that this attitude has brought about positive impact that is long term in uniting the Muslims and strengthening the unity and stability of the nation.

Therefore, any effort in introducing teachings and ideologies that differs with that of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* and differs with the common practice of the local Muslim community is deemed

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as an attempt to disunite the
community and disrupt the
stability and harmony of the
country.

We are truly hoping for the
cooperation of all Muslims in
this state to altogether

eradicate teachings and ideologies that clearly contradicts the ‘aqeedah of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* in responding to the call of Allah Subhaanahu Wata‘aala.

This is parallel with the concept of aiding each other in performing benevolent acts and having *taqwa*. The conclusions to be drawn today are:

- 1- The ‘*aqeedah* and creed of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* is the only belief and ‘*aqeedah* that is with

absolute certainty and
guaranteed safety from the
torment of the Hellfire, as
mentioned by Rasulullah
sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam.

2- The ‘*aqeedah* of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* is the official belief of Islamic institutions and the Muslims in this country that must be firmly held to and defended.

3- Any teachings, ideologies, doctrine, or understanding that contradicts and deviates from the ‘*aqeedah* of *Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaa‘ah* must be prevented and

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avoided as mentioned in
fataawa issued by the Islamic
Affairs Department or Mufti
Department of all the states in
Malaysia.

4- Any new teachings and ideologies that are deemed confusing must be referred to the National Fatwa Council, Mufti Department of respective states, qualified scholars, and Islamic institutions that are recognized by the authority.

“And if you obey most of those upon the earth, they will mislead you from the way of Allah. They follow not except assumption, and they are not but falsifying.”

(al-An‘aam 6:116)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي
وَإِيَّاكمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْأَيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ
مِنِي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاقُتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ
قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ
بِإِنَّهُ 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.

Allaahumma ameen



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