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# BATTLE OF BADR:

# LESSONS FROM

# THE GREAT

# EVENT



I implore all of us to increase  
our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu  
Wata'aala* through the  
fulfillment of all His Commands  
and abstaining from all of His  
prohibitions.

Indeed, those that are truly successful are those having utmost *taqwa* of Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata'aala.*

Today's *khutbah* is titled,  
***“Battle of Badr: Lessons From The Great Event.”***

Every time *Ramadaan al-Mubaarak* reaches us, we are reminded of several great events that took place in this noble month, which behoove us to contemplate and derive lessons from them.

Among these events is the battle of *Badr* that occurred on 17<sup>th</sup> of *Ramadaan*, in the second year of *Hijrah*. This battle marked the beginning of

an era of victory in the  
struggle of Rasulullah  
*sallAllahu ‘alayhi  
wasallam* in conveying  
the message of Islam  
onwards.

This historical event took place after Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* received the news of the caravan led by Abu Sufyaan bin Harb making its way home from *Shaam* to Makkah.

Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* along with about 313 of his Companions left to intercept the convoy to make up for their property and wealth they were forced to give up in Makkah,

after their *hijrah* to Madeenah. Even though Abu Sufyaan's caravan had escaped from Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* and the Muslims' entourage,

no longer needing military assistance from the Quraysh of Makkah, Abu Jahl came out and led a 1000 men strong army armed with weapons, proclaiming with pride and boasting:

*“By Allah! We do not desire to return until we reach Badr. We will celebrate there for 3 days, we will slaughter the camels,*

*consume wine, and sing until all the Arabs are informed of our coming and gathering. Hence, our dominance will become truly apparent to them.”*

In the wake of such crucial moments, Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* quickly called for a meeting and consulted his Companions from among the *Muhaajireen* and *Ansaar*.

The Companions all gave their pledge of allegiance that they will stand strong with Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* in facing the Makkan army led by Abu Jahl.

Thus was the Will of Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata‘aala* for  
His Messenger *sallAllahu*  
*‘alayhi wasallam* and the  
Companions, as it was  
revealed in al-Qur’an:

“[Remember, O  
believers], when Allah  
promised you one of the  
two groups - that it would  
be yours - and you  
wished that the unarmed  
one would be yours.

But Allah intended to establish the truth by His words and to eliminate the disbelievers.”

(al-Anfaal 8:7)

When the morning of the  
17<sup>th</sup> of *Ramadaan* came,  
both sides appeared ready  
for battle. Rasulullah  
*sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam*  
himself had organized the  
Muslims' military rank in a

neat and tactical arrangement. In those moments, his full reliance and dependence was solely upon Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala*. With full hope,

he *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* raised his hands high supplicating to Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala imploring His aid and assistance:*

*“O Allah! O my Rabb, fulfill  
that which you have promised  
me. O Allah! O my Rabb,  
bestow upon me that which had  
been promised. O Allah! O my  
Rabb, should this group be  
defeated today, You will no  
longer be worshipped.”*

The battle began with Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* commanding 'Ubaydah bin Haarith, Hamzah, and 'Ali *radiyAllaahu 'anhum* to advance forth to duel with

three Quraysh leaders that had challenged the Muslim army, and they were ‘Utbah bin Rabee‘ah, Shaybah bin Rabee‘ah, and al-Waleed bin ‘Utbah. All three Muslim warriors successfully killed

their enemies, and this victory marked an early victory in jubilantly uplifting the spirit of *jihaad*.

Then came the fierce battle. The Muslim army took a defensive position,

while Rasulullah *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam* continuously invoked Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala* until his prayers were answered, with the sending down of armies of angels that

descended in throngs, aiding  
the Muslim army. Such as it  
was mentioned by Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala* in al-  
Qur’ an:

“[Remember] when you  
asked help of your Lord,

and He answered you,  
“Indeed, I will reinforce  
you with a thousand  
from the angels,  
following one another.””

(al-Anfaal 8:9)

From defensive, the Muslim army switched strategy and went on the offensive with the help of the Unseen (angels) army that was sent down by Allah Subhaanahu *Wata 'aala.*

The Muslim soldiers had themselves witnessed how heads and hands were cutoff without its executors to be seen. At this stage, Abu Jahl had already been killed,

and his head was brought  
to the Messenger  
*sallAllahu ‘alayhi  
wasallam*, to which he  
proclaimed that (Abu Jahl)  
was the *Fir ‘awn* of this  
*ummah*.

The death of Abu Jahl had marked the end of this historic battle, with victory clearly on the side of the Muslims. There were 70 leaders of the *mushrikeen* that was killed and

another 70 were captured.

Meanwhile, only 14 Muslim soldiers became martyrs. The news of the victory was received by the Medinans with full of joy and gratefulness, filled with loud

*takbeer* and *tahlil* unto Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala*. This  
triumph has placed Islam as  
a respectable religion that is  
a force to be reckon with.

The Muslims became  
stronger,

no longer the victims of  
oppression by the *kuffaar*.

The historical battle of  
*Badr* has given us many  
lessons to ponder upon and  
emulate in our daily lives.

Among them:

1- Islam that we readily embrace and enjoy today is in actuality the fruits of utmost sacrifice and struggle undertaken by its early followers, namely the Prophet *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam*

and his Companions  
*radiyAllaahu ‘anhum*  
*ajma‘een.* Therefore, let us  
value and truly appreciate  
this Islam with fully  
embracing and practicing its  
very teachings.

2- *Shura* or having consultation before deciding upon any action in matters that has no clear textual evidence from al-Qur'an and

as-Sunnah, is the very solid foundation of Islamic administration and politics, which should not be neglected.

3-Unwavering *imaan*,  
continuous *du ‘a*, and  
absolute *tawakkal* upon

Allah *Subhaanahu*

*Wata ‘aala* are potent and  
effective weapons in facing  
any type of attacks by

the enemies of Allah and Islam, at all times.

4- The truth cannot be upheld if it is not accompanied with the right strategy, thorough planning, and systematic scheme.

5- As the Muslim *ummah*, we must have *yaqeen* that indeed Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala* is All-Mighty in granting aid and victory to the Muslims even though their numbers maybe small and having limited strength.

May the spirit and zeal of the historical victory at *Badr* repeat itself in this century, and fuel our desire to collectively rise and fully contemplate, providing sound support to the cause of

Islam and its leadership. It is only with this that Islam will be defended, its *Sharee'ah* standing strong and its *rahmah* to be reaped by every walks of life in the very near future, *insha Allah*.

“Indeed, Allah has purchased from the believers their lives and their properties [in exchange] for that they will have Paradise. They fight in the cause of Allah,

so they kill and are killed.

[It is] a true promise  
[binding] upon **Him** in the  
Torah and the Gospel and  
the Qur'an. And who is  
truer to his covenant than  
Allah?

So rejoice in your transaction which you have contracted. And it is that which is the great attainment.”

(at-Tawbah 9:111)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي  
وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَفَعَّلَ  
مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ  
قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ  
الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ  
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ 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.

*Allaahumma ameen*



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