



جَابَطَانُ اِسْلَامِ سَلَانْجُور  
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**LIFELONG**  
**LEARNING IS**  
**FROM ISLAMIC**  
**TEACHING**



On this blessed Friday, I would like to remind myself and also those in attendance to strive in increasing our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata 'aala* by diligently

performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. Indeed, we truly hope to attain the blessings, pleasure, and protection of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala in*

this world and the Hereafter.  
Today I will be delivering a  
*khutbah* titled: “*Lifelong  
Learning Is From Islamic  
Teaching.*”

In the life of this world, we are encouraged to seek and attain various branch of knowledge in bringing prosperity and well being to this world. We are to purify our intention with sincerity

in seeking knowledge purely for  
the sake of Allah *Subhaanahu  
Wata 'aala* Alone. Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata 'aala* has  
placed the strength of the  
intellect and acquiring  
knowledge as

being superior above other strengths that the human possess. The continuity in the culture of learning had begun from Nabi Adam ‘*alayhissalam* all the way to the final messenger Nabi

Muhammad *sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam*. The historical incident regarding the first revelation in the Hira’ Cave is directly related with knowledge.

Allah *Subhaanahu*

*Wata 'aala* mentions in al-Qur'an:

“Recite in the name of your Lord who created - Created man from a clinging substance.

**Recite, and your Lord is the  
most Generous - Who taught  
by the pen - Taught man that  
which he knew not.”**

**(al-‘Alaq 96:1-5)**

These verses clearly indicated that Islam calls upon the Muslims to become knowledgeable individuals and place heavy importance on seeking knowledge. History has manifested that

the supremacy of a nation is truly dependent upon the level of knowledge within its society.

The nation that heavily emphasize on knowledge will definitely rise and excel as a prominent

and civilized nation in the eyes  
of the world. True are the words  
of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala*  
and His Messenger that  
knowledge is truly important in  
this worldly life.

Therefore, the process of seeking knowledge is in reality a continuous effort throughout one's entire life. The old wise saying goes, “*Seek knowledge from the cradle to the grave.*”

Hence, the gist of those words expounds to us that Islam heavily encourage everyone to seek knowledge. Aside from that, what can be understood is that age limit and other constraints

whether in the materialistic or financial or even physical sense, should not be made as a stumbling block from us to continue seeking knowledge, because in Islam, it is truly a continuous and lengthy

process. This command is further solidified based upon the hadeeth of Anas ibn Maalik *radiyAllaahu ‘anh*, where Rasulullah *sallAllaahu ‘alayhi wasallam* said:

**“The seeking of knowledge  
is obligatory for every  
Muslim.”**

(at-Tirmidhi, ibn Maajah, al-Bayhaqi, and Abu Ya‘la)

Islam truly ennobles and honors knowledge, and therefore urges the Muslim *ummah* to become knowledgeable people. In this regard, seeking knowledge becomes *waajib*

upon every Muslim whether  
young or old. Seeking

knowledge throughout one's  
entire life is strongly

encouraged to elevate the height  
of civilization of the Muslim

*ummah* in the

coming future. Hence, the learning process that is referred to is not just confined to the sessions spent in schools and universities, but instead includes learning through

reading, lectures, workshops, seminars, and any way or form that can increase one's knowledge. With that, the age (life) that was gifted by Allah will be filled with beneficial knowledge for one

self and the society. Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata‘aala* has  
clearly explained the status of  
those with knowledge in al-  
Qur'an:

“... Allah will raise those who have believed among you and those who were given knowledge, by degrees. And Allah is Acquainted with what you do.”  
(al-Mujaadilah 58:11)

According to Sayyid Qutb  
*rahimahullah* in his tafseer *Fee  
Zhilaa'l al-Qur'an*, he wrote:  
***“Allah’s Knowledge is not  
limited in its depth and  
vastness, and truly***

*unattainable by mankind.  
Therefore, we must not be  
arrogant by always striving to  
increase our knowledge.  
Anything that can bring*

*about goodness and well being  
should be learned whether  
formally or not, for it is  
demanded in Islam.”*

Imaam al-Ghazzaali  
*rahimahullah* emphasized that:  
***“Knowledge is the life of the  
heart from blindness, the ray’s  
vision from oppression, and  
bodily***

*strength from weakness. With knowledge, the slave of Allah reaches a place for the good doers and having a high rank, which distinguishes between humans and animals.”*

Therefore, everyone must strive to inculcate his or her process of lifelong learning in creating a society that is knowledgeable, highly skilled, and highly competent.

Human development and human capital development can only be done through extensive knowledge and high level of skills.

In conjunction with the National Senior Citizens' Day 2013 that is celebrated in October themed "*Lifelong Learning*", let us altogether strive to attain quality living that is prosperous and

civilized. It behooves each and every one of us to have knowledge and continue to seek knowledge. Lifelong learning is the most accurate solution that is to be practiced by today's

generation. Among the measures to be taken are as follows:

- 1- Frequently attending Islamic lectures and gathering of knowledge whether in the *masaajid*,

*suraus*, seminar halls, public forum, discourses, and others.

2- Fully utilizing good health and longevity bestowed in seeking and increasing knowledge especially in

correcting and improving our  
*‘ibaadah.*

3- We must ensure that our family members will inherit and practice beneficial knowledge especially the knowledge of *fard ‘ayn.*

4- To ensure that our longevity  
is filled with good deeds in  
attaining *husnul khaatimah* (the  
good end).

Lastly, I would like to implore and remind that it is quite unfortunate that a portion of the *musalleen* would just leave after completing the *Maghrib* prayer without attending the

*majaalis ‘ilm* organized by the masjid or *surau* committee. Instead, please do make time to attend and benefit, even for a short period.

**“... Say, “Are those who know  
equal to those who do not know?”  
Only they will remember [who  
are] people of understanding.”**

**(az-Zumar 39:9)**

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ وَنَفَعَنِي  
وَإِيَّاكمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْأَيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ  
مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاقُتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ  
فَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ  
الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ  
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ  
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

**O Allah, You are All-Powerful, we  
are truly grateful unto You for  
bestowing upon us *rahmah* and  
*ni'mah*, that we are able to  
continue the efforts in**

**strengthening the Muslim nation  
especially the state of Selangor, as  
an advanced state, prosperous, and  
providing welfare services.**

**Hence, we beseech You, O Allah,  
strengthen our *imaan*, accept our  
good deeds, solidify our unity,  
increase our sustenance, enrich us  
with beneficial knowledge,**

**fill our hearts with noble  
characters, guide us to the path  
that is pleasing to You, protect us  
from all types of calamities and  
Your severe tribulations so that our  
state will continue to prosper and  
remain blessed.**

**O Allah, open up our hearts to complete the five daily *salawaat* and ‘ibaadah of zakaat as You have ordained. Bless the lives of those who have fulfilled their zakaat**

**obligation, loving the poor and  
needy. Purify their wealth and  
hearts, protect the *fuqaraa'* and  
*masaakeen* from *kufr* and  
continuous poverty.**

**O Allah, increase and expand the sustenance of those who made *waqf* from of their wealth, accept their *waqf* with eternal rewards until the Hereafter.**



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