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INTOXICANTS AND ITS HARMFUL EFFECTS



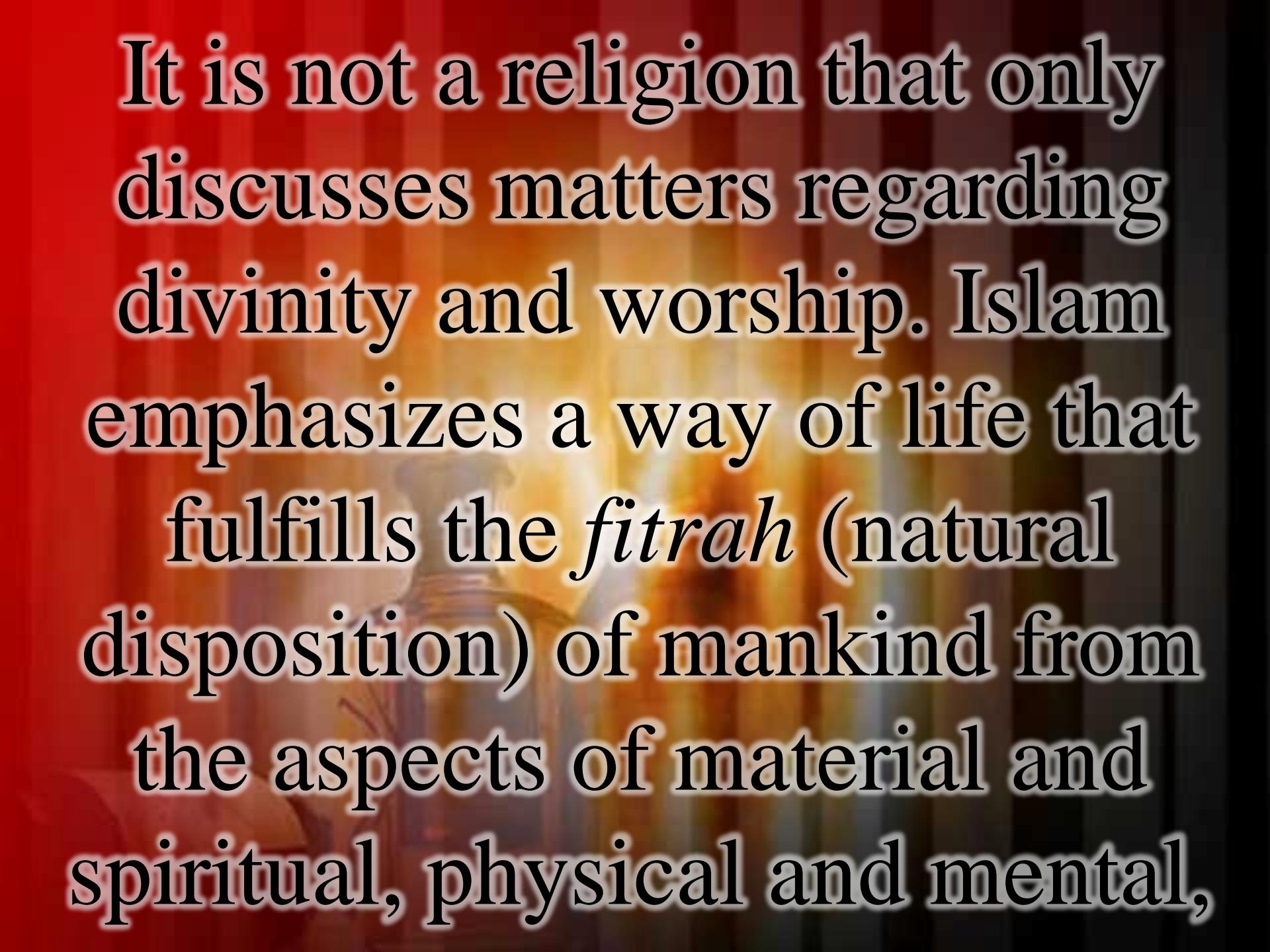
I call upon all of us to increase
our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu
Wata'aala* by fulfilling all of
His Commands and avoiding all
of His prohibitions.

Let us increase our
remembrance of Allah
Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala and
salawaat upon our beloved
Prophet *sallAllaahu ‘alayhi
wasallam*, and also strive our
utmost in practicing the *sunnah*

of Rasulullah *sallAllaahu ‘alayhi wasallam*. We truly hope that this will bring tremendous benefit in this world and the Hereafter.

Islam is a religion that calls upon mankind towards goodness and abstaining from every deed that leads to wickedness and harm. It is *waajib* (obligatory) upon every Muslim to safeguard themselves from falling into disobedience,

and *haraam* (impermissible) for the Muslim to put himself in danger or in harm's way. The consequence would be even greater if the harm involves others as well. Islam is not a religion that only preaches the aspect of spirituality.

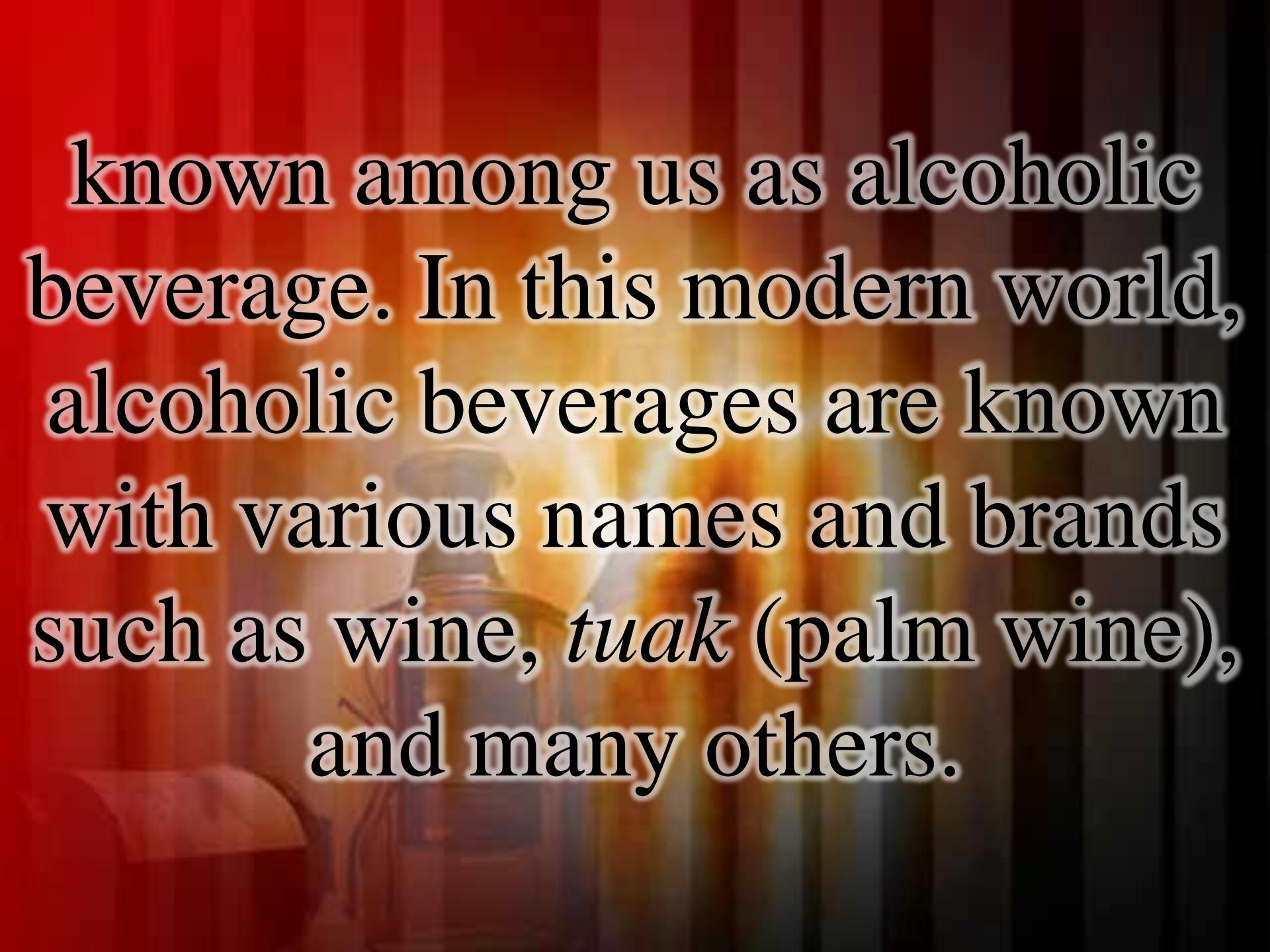
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It is not a religion that only discusses matters regarding divinity and worship. Islam emphasizes a way of life that fulfills the *fitrah* (natural disposition) of mankind from the aspects of material and spiritual, physical and mental,

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external and internal. We have full certainty that with Islam, a person will feel blissful when these aspects are greatly fulfilled.

Based on the verse recited in the opening of the *khutbah*, it is evident to us that Allah Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala has forbidden upon us a type of drink known as *al-khamr*. *Al-Khamr* is a type of beverage that intoxicates and commonly



known among us as alcoholic beverage. In this modern world, alcoholic beverages are known with various names and brands such as wine, *tuak* (palm wine), and many others.

These intoxicants are beverages
that will lead to harm and
causes its consumer to severely
fall into disobedience.

In a *hadeeth*, Rasulullah
sallAllaahu 'alayhi wasallam
said:

“Wine (*al-khamr*) is the mother of all vices (*Umm al-Khabaa’ith*). Whoever drinks it, Allah will not accept his prayers for 40 days. If he dies and there is some in his stomach, he will die the death of *Jahiliyyah*.” (ad-Daaraqutni: *hasan*)

Indeed, intoxicants cause great harm and peril to mankind. It not only impairs the intellect and destroys one's health, but causes one to lose character, dismantles the *akhlaaq* and even '*aqeedah*.

Those addicted to intoxications
will not only turn away from the
remembrance of Allah
Subhaanahu Wata 'aala but
negligent to their
responsibilities as a slave The
Most High and head of family

Even worse, those drowned in intoxication will be easily reeled into major sins such as fornication, fighting, and murder. This is because the intoxicant has damaged their sound reasoning and consciousness,

causing all of their actions to be based solely on their whim and desire. Intoxicants will only lead to a greater problem, which is the destruction of the family institution, society, and nation.

Khamr not only causes its consumer to lose sound

judgment but can also lead to severe addiction. The alcoholics would have no concern for their own selves, family, and society. They would only be concerned on ways to ensure constant supply of intoxicants at all time

that they would resort to fighting, stealing, and even murder, just to get their dose of intoxicant. Imagine the affairs of our society and nation if such phenomenon is widespread. Moral decay will become more critical with the widespread of

alcohol consumption within society. True are the words of Rasulullah *sallAllaahu 'alayhi wasallam* that *khamr* is the mother of all evil and destruction.

The prohibition of consuming intoxicant in Islam is for the benefit of the entire mankind, because of its obvious negative consequences. Allah has bestowed numerous uncountable *ni ‘mah* upon us,

with only several prohibitions decreed for the benefit of mankind themselves. But why are some defiant and violate those prohibitions?

Anas bin Maalik *radiyAllaahu ‘anh* narrated:

The Messenger of Allah

sallAllaahu ‘alayhi wasallam

cursed ten with regard to

wine: the one who squeezes

(the grapes, etc), the one who

asks for it to be squeezed, the

one who drinks it, the one who

carries it,

the one to whom it is carried,
the one who pours it, the one
who sells it and consumes its
price, the one who buys it and
the one for whom it is
bought. (at-Tirmidhi, ibn Maajah: *saheeh*)

Based on this *hadeeth*, it is evident to us how Islam strictly views matters regarding intoxicant. Its punishment does not only befall its consumer, but upon everyone involved in its production from the beginning until the end.

This is due to its adverse effect upon the society, which will further weaken the nation.

Unfortunately, there are Muslims that consume intoxicants as a social habit and for entertainment.

They boldly reason that the small quantity consumed does not lead to intoxication.

However, Jaabir *radiyAllaahu 'anh* narrated that the Messenger of Allah *sallAllaahu 'alayhi wasallam* said:

“Whatever intoxicates in a greater quantity is also unlawful in a small quantity.”

(Ahmad, at-Tirmidhi, an-Nasaa’ie, ibn Maajah, and Abu Dawood:
saheeh)

Hence, the justification of consuming small quantity does not lead to intoxication is totally unacceptable for its ruling is *haraam*, whether it is a sip or a drop only.

In Selangor, the punishment for consuming intoxicant according to Section 18, *Sharee ‘ah* Criminal Enactment (Selangor) 1995 is a maximum fine of RM3000 and 2 years imprisonment.

For those that help prepare, offering to sell, selling, and exhibiting, can be subjected to the maximum punishment of RM5000 fine and 3 years imprisonment.

Lately, intoxicant-related crime is on the rise and rampant in this

country. This indirectly contributes to the increase of the prevailing social vice. It is saddening that Muslims are always found consuming alcohol whenever raids are conducted at entertainment premises.

Unfortunately, this dilemma seems to never cease to exist, without effective solution or awareness.

Criminal statistics in Europe have indicated that alcohol consumption not only contributes to social

immoralities but also to other crimes such as domestic violence, financial crisis, murder, and others. If not effectively addressed, it is feared that it will replicate into this country.

Applying the Islamic way of life
is the best solution in preventing
the Muslim *ummah* from being
entrapped with the widespread
social ills especially alcohol
addiction. In essence, education
begins from home,

with the parents being the role model and exemplary. The modern and advanced lifestyle nowadays has made the role and responsibility of parents even more challenging in raising a faithful family institution.

This is because today's generation has been exposed to tremendous amount of influence and foreign culture that are mostly negative.

However, with the correct and conducive upbringing coupled

with values emphasizing true
'aqeedah of sound belief in
Allah *Subhaanahu Wata 'aala,*
today's Muslim generation can
be nurtured and groomed into
being a solid reliable generation
of the future, *insha Allah.*

Therefore, it is the very duty and responsibility of Muslim parents to continually monitor the lives of their children at all time, so that they will not succumb to the whispers of their own desire calling unto wickedness.

Verily, this responsibility is not
only for this world for it will be
questioned by Allah

Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala in the
Afterlife.

The role of the leader as the
lawmaker and enforcer is
thoroughly undeniable.

The laws should be made
stricter in the sales of
intoxicants at entertainment
centers and public commercial
premises to safeguard the
Muslims from being lured into
its consumption, as deemed
haraam in Islam.

If the Muslims are united and cooperative in resolving this matter, then intoxicants will not be a burden and nuisance to our lives, *insha Allah*. It is truly hoped that with all these sincere efforts, the Muslim *ummah* will be safeguarded from intoxicant

addiction epidemic. Let us enliven the Islamic environment within the family and community, and always alerting each other of the various social ills plaguing this country.

Let us begin to greet and advice
each other, and together prevent
every from of *munkar* amongst
the neighbors, relatives, and
society.

Verily, it is hoped that these
noble efforts will help protect us
from the torment and
punishment of Allah
Subhaanahu Wata‘aala.

**“Satan only wants to cause
between you animosity and
hatred through intoxicants
and gambling and to avert
you from the remembrance
of Allah and from prayer. So
will you not desist?”**

(al-Maa’idah 5:91)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ بِالْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ وَنَفَعْنَى وَإِيَّاكمْ
بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْأَيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقْبَلَ مِنِي
وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاقَتِهِ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِي
هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ 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. *Allaahummaa ameen***



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