



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
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# RAMADAAN: *THE MONTH FOR ENHANCING 'IBAADAH*



I implore upon all of us to  
strive in increasing our *taqwa*  
of Allah *Subhaanahu  
Wata'aala* by fulfilling all of  
His Commands and avoiding  
all of His prohibitions.

May we all attain the pleasure  
of Allah *Subhaanahu  
Wata'aala* in this world and the  
Hereafter.

I invite all of us to internalize  
upon today's *khutbah* entitled  
“*Ramadaan: The Month For  
Enhancing 'Ibaadah.*”

Our lives in this world is truly  
in vain if we do not attain the  
pleasure and mercy of Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata‘aala*. Even  
worse, if all of our  
wrongdoing, mistakes, and  
sins committed are not

forgiven by Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala.*

Hence, as believers, we are recommended to always seek forgiveness from Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala* for all the sins that we have

committed. Ramadaan is a month that is filled with mercy, forgiveness, and multifold rewards.

Therefore, as His slaves, we are strongly encouraged to increase our righteous deeds

so as to attain those rewards.

When Rasulullah ﷺ was still alive, he once delivered a *khutbah* at the end of Sha‘baan reminding the Muslims at that time on the superiority of Ramadaan that

is truly unmatched when compared with other months throughout the year. This meaningful *khutbah* was narrated by ibn Khuzaymah *rahimahullaah* in his *Saheeh [da‘eef]*.

Among the superiority of  
Ramadaan that was mentioned

by Rasulullah ﷺ :

1. Allah has bestowed one night in that month such that the rewards of good deeds during that night is worth

more than a thousand months.

2. Performing supererogatory (*naafilah*) acts is akin to performing obligatory (*fard*) acts, while performing *fard* is equivalent

to performing 70 *fard* acts.

3. Feeding *iftar* to the fasting person will be granted with the reward equivalent to the fasting person, even if it is just with a few sips of drink or milk.

4. The beginning of  
Ramadaan is mercy from  
Allah *Subhaanahu*  
*Wata'aala*, its middle is  
forgiveness, and its end is  
freedom from the Hellfire.

The *khutbah* that was  
conveyed by Rasulullah ﷺ has indicated to us how  
Allah Subhaanahu  
*Wata ‘aala* has blessed the  
month of Ramadaan with  
magnitudes of rewards.

Therefore, it behooves us to remain determined and resolved at the beginning of noble Ramadaan to enhance our ‘ibaadah. Among the ‘ibaadah that we can perform are:

# 1. Fasting

Allah *Subhaanahu*

*Wata ‘aala* has promised tremendous rewards for His fasting slaves. Furthermore, the fasting of Ramadaan has been clearly promised with

the wiping out of previous sins. Narrated Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*:

Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“Whoever observes fasts during the month of Ramadaan out of sincere

faith, and hoping to  
attain Allah's rewards,  
then all his past sins will  
be forgiven.”  
(al-Bukhaari)

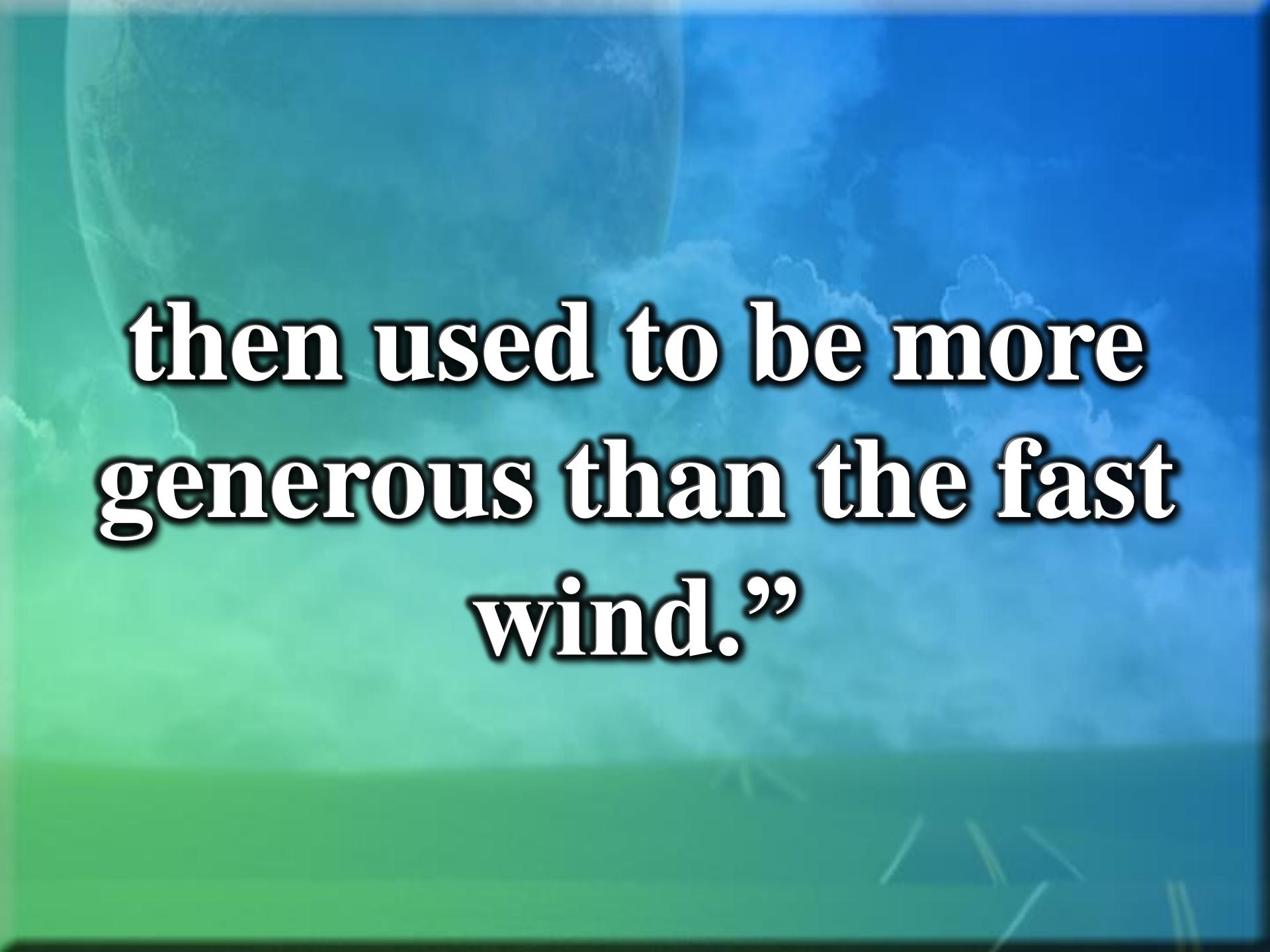
## 2. Giving charity (*sadaqah*)

Rasulullah ﷺ was a very generous and charitable person, and he was even more generous in the month of Ramadaan. This was mentioned by ibn ‘Abbaas

*radiyAllaahu 'anhuma* in a  
*hadeeth* collected by Imaam  
al-Bukhaari *rahimahullaah*  
in his *Saheeh*:

“The Prophet (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) was  
the most generous of all the  
people and he used to

become more generous in  
Ramadaan when Jibreel  
met him. Jibreel used to  
meet him every night  
during Ramadaan to revise  
the Qur'an with him.  
Allah's Messenger ﷺ



**then used to be more  
generous than the fast  
wind.”**

### **3. Recitation (*tilaaawah*) of al-Qur'an.**

Reciting al-Qur'an is truly  
an important and noble deed.

In addition, the virtue of  
reciting and learning al-  
Qur'an is multiplied

manifold in Ramadaan. This is proven in the previously mentioned *hadeeth* which mentioned about Jibreel عليه السلام

visiting Nabi

Muhammad ﷺ throughout the entire Ramadaan and

taught him al-Qur'an. This *hadeeth* was recorded by Imaam al-Bukhaari rahimahullaah in his *Saheeh*:  
“...Jibreel used to meet him every night during Ramadaan to revise the

**Qur'an with him...”**

**4. Searching for *Laylat al-Qadr* (the Night of Decree).**

*Laylat al-Qadr* is a special night in Ramadaan with amazing virtues. It is a night in which deeds that are

performed during that night  
is equivalent to more than  
1000 months in its rewards.

This was explicitly  
mentioned in al-Qur'an:  
“Indeed, We sent the  
Qur'an down during the

**Night of Decree. And what can make you know what is the Night of Decree? The Night of Decree is better than a thousand months. The angels and the Spirit descend therein by**

permission of their Lord  
for every matter. Peace it  
is until the emergence of  
dawn.”

(al-Qadr 97:1-5)

5. Increasing *i‘tikaaf* in the masjid.

‘A’ishah *radiyAllaahu ‘anha* narrated:

“The Messenger of Allah ﷺ used to perform *i‘tikaf* during the last ten days of

Ramadaan until he died.  
Then his wives used to  
perform *i‘tikaf* after his  
death.”

(Agreed upon)

Indeed, there are many other righteous deeds that can be performed in Ramadaan, such as performing *i‘tikaaf* in *masaajid*, visiting our relatives, helping the orphans, poor, and needy,

and many other virtuous acts. What is important is that we perform them solely for the sake of attaining nearness to Allah. We are also highly encouraged to make *tawbah* (repentance)

for all the sins committed, in seeking His Pleasure.

Allah Subhaanahu  
*Wata'aala* mentions in al-

Qur'an:

“...And turn to Allah in repentance, all of you,

O believers, that you  
might succeed.”

(an-Noor 24:31)

Today, I implore upon all of  
us to take full advantage  
with all that has been

promised by Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala*  
throughout the entire  
Ramadaan, reinvigorating  
our inner selves so as to  
enhance our ‘*ibaadah* unto  
Him.

This aspiring and much desired month is truly a gift from Allah *Subhaanahu Wata 'aala* to His slaves. It only occurs once a year and we may not even live long enough to reach it in the

following year. Therefore, let us fulfil and inculcate the following matters:

1. The Muslims must always strengthen their ‘*aqeedah* by having absolute certainty that Islam provides the best

# Solution.

2. The Muslims must abide by the *Sharee'ah* of Islam in its entirety with perfection without neglecting any obligatory ordainment such as the five daily prayers.

Unfortunately, this is because there are those that would fast but devoid of *amaanah*, not covering their ‘awrah, and others.

3. The Muslims must protect and safeguard their ‘ibaadah of fasting from matters that can invalidate or reduce its reward.

4. The Muslims should be thrifty in their spending and

avoid from being wasteful such as excessiveness in purchasing food for *iftar* and preparation for ‘*Eid* celebration.

5. The Muslims should not waste their time by only

engaging in business transaction and shopping in the malls, night market, and other venues. Instead, the ultimate priority and focus should be on performing ‘ibaadah in the masjid or surau.

**“Whoever does  
righteousness, whether  
male or female, while he  
is a believer - We will  
surely cause him to live a  
good life, and We will**

**surely give them their  
reward [in the  
Hereafter] according to  
the best of what they  
used to do.”**

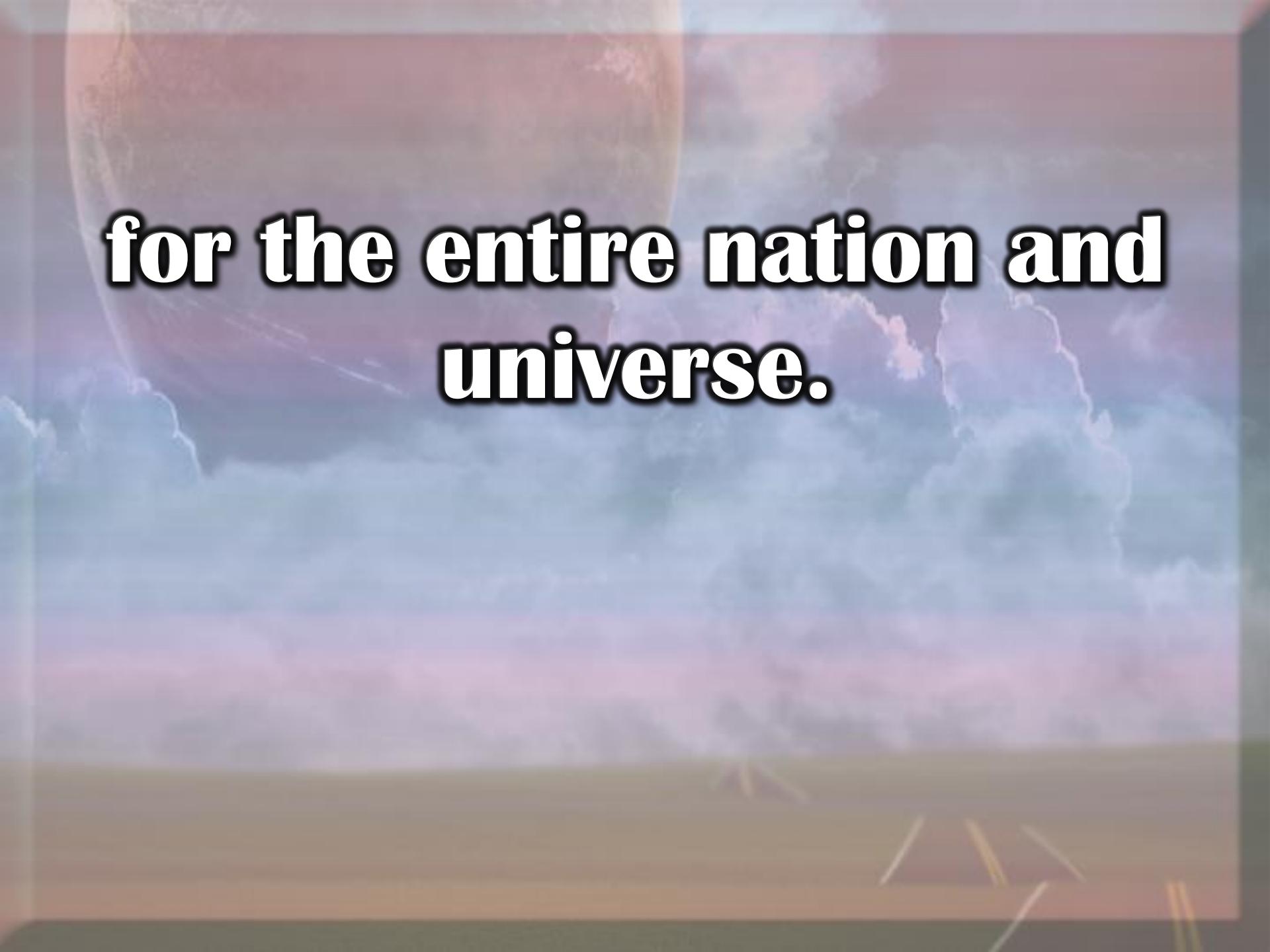
**(an-Nahl 16:97)**

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ  
وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاکُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ  
الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقْبَلَ مِنِي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاقُتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ  
السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ  
الْعَظِيمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ  
وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ  
مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ  
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

**Once again, I would like to remind all of us that Islam teach its adherents to remain moderate in all actions and deeds. At the same time, the Muslims are to avoid any form of extremism in which its**

**consequences will only disrupt  
the harmony, unity, and  
security of the Muslim ummah  
and our nation. Extremism will  
only give negative impression  
upon the nobility and holiness  
of al-Islam. On the contrary,  
the Muslim**

**ummah must inculcate noble akhlaaq, having utmost personality and attitude as true Muslims so that the world will know that Rasulullah (صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم) was sent down as a messenger, and Islam that was revealed is mercy**

A landscape photograph of a desert or open field at sunset. The sky is filled with soft, pastel-colored clouds in shades of pink, orange, and blue. In the distance, a large pyramid, possibly the Great Pyramid of Giza, sits atop a small hill. A paved road with yellow dashed lines leads towards the pyramid from the bottom right corner of the frame.

**for the entire nation and  
universe.**

**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 Selangor,  
as an**

**advanced state, prosperous,  
and providing welfare.**

**Hence, we sincerely beseech  
you, O Allah, strengthen our  
*imaan*, accept our deeds,  
strengthen our unity, increase  
our *rizq*, enrich us with**

**beneficial knowledge, cultivate  
our soul with good mannerisms,  
return us to the path that you  
are pleased with, protect us  
from disasters and your severe  
trials, so that our nation will  
become more peaceful and filled  
with blessings.**

**O Allah, we sincerely beseech  
you, strengthen our beliefs  
according to the creed of *Ahlus*  
*Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*, and  
protect us from deeds and  
'aqeedah that are astray such as  
the extreme *Shee'is*, *Qadiyani*,  
and other ideologies.**

**O Allah, open up our hearts in fulfilling the five daily prayers, performing *zakaat*, and other obligations. Bless those that have fulfilled their *zakaat* and loving the *fuqaraa'* and *masaakin*, and those that have**

**made *waqf* and gave up  
their wealth for *Tabung***

***Amanah Pembangunan  
Islam Selangor* (Islamic  
Development Trust Fund of  
Selangor) with continuous  
reward until the Hereafter.**

**O Allah, increase and widen  
the *rizq* of those that made  
*waqf* from their wealth with  
perpetual rewards until the  
Last Day.**



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**DISEDIAKAN OLEH :**

**UNIT KHUTBAH,**

**BAHAGIAN PENGURUSAN MASJID,**

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