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HEROES
***DEFENDING THE NATION
FOR THE SAKE OF RELIGION***



بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ

Let us strive to have the
taqwa of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in its truest
sense, by fulfilling all of His
Commands and avoiding all
of His prohibitions.

Verily, *taqwa* is the best provision and an essential pillar in the effort to improve one's self and upholds the glory of the Muslim *ummah*. Similarly, it is vital in instilling solid dedication

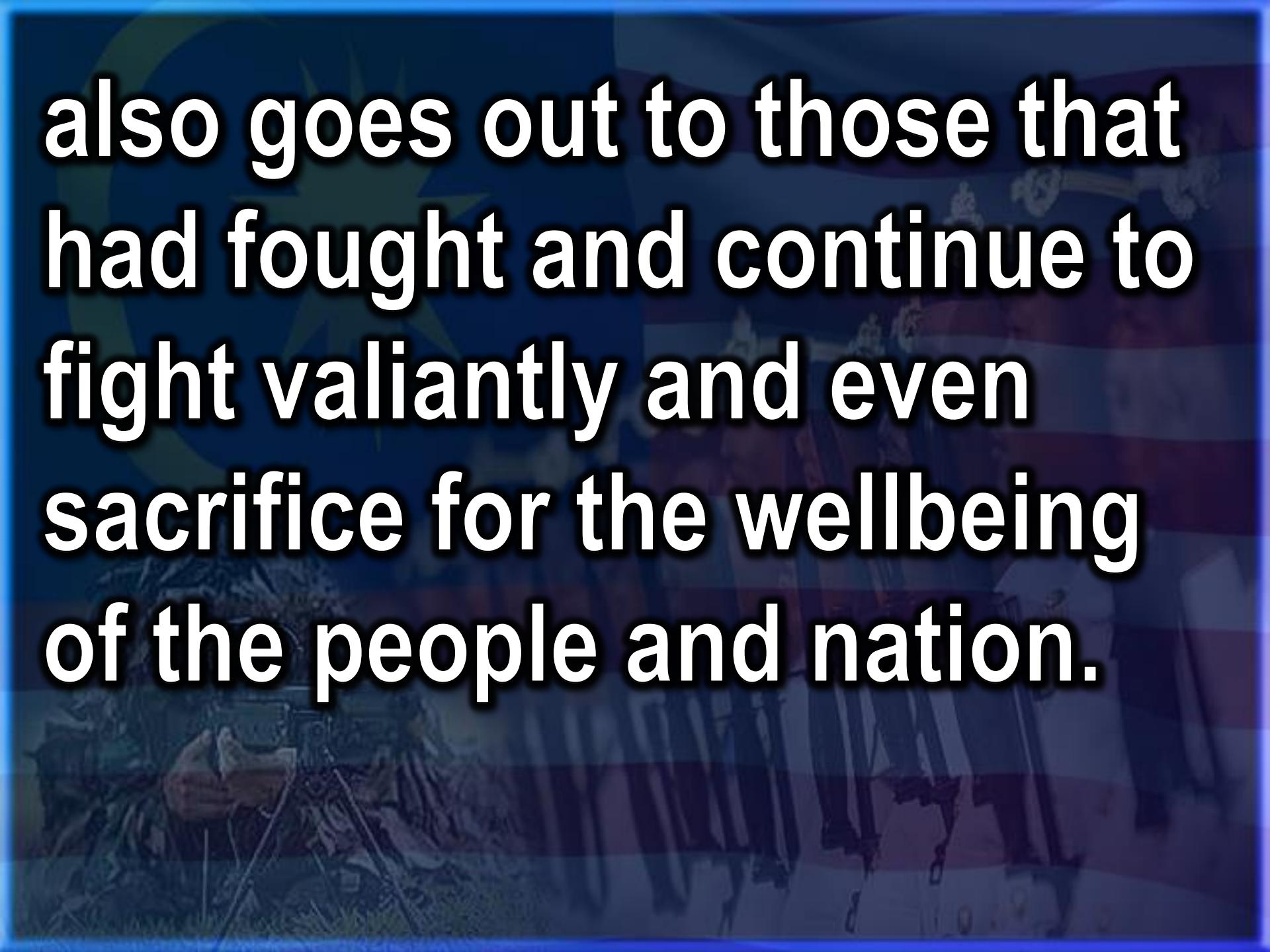
in defending the religion
and nation for the sake of
Allah ‘Azza wa Jall.

Today, I invite fellow
Muslims to internalize upon
a *khutbah* titled:

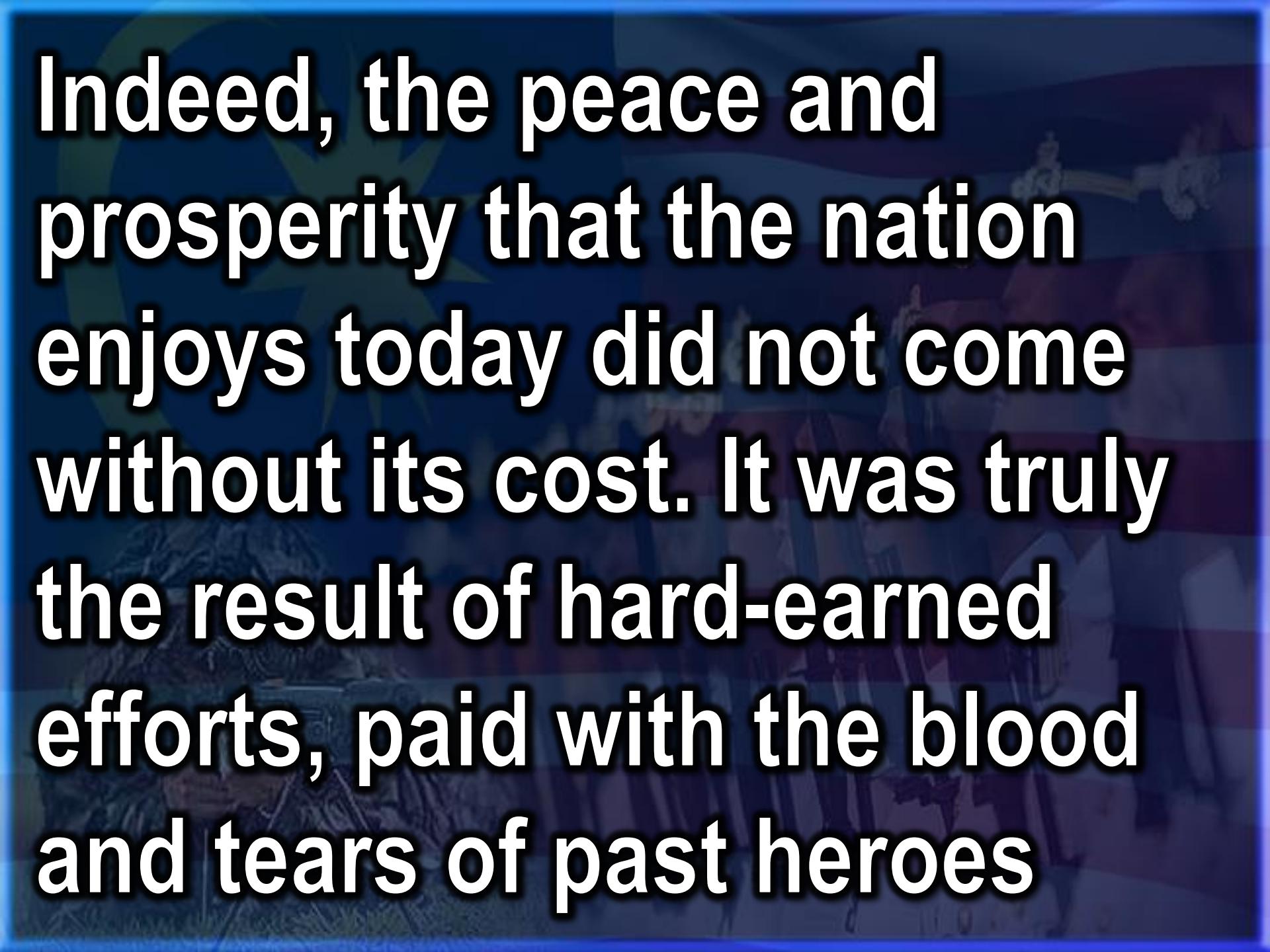
“HEROES
*Defending The
Nation For The
Sake Of Religion”*

Warriors' Day celebration reminds us of the services and sacrifices rendered by individuals that had defended the land and nation from enemy invasion. As true natives who love the

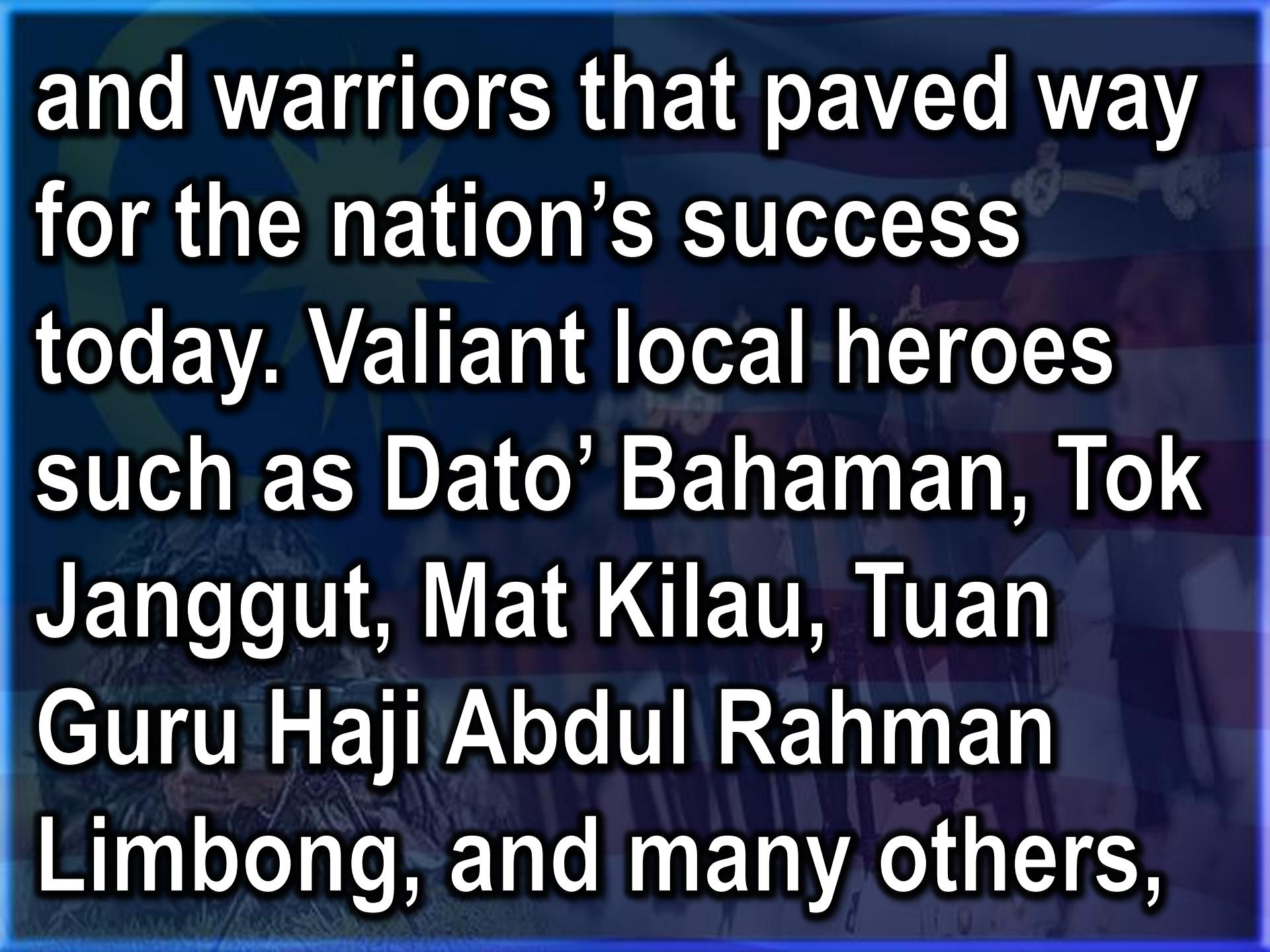
religion, people, and the nation, we are greatly appreciative of their dedicated service, risking their lives in ensuring that the nation's sovereignty is preserved. This appreciation



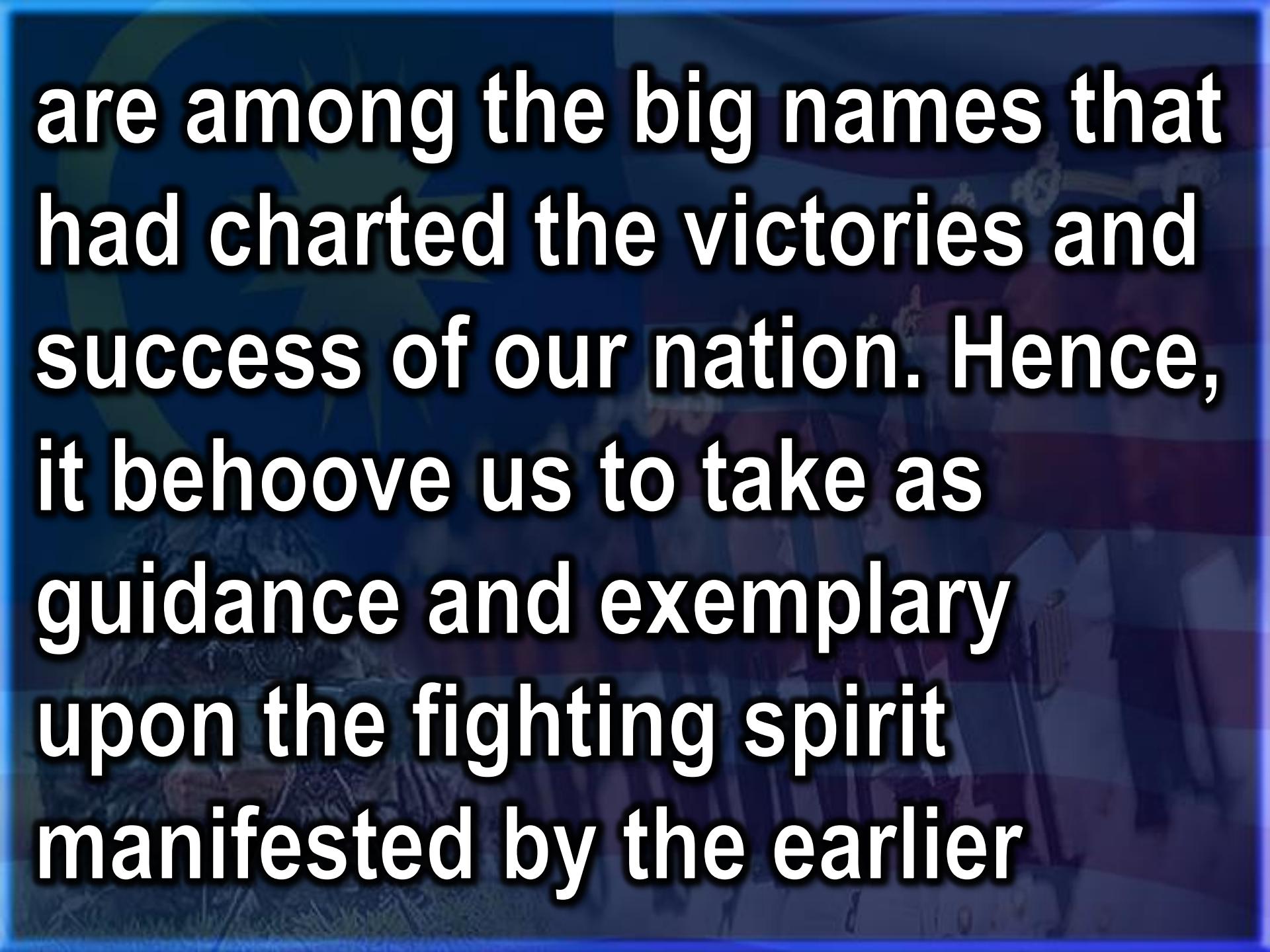
also goes out to those that had fought and continue to fight valiantly and even sacrifice for the wellbeing of the people and nation.



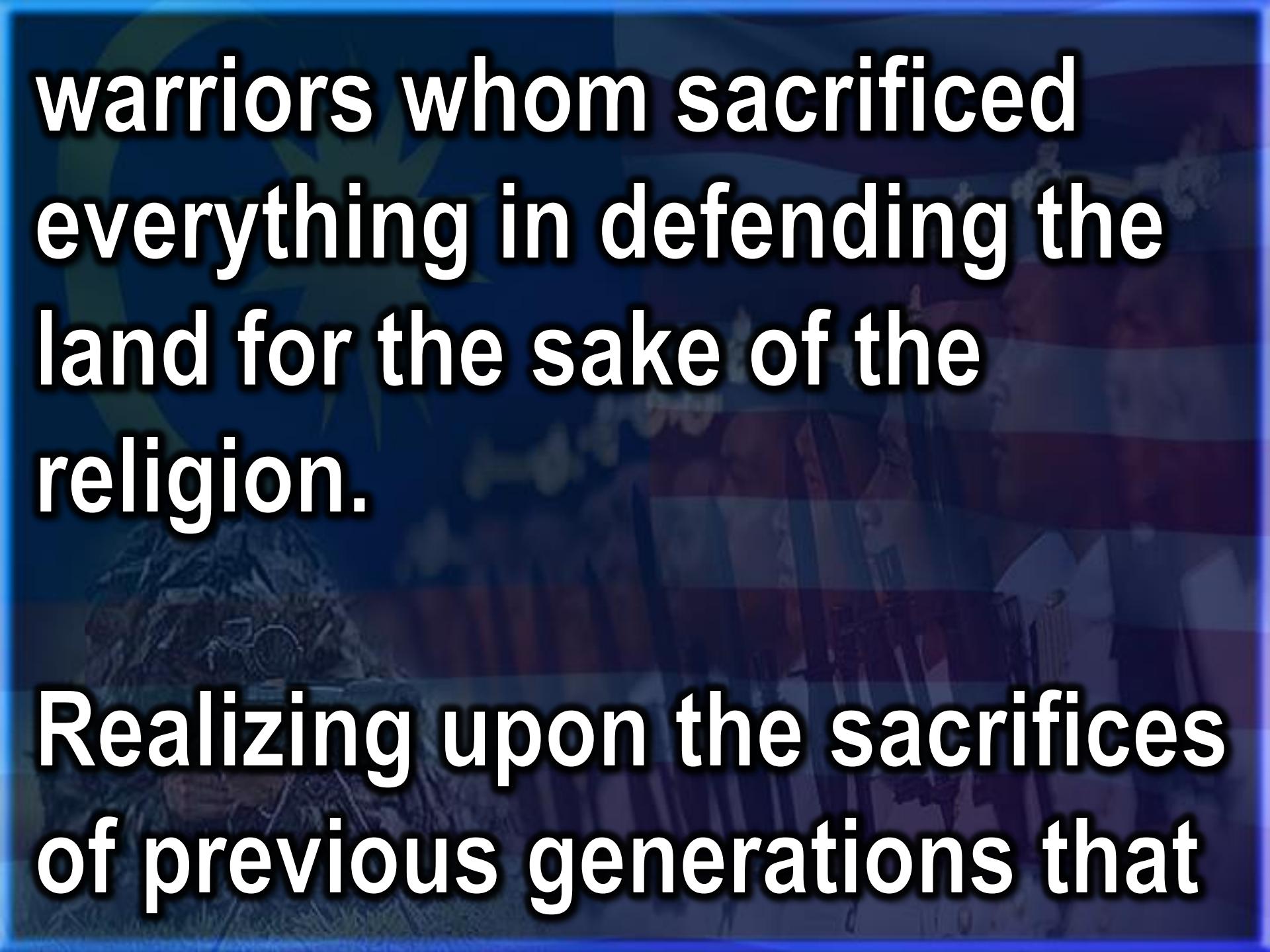
Indeed, the peace and prosperity that the nation enjoys today did not come without its cost. It was truly the result of hard-earned efforts, paid with the blood and tears of past heroes



and warriors that paved way for the nation's success today. Valiant local heroes such as Dato' Bahaman, Tok Janggut, Mat Kilau, Tuan Guru Haji Abdul Rahman Limbong, and many others,

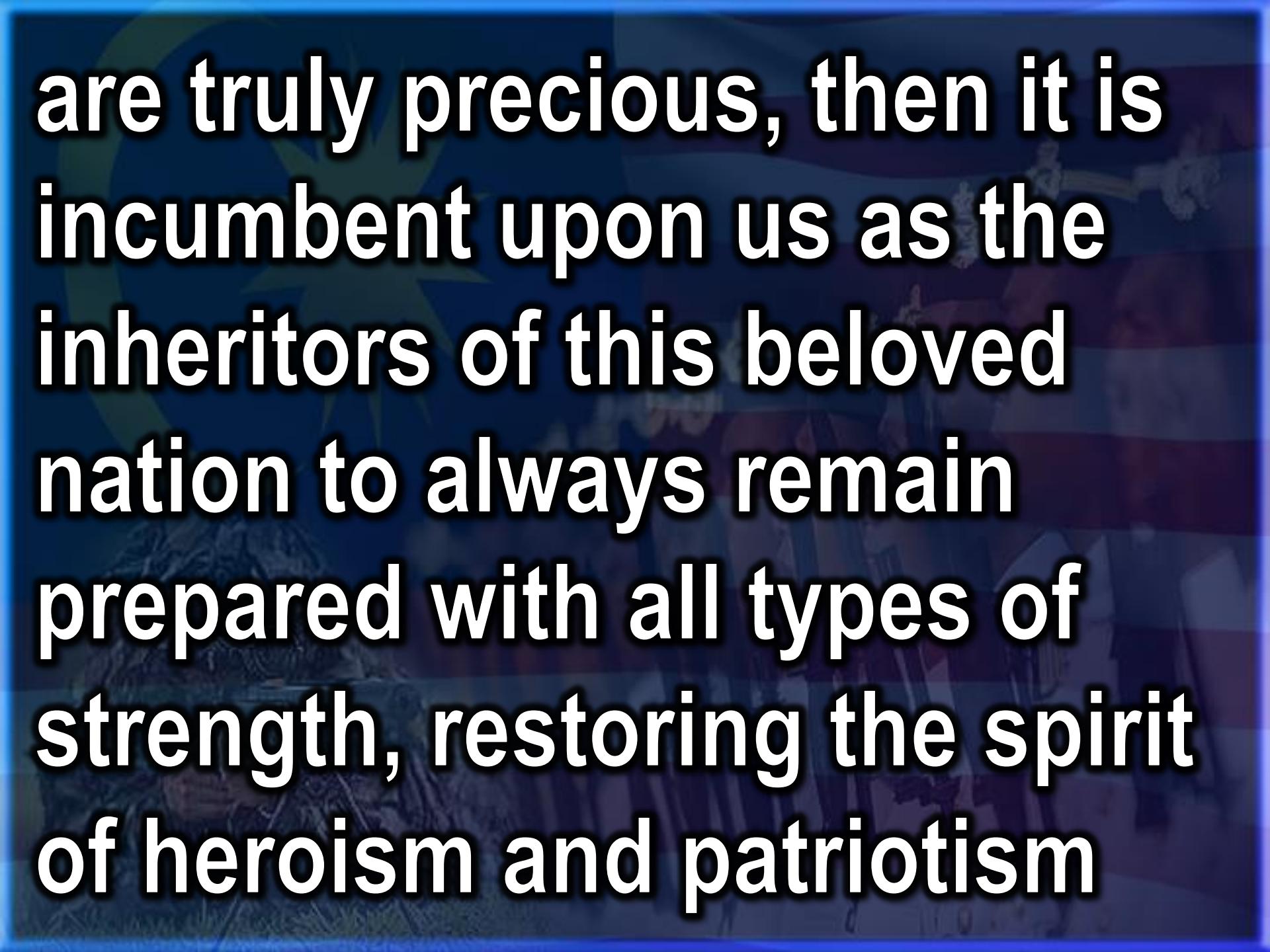


are among the big names that had charted the victories and success of our nation. Hence, it behoove us to take as guidance and exemplary upon the fighting spirit manifested by the earlier



**warriors whom sacrificed
everything in defending the
land for the sake of the
religion.**

**Realizing upon the sacrifices
of previous generations that**



are truly precious, then it is incumbent upon us as the inheritors of this beloved nation to always remain prepared with all types of strength, restoring the spirit of heroism and patriotism

within the self, by organizing strategies, protecting the unity, and advancing the motherland. This coincides with Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta‘aala*'s Call in commanding us to make

the necessary preparation, as mentioned in al-Qur'an (interpretation of the meaning):

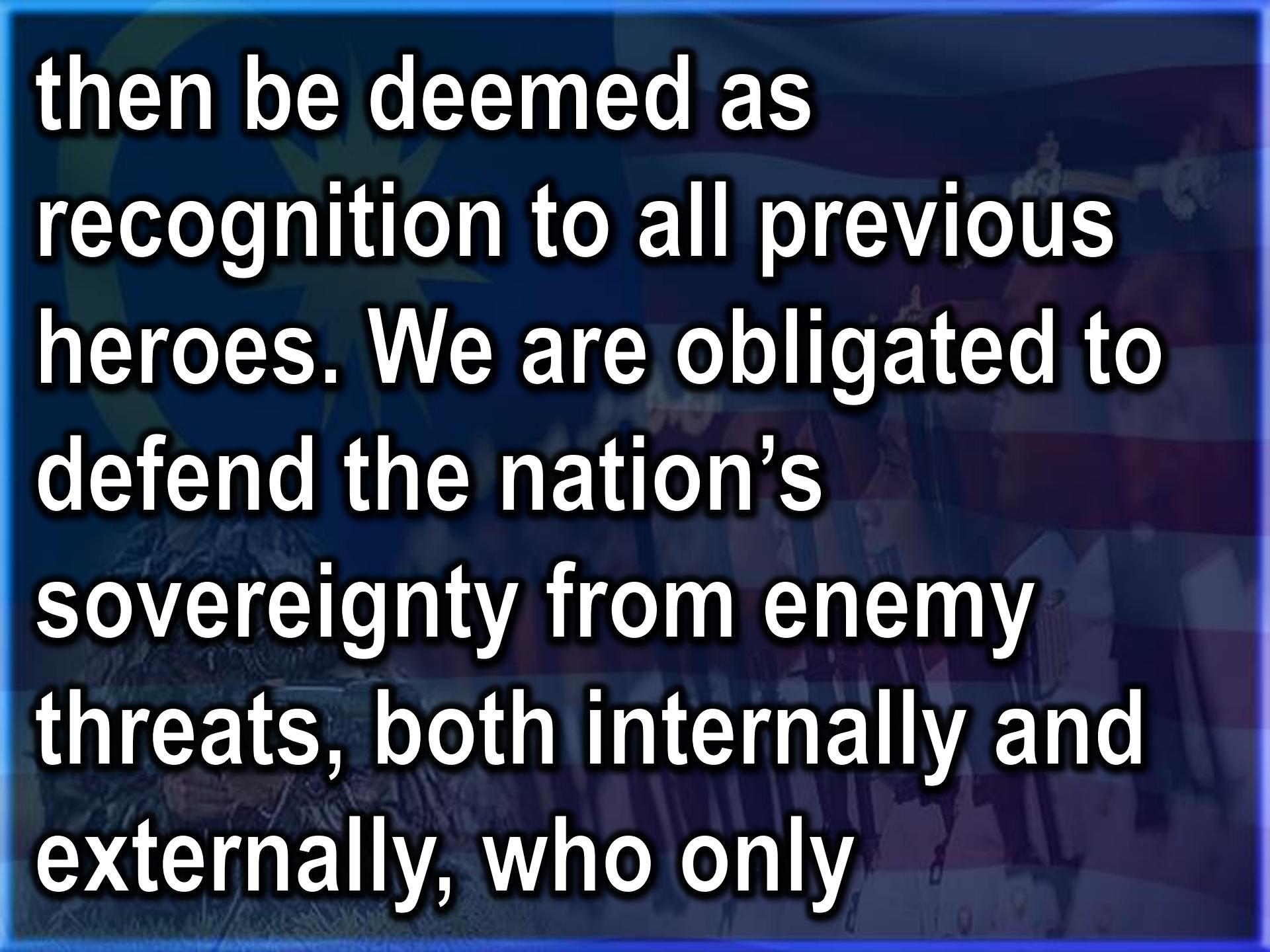
“And prepare against them whatever you are able of power and of steeds of war

**by which you may terrify
the enemy of Allah and
your enemy...”**

(al-Anfaal 8:60)

Regarding this verse, al-
Imaam ibn Katheer
rahimahullaah (d.774H)

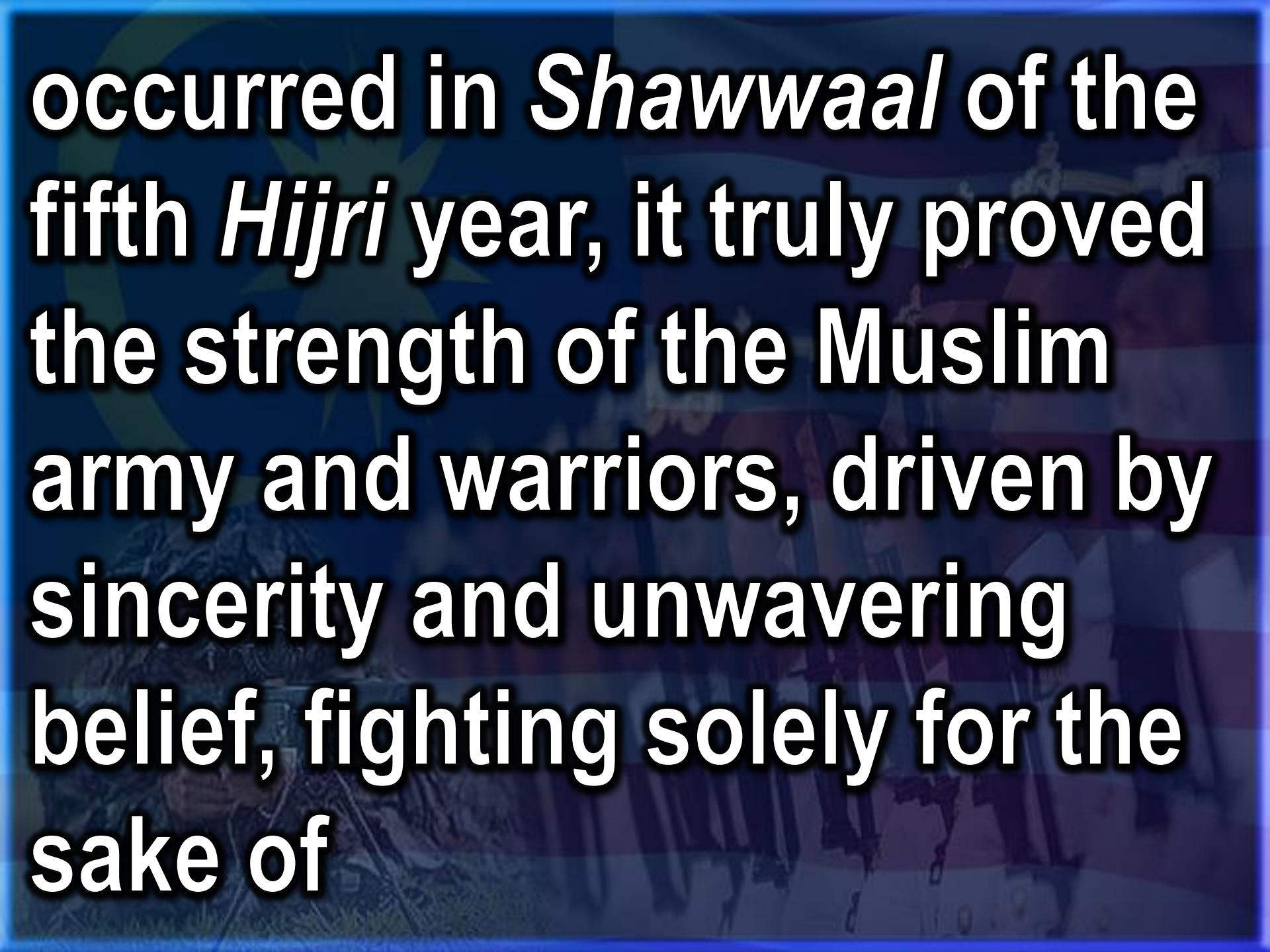
stated that this preparation refers to all forms of strength that can be prepared based on resources and capability. Therefore, when we continue all of the efforts and struggle by the nation's heroes, it can



then be deemed as recognition to all previous heroes. We are obligated to defend the nation's sovereignty from enemy threats, both internally and externally, who only

intends to destroy the nation's harmony.

Pondering upon historical lessons from the Battle of al-Ahzaab or better known as al-Khandaq (the trench) that



occurred in *Shawwaal* of the fifth *Hijri* year, it truly proved the strength of the Muslim army and warriors, driven by sincerity and unwavering belief, fighting solely for the sake of

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. The Muslim army was not only facing a larger enemy infantry comprised of 10,000 soldiers as compared to 3,000 Muslim soldiers, but they had to confront a

coalition of allied forces,
made up by the Quraysh
polytheists along with the
Jews of Banu Nadeer, Banu
Ghatafaan, and other tribes.
From the fruits of solid
imaan and patience of the

Muslim army, and the
Prophet's (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) accepted
supplication, Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta‘aala had
divided the confederate
army of al-Ahzaab and sent
violent winds ravaging

through enemy lines, thus granting victory to the Muslim army. ‘Abdullah bin Abi Awfa *radiyAllaahu ‘anh* narrated the supplication of the Prophet ﷺ :

*“O Allah, the Revealer of
the Holy Book, and the One
swift at reckoning! O Allah,
defeat the confederates; O
Allah, defeat them and
shake them”*

(al-Bukhaari)

This supplication became part of the call on ‘Eid that we would utter loudly together:

“There is no deity worthy of worship except Allah alone; He fulfilled His promise and

*granted victory to His
slave and made mighty
His soldiers and defeated
the Confederates alone”*

Through the Battle of al-Ahzaab, numerous important

lessons ('ibrah) can be derived with regards to the Muslim army and heroes that had defended the sovereignty of Madeenah.

Among them:

First: Faith that grew

stronger upon seeing the large number of the enemy's coalition forces that is to be fought. They were not afraid or worried even a bit, but instead remained firm and certain with the promise of

Allah Subhaanahu Wa
Ta‘aala and His Messenger
صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم . Allah Subhaanahu Wa
Ta‘aala mentions in al-
Qur'an (interpretation of the
meaning):

*“And when the believers
saw the companies, they
said, “This is what Allah
and His Messenger had
promised us, and Allah and
His Messenger spoke the
truth.” And it increased*

*them only in faith and
acceptance”*

(al-Ahzaab 33:22)

Second: The wisdom and
intelligence of Muslim
warriors in organizing their

tactics and strategies, and also the togetherness within them without any distinction in rank. Salman al-Faarisi *radiyAllaahu ‘anh* had suggested for a trench to be dug around Madeenah,

which was welcomed by Rasulullah ﷺ and the Muslims. This tactic had caught the enemies off guard for it was never employed by the Arabs in any of their battle or expedition before.

Rasulullah ﷺ also had manifested true leadership by example and the principles of solidarity by digging up the trench himself as they had agreed upon.

al-Baraa' bin 'Aazib
radiyAllaahu 'anh narrated:
“*When it was the day of
al-Ahzaab and Allah's
Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) dug the
trench, I saw him carrying
earth out of the trench till*

*dust made the skin of his
abdomen out of my sight
and he was a hairy man...”*

(al-Bukhaari)

*Third: Executing the
command of Rasulullah ﷺ*

as the commander of the army, with full dedication and effectiveness. This can be seen in the role of Nu‘aym bin Mas‘ood *radiyAllaahu ‘anh* who kept his conversion to Islam as

as secret, and was successful in sowing discord within the confederate army of al-Ahzaab that they began mistrusting each other. Indeed, war is strategy and deceit.

It was narrated from Jaabir
bin 'Abdullah *radiyAllaahu*
'anhuma that the Prophet
صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ said:

“War is deception”

(al-Bukhaari)

Such was the greatness of
the previous generation of
Muslim warriors, possessing
solid *imaan*, intelligent,
courageous, and having
utmost *tawakkal* (reliance) in
Allah Subhaanahu

Wa Ta‘aala in defending their land. Then, it was succeeded by the next generation who were also successful in opening up major cities of the world, replacing the darkness of

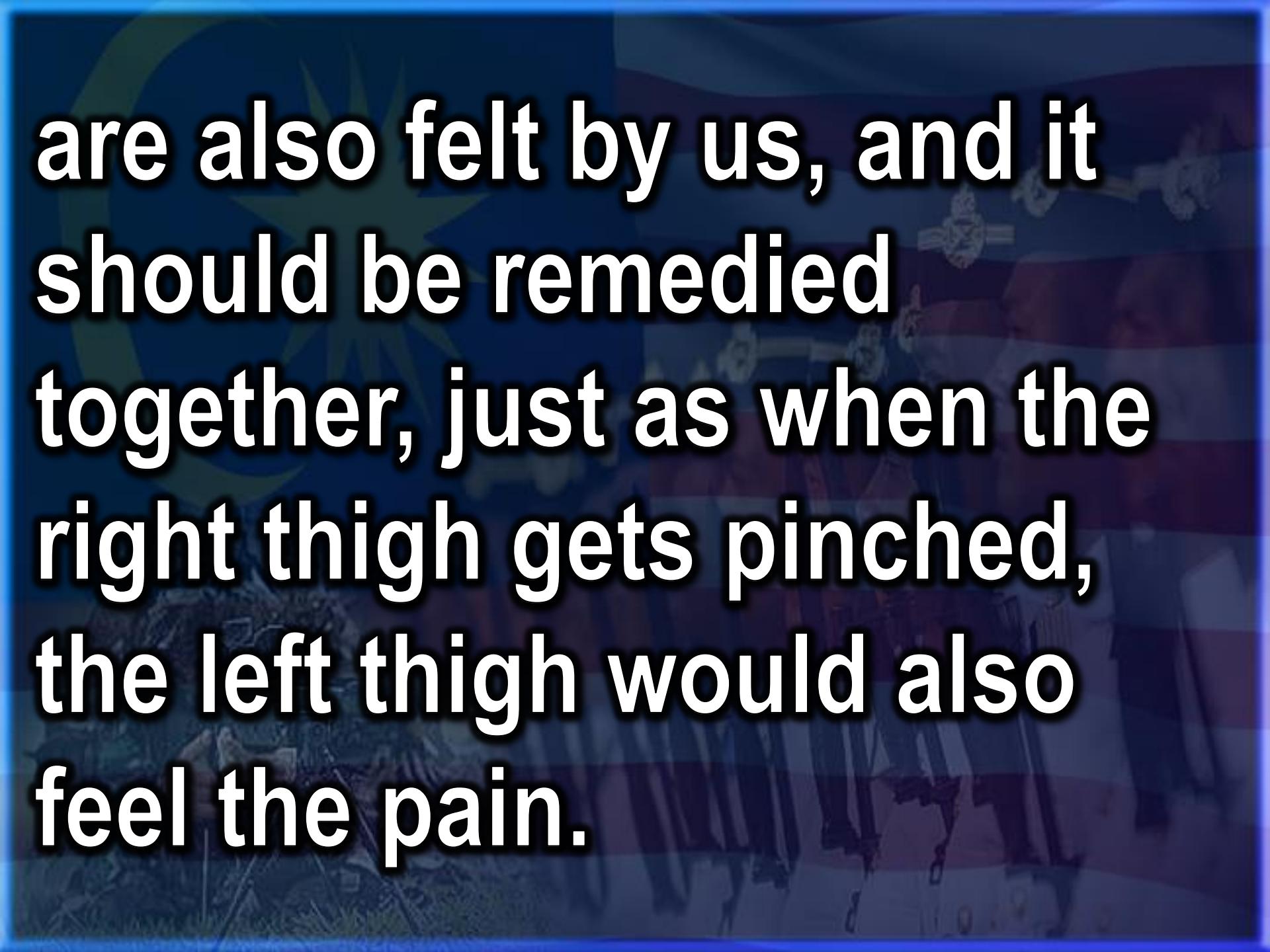
***kufr* (disbelief) with rays of
imaan, also replacing the
oppression of Kisra and
Kaiser with the justice of
Islam.**

According to Shaykh
Muhammad Abu Zahrah
rahimahullaah in his work *al-*
Wahdah al-Islaamiyyah, he
asserted that the foundation
of the strength of Muslim
unity that stands

upon the basis of ‘aqeedah
are:

*1. The strong bond of
ukhuwwah (brotherhood)
amongst fellow Muslims
The believers are brothers.*

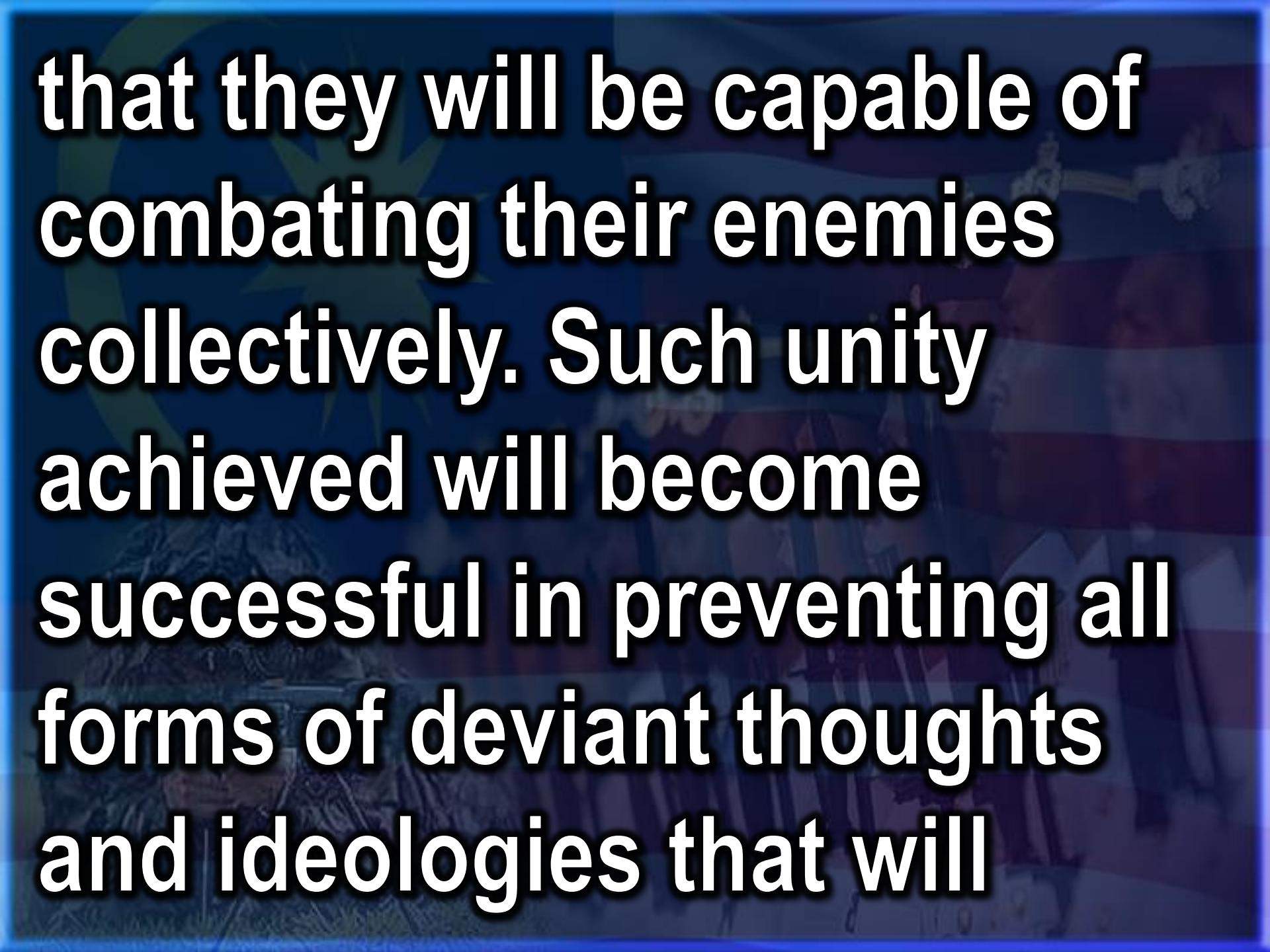
There should not be any conflict that would lead to disunity. If there are signs of conflict showing, then they must be reconciled. The pain and threat endured by our brethren of the same creed



are also felt by us, and it should be remedied together, just as when the right thigh gets pinched, the left thigh would also feel the pain.

2. The unity of culture, language, and social aspects

The Muslims will attain unity with their commonality and union of culture, language, and social aspects,

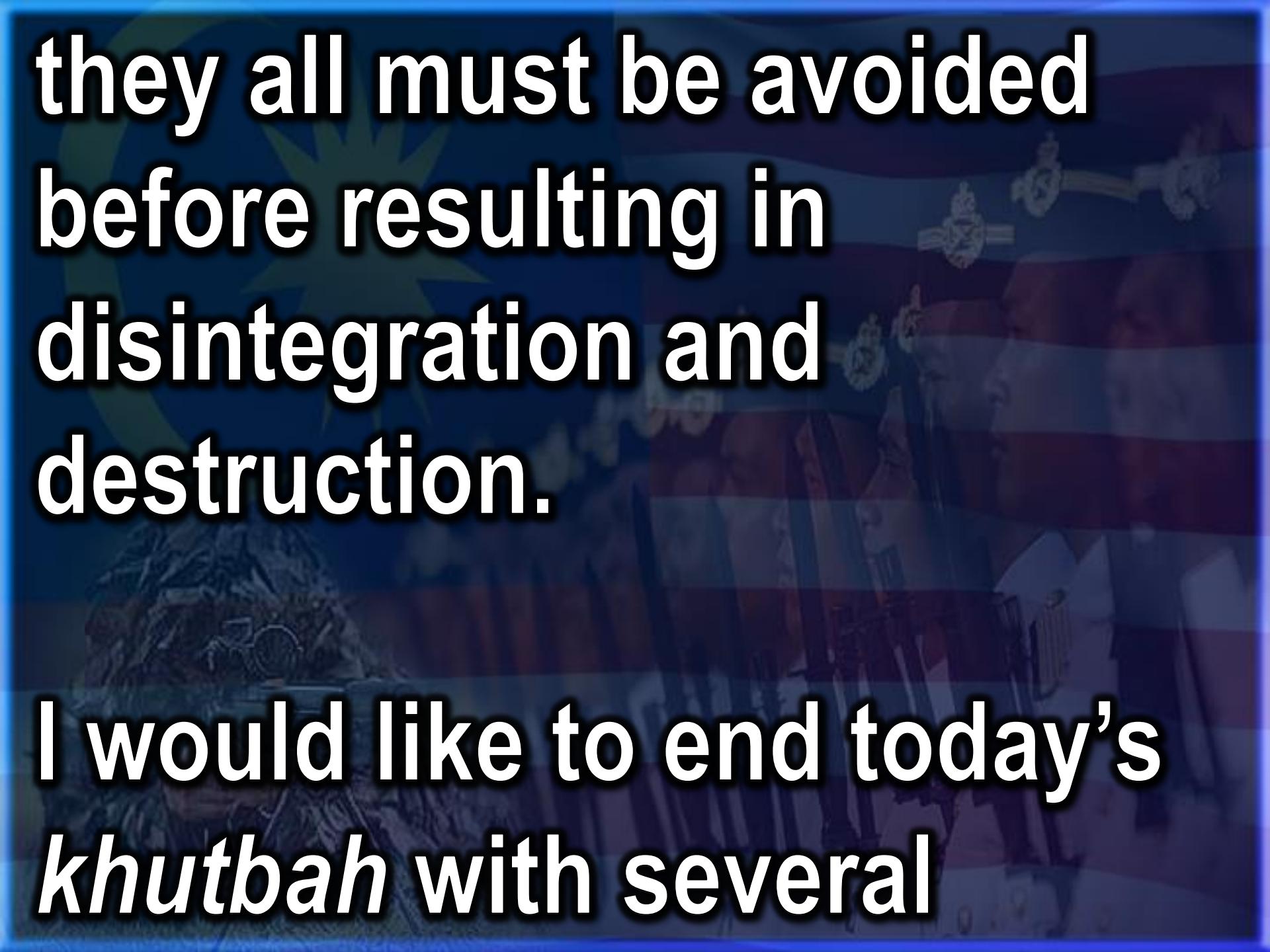


that they will be capable of combating their enemies collectively. Such unity achieved will become successful in preventing all forms of deviant thoughts and ideologies that will

attempt to seep into the society, in order to prevent greater harm on the face of earth.

3. There must be no wars between Muslim nations

Having no wars or conflict between Muslim nations will in turn develop strong unity between them. This is regardless whether the war is in the form of ideology, economics, or culture;



they all must be avoided before resulting in disintegration and destruction.

I would like to end today's *khutbah* with several

guidelines that should be given due attention:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have full certainty that defending the nation's sovereignty is greatly

emphasized in Islam,
yielding huge rewards in the
**Sight of Allah Subhaanahu
Wa Ta‘aala.**

2. The Muslim *ummah* must
truly appreciate the services

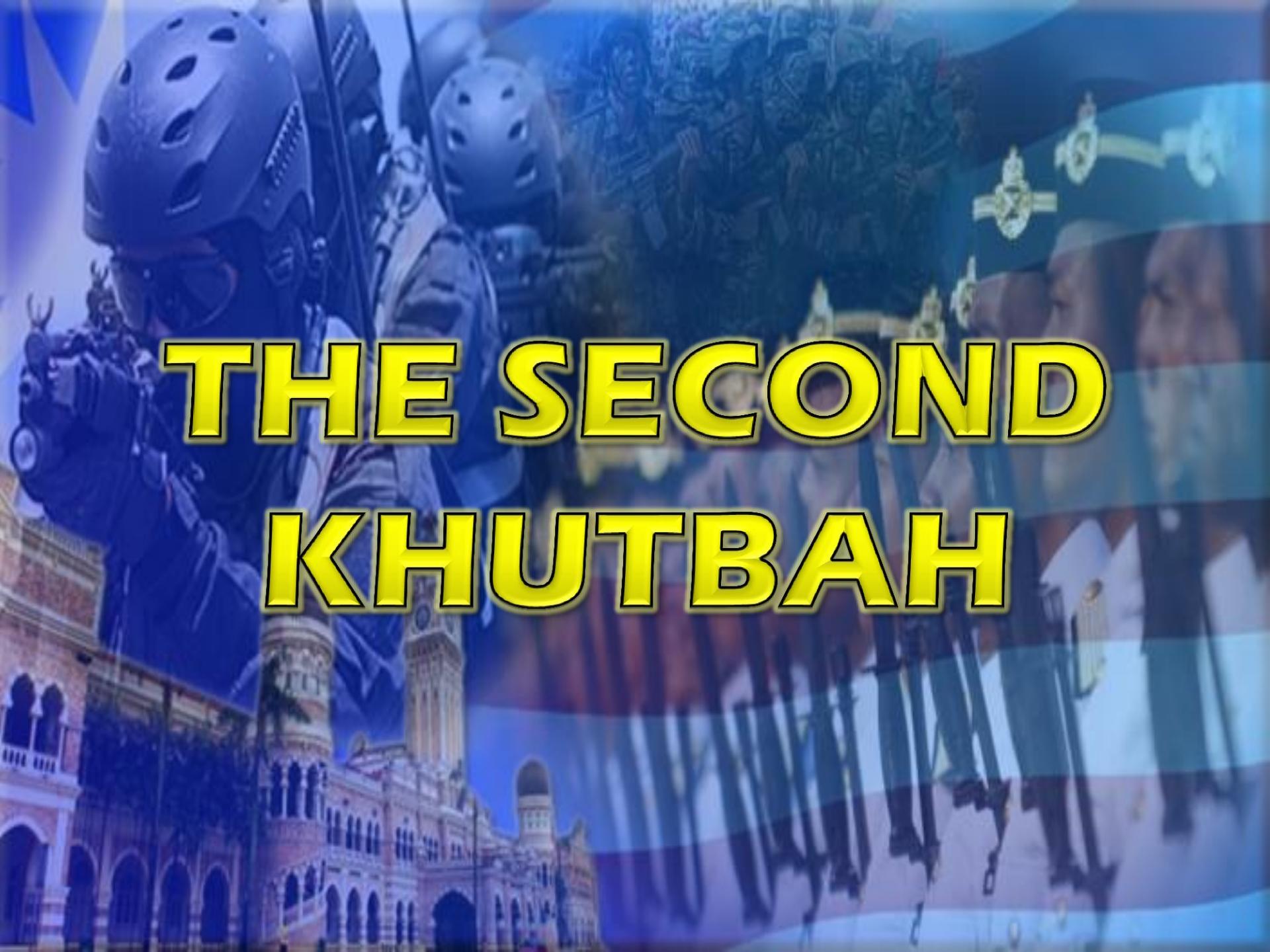
and sacrifices rendered by
the previous generations
that had upheld Islam, by
sincerely supplicating for
their forgiveness from
Allah ‘Azza wa Jall.

3. The Muslim ummah must prepare itself with both spiritual and physical strength, in defending the nation's peace and harmony from the threats of the enemy.

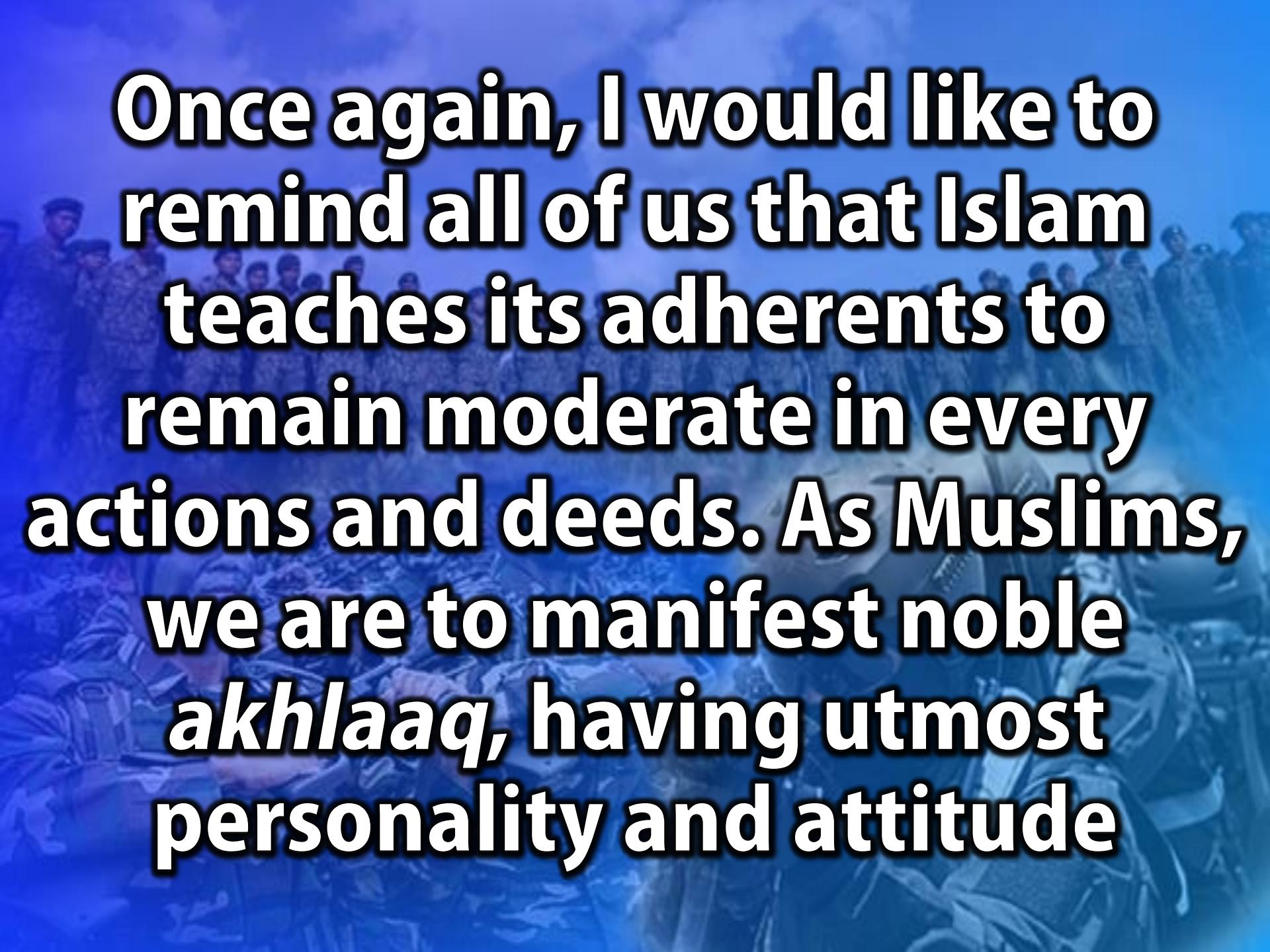
*“O you who have believed,
remember the favor of Allah
upon you when armies came
to [attack] you and We sent
upon them a wind and
armies [of angels] you did
not see.*

*And ever is Allah, of
what you do, Seeing.”*

(al-Ahzaab 33:9)

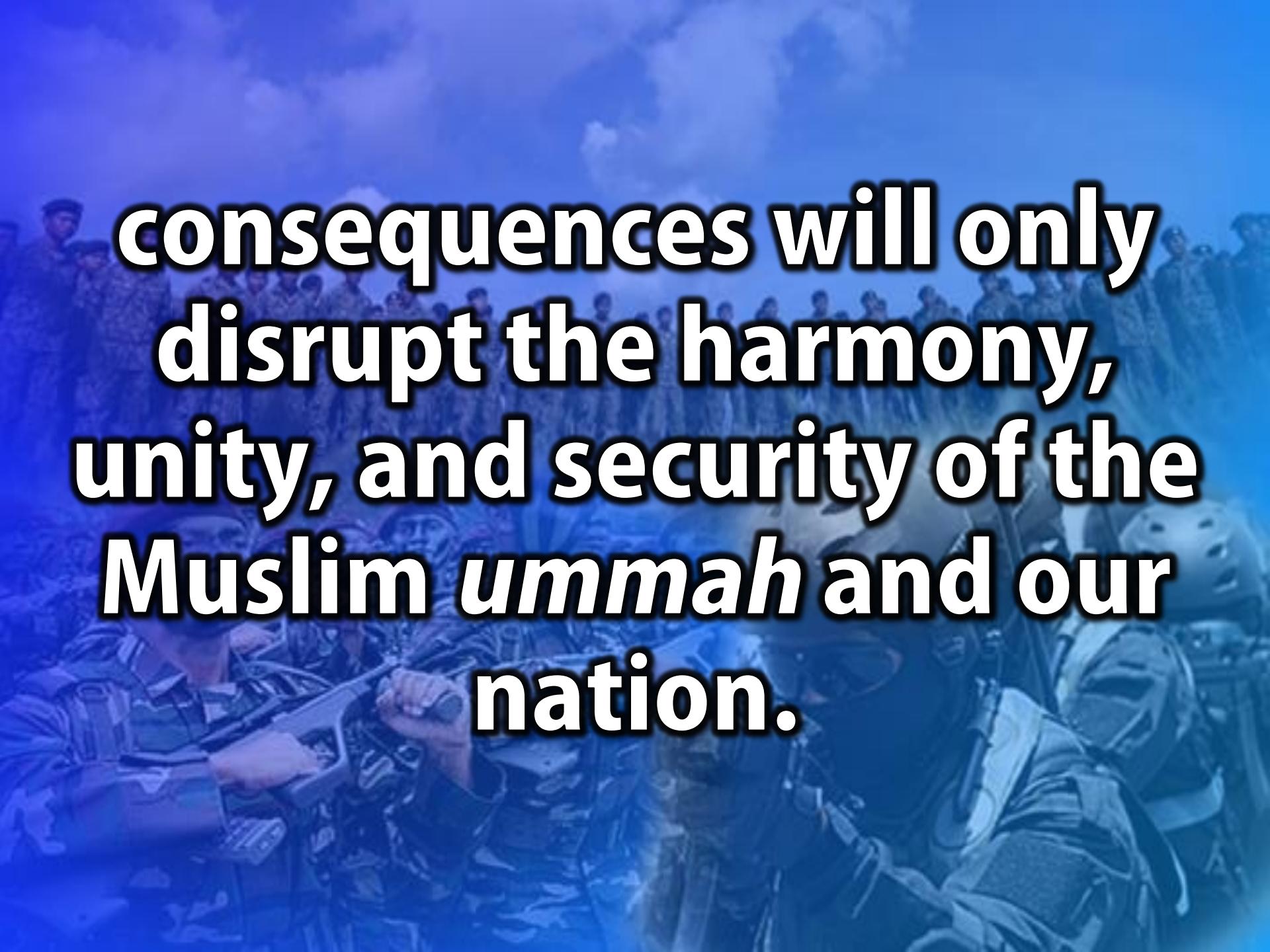


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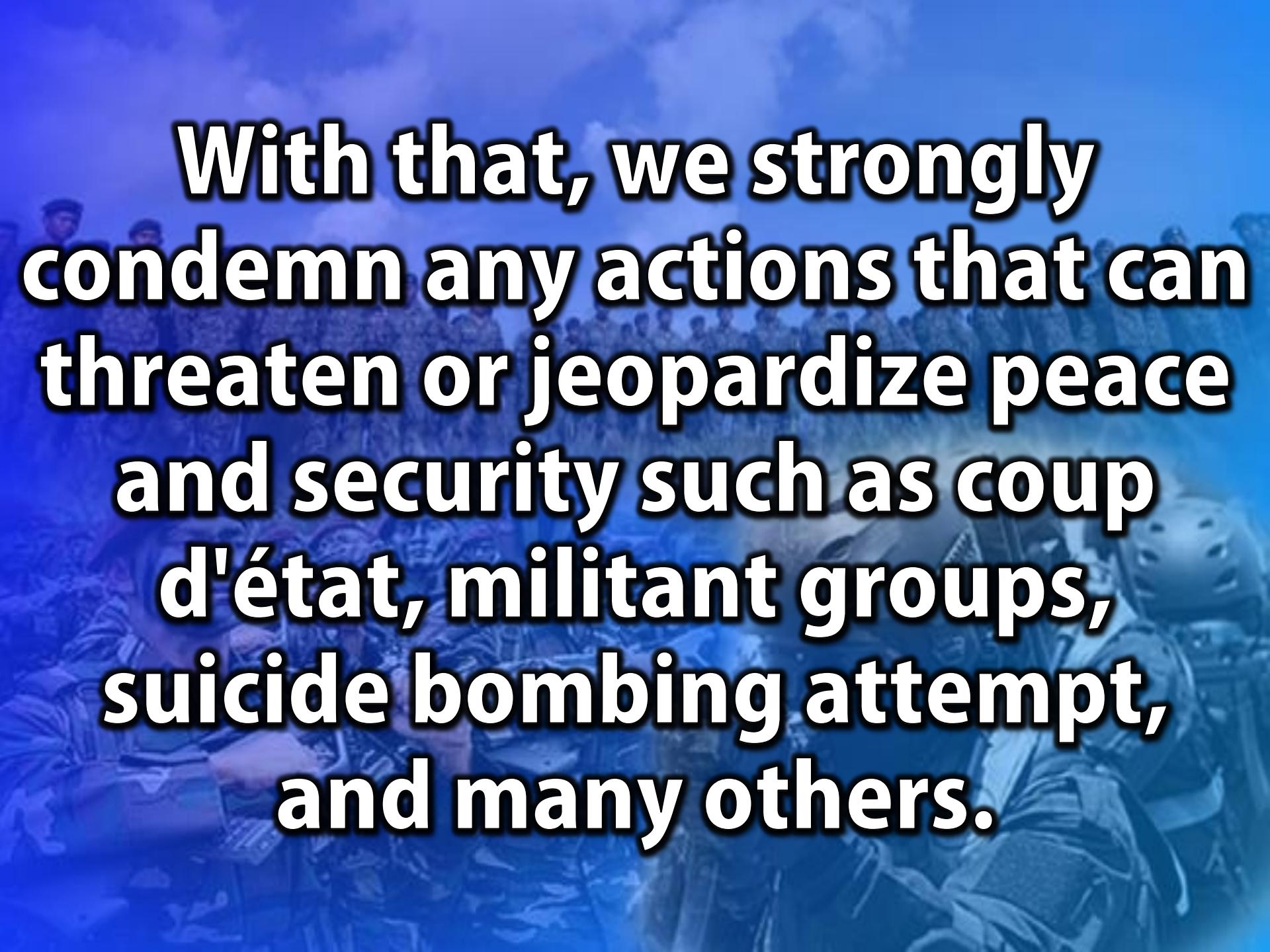


Once again, I would like to remind all of us that Islam teaches its adherents to remain moderate in every actions and deeds. As Muslims, we are to manifest noble *akhlaaq*, having utmost personality and attitude

for Rasulullah ﷺ was sent
to perfect *akhlaaq* and as
mercy for the entire mankind
and the worlds. At the same
time, the Muslims are to
avoid any form of deviant
ideologies and extremism in
which its

A group of soldiers in military uniforms standing in formation, holding rifles.

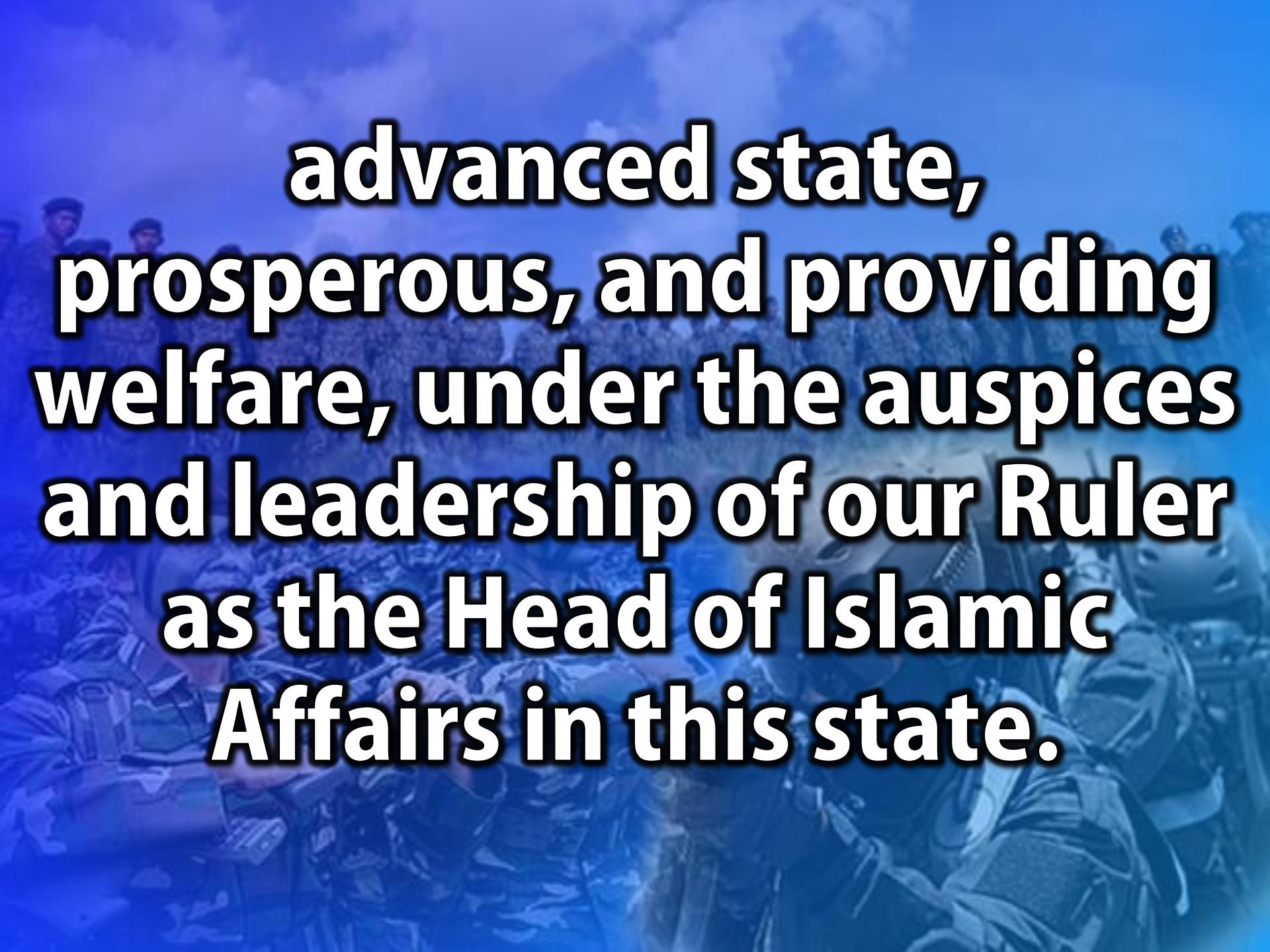
**consequences will only
disrupt the harmony,
unity, and security of the
Muslim *ummah* and our
nation.**



With that, we strongly condemn any actions that can threaten or jeopardize peace and security such as coup d'état, militant groups, suicide bombing attempt, and many others.

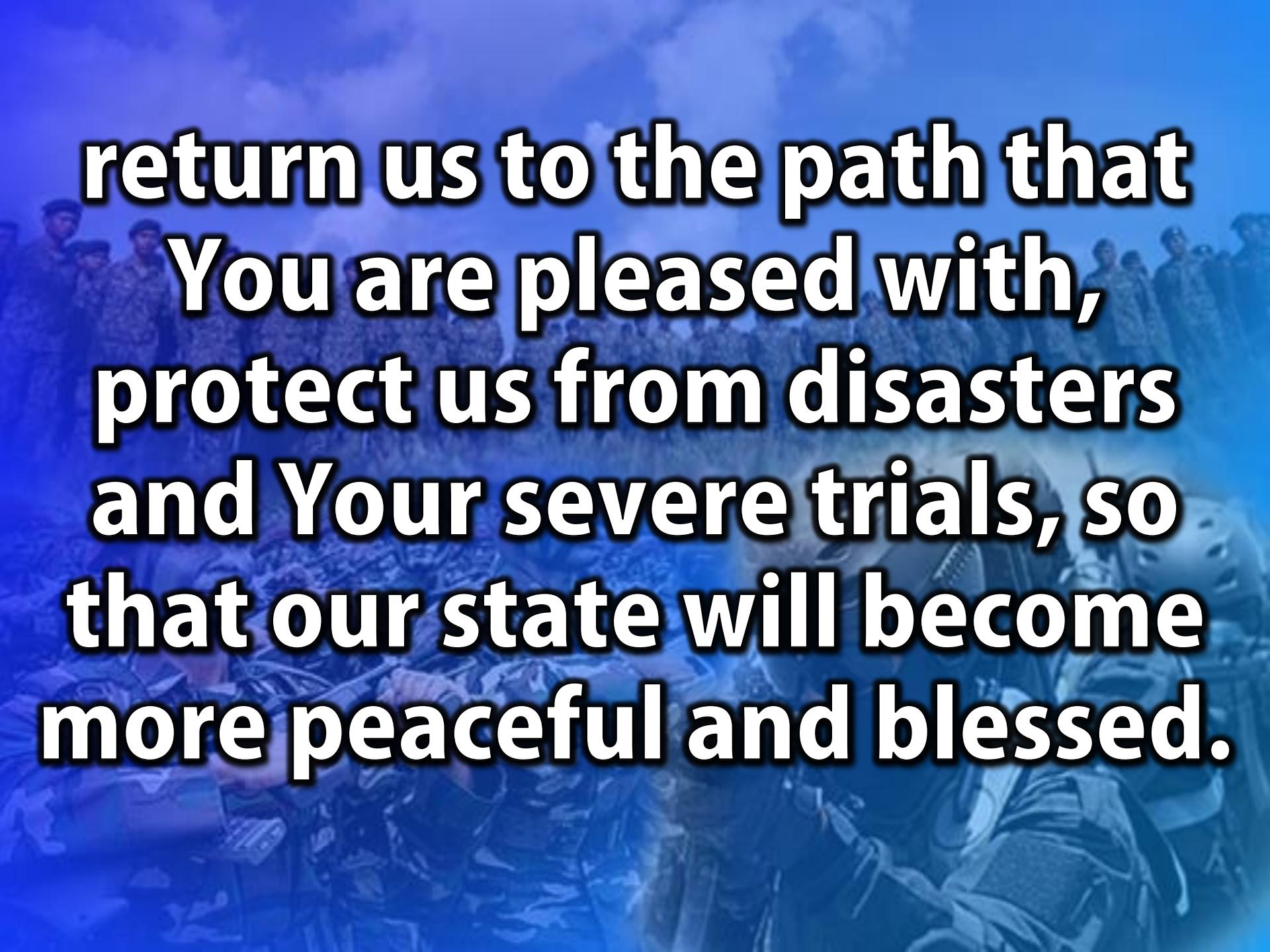
Therefore, the Muslim *ummah* must remain vigilant upon various elements that are poisoning and influencing students into committing acts of violence anywhere, especially at the houses of worship.

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

A blue-toned photograph of a group of people, likely a religious gathering or procession. In the foreground, several individuals are visible, including a man in a white robe and a red turban, and a woman in a white headscarf and a pink dress. Behind them, more people are seen in similar attire, some wearing green and others in darker colors. The background is slightly blurred, suggesting a large crowd.

**advanced state,
prosperous, and providing
welfare, under the auspices
and leadership of our Ruler
as the Head of Islamic
Affairs in this state.**

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,

A blue-toned photograph of a group of soldiers in camouflage uniforms standing in a formation, likely a military base or training ground. They are looking towards the right of the frame.

**return us to the path that
You are pleased with,
protect us from disasters
and Your severe trials, so
that our state will become
more peaceful and blessed.**

O Allah, we sincerely beseech You, strengthen our beliefs according to the creed of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal Jamaa'ah*, and protect us from the practices and 'aqeedah that are astray such as *Shee'ah*, *Qadiyaani*, and other ideologies.

O Allah, open up our hearts in fulfilling the five daily prayers, performing zakaat, and other obligations, as well as making *waqf* and *infaaq* of our wealth especially to *Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor* (*Selangor Waqf*)

Corporation) and *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor). With these deeds, O Allah, bless our lives and widen our *rizq* with perpetual rewards until the Last Day.



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