



"WELCOME O RAMADAAN"

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الصِّيَامُ كَمَا كُتِبَ عَلَى
الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ¹
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ.
اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى ءَالِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ،
فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ. قَالَ
اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. Let us also increase our *salawaat* (blessings) upon Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. In addition to always striving to perform all of his *sunnah*, may we all attain the pleasure of Allah in this world and the Hereafter.

Today's *khutbah* is titled "**WELCOME O RAMADAAN**".

Dear blessed audience,

Whether we realize or not, the presence of the much awaited Ramadaan has now arrived. As believers, we will definitely realize that it is a mercy from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* bestowed upon His slaves. Furthermore, we truly comprehend that Ramadaan does not come "empty-handed", but instead it is filled with great rewards and even overflowing with rewards that are multifold from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Hence, it is only proper for us to embrace the arrival of Ramadaan this time around by honoring it and increase our righteous deeds.

Ramadaan is a month of *'ibaadah* (worship) and *tarbiyyah* (education), a month that teaches every Muslim individual to return in full servitude to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. The *'ibaadah* of fasting, as an example, is not just about refraining one self from hunger and thirst, but it also intends to educate the eyes from gazing upon impermissible matters, the ears from listening to backbiting, the tongue from uttering *fitnah* (slander), lies, and filthy words, the hands from performing sinful acts and disobedience, the private parts from committing disobedience, and the feet from heading towards evil and transgression. Verily, fasting teaches us to inculcate *ihsaan* (constantly mindful of Allah) by making all of our limbs to worship for the sake of Allah, *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and fulfilling the religious duties with full sincerity.

It is truly hoped that the arrival of Ramadaan this time around will enable us to achieve the true objectives of fasting, which is to become individuals having increasing

¹ al-Baqarah 2:183



imaan and firm *taqwa* as compared to the previous Ramadaan. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 183 of soorah al-Baqarah:

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"O you who have believed, decreed upon you is fasting as it was decreed upon those before you that you may become righteous."

Dear blessed Muslims,

In this month, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* grants golden opportunities to those having believed to earn multiplied rewards and the door of forgiveness is left wide open in accepting *tawbah* (repentance) from His slaves.

This is based on the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, where Rasulullah ﷺ said:

مَنْ صَامَ رَمَضَانَ إِيمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهِ

"Whoever fasted the month of Ramadaan out of sincere faith (i.e. belief) and hoping for a reward from Allah, then all his past sins will be forgiven..."
(*al-Bukhaari*)

This *hadeeth* describes the special status of Ramadaan and the vastness of the opportunity to earn rewards and forgiveness from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, for His slaves having *taqwa*.

Dear noble guests of Allah,

Take heed! From the healthcare standpoint, fasting is the best technique in preserving the body from various illnesses. Dr. Hisham Ibrahim Al-Khatib mentioned in his book "*Al-Waafee Fee At-Tib*" (الْوَأَفِي فِي الطِّبِّ) that fasting provides an opportunity for the internal organs within the body to rectify the digestive system. It also provides the most effective remedy for chronic diseases such as high blood pressure, increased fat and sugar level in the blood system. Let us ponder upon the greatness of the wisdom of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, in ordaining His slaves to fast.

Dear blessed audience,

There are several preparations to be made in embracing Ramadaan that will soon dawn upon us, among them:

First: Equipped with authentic knowledge.

Every Muslim individual is obligated to seek authentic knowledge pertaining worship, specifically *'ibaadah* that has been legislated for the month of Ramadaan. The preparation of having authentic knowledge is very important because it will provide



explanation regarding the validity or not of one's *'ibaadah* in the Sight of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. With authentic knowledge, one will be able to know the virtues of *'ibaadah* in Ramadaan, as well as *rukhsah* (concession) relating to those *'ibaadah*. Be sure to ask learned Muslim scholars regarding specific rulings or matters that we have no knowledge about. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 43 of soorah an-Nahl:

... فَسْأَلُوا أَهْلَ الذِّكْرِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٤٣﴾

"...So ask the people of the message if you do not know."

Second: The spiritual preparation.

This preparation involves practices for the purification of the soul, by having self-sincerity in preparing to fully abide by the commands of Allah, performing supererogatory acts such as the *taraweeh* prayer, making *istighfaar* (seeking forgiveness), making *dhikr*, reciting al-Qur'an, sending *salawaat*, performing *qiyaam al-layl*, performing *i'tikaaf*, non-obligatory fasting, and many others. This matter is important for it will help facilitate one in continuing to meet the spiritual demands in Ramadaan. We are also highly recommended to make *tawbah* for all of the sins committed, in seeking His Pleasure. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 31 of soorah an-Noor:

... وَتُوبُوا إِلَى اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا أَيُّهَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ ﴿٣١﴾

"... And turn to Allah in repentance, all of you, O believers, that you might succeed."

Third: The physical preparation.

To perform the *'ibaadah* in the month of Ramadaan, we must ensure the cleanliness in our dwelling and place of *'ibaadah*, and that our own body is healthy and capable of performing *'ibaadah* even in the state of hunger and thirst. Because of that, the *'ibaadah* of fasting is not only specified in Ramadaan, but it is also highly recommended in other months as supererogatory fasting. The physically strong and capable believers who will be able to carry out their *'ibaadah* with perfection are more beloved to Allah compared to weak believers. From the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

الْمُؤْمِنُ الْقَوِيُّ خَيْرٌ وَأَحَبُّ إِلَى اللَّهِ مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِ الضَّعِيفِ

"A strong believer is better and is more lovable to Allah than a weak believer..."

(Muslim)

Dear blessed audience,

To conclude the *khutbah*, let us derive several lessons, among them:



1. Every Muslim is obligated to have belief that the fasting of Ramadaan is *wajib* (obligatory) upon every sane male and female, except for those who are sick or unable to do so.
2. It is *wajib* upon every Muslim to have certainty that all of the commands from Allah are to be fulfilled with diligence, sincerity, and perfection.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must equip themselves with authentic knowledge, spirituality, and physicality that are sound, so as to attain perfection in *'ibadah* throughout Ramadaan.
4. The Muslim *ummah* must abstain from being excessive and wasteful when eating and drinking during *iftaar*.
5. The Muslim *ummah* must increase in supererogatory prayers, Qur'anic recitation, giving charity, and fulfilling the *zakaat*.

May our Ramadaan this year serve as the turning point in our own selves, our family, society, and the Muslim *ummah*, unto becoming excellent and steadfast. Furthermore, may Allah grant us the permission to proceed into Paradise without any restrictions and obstacles.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
أَرْجِعِي إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ رَاضِيَةً مَّرْضِيَّةً ﴿٢٨﴾ فَأَدْخُلِي فِي عِبَادِي ﴿٢٩﴾ وَأَدْخُلِي جَنَّتِي ﴿٣٠﴾

"Return to your Lord, well-pleased and pleasing [to Him], And enter among My [righteous] servants. And enter My Paradise."

(al-Fajr 89:28-30)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ
الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.
أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ،
فَأَسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.

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THE SECOND KHUTBAH

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Dear blessed audience,

Once again, I would like to remind all of us to always have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and realize that Islam teaches us 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. Therefore, let us always increase our *salawaat* and *salaam* upon our Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا.

اَللّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اَللّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اَللّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ أَنْ وَصَفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى لَكَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمَ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَا غُورِ، سُلْطَانِ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانِ سُلْطَانِ سَلا حُ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اَللّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، صَلَا غُورِ، تَغْكُو أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانِ مَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِي عَهْدِ سَلا وَالصِّحَّةِ وَالسَّلا حِ وَعَافِيَةِ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا شَرَفُ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَا



د، لَ وَإِكْرَام. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمَوْظَفَيْنِ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ الْجَلَا
وَبَلِّغْ مَقاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

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 the state of Selangor, as an 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* and creed according to that of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*, accept our righteous deeds, cultivate our soul with good mannerisms, unite our hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from disasters and save us from deviant teachings such as *Shee'ah*, *Qadiyaani*, and other teachings deemed as deviating from Islamic teachings or contradicting the creed of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*. O Allah, open up our hearts in performing the five daily prayers, fulfilling *zakaat* through *Lembaga Zakat Selangor* (Selangor Zakaat Board), making *waqf* and *infaaq* of our wealth to *Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor* (Selangor Waqf Corporation), and *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor).

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا
ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ.

عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ
وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٠﴾

فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَىٰ نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ
فَضْلِهِ ۚ يُعْطِيكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.
