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JABATAN AGAMA ISLAM SELANGOR

THE NIGHT OF A THOUSAND MONTHS



I implore on all of us to strive to
increase our *taqwa* of Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala by
performing all of His
Commands and abstaining from
all of His prohibitions.

Let us increase our
remembrance of Allah
Subhaanahu Wata 'aala, and
increase our *salawaat* and
salaam upon our beloved
Prophet Muhammad *sallAllahu*
'alayhi wasallam,

in addition to always striving to perform all of his *sunnah*. We truly hope that this will bring upon us benefit in this world and the Hereafter. On this blessed day, let us ponder upon the *khutbah* titled: ***“The Night Of A Thousand Months.”***

The night of a thousand month
or also referred to as *Laylatul
Qadr* in al-Qur'an is indeed a
very special night, granted by
Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*
only to the *ummah* of
Muhammad

*sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam. As
it was mentioned in al-Qur'an:*

**”Indeed, We sent it down
during a blessed night.**

**Indeed, We were to warn
[mankind].”**

(ad-Dukhaan 44:3)

Laylatul Qadr reminds the Muslim *ummah* upon the historical event regarding the revelation of al-Qur'an. On this blessed night, Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* sent down al-Qur'an to Prophet

Muhamad *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* to be spread to the entire mankind. This al-Qur'an contains the greatest miracle that becomes the manual, guidance, and mentor for mankind in

attaining a life that is peaceful,
prosperous, and eternal until the
realm of the Hereafter. Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
mentions in al-Qur'an:

**“This is the Book about
which there is no doubt, a
guidance for those
conscious of Allah.”**

(al-Baqarah 2:2)

The revelation of al-Qur'an is not for mere admiration or to be recited only in *Ramadaan* or certain occasions, but instead it is the very duty for the Muslim *ummah* to practice and

implement upon its teachings.
All the commands mentioned
are not only pertaining to
specific *'ibaadah* that are
personal in nature, but also
touches upon aspects of societal
living

including matters of *mu'ammalaat*, punishment, and governance. Hence, practicing upon al-Qur'an must be implemented in totality without omitting even a tiny bit of the

commands prescribed.

We as Muslims must always strive to comprehend and ponder upon the contents of al-Qur'an to our level best. In this regard, Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala has*

mentioned that:

“[This is] a blessed Book which We have revealed to you, [O Muhammad], that they might reflect upon its verses and that those of understanding would be reminded.”

(Saad 38:29)

By contemplating upon the
verses of al-Qur'an, our hearts
will be trembled by the
warnings from Allah

Subhaanahu Wata'aala upon
the transgressors, hence
propelling us to obey all of His
Commands and avoiding all of
His prohibitions. Our obedience
towards His Orders will cause
our heart

will cause our hearts to be
peaceful and tranquil,
furthermore assuring
blissfulness in our lives of this
world and the Hereafter.
However it is very unfortunate
that we find

many within the Muslim *ummah*
that refuse to seek happiness
through the teachings of al-
Qur'an. Not to mention that a
portion of the Muslims are still
unable to recite al-Qur'an so
what

more to understand and practice
upon them. The refusal and
failure of the Muslim *ummah* in
contemplating upon al-Qur'an
is the very reason to all the
various crises

that are destroying their *akhlaaq*
and *'aqeedah*. When al-Qur'an
is not made as the comforter of
the heart, it will only be
replaced by worldly
entertainment that excites the
heart, causing the person to

become negligent, careless, and
abandons al-Qur'an from his
lives. Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala mentions in al-
Qur'an:

**“Indeed, those who disbelieve
in the message after it has
come to them (shall receive
the punishment). And indeed,
it is a mighty Book.”**

(al-Fussilat 41:41)

Thus, it behoove us to appreciate the gift of al-Qur'an's revelation on the night of *Laylatul Qadr* by preserving and ennobling it to the utmost level in the overall structure of human

lives. Al-Qur'an must be made
as the manual in our lives,
beginning from ourselves, our
family members, our
community, and ultimately in
our ruling and governance.

Laylatul Qadr that was chosen
by Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*
for the revelation of al-Qur'an
is itself a gift unequaled
bestowed upon the *ummah*
living at the End of Time.

That is why Rasulullah
sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam
strongly encouraged his *ummah*
to strive in attaining the reward
of *Laylatul Qadr*. This was
mentioned in the *hadeeth* of
'A'ishah

radiyAllaahu ‘anha where he
sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam
mentioned:

**“Look for *Laylatul Qadr* in the
last ten nights of *Ramadaan*.”**

[Muslim]

The final phase of *Ramadaan* should be utilized to the max in seeking *Laylatul Qadr*, a blessed night that is more virtuous than a thousand month, specially made for the slaves

that are craving nearness to
Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*.

Aside from the *'ibaadah* of
fasting, there are various deeds
that can be performed, among
them:

1- Increasing the *tilaawah* (recitation) of al-Qur'an with *tadabbur* (contemplation), studying, and reflecting upon its contents.

2- Increasing in *sadaqah* (charity) throughout the

entire month of *Ramadaan*.

3- *Istiqamah* upon the practice of *qiyaam al-layl* as it was recommended by Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam*, whether performed in *jamaa'ah*
in

the masjid and *surau* or with family members at home.

4- Increasing many other supererogatory acts (*naafilah*) such as the *rawaatib sunnah*, *taraweeh*, and others.

5- Attending and frequenting circles of knowledge that are held at various *masaajid* or *suraus*.

All these deeds and many other
good deeds, if performed with
diligence
and full sincerity, *insha Allah*
will assist us in finding *Laylatul*
Qadr.

Indeed *Laylatul Qadr* is from among the *ni'mah* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* that is enormous in reward without time specification, so that it will motivate us to race in

performing good deeds and
'ibaadah to Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala. However, it is rather
unfortunate when we find many
Muslims today are too
preoccupied with the

preparation for *'eidulfitr* instead
of seizing the opportunity to
seek *Laylatul Qadr* which
appears only once a year.
Whereas its reward is far greater
when compared to our lifespan

where many of us won't even reach a thousand months.

Hence, it is incumbent upon us to be thankful for the gift of *Laylatul Qadr* just like the gift of al-Qur'an.

Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala
mentions in al-Qur'an:

**“And [remember] when your
Lord proclaimed, ‘If you are
grateful,**

**I will surely increase you [in
favor]; but if you deny,
indeed, My punishment is
severe.””**

(Ibraaheem 14:7)

Our token of appreciation and gratefulness for the bounty of *Laylatul Qadr* is manifested by enlivening the final nights of *Ramadaan* with *'ibaadah* as it was prescribed by Rasulullah

sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam.

Therefore, in the midst of our busy preparation for *'eidulfitr*, it is unbecoming for us to neglect or abandon a great and unmissable bounty from Allah

Subhaanahu Wata 'aala that is
Laylat al-Qadr. We must be
wise in dividing our time in the
preparation for *'eid* and
'ibaadah to Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata 'aala, especially in the
noble effort

to seek *Laylatul Qadr* in these last ten nights. With such wisdom, we will not be left out by *Laylatul Qadr* just like that, and at the same time will celebrate 'eidulfitr with perfection.

Indeed, *Ramadaan* will leave us
in just a matter of days.
Therefore, let us strive to
increase our deeds and make
du'a to The Almighty so that we
will find *Laylatul Qadr* in this
blessed month.

Let us practice upon the *du'a* that was taught by Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* as it was narrated by 'A'ishah *radiyAllaahu 'anha* when she inquired from him:

“O Messenger of Allah! What if I knew which night *Laylatul Qadr* was, then what should I say in it?” He said, “Say: *‘Allahumma innaka*

*‘affuwwun tuhibbul ‘afwa
fa‘fu ‘annee.’* (O Allah indeed
You are the Pardoner, You
love to Pardon, so Pardon
me).”

(at-Tirmidhi and ibn Maajah: *saheeh*)

“Is one who is devoutly obedient during periods of the night, prostrating and standing [in prayer], fearing the Hereafter and hoping for the mercy of his Lord, [like one who does

not]? 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 اللهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ وَنَفَعَنِي
وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلْ
مِنِي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ
قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ 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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