



#### THE GLORIOUS

AL-QUR'AN



increase our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala by increasing our obedience in fulfilling all of

His Commands, whether waajib (obligatory) or sunnah (recommended), and avoiding all of His prohibitions, whether haraam (impermissible) or makrooh (reprehensible).

### The topic of today's khutbah is "The Glorious Al-Qur'an."

Al-Qur'an is kalaamullaah (Word of Allah) that was revealed to Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله ) through Jibreel 'alayhissalaam. The main mission for al-Qur'an is to build, develop, and

refine the akhlaaq of mankind to having imaan in Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala. Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala has explained regarding the role of al-Qur'an, among them as

He mentioned: "O mankind, there has to come to you instruction from your Lord and healing for what is in the breasts and guidance and mercy for the believers." (Yoonus 10:57)

It was narrated that ibn 'Abbaas *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma* said:

"Allah sent the Qur'an down all at once from the Preserved Tablet (al-Lawh al-Mahfoozh)

to the House of Might (Bayt al-'Izzah), which is in the heaven of this world, on Laylat al-Qadr. Then Allah sent it down to the Messenger of Allah (صلى الله ) bit by bit." (an-Nasaa'i)

Al-Qur'an has placed 'ageedah as the foundation of human lives, which is the certainty while wading through lives by fully relying upon Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala in all aspects such

as politics, economics, education, and social. As examples:

1- In economics, the Muslims are to cultivate all of the available economic resources such as land,

capital, and skills for agriculture, commerce, and others. Aside from fulfilling living needs (nafaqah), its excess can be kept and spent in the path of Allah such as zakaat, waqf, sadaqah, and

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

"O you who have believed, spend from the good things which you have earned and from that which We have

#### produced for you from the earth..." (al-Baqarah 2:267)

2- In the realm of education,
Islam obligates every male and
female to seek knowledge, for it
is a vital

weapon that is necessary for devotion to Allah and developing an advanced nation. The objective of Islamic education is to enable every Muslim to be equipped with knowledge,

skills, and supreme akhlaaq. It is not just to garner worldly knowledge, but more important than that, al-Qur'an guides mankind unto becoming Rabbaani individuals that are

beneficial to the society and nation. Hence, Allah elevates the status of the knowledgeable ones with nobility and privileges. Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala mentions in al-Qur'an:

"...Allah will raise those who have believed among you and those who were given knowledge, by degrees. And Allah is Acquainted with what (al-Mujaadalah you do."

58:11)

3- In the development of various disciplines of knowledge, al-Qur'an functions as a source of reference for it sums up the concept of knowledge that is shumool (comprehensive).

An example would be the field of astronomy. Such the reason why al-Qur'an encourages mankind to comprehend and ponder upon the creation of the universe, so that we will

realize and appreciate the greatness of Allah, whom created and governs the celestial system in this universe. Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala mentions in al-Qur'an:

"It is He who made the sun a shining light and the moon a derived light and determined for it phases - that you may know the number of years and account [of time]..." (Yoonus 10:5)

4- In physics, al-Qur'an challenges the physicists to uncover the secrets of nature. One major field of study in physics is regarding the light. The position of the light is vital because not only

it enable humans to see, it actually has a mass that provides information or indication regarding the state of a particular solid (atom, nicol), just like noor hidaayah (light of guidance)

# as guidance from Allah. Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala mentions in al-Qur'an:

"And the sun runs [on course] toward its stopping point.
That is the determination of the

Exalted in Might, the Knowing. And the moon - We have determined for it phases, until it returns [appearing] like the old date stalk." (Ya-Seen 36:38-39)

Allah had revealed al-Qur'an as guidance and reminder so that mankind will realize that in this life, we do not have absolute freedom in pursuing whatever the heart desire. There is higher authority that

governs and determines. Humans can only strive and endeavor. Humans can only plan, but everything is in the Hands of Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala.

Hence, the role of al-Qur'an, that when we are searching for guidance that leads to the Truth, the answer is none other than to follow the teachings of al-Qur'an. Similarly if we want to

evaluate a particular matter whether it is beneficial or detrimental, permissible or not by Allah, then the most correct answer is that everything is outlined in al-Qur'an.

Today we are living in loss, because we understand very little when it comes to the content of al-Qur'an. Many can recite al-Qur'an very well without comprehending its meaning.

From young until old age, we only learn to recite al-Qur'an properly. Hence, we do not understand the guidance of al-Qur'an. There are those that actually do away with the teachings of

al-Qur'an. The social ill that have plagued the Muslim ummah today is a prime example, resulting from the Muslims disregarding teachings from al-Qur'an. Statistics indicating Muslims

that are involved in social evils such as fornication, rape, bribery, theft, consuming intoxicants, gambling, and many others, is definitely humiliating. It clearly shows that they have

undoubtedly transgressed against the teachings of al-Qur'an. Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala has given them stern warning that they will be punished in this world for doing Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala mentions in al-Qur'an: "And whoever turns away from My remembrance indeed, he will have a depressed life, and We will

## gather him on the Day of Resurrection blind." (Ta-Ha 20:124)

Let us perform muhaasabah upon ourselves, with regret and remorse. Have we actually benefited from the roles of al-Qur'an or not? Are our hearts still shut from upholding al-Qur'an as the

very foundation of our lives? Or are we only accepting portions pertaining to 'ibaadah rituals but not in other aspects? It is imperative for us to address these problems to our own

selves, for they are closely intertwined with our status being Muslims. Rasulullah (صلى الله ) had given reminder to those that neglected teachings from al-Qur'an. It was narrated from

ibn 'Abbaas radiyAllaahu 'anhuma, that Rasulullah (عليه وسلم) said: "Verily, a person who does not have any al-Qur'an in his heart is like an empty house."

(at-Tirmidhi: hasan saheeh)

Imagine the empty heart, living without guidance and clear purpose. How unfortunate for those souls, though physicalwise their needs are met, only to feel emptiness and frustration

spiritually. That is the effect upon those who are not firm upon the correct 'aqeedah and deriving guidance and lessons from al-Qur'an.

Therefore, let us strive to increase our imaan unto Allah Subhaanahu Wata aala and al-Qur'an through some of these measures:

1- Ensure that our children

- and family members can recite al-Qur'an properly.
- 2- Always strive to understand the contents of al-Qur'an by studying books of *tafseer* with a learned teacher.

3- Always organizing classes and tafseer lessons at masaajid, suraus, offices, and at home in cultivating our community to understand the contents of al-Qur'an, which serves as

guidance for all.

4- We must remain united in upholding the sanctity of al-Qur'an, and clarifying to those that attempt to distort its meanings from the actual interpretation.

"Indeed, We have sent it down as an Arabic Qur'an that you might understand." (Yoosuf 12:2)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الأَبَاتِ وَالذُّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنْي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلْاوَتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ أَقُولُ قُولِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغُوْرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِر الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوْهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ

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.

O Allah, we implore upon you, keep us steadfast upon the methodology of Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamaa'ah, and protect us from 'ageedah and practices that are misguided and deviated such as extreme Shee'ism, Qaadiyani, and others.

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.

and also those that have given away and endowed (waqt) their wealth to the Selangor Islamic Development Trust Fund (Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor) with eternal rewards until the Hereafter.

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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