



THE BELOVED

ONES TO ATLAH ATLAH

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Let us strive to increase our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions, sincerely hoping to attain

blissfulness in this world and the Hereafter.

Let us altogether internalize today's *khutbah* entitled: "The Beloved Ones To Allah."

Allah has created His creations in various forms, shapes, and circumstances. Some are seen as beautiful and some seen as unappealing through the naked eye.

Similarly with the creation of humans, there are those are beloved to Allah, and there are those that incur His Wrath. Among those that are beloved to Allah:

1- Those having taqwa (al-Muttagoon) They are those that are constantly fulfilling their promise to Allah in becoming slaves that are always obedient and

adhering in fulfilling His Commands and avoiding His prohibitions. Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala promises His Love for the muttagoon. Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala

mentions in al-Qur'an: "But yes, whoever fulfills his commitment and fears Allah - then indeed, Allah loves those who fear Him."

(Aal-'Imraan 3:76)

2- The good-doers (al-Muhsinoon)

Among the good deeds that earn them the love of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala are as mentioned in the verse:

"Who spend [in the cause of Allah] during ease and hardship and who restrain anger and who pardon the people - and Allah loves the doers of good."

(Aal-'Imraan 3:134)

3- Those that purify themselves (al-Mutatahharoon) and truly repents (at-Tawwaaboon) The mutatahharoon are those that are always purifying and cleansing

themselves from any physical (zhaahiriyyah) impurities. For example: being free from having impurities at one's location, clothing, food, and drink. They are also those that are

always purifying their souls by avoiding sins and disobedience.

The *tawwaaboon* are those that purify themselves through repentance to Allah *Subhaanahu Wata 'aala* from

all form of sins and disobedience committed. These two groups are truly beloved to Allah. Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala mentions in al-Qur'an:

"...Indeed, Allah loves those who are constantly repentant and loves those who purify themselves."

(al-Baqarah 2:222)

Rasulullah (صلى الله) has also mentioned that the best son of Adam that are sinful are those that truly repent for the sins that they have committed. It was narrated from Anas

radiyAllaahu 'anh that:

Rasulullah (عليه وسلم) said:

"Every son of Adam commits sin, and the best of those who commit sin are those who repent."

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

4- Those that are patient (as-Saabiroon)

Patience in the wake of various trials in life is never an easy thing. At times, attaining the love of Allah necessitates patience by

sacrificing the wealth, energy, time, and even one's life for the sake of Islam. Ponder upon what Allah mentions regarding the patience of the followers of the previous prophets.

They did not succumb to fear and worries in defending the religion, ultimately earning the love of Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala.

Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala mentions in

al-Qur'an:

"And how many a prophet [fought and] with him fought many religious scholars. But they never lost assurance due to what afflicted them in the cause

of Allah, nor did they weaken or submit. And Allah loves the steadfast."

(Aal-'Imraan 3:146)

5- Those that are just (al-Muqsitoon)

Being just and firm in deciding upon matters according to the *Sharee 'ah* of Allah is greatly emphasized in Islam.

However, one may succumb to worldly temptations in the form of material gain, stature, and women in becoming unjust while making judgments. Being just in all matters is a

command from Allah and those upholding justice will attain His Love. Allah mentions in al-Qur'an: "...And if you judge,

judge between them with justice. Indeed, Allah loves those who act justly."

(al-Maa'idah 5:42)

6- Those having full reliance upon Allah (al-Mutawakkiloon) Those having tawakkal are those that place their hope solely upon the decree of Allah Subhaanahu

Wata 'aala after exerting efforts striving to achieve the intended objectives. They have full certainty that whatever good and bad are all from Allah. Hence, as believers, the qadr of Allah

upon all matters must be accepted with full pleasure and contentment so that we will become among those having tawakkal, attaining the love of Allah. Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala

mentions in al-Qur'an: "... And when you have decided, then rely upon Allah. Indeed, Allah loves those who rely [upon Him]."

(Aal-'Imraan 3:159)

Among those beloved by Allah also are those that truly inculcate the personality of Rasulullah (صلى الله) in all aspects, whether in matters pertaining the family, society, and governance.

Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala has clearly stated to us in al-Qur'an that emulating the akhlaaq of Rasulullah (عليه وسلم) is a condition and a sign of our obedience to Allah, furthermore attains

His Love. Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala mentions in al-Qur'an: "Say, [O Muhammad], "If you should love Allah, then follow me, [so] Allah will

love you and forgive you your sins. And Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.""

(Aal-'Imraan 3:31)

Among the signs that evidently shows that one has attained the love of Allah is that he becomes close to the religion of Allah. This means that if one is always engaged in salaah, always attending

knowledge circles, loves listening to religious advices, always reciting al-Qur'an, always performing righteous deeds, and hates acts of disobedience and heedlessness, then it is a sign

of love Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala towards that person. Narrated 'Abdullah ibn Mas'ood radiyAllaahu'anh: Rasulullah (عليه وسلم) said: "... Allah Most High gives

worldly things to those whom He loves and those whom He does not love, but He gives religion only to those whom He loves, so he who is given religion by Allah has been loved by Him..."

(Ahmad)

Aside from the groups mentioned, there are other ones that are also loved by Allah. In general, we can conclude that whoever

amongst His slaves that fulfills all of His Commands and avoids all of His prohibitions, as well as striving to uphold Islam and the Sharee 'ah, then they will attain the love of Allah.

Hence, I implore all of us to strive our utmost in earning the love of Allah. May we all become among those attaining salvation in this world and the Hereafter.

"But among them is he who says, "Our Lord, give us in this world [that which is] good and in the Hereafter

[that which is] good and protect us from the punishment of the Fire.""

(al-Baqarah 2:201)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الأَبَاتِ وَالذَّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلاوَتَهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيْمُ. أَقُولُ قُوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِر الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الأُحْبَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالأُمُواتُ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ

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 practicing and

upholding Islam. The Muslim ummah should become the exemplary nation that brings mercy to the entire 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

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 'ageedah 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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