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RIGHTEOUS

CHILDREN – THE

PARENTS' VITAL

ASSET



Let us strive to increase our
taqwa of Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala with full certainty
and sincerity, by fulfilling all
of His Commands and
avoiding all of His

prohibitions. Verily, we truly hope to become those having *imaan* and *taqwa*, attaining salvation and blissfulness in this world and the Hereafter.

On this blessed Friday, let us
listen and internalize upon a
khutbah entitled: “*Righteous
Children – The Parents’ Vital
Asset.*”

As we all know, children are precious gifts and *amaanah* from Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*. It is an *amaanah* that is an obligation and responsibility that must be fulfilled in the best way.

Children must be protected,
raised, educated, and given all
of their due rights, so that they
will become righteous children
and beneficial in this world
and the Hereafter. From this
we should realize

that only righteous children can provide benefit to their parents whether in this world or the Hereafter. The rank of those parents, who were successful in raising their children unto becoming

righteous, will always rise in
the Hereafter. It will be
announced by Allah

Subhaanahu Wata'aala that
such elevated rank is due to the
du'aa of their righteous
children.

Abu Hurayrah

radhiyAllaahu 'anh reported:

Rasulullah ﷺ said:

**“When a man dies, his deeds
come to an end, except for
three: A continuous charity,**

**knowledge by which people
derive benefit, pious son who
prays for him.”**

(Muslim)

**From here, it is evident that
righteous children are vital
assets to the parents in**

determining the blissfulness of
life whether in this world or
the Hereafter. The obedient or
righteous children are those
having solid *imaan* and
'*aqeedah*, always having the
taqwa of

Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*,
always engaging in *'ibaadah*,
always respecting their parents
and others, possessing noble
akhlaaq, having religious
consciousness, works hard

and placing *tawakkul* in Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala,
always making *du'aa* for their
parents, and serving their
parents whether they are still
alive or deceased.

When we look at the current situation of Muslim society today, we find that the relationship between parents and children are becoming more distant. There are children that no longer

respect their parents. They do not want to listen to their parents' advice, and even more saddening, there are those that have no qualm in physically assaulting their own parents, suing them in

court, sending them off to
elderly care, and even
murdering their own parents.

This is a manifestation of
severe moral decline plaguing
the children, and if it is to be
left as is, it will

cause rupture to the family institution, society, and nation.

The question now is what is the root cause for all of that?

Who should shoulder the blame? Some actually placed the blame

upon the children and continue to punish them with various labels such as *anak derhaka* (rebellious child), ungrateful children, and others. Others would place the blame upon the parents

for not fulfilling their
responsibilities upon their
children.

In this regard, we should not
point fingers and blame any
particular sides. What is
important is that we perform

self-muhaasabah (self-reflection) upon our own selves, for each of them have their rights and obligations, as well as responsibilities.

Therefore, the parents especially must fulfill their

responsibilities and obligations
upon their children based on
what has been stipulated by the
Sharee'ah. Similarly, the
children also must fulfill their
obligations and

responsibilities towards their
parents so that they will
become children that are
righteous and beneficial in this
world and the Hereafter.

The very obligation and responsibility in the effort of rearing and grooming righteous children are shouldered upon the parents, for every child is born into this world in a clean and

pure state, free from internal impurities and affiliations. The offspring is regarded as a white cloth that can be decorated by the parents with any color they want.

The main obligation for the parents in the effort of raising righteous children is providing education especially sound Islamic knowledge. Hence, every parents are obligated and

responsible in fulfilling this duty, for only with sufficient and complete Islamic education that the children becomes fit to wade through life challenges and saving themselves from falling into

various social evils such
stealing, drug abuse,
consuming intoxicants,
gambling, and many other
activities that clearly
contradicts the *Sharee'ah*.

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

**“O you who have believed,
protect yourselves and your
families from a Fire whose
fuel is people and**

**stones, over which are
[appointed] angels, harsh
and severe; they do not
disobey Allah in what He
commands them but do what
they are commanded.”**

(at-Tahreem 66:6)

We must realize that the parents, having the status as leaders or head of the family, are obligated and responsible in creating an Islamic environment within the family, which is by

practicing or inculcating
Islamic teachings conveyed by
Rasulullah ﷺ such as
praying in congregation,
having meals together, reciting
al-Qur'an regularly, spreading
the *salaam*

(greetings), and many others.

The parents are obligated to monitor the children, especially in their socialization with their peers, for the children's heart and behavior are easily

influenced by their peers. A good company will leave a positive impact and develops the children to become good.

On the contrary, a bad company will leave a negative impact and destroys

the children's personality.
Furthermore, the parents must
always take great care and
monitor their children, even
admonishing them if they
display improper behavior and
conduct,

what more with matters that
clearly contradicts the
Sharee'ah.

The children also have
obligations and responsibilities
toward their parents. They
must always

obey their parents and respect them all the time. It is forbidden for the children to utter unpleasant words that can offend their parents. It is *waajib* upon the children to care and provide support

to their parents in their late age. The responsibility of the children upon their parents is actually a command to serve and do good to the parents, mentioned together with the command to worship and

perform *'ibaadah* to Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala.
Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*
mentions in al-Qur'an:

**“Worship Allah and
associate nothing with
Him, and to parents do
good...”**

(an-Nisaa’ 4:36)

As lessons and reflections
derived from this *khutbah*:
1- The Muslim *ummah* must
effectively educate their
children, consistent with
Islamic teachings.

2- The parents must become good exemplary for their children.

3- The parents must monitor their children's actions and activities so as to prevent them from falling into

disobedience and criminal activities.

4- The parents must remain open upon receiving news or reports regarding their children.

5- Treat the children like best friends, in creating a family atmosphere that is filled with peace and harmony.

**“And those who believed
and whose descendants
followed them in faith - We
will join with them their
descendants, and We will
not deprive**

**them of anything of their
deeds. Every person, for
what he earned, is
retained.”**

(at-Toor 52:21)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي
وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلْ
مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ. أَقُولُ
قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُوْرُ 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 which its

**consequences will only disrupt
the harmony, unity, and
security of the Muslim ummah
and our nation. Extremism will
only give negative impression
upon the nobility and holiness
of al-Islam. On the contrary,
the Muslim**

**ummah must inculcate noble
akhlaaq, having utmost
personality and attitude as true
Muslims so that the world will
know that Rasulullah (ﷺ)
was sent down as a messenger,
and Islam that was revealed is
mercy**

**for the entire nation and
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 with**

**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 *Ahlu Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*, and protect us from deeds and *'aqeedah* 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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