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RAMADAAAN: THE MONTH FOR ENHANCING 'IBAADAH



I implore upon all of us to
strive in increasing our *taqwa*
of Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala by fulfilling all of
His Commands and avoiding
all of His prohibitions.

May we all attain the pleasure
of Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala in this world and the
Hereafter.

I invite all of us to internalize
upon today's *khutbah* entitled
“*Ramadaan: The Month For*
Enhancing 'Ibaadah.”

Our lives in this world is truly
in vain if we do not attain the
pleasure and mercy of Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala. Even
worse, if all of our
wrongdoing, mistakes, and
sins committed are not

forgiven by Allah

Subhaanahu Wata'aala.

Hence, as believers, we are
recommended to always seek

forgiveness from Allah

Subhaanahu Wata'aala for

all the sins that we have

committed. Ramadaan is a month that is filled with mercy, forgiveness, and multifold rewards.

Therefore, as His slaves, we are strongly encouraged to increase our righteous deeds

so as to attain those rewards.

When Rasulullah ﷺ was still alive, he once delivered a *khutbah* at the end of Sha‘baan reminding the Muslims at that time on the superiority of Ramadaan that

is truly unmatched when compared with other months throughout the year. This meaningful *khutbah* was narrated by ibn Khuzaymah *rahimahullaah* in his *Saheeh [da'eef]*.

Among the superiority of
Ramadaan that was mentioned
by Rasulullah ﷺ:

1. Allah has bestowed one
night in that month such that
the rewards of good deeds
during that night is worth

more than a thousand months.

2. Performing supererogatory (*naafilah*) acts is akin to performing obligatory (*fard*) acts, while performing *fard* is equivalent

to performing 70 *fard* acts.

3. Feeding *iftar* to the fasting person will be granted with the reward equivalent to the fasting person, even if it is just with a few sips of drink or milk.

4. The beginning of
Ramadaan is mercy from
Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala, its middle is
forgiveness, and its end is
freedom from the Hellfire.

The *khutbah* that was
conveyed by Rasulullah
ﷺ has indicated to us how
Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala has blessed the
month of Ramadaan with
magnitudes of rewards.

Therefore, it behooves us to remain determined and resolved at the beginning of noble Ramadaan to enhance our *'ibaadah*. Among the *'ibaadah* that we can perform are:

1. Fasting

Allah *Subhaanahu*

Wata'aala has promised tremendous rewards for His fasting slaves. Furthermore, the fasting of Ramadaan has been clearly promised with

the wiping out of previous
sins. Narrated Abu Hurayrah
radiyAllaahu 'anh:

Rasulullah ﷺ said:

**“Whoever observes fasts
during the month of
Ramadaan out of sincere**

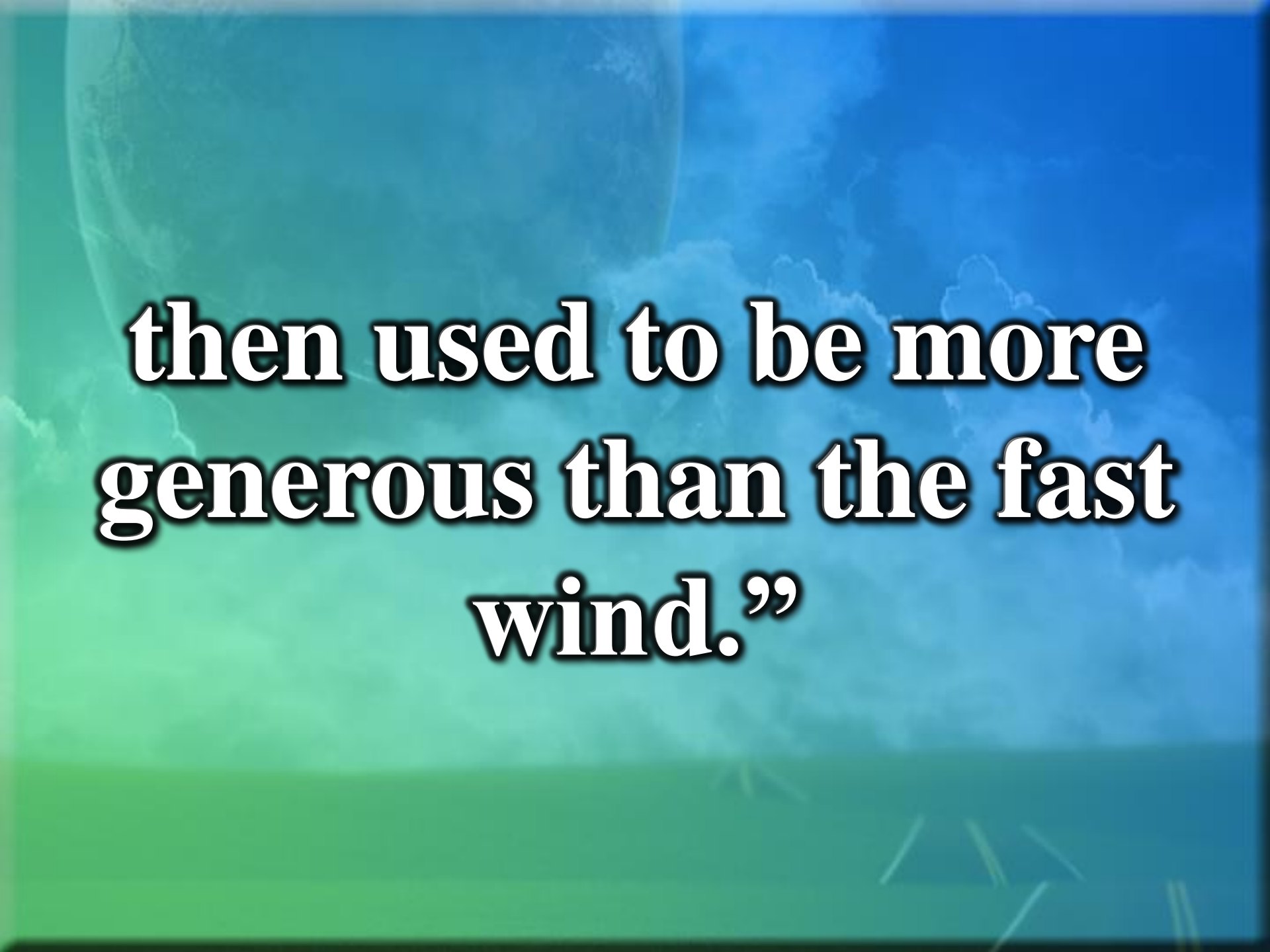
**faith, and hoping to
attain Allah's rewards,
then all his past sins will
be forgiven.”
(al-Bukhaari)**

2. Giving charity (*sadaqah*)
Rasulullah ﷺ was a very
generous and charitable
person, and he was even
more generous in the month
of Ramadaan. This was
mentioned by ibn 'Abbaas

*radiyAllaahu ‘anhuma in a
hadeeth collected by Imaam
al-Bukhaari rahimahullaah
in his Saheeh:*

**“The Prophet (ﷺ) was
the most generous of all the
people and he used to**

**become more generous in
Ramadaan when Jibreel
met him. Jibreel used to
meet him every night
during Ramadaan to revise
the Qur'an with him.
Allah's Messenger (ﷺ)**

The background of the image is a dramatic, stormy sky. It features dark, swirling clouds in shades of blue and green, with bright, jagged lightning bolts visible in the upper left and lower right areas. The overall tone is intense and atmospheric.

**then used to be more
generous than the fast
wind.”**

3. Recitation (*tilaawah*) of al-Qur'an.

Reciting al-Qur'an is truly an important and noble deed. In addition, the virtue of reciting and learning al-Qur'an is multiplied

manifold in Ramadaan. This
is proven in the previously
mentioned *hadeeth* which
mentioned about Jibreel عليه
visiting Nabi
Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم throughout
the entire Ramadaan and

taught him al-Qur'an. This *hadeeth* was recorded by Imaam al-Bukhaari rahimahullaah in his *Saheeh*:
“...Jibreel used to meet him every night during Ramadaan to revise the

Qur'an with him...”

4. Searching for *Laylat al-Qadr* (the Night of Decree).

***Laylat al-Qadr* is a special night in Ramadaan with amazing virtues. It is a night in which deeds that are**

performed during that night
is equivalent to more than
1000 months in its rewards.

This was explicitly
mentioned in al-Qur'an:

**“Indeed, We sent the
Qur'an down during the**

**Night of Decree. And what
can make you know what is
the Night of Decree? The
Night of Decree is better
than a thousand months.
The angels and the Spirit
descend therein by**

**permission of their Lord
for every matter. Peace it
is until the emergence of
dawn.”**

(al-Qadr 97:1-5)

5. Increasing *i'tikaaf* in the masjid.

‘A’ishah *radiyAllaahu‘anha* narrated:

“The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) used to perform *i'tikaf* during the last ten days of

Ramadaan until he died.

**Then his wives used to
perform *i'tikaf* after his
death.”**

(Agreed upon)

Indeed, there are many other righteous deeds that can be performed in Ramadaan, such as performing *i'tikaaf* in *masaajid*, visiting our relatives, helping the orphans, poor, and needy,

and many other virtuous acts. What is important is that we perform them solely for the sake of attaining nearness to Allah. We are also highly encouraged to make *tawbah* (repentance)

for all the sins committed, in
seeking His Pleasure.

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

“...And turn to Allah in
repentance, all of you,

**O believers, that you
might succeed.”**

(an-Noor 24:31)

**Today, I implore upon all of
us to take full advantage
with all that has been**

promised by Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
throughout the entire
Ramadaan, reinvigorating
our inner selves so as to
enhance our *'ibaadah* unto
Him.

This aspiring and much
desired month is truly a gift
from Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala to His slaves. It
only occurs once a year and
we may not even live long
enough to reach it in the

following year. Therefore, let us fulfil and inculcate the following matters:

1. The Muslims must always strengthen their '*aqeedah* by having absolute certainty that Islam provides the best

Solution.

2. The Muslims must abide by the *Sharee'ah* of Islam in its entirety with perfection without neglecting any obligatory ordainment such as the five daily prayers.

Unfortunately, this is because there are those that would fast but devoid of *amaanah*, not covering their 'awrah, and others.

3. The Muslims must protect and safeguard their *'ibaadah* of fasting from matters that can invalidate or reduce its reward.

4. The Muslims should be thrifty in their spending and

avoid from being wasteful
such as excessiveness in
purchasing food for *iftar* and
preparation for '*Eid*
celebration.

5. The Muslims should not
waste their time by only

engaging in business transaction and shopping in the malls, night market, and other venues. Instead, the ultimate priority and focus should be on performing *'ibaadah* in the masjid or *surau*.

**“Whoever does
righteousness, whether
male or female, while he
is a believer - We will
surely cause him to live a
good life, and We will**

**surely give them their
reward [in the
Hereafter] according to
the best of what they
used to do.”**

(an-Nahl 16:97)

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

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 *Ahlus
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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DISEDIAKAN OLEH :

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