



جَابَاتَانِ اِغَامَا اِسْلَامِ سِلَانْغُورِ

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DU'AA: THE PRACTICE OF THE BELIEVERS





**I remind myself and all of
us to strive in increasing
our *taqwa* of Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
with full commitment to
remain upon His Path
(His Religion) and**

preventing ourselves
from deviating from the
Straight Path. The
khutbah for this week
will expound on an
interesting topic, namely:
***“Du‘aa: The Practice
Of The Believers”***

Early this year, our nation especially in the East Coast region was afflicted with an enormous disaster that was unimaginable for many of us. Almost all areas in Kelantan were inundated

**with unusual flooding,
including various districts
in Penang, Terengganu,
Perak, and Perlis.**

**Residential areas were
destroyed with some
areas submerged 30
meters under water.**

Many homes collapsed, some destroyed and even washed away by the flood. Many vehicles were damaged, crops destroyed, livestock died, and many other destructions.

It was like a mini tsunami leaving us wondering how such massive flood could occur in our country. In the wake of this major disaster, it behooves us to:

1- To endure with a heart that is full of *imaan* and *taqwa* of Allah

Subhaanahu Wata'aala.

2- Leave off the heart that is full of doubt and replace it with firm belief upon the full

justice of Allah

Subhaanahu Wata'aala.

**3- Quash away any
thoughts in our mind and
whispers of *Shaytaan*
inciting us to believe
that Allah has committed
oppression and**

**injustice towards His
slaves.**

**Verily, among the wisdoms
from major calamities, aside
from being trials for the
believers, it is intended to
subjugate mankind's ego
that began to brag and
glorify**

**their own selves after
attaining success in their
lives, achieving great
scientific and
technological feat, after
amassing massive amount
of wealth. In the end, it
triggered in their hearts**

that they could do anything they want, for they possess a lot of money, high rank, and that everything falls within their authority. All these can breed a great sense of self-pride, egotism,

**and arrogance from
bowing down in
submission to Allah,
having difficulty in
performing *salaah*, feeling
heavy to withstand
fasting, stinginess in
donating, and hands that
are always heavy**

**to be raised for
supplicating. Moreover,
he would always
transgress against the
Commands and Laws
of Allah *Subhaanahu
Wata'aala.***

Truthfully, tribulations teach us that mankind is not strong, not that great, and unable to overcome the Power of Allah. No one would have thought that the city of Temerloh would

**submerge, the old city of
Gua Musang would
submerge, the city of
Kuala Krai would
submerge, and dengue
fever would intensify. But
by the Will of Allah all
these had occurred**

**in front of our very own
eyes.**

**This calamity must be
looked upon as something
positive, in destructing
the arrogance and
selfishness of humans
that all feats and**

**success were by the Will
and Power of Allah.
Mankind must recognize
that all their efforts and
planning are merely
attempts for it is Allah
Alone who can make us
wealthy.**

It is only Allah that can make us intelligent and successful. How many amongst us would strive and toil, way better than us, but they were unfortunate and not as successful as us.

Hence, this tribulation should provide us the very opportunity to re-evaluate ourselves and remind our souls how minute we are in front of Allah, and realize that this worldly life is

“loaned” to us.

Supplicating is one of the ways to make us humble, submissive, obedient, and truly hopeful upon Allah. It can dispose boastfulness, arrogance, and egotism

**towards Allah's
Commands. Those that
are always making *du'aa*
(supplication) are those
that are always positive
with Allah for they know
that the successes and
great feats achieved were
not**

**due to their own will,
efforts, great ideas, or
accurate planning, but
instead they were all
due to the Will and
Power of Allah.**

Making *du'aa* is the essence of *'ibaadah*, for the purpose of *'ibaadah* is to produce individuals that are always hopeful upon Allah and always having *tawakkal* (full reliance) and humility with

**Allah. This is also the
essence from the
definition of “*salaah*” in
its linguistic sense,
which is “*du‘aa.*”**

**Moreover, all *‘ibaadah*
would contain *du‘aa.***

Whether in the obligatory

**prayers, fasting, *zakaat*,
and hajj, they all would
entail *du'aa*.**

**Anas bin Maalik
*radiyAllaahu'anh***

narrated that: Rasulullah

**صلى الله
عليه وسلم said:**

“ad-Du‘aa (the supplication) is the essence of ‘ibaadah (worship).”

(at-Tirmidhi: da‘eef)

**Perhaps some may ask,
why do we still need to
supplicate? Is it not that
Allah is All-Knowing, All-
Hearing, and All-Seeing?
Definitely Allah will know
our condition that is full
of**

**hardship, painful,
poverty, calamity-
stricken, and so forth. In
that case, Allah will
straightaway provide aid
without needing us to
supplicate and beseech
Him.**

This is truly a misconception. Actually, we supplicate to Allah not because we are poor, or in pain, or impoverished, or afflicted by calamity. And it is also not because Allah

does not know, for it is Allah who had willed for such trials and tribulations.

Indeed, our purpose for making *du'aa* is to manifest our true servitude to Allah. If making supplication is due

**to hardship, then the
wealthy and healthy ones
would no longer need to
make *du'aa*. But in
actuality, the more one
attains success, wealth,
victory, stature, and
authority, the more he
needs**

to raise his hands and supplicate to Allah. Making *du'aa* is not merely asking and begging from Allah, but also as a sign of gratitude and appreciation to Allah. It is Allah Alone who has

**provided everything with
infinite grace.**

**Those that are rich,
intelligent, great, and yet
would raise their hands
supplicating to Allah,
such is the sign of one
that is**

thankful, humble, not arrogant, and able to tame his ego. While those that seldom supplicate or do not even supplicate, or remain indifferent when making *du'aa*, such is the sign of a

**hardened heart,
rude, arrogant, and
conceited with Allah**

Subhaanahu

Wata'aala.

In reality, many amongst mankind would strive their utmost in beseeching or supplicating to Allah, or performing *salaat al-haajjah* (prayer due to need) when experiencing calamity,

when their children will be sitting for examinations, or sick, possessed by the jinn, and others. But in times of ease, they would forget about Allah, the House of Allah, and the obligations

decreed upon them. The masjid or *sura* that is next to their residence was never visited by them. Such are the characteristics of mankind that Allah had mentioned in al-Qur'an:

“And if We give man a taste of mercy from Us and then We withdraw it from him, indeed, he is despairing and ungrateful. But if We give him a taste of favour after hardship

**has touched him, he
will surely say, “Bad
times have left me.”**

**Indeed, he is
exultant and
boastful.”**

(Hood 11:9-10)

While on the contrary, in order to have our supplications accepted quicker by Allah, we are to make *du'aa* during times of ease. When we are acquainted with Allah in

times of ease, then Allah will be acquainted with us during times of difficulty.

Abu Hurayrah

radiyAllaahu'anh

narrated that: Rasulullah

صلى الله
عليه وسلم

said:

“Whoever wishes that Allah would respond to him during hardship and grief, then let him supplicate plentifully when at ease.”

(at-Tirmidhi: hasan)

**The common
misconception amongst
us is that making *du'aa* is
a request made to Allah
only during difficulty,
while the supplication
would contain praises for
Allah and *salawaat* upon
Rasulullah ﷺ**

**Therefore, the more we
praise Allah, the better
the *du'aa* becomes for
when we praise Allah
with lofty praises, we are
actually reflecting our
lowness and
insignificance,
possessing no**

**value except that we are
truly hoping for the
mercy of Allah.**

**Feeling remorse and
recognizing our
weakness and lowness in
front of Allah, then it
behoove us to:**

1- Strengthen our relationship with Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* at all times through good deeds such as the obligatory and supererogatory prayers.

2- Always supplicating to Allah whether in times of ease or need, and inculcating it as a daily practice.

3- The believers must make a self-confession to Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* for

**in reality, mankind is
desperately hopeful for
the mercy and
forgiveness from Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala.
4- The believers should
not easily despair and
feel**

hopeless with the tribulations inflicted upon them, and instead remain pleased with whatever that has been decreed upon them.

**“O mankind, you are
those in need of
Allah, while Allah is
the Free of need, the
Praiseworthy.”**

(Faatir 35:15)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ
وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ
الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي 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

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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DI SEDIAKAN OLEH :

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