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SALAAH:

THE PILLAR

OF RELIGION





**Let us be grateful to Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
for all the bounties that
He had bestowed upon us
by increasing our *taqwa*
of Allah, by fulfilling all of
His**

**Commands and
avoiding all of His
prohibitions. May we
become among the
successful ones in this
world and the
Hereafter.**

**In these blessed
moments, let us
render full attention
and internalize upon a
khutbah entitled
“*Salaah: The Pillar
Of Religion*”**

Salaah (prayer) is
waajib (obligatory)
upon every Muslim
individual. It is an
obligation that was
commanded by Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
almost 1500 years ago.

It was legislated five years before the Hijrah. *Salaah* is a major obligation in Islam. It was due to the great importance of *salaah* that Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* had raised up

صلى الله
عليه وسلم

Prophet Muhammad
during the night of
Mi'raaj to decree the
legislation Himself
without the
intermediation of an
angel just like in other
'ibaadaat. The obligation
of *salaah*

remains and it is not removed from anyone who is a *mukallaf* (accountable for religious duties) for as long as he or she is still breathing and sane. *Salaah* was originally

legislated during the
Israa' and *Mi'raaj* at 50
times a day, but then
reduced by Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
to only five times per
day, with its rewards
maintained being
equivalent

to 50 prayers.

**Anas ibn Maalik
*radiyAllaahu'anh***

narrated:

**“On the Night of *Israa*’,
fifty prayers were made
obligatory upon the
Prophet (ﷺ). Then it
was**

**decreased until it was
made five. Then it was
called out: ‘O Muhammad!
Indeed My Word does not
change; these five prayers
will be recorded for you as
fifty’”**

***(hadeeth Qudsi collected by at-
Tirmidhi: saheeh)***

The obligation of five daily prayers was repeatedly mentioned in al-Qur'an.

Among them is this verse:

**“And establish prayer
and give *zakaah* and
bow with those who bow
[in worship**

and obedience]”

(al-Baqarah 2:43)

**Take heed, for the one
who abandons *salaah*
will be inflicted with
severe punishment or
torment from Allah
*Subhaanahu***

Wata'aala even in this world, at the time of death, in the grave, and in the Hereafter. The punishment in this world is that Allah *Subhaanahu* *Wata'aala* will remove blessings from such

person's provision and signs of righteousness will be removed from the face. The torment when the soul is taken out of the body is the extreme feeling of thirst and pain. In the torment of the

grave, one would not be able to answer the questionings by the angels Munkar and Nakeer, hence the grave becomes narrow and dark. In the punishment of the Hereafter, the bad deeds will

**outweigh the good
deeds, incurring the
Wrath of Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
and such person will be
sent to the Hellfire. Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
mentions in al-Qur'an:**

**“[And asking them],
“What put you into
Saqar?” They will
say, “We were not of
those who prayed””**

(al-Muddaththir 74:42-43)

Take heed, for *salaah* is one of the five pillars of Islam. Hence one's Islam will not be complete unless all of its pillars are fulfilled, especially the *shahaadah* (testimony) and *salaah*.

**As mentioned in the
hadeeth of `Abdullah ibn
`Umar**

radiyAllaahu'anhuma

whom reported:

**I heard the Messenger of
Allah (ﷺ) say,**

**“Islam has been built
on five [pillars]:**

**testifying that there is
no deity worthy of
worship except Allah
and that Muhammad is
the Messenger of Allah,
establishing the *salaah*
(prayer), paying the
*zakaat***

**(obligatory charity),
making the hajj
(pilgrimage) to the
House, and fasting
in Ramadaan”**

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

**Know that the legislated
five daily prayers
decreed by Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
is an obligation that
must be fulfilled by
every Muslim individual,
for *salaah* is the pillar or**

**foundation of Islam.
Which means that Islam
can only be upheld
within a person by
performing the *'ibaadah*
of *salaah* and one's
Islam vanishes when
salaah is abandoned.**

In addition, it must be known and internalized that *salaah* is a very significant '*ibaadah* in a Muslim's daily life. Hence, fortunate and secured are those that performed their *salaah* with

***khushoo'* (full devotion)
and perfection. What a
loss for those who
abandoned their *salaah*
for it is the first deed
that will be judged by
Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala in the
Hereafter and it will be**

**the crucial determinant
for the perfection and
acceptance of other
deeds.**

**Abu Hurayrah
*radiyAllaahu'anh***

reported: Rasulullah

صلى الله
عليه وسلم

said:

**“The first matter that
the slave will be
brought to account for
on the Day of
Judgment is the
prayer. If it is sound,
then the rest of his
deeds will be sound.**

**And if it is
incomplete, then
the rest of his deeds
will be incomplete”**

***(at-Tirmidhi, an-Nasaa'i,
at-Tabaraani: saheeh)***

Verily, the *'ibaadah* of *salaah* that was obligated by Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* upon us is solely for our own good. Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* will not gain from the *salaah* that

**we perform, or will
Allah *Subhaanahu
Wata'aala* lose when
Muslims abandon them.
It is only mankind
themselves that would
lose out when
neglecting their *salaah*.**

Therefore, *salaah* that is performed with sincerity, *khushoo'*, perfection, and purely seeking the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*, it will produce wisdom to its doer. Among

the *hikmah* are:

1. The *'ibaadah* of *salaah* will remind the slave and take him closer to his Creator, Rabb al-Jaleel. Allah *Subhaanahu*

***Wata'aala* mentions in**

al-Qur'an:

“Indeed, I am Allah.

**There is no deity
except Me, so worship
Me and establish
prayer for My
remembrance”**

(Ta-Ha 20:14)

2- The five daily *salawaat* will expiate the minor sins. Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu'anh* reported: Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

“Five prayers and from one Friday prayer to (the

**next) Friday prayer is
an expiation (of the
sins committed in
between their
intervals) if major sins
are not committed”**

(Muslim)

3- *Salaah* prevents evil and wicked deeds. Through *salaah*, one will feel the greatness, grandeur, and glory of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*, as well as fearing and terrified from His Wrath,

**which serves as deterrent
from committing evil and
wickedness. As Allah
Subhaanahu Wata'aala
mentions in al-Qur'an:
“...and establish
prayer. Indeed,
prayer prohibits**

**immorality and
wrongdoing...”**

(al-'Ankaboot 29:45)

4- *Salaah* calms the soul. Those performing *salaah*, their hearts will feel the tranquil and calmness. Thus, they will be able to regulate their level of stress and depression.

It is as Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* has explained in al-Qur'an:

**“Indeed, mankind was created anxious:
When evil touches him, impatient, And
when good touches**

**him, withholding [of
it], Except the
observers of prayer -
Those who are
constant in their
prayer”**

(al-Ma'aarij 70:19-23)

5- *Salaah* will bring success, blessings, and blissfulness in life. Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* mentions in al-Qur'an:

“Certainly will the believers have succeeded:

**“Certainly will the
believers have
succeeded: They
who are during their
prayer humbly
submissive”**

(al-Mu'minoon 23:1-2)

**The lessons and
contemplations
that we can gain
from today's
khutbah are:**

1- The Muslim *ummmah* must place great importance to perform their *salaah* without any excuse.

2- We must always ensure that our *salaah* are performed with perfection and *khushoo'*.

3- We must always ensure that our family members are obedient and observant in performing their *salaah* on time.

4- The Muslims should not abandon their *salaah* for it will only incur the Wrath of Allah and severely punished in the Hellfire of Saqar.

**“Maintain with care
the [obligatory]
prayers and [in
particular] the middle
prayer and stand
before Allah, devoutly
obedient”**

(al-Baqarah 2:238)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ وَنَفَعَنِي
وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذُّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ
وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ
الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ 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**

The background features a gradient from purple at the top to blue at the bottom. On the left, there is a dark silhouette of a person standing. In the center, there is a faint, light-colored silhouette of a person sitting. On the right, there is a faint, light-colored silhouette of a person wearing a headscarf, with Arabic calligraphy overlaid on it.

**for the entire nation
and universe.**

○ 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.**

○ 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.

○ 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.**

○ 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 :

UNIT KHUTBAH,

BAHAGIAN PENGURUSAN MASJID,

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