



جَاهِلَةُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ
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ZAKAAT
*CLOSE AT HEART,
THE UMMAH
BECOMES BLESSED*

I remind myself and
implore my blessed
audience to increase our
taqwa of Allah *Subhaanahu
Wata'aala* by performing
all of His Commands and
avoiding all

of His prohibitions. May
Allah *Subhaanahu*
Wata'aala bless our lives
with continuous
bounties, *tawfeeq*, and
hidaayah, attaining
salvation in this world
and the Hereafter.

Let us altogether
internalize upon today's
khutbah entitled
***"Zakaat Close At
Heart, The Ummah
Becomes Blessed"***

Zakaat is an ordainment from Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* that is *waajib* upon us once all of the conditions are met. The obligation of *zakaat* is mentioned many times in

al-Qur'an and *ahaadeeth*, which clearly indicates to us that the '*ibaadah* of *zakaat* is at par with all of the other obligations that must be believed in and fulfilled by the Muslims.

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

“And establish prayer and give zakaah, and whatever good you put forward for yourselves - you will find it with Allah. Indeed, Allah of

what you do, is Seeing”
(al-Baqarah 2:110)

**Indeed, *zakaat* plays an
essential role in
generating the economic
strength of the Muslim
ummah.**

This can be proven with four (4) major factors:

1- Zakaat can increase economic growth that is balanced through the redistribution of wealth to the *asnaaf*(qualified

recipients), in addition to being a form of purification for the wealth and soul for those fulfilling its obligation. For the *asnaaf* who have received the *zakaat* disbursement, they will be

able to enhance their family income, which will further eliminate jealousy and grudge upon others. Logically, the society will become safer, united, with economic stability,

excellence in education,
and ultimately a
cohesive unity within
the nation.

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

**“Take, [O, Muhammad],
from their wealth a charity
by which you purify them
and cause them increase,
and invoke [Allah's
blessings] upon them.
Indeed, your invocations**

are reassurance for
them. And Allah is

Hearing and
Knowing”

(at-Tawbah 9:103)

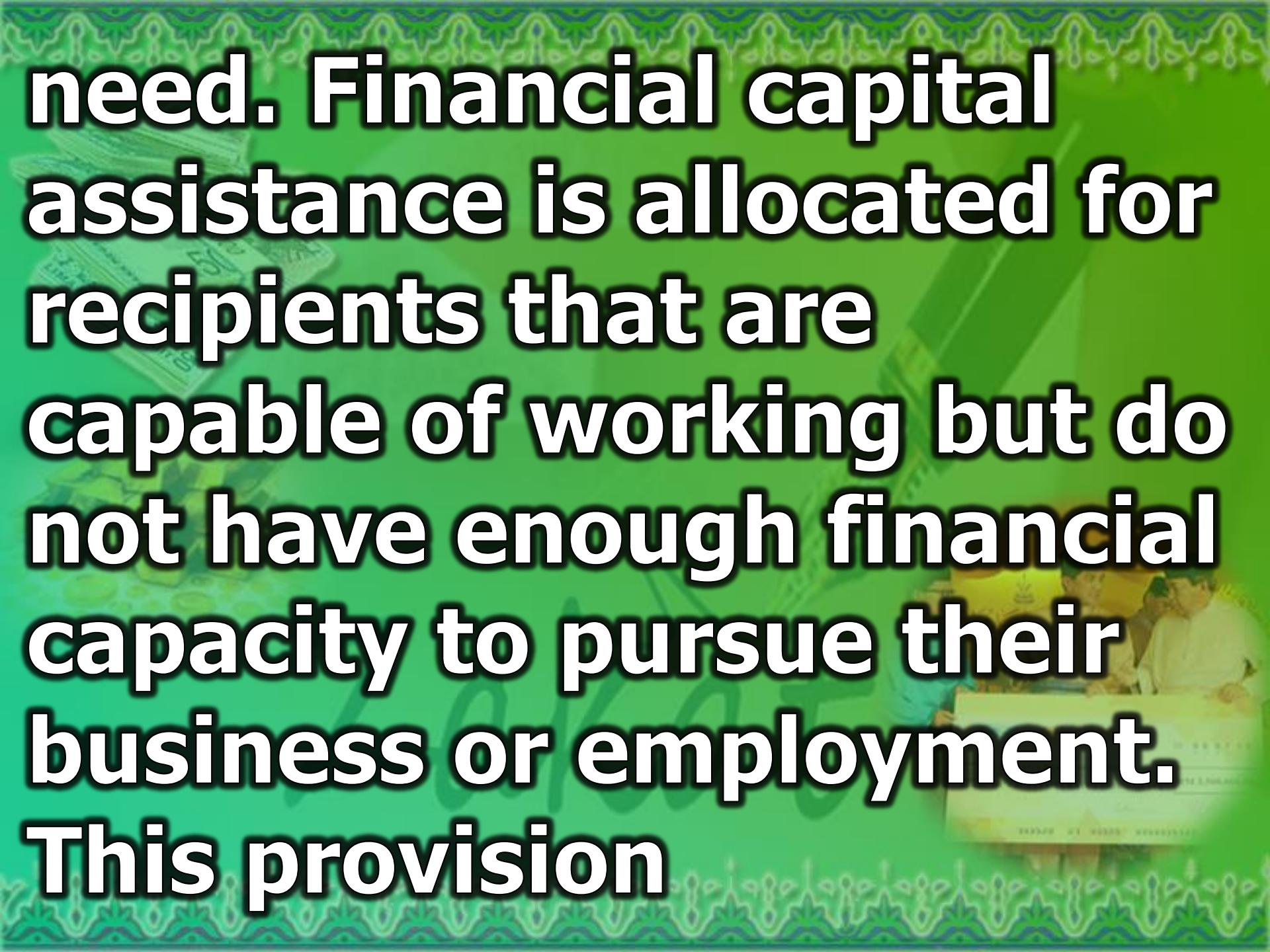
This verse clearly stated that Allah had commanded the ruler (through the collectors) to collect *zakaat* from those who are to fulfill *zakaat* obligation, while Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* will

bless His slaves who have given *zakaat* with purification of their souls from *madhoomah* (heinous) diseases, *barakah* (blessings) in their provision and wealth, also tranquility



and blissfulness in their lives.

2- *Zakaat* can also free mankind from the shackles of poverty by providing provision of subsistence or financial capital for those in



need. Financial capital assistance is allocated for recipients that are capable of working but do not have enough financial capacity to pursue their business or employment.

This provision

is granted sufficient enough according to the actual economic situation, locality, and need for the poor and needy.

However, these groups should not be left only as *zakaat* recipients. In addition to capital and financial assistance, they have the potential to enhance their economic status through

entrepreneurial programs,
skills training, guidance,
motivation, and counseling
provided by *zakaat*
institutions. They should
be empowered to become
independent and continue
to

live by utilizing the *zakaat* money as capital to enhance their economy so that in the end they will be able to free themselves from the shackles of poverty.

3- Zakaat plays a role in preventing wealth accumulation by certain groups within the society. It was narrated from 'Ali *radiyAllaahu'anhu* that

Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“Allah has enjoined upon rich Muslims a due to be taken from their properties corresponding to the needs of the poor among them. The poor will never suffer

from starvation or lack of clothes unless the rich neglect their due. If they do, Allah will surely hold them accountable and punish them severely”

(at-Tabaraani)

This *hadeeth* serves as stern reminder for all of us, especially the wealthy ones, in performing the obligation of *zakaat* to fulfill the *amaanah* of rendering the rights of the poor and needy

**that are embedded
within the wealth
possessed, and freeing
the wealthy ones from
being enslaved by
their wealth.**

4- *Zakaat* is a method that can save mankind from hunger and ensures socio-economic justice within the society. Through *zakaat*, not only it provides an atmosphere that allows

mankind to preserve their dignity and fulfill their obligations towards Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala*, but also the gap between the rich and poor can be further reduced.

This can be observed
when Rasulullah ﷺ
advised Mu'adh bin Jabal
radiyAllaahu'anhu before
sending him off to
Yemen, based on the
hadeeth of ibn 'Abbaas

صلى الله
عليه وسلم

radiyAllaahu'anhu,
where he ﷺ instructed
Mu'adh:

“You are going to a people
from the People of the
Book, so invite them to
testify that none has the

**right to be worshipped but
Allah, and that I am the
Messenger of Allah. If they
comply with that, then
inform them that Allah has
made five prayers
obligatory upon them in a**

**day and a night. If they
comply with that, then
inform them that Allah has
ordained a charity (*zakaat*)
upon their wealth, which is
to be taken from the rich
among them and given to**

**the poor among them. If
they comply with that,
then beware of their most
precious wealth, and
protect yourself from the
supplication of the
oppressed, for there is no**

**barrier between it and
Allah”**

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

**These are the important
factors indicating that
zakaat can generate the
economy of**

the Muslim *ummah*, creating a society that is balanced, harmonious, and developing.

For our own information, in 2014, the *Zakaat* Board of Selangor that was entrusted to manage *zakaat* collection

has distributed an amount of RM595.1 million to all eight (8) groups of *asnaaf* (recipients) within this state. From that, an amount of RM 232.9 million was distributed to 43,661 poor and needy

families in various forms including living allowance, business capital, monthly food aid, free home renovation and construction, educational assistance, and many more.

Also in 2014, an amount of RM22.2 million was disbursed under the Economic Development Program. From that amount, RM10.1 million was distributed to 1,900 new

traders whom are comprised of the poor, needy, and revert. These entrepreneurs are always monitored and their business performances are always evaluated so that they will advance and

**become competent until
they finally escape from
poverty.**

**For our information, this
year alone, a total of 200
asnaaf entrepreneurs had
proved their success in
lifting themselves out of**

poverty when their businesses were able to generate lucrative income. This is the noble goal that is to be achieved, that those recipients helped will strive with diligence to build a

better future that in the end they would attain success in their lives and also help others facing similar predicament through *zakaat* given to the *Zakaat* Board of Selangor.

The conclusion that can be derived from today's *khutbah* is that the Muslims must understand the following:

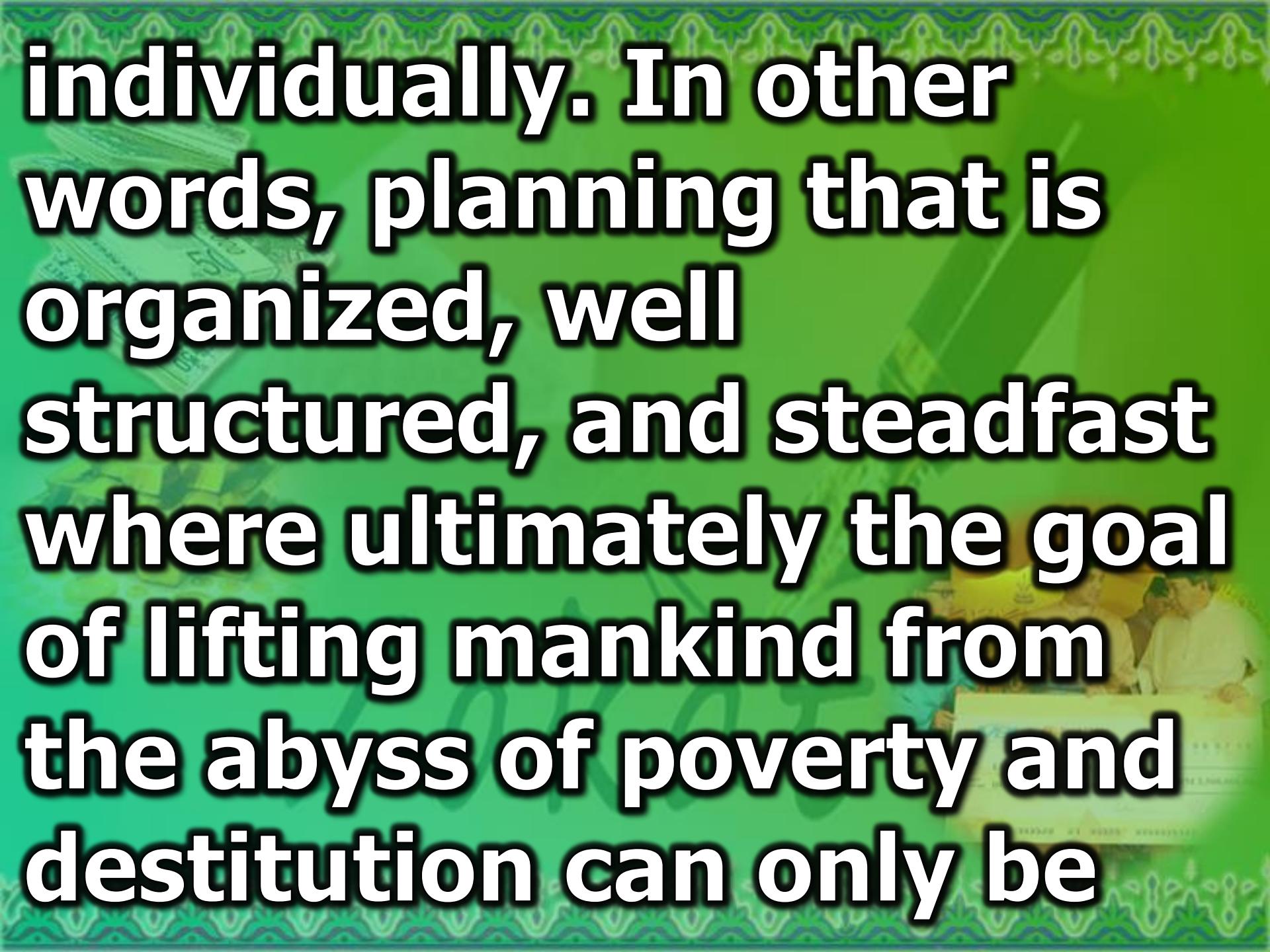
1- The legislation of *zakaat* upon mankind is solely to

nourish justice within the human lives and to protect those that are being tested with poverty and hardship.

2- With a complete *zakaat* distribution, it can improve the economy of the Muslims

via their ability to generate family income through business and enterprise.

3- The effort to free mankind from poverty is no easy task. It will not be achieved if *zakaat* disbursement is done



individually. In other words, planning that is organized, well structured, and steadfast where ultimately the goal of lifting mankind from the abyss of poverty and destitution can only be

achieved through energy and strategy that are well-organized, by a strong organizational body.

4- It is our obligation and responsibility to perform *zakaat*. May the deed of

zakaat become close to our hearts, attaining *barakah* and provision, as well as tranquility of the heart and blissfulness in this world until the Hereafter.

**“The mosques of Allah
are only to be
maintained by those
who believe in Allah
and the Last Day and
establish prayer and**

give zakaah and do
not fear except Allah,
for it is expected that
those will be of the
[rightly] guided”

(*at-Tawbah 9:18*)

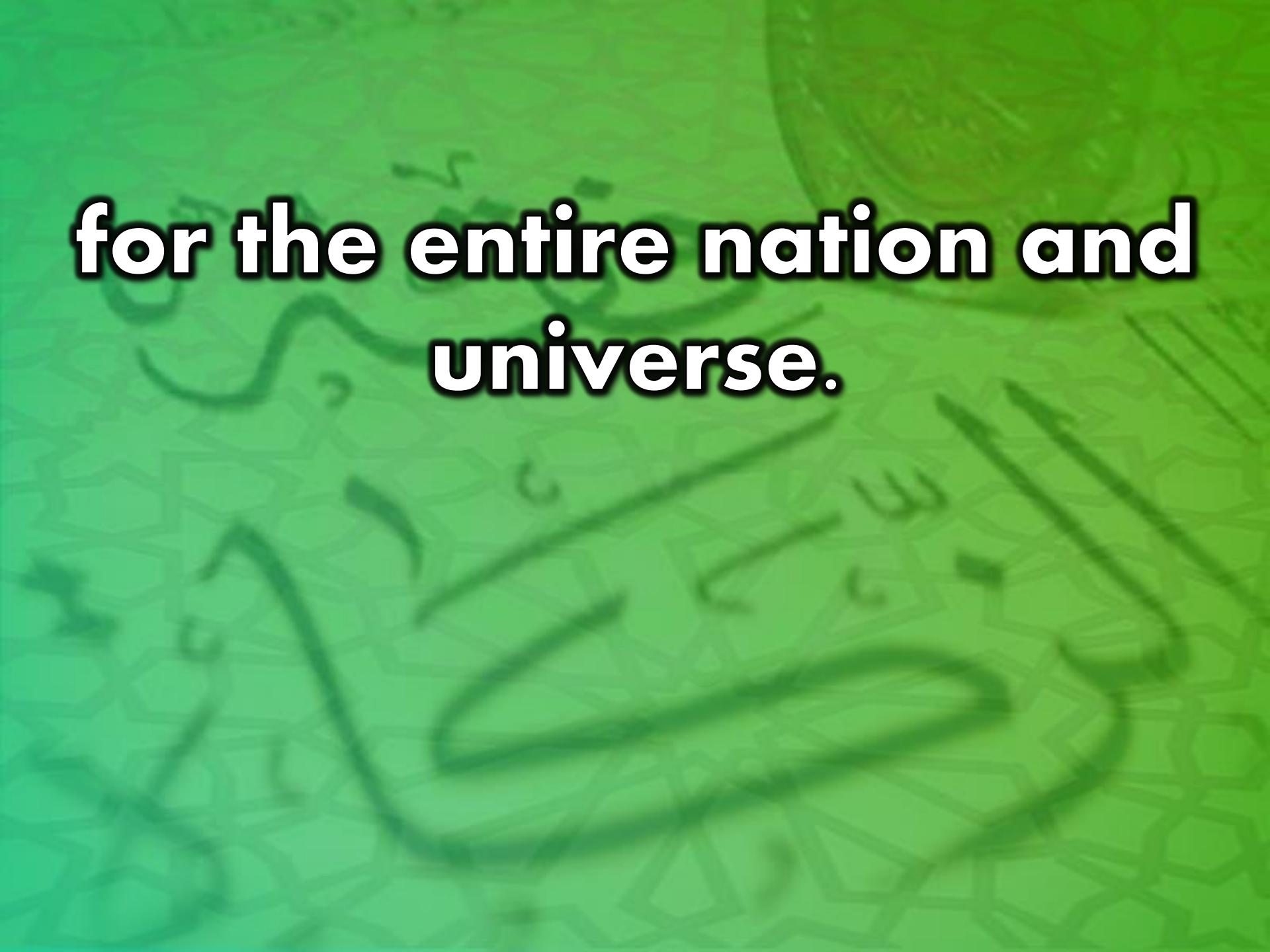
بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ وَنَفَعَنِي
وَإِيَّاكمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْأَيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ
وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ
الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ
لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ 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 (صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم) 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.



بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ

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