

### بسحرالها ارجيال رجيكر

Let us altogether strive to increase our taqwa of Allah by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we become among the slaves of

Allah that are bestowed with His Love, Mercy, and Protection in this world and the Hereafter. On this blessed day of Friday, sayyid al-ayyaam (the master of all days),

let us altogether ponder upon the khutbah titled:

# "CONTROLLING THE ANGER."

On the 7<sup>th</sup> of October 2015, the nation was shocked with the tragic death of an elderly couple. The motorcycle that they were both riding had exploded due to the homemade bomb that was

planted by their own son. The son was fuming with anger when his parents had refused to sell their 4.85-hectare farmland. Similarly with various cases reported in the daily newspapers that

are just shocking, only due to anger that could not be contained. Masha Allah, the world today is witnessing that anger has become a daily disease that is very difficult to be cured within

the society.

Anger is actually an individual's inner feeling that is produced unconsciously, causing nervous tension, disturbed

emotions and thoughts, with the loss of reasoning, increased heartbeat, increased blood pressure, and accelerated blood flow to the brain. All these can cause one's facial

complexion to change, shivering of the limbs, and the stretching of the neck. In the end, the tongue will utter words that are vile and wicked. The limbs such as the hands and legs, will act

out of control, cursing, strangling, striking, and terrorizing, even willing to commit murder. Narrated Abu Sa'eed al-Khudri radiyAllaahu 'anh: Rasulullah عليه وسلم said:

"Anger is an ember in the heart of the son of Adam, as you see it in the redness of his eyes and the bulge of his jugular veins."

(Ahmad)

Anger will further intensify ill feeling, jealousy, hate, and at times it would lead to divorce, scuffle, and bloodshed within the society. Anger not only opens up the

door of evil, it annihilates the feeling of cheerfulness, tranquility, and joyfulness. The wrath of anger also causes grief. Anger is a reprehensible trait, while forgiving purifies the soul.

Anger will cause our lives to be disrupted, while to forgive will make our soul sublime. Anger will cause our sleep to become interrupted, while forgiving allows us to sleep peacefully.

Anger can lead to stress, high blood pressure, heart attack, and damages to the body, while forgiving is the antidote for good health.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* praised the believers

whom are forgiving, as mentioned in al-Qur'an (interpretation of the meaning):

"And those who avoid the major sins and immoralities,

## and when they are angry, they forgive." (ash-Shoora 42:37)

Therefore, let us avoid anger for it is the root of all evil, bringing the human dignity

down low to the lowest possible.

Islam urges its adherents to control their anger and always remain forgiving. Indeed, those that restrain

their anger and forgive others, they truly have the true characteristics of the muhsineen, meaning the good doers. It is they whom are truly loved by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

### Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in al-Qur'an:

"...and who restrain anger and who pardon the people - and Allah loves the doers of good."

(Aal-'Imraan 3:134)

Hence, let us control our anger and instill a forgiving nature. Let us posses tawaddu' (humility) and gentleness in our dealings. The Arab proverb states:

"Every time you get angry, you are poisoning your body."

Verily, strength and victory are not measured based on one's intensity of fight and anger, but instead one is

deemed as strong when he or she is able to restrain their anger.

Narrated Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*: Rasulullah عليه وسلم said: "The strong is not the one who overcomes the people by his strength, but the strong is the one who controls himself while in anger."

(Agreed Upon)

Islam has outlined several guidelines in managing and controlling one's anger.

1. Uttering *isti'aadhah* (*a'oodhubillaah*)
Narrated ibn Mas'ood *radiyAllaahu 'anh*:

Rasulullah عليه وسلم said: "If a man gets angry and says, 'I seek refuge with Allah,' his anger will go away."

(at-Tabaraani: saheeh)

2. Changing the position Changing one's position will help avoid the anger from further escalating. From the hadeeth of Abu Dharr radiyAllaahu 'anh, Rasulullah عليه وسلم said:

"If any of you becomes angry and he is standing, let him sit down, so his anger will go away; if it does not go away, let him lie down."

(Abu Dawood and Ahmad: saheeh)

3. Performing wudoo' (ablution) Performing wudoo'while in the state of anger can help extinguish the raging fire of anger. Narrated 'Atiyyah as-Sa'di radiyAllaahu 'anh:

#### Rasulullah عليه وسلم said:

"Anger comes from the devil, the devil was created of fire, and fire is extinguished only with water; so when one of you becomes angry, he should perform ablution."

(Abu Dawood and Ahmad)

4. Remaining silent To restrain anger, we are advised by Rasulullah عليه وسلم to remain quiet and not speak, as mentioned in the hadeeth of ibn 'Abbaas radiyAllaahu 'anhuma where he عليه وسلم said:

"If any of you becomes angry, let him keep silent."
(Ahmad: saheeh)

These clearly shows that when angry, our speech will go beyond our realization,

with the words uttered leading to enmity, separation, revenge or destruction, and even uttering words that would incur the Wrath of Allah.

In concluding today's khutbah, let us internalize upon several lessons as in the following:

1. The Muslims must strive to control their anger and

increase the forgiving nature within them.

2. The Muslims must strive to avoid envy, contempt, and revenge, which all originates from anger.

3. The Muslims must inculcate noble *akhlaaq* and avoid reprehensible traits

4. Anger that is controlled and justified is deemed permissible in the effort of

preventing evil and disobedience.

"Show forgiveness, enjoin what is good, and turn away from the ignorant.

And if an evil suggestion comes to you from Satan, then seek refuge in Allah. Indeed, He is Hearing and Knowing."

(al-A'raaf 7:199-200)

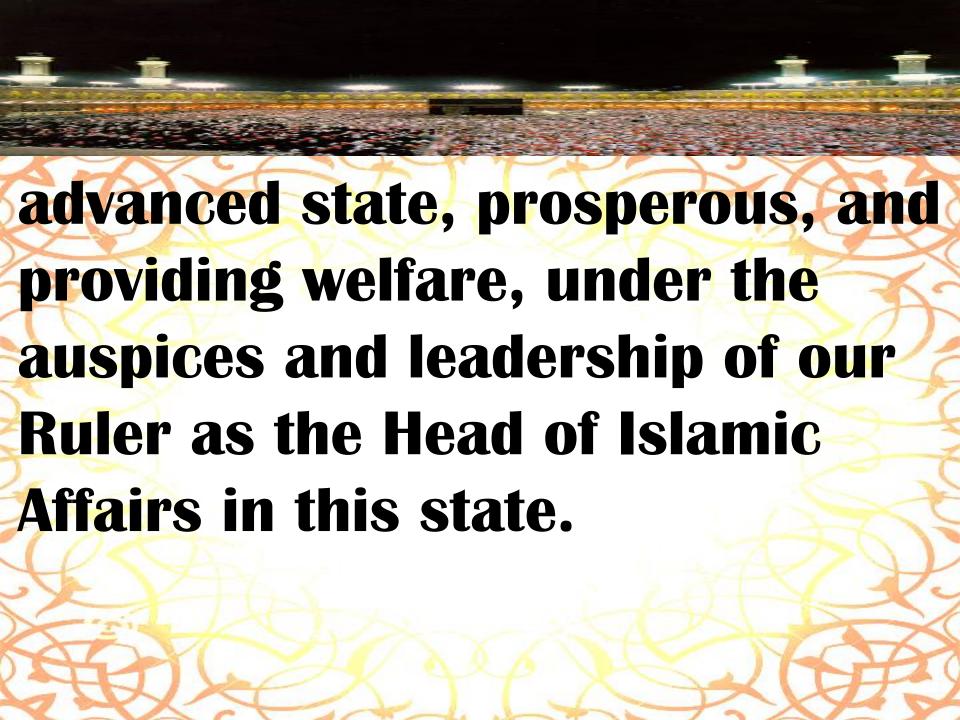


Once again, I would like to remind all of us to always have the tagwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala with true taqwa, and that Islam consistently teaches its adherents to remain moderate in every actions and

deeds. As Muslims, we are to manifest noble akhlaaq, having utmost personality and attitude for Rasulullah عليه وسلم was sent to perfect akhlaaq and as mercy for the entire mankind and the worlds. At the same time,

the Muslims are to avoid any form of deviant ideologies and extremism in which its consequences will only disrupt the harmony, unity, and security of the Muslim ummah and our nation.

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



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 state will become more peaceful and blessed.

O Allah, we sincerely beseech You, strengthen our beliefs according to the creed of Ahl as-Sunnah wal Jamaa'ah, and protect us from the practices and 'ageedah that are astray such as Shee'ah, Qadiyaani, and other ideologies.

O Allah, open up our hearts in fulfilling the five daily prayers, performing zakaat, and other obligations, as well as making wagf and infaag of our wealth especially to Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor (Selangor Waqf

## Corporation) and Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor). With these deeds, O Allah, bless our lives and widen our rizq with perpetual rewards until the Last Day.



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