

# "PARADISE LIES BENEATH THE FEET OF THE MOTHER"

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: وَاللَّهُ أَخْرَجَكُم مِّنْ بُطُونِ أُمَّهَاتِكُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ شَيَّا وَجَعَلَ لَكُمُ السَّمْعَ وَاللَّا الْقَائِلِ: وَاللَّا فَعِدَةَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ هَا السَّمْعَ وَالْأَبْصَرَ وَالْأَفْعِدَةَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ هَا اللَّهُ اللللللَّهُ اللللللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ الللللللْمُ اللللللللللللِّلْمُ الللللللْمُ الللللْمُ اللللللللْمُ اللللللْمُ اللللللللْمُ الللللللْمُ الللللللللْمُ الللللْمُ اللَّهُ اللللللْمُ الللللللْمُ اللللْمُ اللللللللْمُ

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُو لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُو وَرَسُوْلُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلَّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى ءَالِهِ وَأَصْحَابِه أَجْمَعِيْنَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَآ أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اِتَّقُواْ اللَّهَ، أُوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَقُونَ. قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى:

يَتَأَيُّا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ ٱتَّقُواْ ٱللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنتُم مُّسَلِمُونَ.

### Dear blessed Muslims,

First and foremost, I would like to remind myself and fellow audience to altogether strive in increasing our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Taʻaala*, by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions.

On this day that is full of blessings, I would like to expound upon a *khutbah* titled "PARADISE LIES BENEATH THE FEET OF THE MOTHER."

#### Dearest audience,

Islam teaches its adherents to always remain grateful. Gratefulness not only when bestowed with bounties and favors alone, but we must realize that having a mother in this world is truly a great bounty in itself, bestowed by Allah upon all of us. The one individual that has tremendously rendered great services upon us is that person known as the mother.

This matter was explained by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in verse 14 of soorah Lugmaan:

"And We have enjoined upon man [care] for his parents. His mother carried him, [increasing her] in weakness upon weakness, and his weaning is in two years. Be grateful to Me and to your parents; to Me is the [final] destination."

The mother is that person that had sacrificed her life, in those difficult moments when she was pregnant with us, enduring tremendous pain and difficulty when we were born into this world. Hence, it is of no surprise that we as children would remember and mention the name of our mother more often. When faced with problems, we would

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>l</sup> al-Nahl 16:78.



mention it to our mother. We would easily share our feelings and emotions with our mother because she is a loyal companion who would kindly listen when we pour our hearts out. Even if we are lying down sick, when the mother runs her hand through our heads, we would feel relieved in our hearts. When it comes to food, we would prefer our mother's own cooking. It is undeniable that the mother's love goes far beyond everything else, incomparable with gold and silver, and cannot be compensated with money. Due to the nature and instinct of the mother, then it is no wonder that her love and sacrifice far exceeds everything else.

## Respected guests of Allah,

Even though we are well aware that it is our mother that had given us birth to this world, we are truly appalled for there are those within the society that neglect their very responsibility as children to their mother. We are informed of cases where parents are neglected by their children, including those that are sent to senior citizens home, just to avoid from having to protect and care for their parents.

According to a report by the Department of Social Welfare for 2017, there are 598 Muslim women senior citizens residing in community welfare homes throughout the nation, when it is the responsibility of their children to take good care of them. However, it is not an issue if the parents themselves have requested and agreed to be sent to "learning centers" with the intention of mingling and making friends, as well as increasing their 'ibaadah in their late age, without severing the ties and visitations from their children. However, the best is for the children to take care of their own parents in their own dwelling with optimal supervision.

Indeed, serving and kind treatment of aging parents will be bestowed with tremendous virtues and rewards by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. In the hadeeth of Mu'aawiyah bin Jaahimah as- Salami, he narrated that Jaahimah came to the Prophet and said: "O Messenger of Allah! I want to go out and fight (in jihaad) and I have come to ask your advice." He want to go you have a mother?" He said: "Yes." He was said: "Then stay with her, for Paradise is beneath her feet."

(an-Nasaa'i)

# Dear blessed audience,

This hadeeth shows the grave importance for the child to serve and remain dutiful to the needs of his mother. It even takes higher priority than going for jihaad. Rasulullah had placed the importance of taking care of the mother as being greater than the necessity of participating in jihaad. This is because the call for jihaad can be fulfilled by many others, but the very task of serving the mother can only be fulfilled with perfection by their own children. All these must be carried out so as to fulfill the command of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. He has made a key to Paradise for the children to his mother. The better he serves his mother, and the more diligent he strives in fulfilling her needs, the greater his chances in entering Paradise in the Hereafter.

In another *hadeeth* narrated by Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah had reminded us how despicable and unfortunate are those that did not take advantage of providing kind treatment of their aging parents, stating that:



"He who finds his parents in old age, either one or both of them, and does not enter Paradise..."

(Muslim)

#### Blessed audience,

It should be reminded that we must always have and continue to remain patient when faced with arising problems and predicaments while serving our parents. In shouldering such challenge, let us take heed of the reminder given by our elders, which states: A mother can raise 10 children, but it is not necessarily the case that those 10 children are capable of taking care of one mother.

For those whose mother had already passed away, be sure to always supplicate for their forgiveness and increase in giving charity on their behalf. In the *hadeeth* of ibn 'Abbaas *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma*, a man had asked Rasulullah .:

"Messenger of Allah, my mother died without a will. Will it help her if I give sadaqah on her behalf?" "Yes," he replied."

(al-Adab al-Mufrad of al-Bukhaari)

Aside from that, there is a *hadeeth* mentioning that the child still has the opportunity to render service to his mother, by visiting the older sister of the mother, or the mother's younger sister, or companions whom were frequently visited by the deceased mother. This is based on a *hadeeth* narrated by ibn 'Umar *radiyAllaahu* 'anhuma where a man came to the Prophet

"O Messenger of Allah! I have been afflicted by a tremendous sin. Is there any repentance for me?" He said: "Do you have your mother?" The man said: "No." He said: "Do you have any maternal aunts?" The man said: "Yes." He said: "Then be dutiful to them."

(at-Tirmdhi)

## Dear blessed Muslims,

To end the *khutbah* on this very blessed day, let us altogether derive its essential lessons, namely:



- 1. It is *waajib* upon the Muslim *ummah* to obey the parents for it is a command from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, which promises the reward of Paradise in the Hereafter.
- 2. The Muslim *ummah* must always respect, love, and care for their parents in the best manner possible.
- 3. The Muslim *ummah* must always supplicate for the well being of the parents, whether alive or not.

"Our Lord, forgive me and my parents and the believers the Day the account is established."

(Ibraahim 14:41)



بَارَكَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ، وَنَفَعَنِيْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُو، إِنَّهُو هُوَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ. الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُو، إِنَّهُو هُوَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَآئِرِ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُ هُو الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ.

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## THE SECOND KHUTBAH

اَلْحَمْدُلِلَّهِ الَّذِيْ جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا لَا لَهُ وَحْدَهُو لَا شَرِيْكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُو وَرَسُوْلُهُو. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكُ عَلَىٰ سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكُ عَلَىٰ سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَىٰ يَوْمِ الدِّيْنِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللهِ، إتَّقُواْ اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

## Sidang Jumaat yang dirahmati Allah SWT,

Mimbar Jumaat sekali lagi berpesan supaya kita sentiasa bertakwa kepada Allah SWT da Once again, I would like to remind all of us to always have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and realize that Islam teaches us to remain moderate in every actions and deeds. As Muslims, we are to manifest noble *akhlaaq*, having utmost personality and attitude for Rasulullah was sent to perfect *akhlaaq* and as mercy for the entire mankind and the worlds. Therefore, let us always increase our *salawaat* and *salaam* upon our Prophet Muhammad Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions:

"Indeed, Allah confers blessing upon the Prophet, and His angels [ask Him to do so]. O you who have believed, ask [Allah to confer] blessing upon him and ask [Allah to grant him] peace."

(al-Ahzaab 33:56)

إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ وَمَلَتِهِكَ تَهُ مُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى ٱلنَّبِيِّ يَتَأَيُّا ٱلَّذِيرَ وَامَنُواْ صَلُّواْ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُواْ تَسْلِيمًا.

اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلاَنَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِيْنَ.

اَللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِیْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِیْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الأَحْیَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالأَمْوَات، إِنَّكَ سَمِیْعٌ قَرِیْبٌ مُجِیْبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَیَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللَّهُمَّ أَعِزَّ اِلاَسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِیْنَ، وَأَهْلِكِ الْكَفَرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِیْنَ وَدَمِّرْ اَعْدَاءَكَ اَعْدَاءَ الدِّیْن. وَانْصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِیْنَ.

اَللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الأَمِيْنِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَآئِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَوَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَآئِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبحِفْظِ وِقَايَتِكَ وَصِفَاتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبحِفْظِ وِقَايَتِكَ



الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلاَلَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعَظَّمِ، سُلْطَان سلاَعُور، سُلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج، ابن المرحوم سُلْطَان صَلاَحُ الدِّين عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلاَمَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلاَمَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ اللَّهُمُّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلاَمَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ اللَّهُور، تَعْكُو أَمِير شَاه، إبْنِ السُّلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج، فِي اللهُونِ وَصَلاَحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَاالْجَلالِ وَالإِكْرَامِ. اَللَّهُمَّ أَطِلْ عُمْرَهُمَا، مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوظَّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلاَدِ، وَبلِغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

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 the state of Selangor, as an advanced state, prosperous and providing welfare, under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.

Hence, we sincerely beseech You, O Allah, strengthen our *imaan* and creed according to that of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*, accept our righteous deeds, cultivate our soul with good mannerisms, unite our hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from disasters and save us from teachings that are outside the fold of Islam such as *Qadiyaani*, deviant teachings such as *Shee'ah*, and other teachings deemed as deviating from Islamic teachings or contradicting the creed of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*. O Allah, open up our hearts in performing the five daily prayers, fulfilling *zakaat* through *Lembaga Zakat Selangor* (Selangor *Zakaat* Board), making *waqf* and *infaaq* of our wealth to *Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor* (Selangor Waqf Corporation), and *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor).

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