

ZAKAAT, HAPPINESS THROUGH GIVING



حرالته الرحمر الرحيب In conjunction with the noble day of Friday, I would like to remind myself and blessed audience, let us strive in increasing our taqwa of

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala by performing all of His Commands and avoiding His prohibitions. May Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala bless our lives in this

world with ni'mah (favors), tawfeeq (aid), and hidaayah (guidance) that are everlasting, as well as attaining success in this world and the Hereafter.

Today, I would like to invite fellow congregation to internalize upon a *khutbah* titled

"ZAKAAT, HAPPINESS THROUGH GIVING."



The 'ibaadah (act of worship) of zakaah was ordained upon the Muslims in the 2nd Hijri year. It is a command from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala that will produce humans that

are deeply concerned with the difficulties endured by fellow human beings. The 'ibaadah of zakaah will nurture love and the spirit of ithaar (preferring others over oneself) so that

the favors from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala will be enjoyed together.

Indeed, Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
truly loves His obedient
slaves that He bestows

increase in rizq (provision) in return for the wealth that was purified through zakaat. The replacement promised by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala will be definitely better. This was mentioned by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala in verse 39 of Soorah Sabaa':

"Say, "Indeed, my Lord extends provision for whom He wills of His servants and restricts [it] for him. But whatever thing you spend [in His cause] - He will compensate it; and He is the best of providers.""

For those that remain istiqaamah (steadfast) in fulfilling zakaat, in the Hereafter they will be admitted into Paradise through a special gate that is purely dedicated for those that were

generous and sincere in fulfilling their zakaat. This was mentioned in the hadeeth of Abu Hurayrah radiyAllaahu 'anh, where Rasulullah ماليّالله Said:

"...And he who is from those who give in charity (i.e. zakaat) will be called from the gate of charity..." (al-Bukhaari) Therefore, I implore upon every beloved attendees that while we are in the month of December as the final month for the year of 2018, let us fulfill our zakaat of wealth with

Selangor Zakaat Board (LZS). Please ensure that we have verified the wealth possessed such as our annual income, business income, savings in the bank account or takaaful, halaal stocks

or investments made, gold and silver worn or kept, and harvested rice yields. Perhaps within such wealth, there are ones that have fulfilled the conditions that necessitate zakaatas

an obligation. Hopefully with our diligence and concerns upon the Sharee 'ah of Allah, it will bringabout blessings, happiness, and increased rizq that are manifold in the time to come.

Take heed! Whoever refuses to fulfill their zakaat, in reality they have intentionally placed their soul into destruction in this world and the Hereafter. This was mentioned in the

hadeeth of Abu Hurayrah radiyAllaahu 'anh, where Rasulullah said:

"Generosity is close to Allah, close to Paradise, close to the people and far from the Fire.

Stinginess is far from Allah, far from Paradise, far from the people and close to the Fire. The ignorant generous person, is more beloved to Allah than the worshiping stingy person." (at-Tirmidhi) Furthermore, stinginess is a reprehensible trait that is dispraised and loathed by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Those that are misers and stingy will be thrown in the Fire of Hutamah,

which is prepared specifically for them. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verses 1-7 of Soorah al-Humazah:

"Woe to every scorner and mocker. Who collects wealth and [continuously] counts it. He thinks that his wealth will make him immortal. No! He will surely be thrown into the Crusher (al-Hutamah).

And what can make you know what is the Crusher? It is the fire of Allah, [eternally] fueled, which mounts directed at the hearts."

The Selangor Zakaat **Board would like to** congratulate and thank those that have performed their zakaat through them. For everyone's information, up until June 2018,

the total number of Muslims within Selangor that have fulfilled their zakaat obligation through the Selangor Zakaat **Board** is 244,000 individuals. This means that only 24% of the

overall total number of Muslims within Selangor that are qualified to give zakaat. However, this percentage has increased when compared to last year where only 18% of the

Muslims fulfilled their zakaat obligation via the Selangor Zakaat Board throughout 2017. Therefore, I implore fellow congregation to fulfill the obligation of zakaat of wealth so that

our wealth becomes cleansed and blessed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Even though this amount is minimal, the Selangor *Zakaat* Board remains

consistent in ensuring that the funds collected from zakaat will be fully utilized in disbursing them to the eight rightful categories of asnaf (recipients). Among the efforts and contributions that have been implemented are:

1. The Selangor Zakaat **Board has channeled** various form of monthly zakaat aid to more than 50,000 poor and needy

asnaffamilies, which includes subsistence aid, schooling aid, health treatment, housing, and many more.

2. The zakaat fund was also channeled monthly

to more than 8,600 asnaf muallaf (Muslim converts) in the form of subsistence aid, protection, health, and Islamic education.

3. Up until August 2018, more than 8,400 students

have received full funding from the Selangor Zakaat Board through the zakaat scholarship assistance. The aid involved various academic and religious majors that included students at the

certificate, diploma, and bachelor levels within local universities, as well as assistance for students that are continuing their studies in the Middle East.

4. For this year as well, the Selangor Zakaat **Board has disbursed** funds to more than 200 mosques and 1,800 suraus, which intends to cover the construction, development,

consolation, and monthly allowances for the *imaams*.

5. In empowering the tahfizh (Qur'anic memorization institute) education in the state of

Selangor, for this year, the Selangor Zakaat Board has made an overall contribution of more than RM6.1 million to 3,410 tahfizh students in the form of monthly allowances and also an

overall contribution of RM680,000 to 200 huffaazh (memorizers of al-Qur'an) under the Ithbat Hafazan program, in appreciation of the huffaazh's efforts and diligence in memorizing al-Qur'an.

Truthfully, there are many other contributions that have been disbursed to zakaat recipients within the state of Selangor.

Therefore, I would like to remind fellow audience

once more, let us fulfill our zakaat obligation through the Selangor Zakaat Board. Imagine if the remaining 76% of Muslims that are qualified to give zakaat actually fulfill their zakaat with

the Selangor Zakaat Board. Definitely greater contributions can be disbursed to the Muslims within this state.

To end the khutbah today, I implore and invite fellow Muslims to internalize upon the following lessons as guidance and guidelines in our lives:

1. Zakaatis a command from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala that must be fulfilled.

2. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala has promised various great rewards and virtues in this world and the Hereafter to His slaves that are sincere in fulfilling the 'ibaadah of zakaat. .

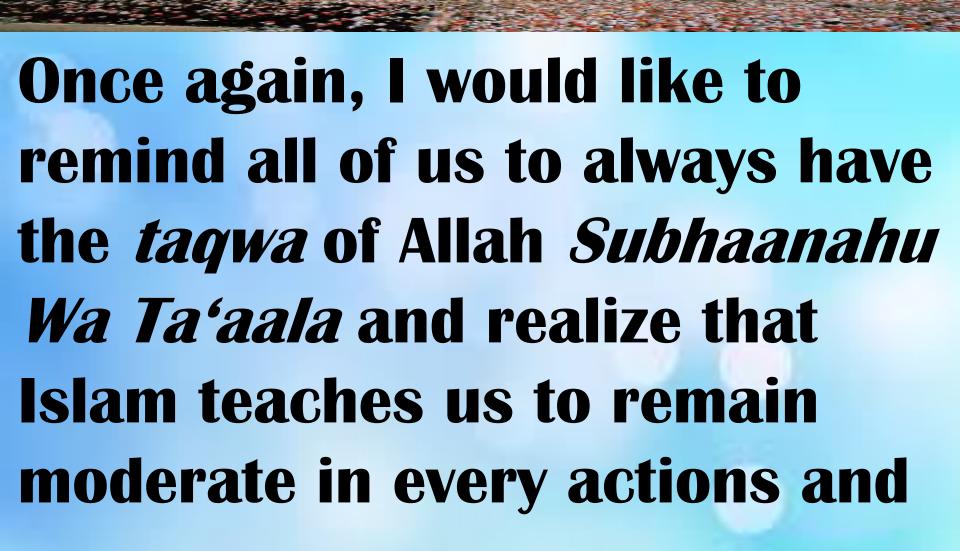
3. Let us avoid stinginess for it will destroy our future in this world and the Hereafter.

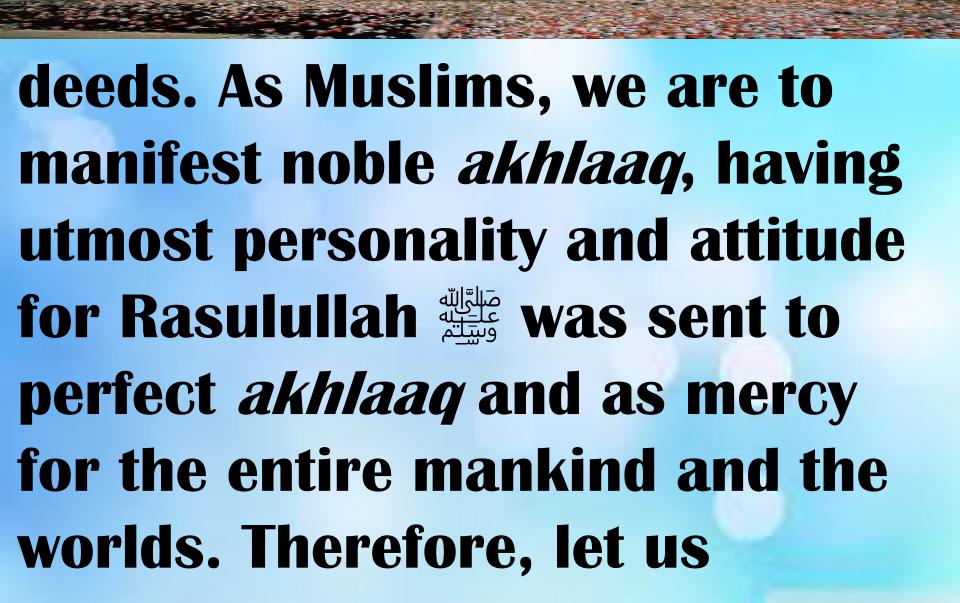
4. Let us fulfill our zakaat obligation through the Selangor Zakaat Board, so that the collected funds can be utilized in preserving the welfare of zakaat

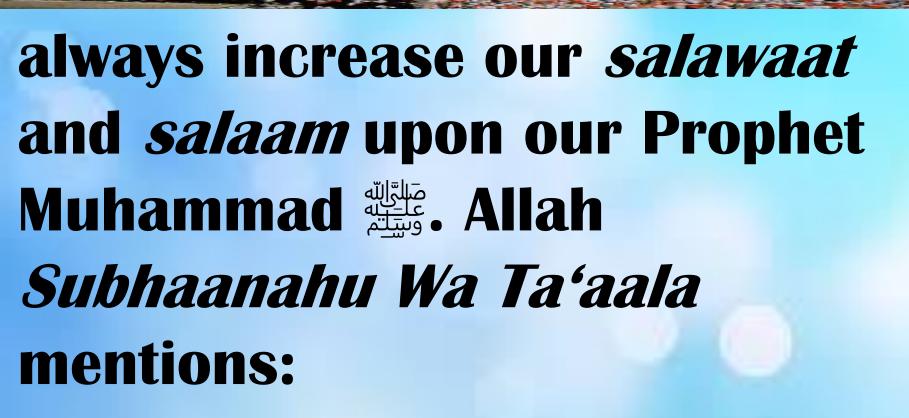
recipients, thus elevating the dignity of the Muslim ummah in achieving excellence in this world and the Hereafter.

"[And they are] those who, if We give them authority in the land, establish prayer and give zakaah and enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong. And to Allah belongs the outcome of [all] matters." (al-Hajj 22:41)

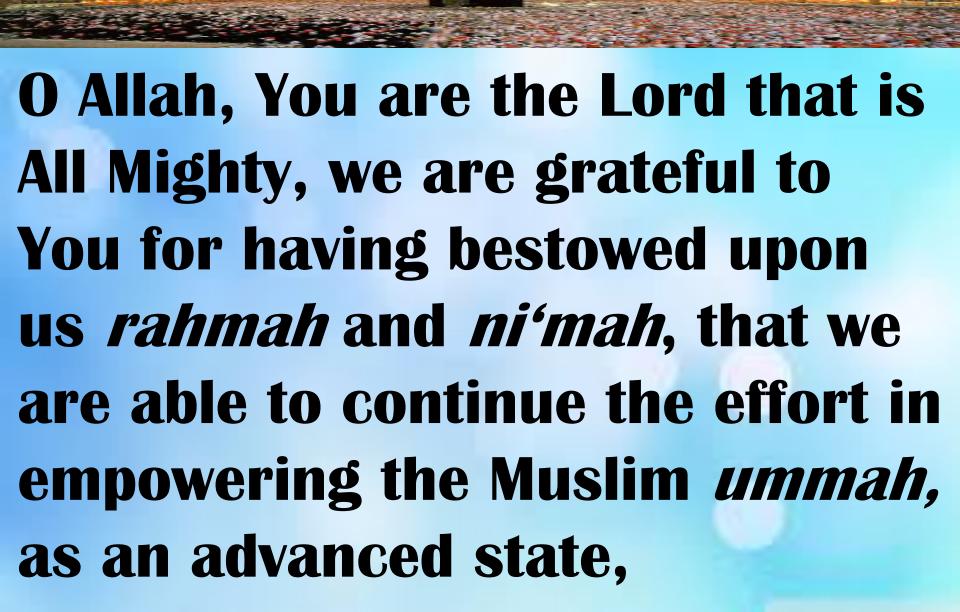
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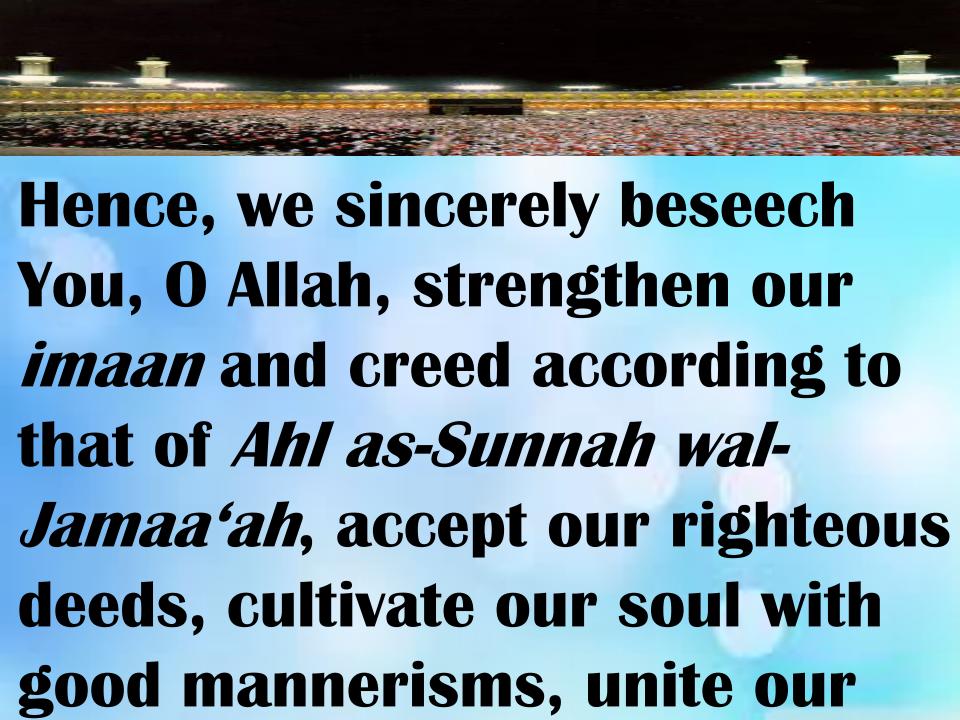


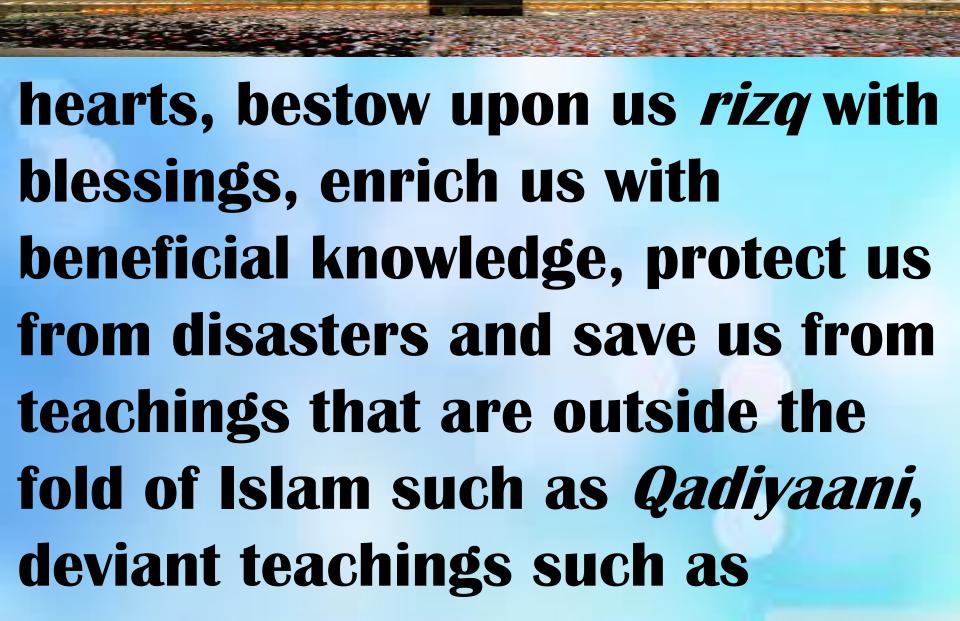
"Indeed, Allah confers blessing upon the Prophet, and His angels [ask Him to do so]. O you who have believed, ask [Allah to confer] blessing upon him and ask [Allah to grant him | peace." (al-Ahzaab 33:56)

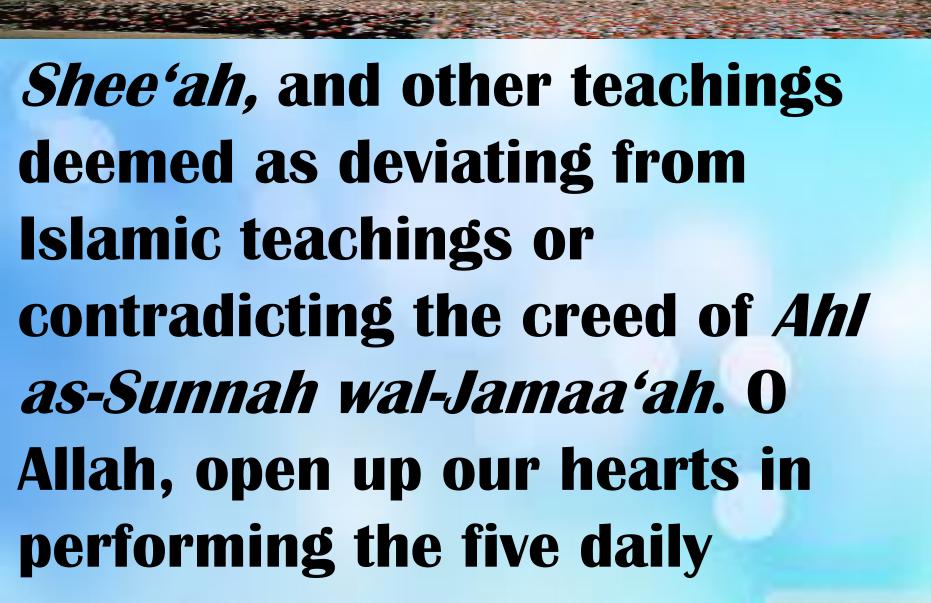


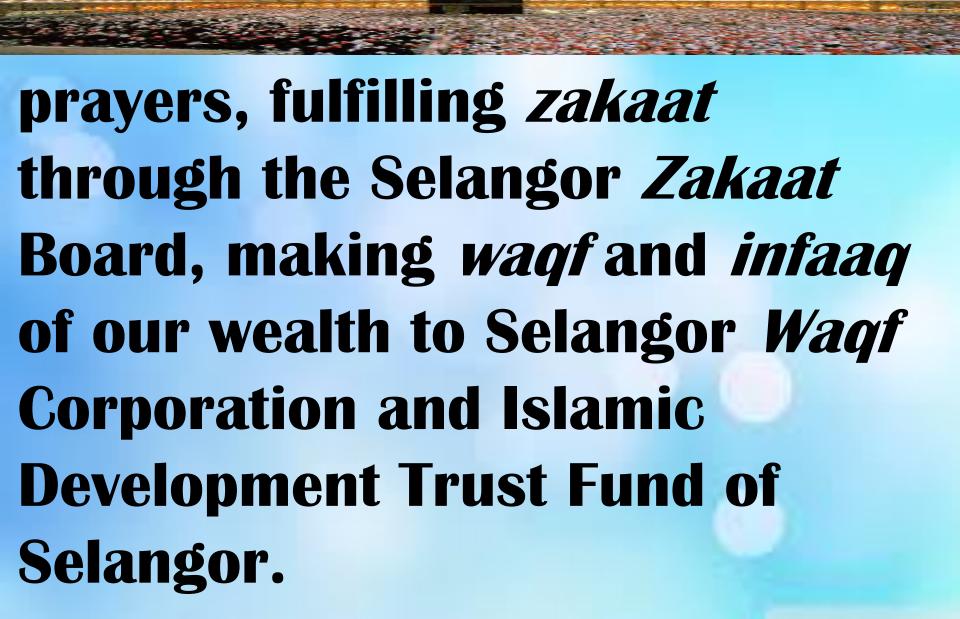


prosperous and providing welfare, under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.











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