



“BETWEEN RIGHTS AND DESIRES”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ : وَمَا كَانَ لِمُؤْمِنٍ وَلَا مُؤْمِنَةٍ إِذَا قَضَى اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ أَمْرًا أَنْ يَكُونَ لَهُمُ الْخِيَرَةُ مِنْ أَمْرِهِمْ^ط وَمَنْ يَعْصِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ فَقَدْ ضَلَّ ضَلَالًا مُبِينًا ﴿١٥٣﴾^١
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ. قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَتَأَيُّهُمُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.

Dear blessed Muslims,

I remind myself and respected audience to strive in increasing our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by instilling resoluteness in remaining upon His Path (His Religion) and avoid straying away from the straight path.

Our *khutbah* for this week is titled “**BETWEEN RIGHTS AND DESIRES.**”

Dear blessed audience,

Mankind is often confused when determining between rights and desire. This is because they may deem a matter as being their rights, while in reality it is their desire instead.

There are a plethora of movements and voices that claim to champion human rights, but the so-called rights that are sought after are not actually to be granted. They are merely desires and human desires that are unrestricted. For example, they would claim that consuming intoxicants is one's rights in attaining tranquility, while changing one's gender is a right in the indulgence of one's self-identity, and rejecting the Islamic *Sharee'ah* is their freedom of speech.

However, all of these allegations are not truly rights as presumed, but instead purely human desires and yearning. If all human desires and lusts are to be fulfilled, then surely it will only cause destruction upon the society. They would demand their wishes in the name of human rights.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 153 of soorah al-An'aam:

وَأَنَّ هَذَا صِرَاطِي مُسْتَقِيمًا فَاتَّبِعُوهُ^ط وَلَا تَتَّبِعُوا السُّبُلَ فَتَفَرَّقَ بِكُمْ عَنْ سَبِيلِهِ^ع ذَٰلِكُمْ وَصْنُكُمْ بِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ ﴿١٥٣﴾

¹ al-Ahzaab 33:36.



“And, [moreover], this is My path, which is straight, so follow it; and do not follow [other] ways, for you will be separated from His way. This has He instructed you that you may become righteous.”

Blessed audience,

To further divulge upon the claims mentioned earlier, I would like to clarify that alleging alcohol consumption as an individual rights hence warranting the need to organize beer festival, is a purely deviated claim. This claim is not only rejected by Islam but also by Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism, and even not condoned by all religions. This evil habit would incur severe negative effects upon one's health especially the intestines, stomach, heart, brain, and the human intellect. No one would rejoice when one of the family members return home while drunk because that person could potentially damage household items, injure others, and endangers himself. Claiming intoxication as individual rights is inaccurate for alcohol consumption is just personal desire. An intoxicant is a beverage that eliminates human sanity and causes multitudes of harm.

Similarly with the claim made by some quarters that changing one's gender is a right. In fact, it is just a desire that is based upon ignorance, stemming from dissatisfaction upon the creation of Allah. It is purely the desire to have fun because changing the gender is simply changing the genitalia, but the reality and identity of the person does not change.

While the ones rejecting the Islamic *Sharee'ah* are actually those that failed to comprehend the reality of one's very own creation as creatures created by al-Khaaliq (The Creator). Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* has created mankind, hence it is *waajib* (obligatory) upon them to worship Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and remain obedient upon all of His *Sharee'ah*.

'Abdullah bin 'Amr *radiallaahu 'anhuma* reported: I heard the Prophet ﷺ as saying:

كَتَبَ اللَّهُ مَقَادِيرَ الْخَلَائِقِ قَبْلَ أَنْ يَخْلُقَ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ بِخَمْسِينَ أَلْفَ

سَنَةٍ

“Allah ordained the measures (of quality) of the creation fifty thousand years before He created the heavens and the earth...”

(Muslim)

This demand for freedom and basic human rights is a notion that is purely based on logical reasoning, devoid of divine revelation. Such thought utilizes human rights as its guise in attaining their intended objectives.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 36 of soorah al-Ahzaab, as recited in the introductory remarks earlier:

“It is not for a believing man or a believing woman, when Allah and His Messenger have decided a matter, that they should [thereafter] have any choice about their affair. And whoever disobeys Allah and His Messenger has certainly strayed into clear error.”



Dear beloved Muslims,

Verily, Islam is a religion that provides the rules of life that manages human desires and yearnings that are according to its *fitrah* (natural disposition). Islam stipulates rulings pertaining to the human life with perfection and completeness, from trivial matters such as eating, drinking, and purification, to major deeds such as social living, *mu'ammalaat*, and nationhood.

The uniqueness of Islam is that it originated from divine revelation, which spurred the creation of humans. In resolving the confusion when differentiating between rights and desires, mankind truly needs the guidance and guidelines from Allah. Mankind is incapable of differentiating them both because humans would often raise his claims as having greater importance over others' claims. Therefore, as the creator of mankind, Allah truly knows the natural characteristics of His creations. Allah has provided the perfect guidance between rights and desires. For as long as the human desire does not encroach upon the *wahy* (revelation) from Allah, then it is permissible. On the contrary, if it contradicts, then the *wahy* from Allah is to be prioritized and taken as firm belief.

Let us take valuable lessons from the story of Iblees, as told in al-Qur'an that when Allah commanded Iblees to prostrate to Adam, Iblees disobeyed the command because for him it is illogical that a greater creation is commanded to prostrate to Adam, an inferior creation. Iblees failed to distinguish between rights and desire, as well as his ego, that in the end he became among the disbelievers. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 34 of soorah al-Baqarah:

وَإِذْ قُلْنَا لِلْمَلَائِكَةِ اسْجُدُوا لِآدَمَ فَسَجَدُوا إِلَّا إِبْلِيسَ أَبَىٰ وَاسْتَكْبَرَ وَكَانَ مِنَ الْكَافِرِينَ

“And [mention] when We said to the angels, “Prostrate before Adam”; so they prostrated, except for Iblees. He refused and was arrogant and became of the disbelievers.”

Dearest audience,

To end the *khutbah* today, let us altogether ponder upon several lessons that can be derived, such as the following:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must be cognizant that all decrees and commands from Allah are *wajib* to be obeyed by mankind, as a sign of belief in Allah.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must ensure that its rights and desires do not contradict with the *wahy* of Allah and the guidance of Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must reject all lusts and desires masquerading under the banner of human rights or freedom of speech that contradicts the *Sharee'ah*.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ



قُلْ هَذِهِ سَبِيلِي أَدْعُوا إِلَى اللَّهِ عَلَىٰ بَصِيرَةٍ أَنَا وَمَنِ اتَّبَعَنِي ^ط وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَمَا
أَنَا مِنَ الْمُشْرِكِينَ ﴿١٠٨﴾

“Say, “This is my way; I invite to Allah with insight, I and those who follow me. And exalted is Allah; and I am not of those who associate others with Him.””
(Yoosuf 12:108)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ
وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.
أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ،
فَأَسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.



THE SECOND KHUTBAH

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ، وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Dear blessed audience,

"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)

وَقَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى : إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ يَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمَّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَأَنْصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعَظَّمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهُدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونِ، تَعَكَوْ أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا



ذَٰلِجَلَالِ وَإِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوظَّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيْقِ الْهُدٰى وَالرَّشَادِ.

O Allah, You are the Lord that is All Mighty, we are grateful to You for having bestowed *rahmah* and *barakah* upon this state, which continues to remain advanced and prosperous, with its residents united 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*, and protect us from teachings that are outside the fold of Islam such as *Qadiyaani* and deviant teachings such as *Shee'ah*. O Allah, *Ya Rahmaan, Ya Raheem*, unite our hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from calamities. O Allah, bestow upon us guidance in performing the five daily prayers in congregation, fulfilling *zakaat* through *Lembaga Zakat Selangor* (Selangor *Zakaat* Board), making *waqf* and *infaq* of our wealth to *Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor* (Selangor *Waqf* Corporation), and *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor).

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ.
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايِ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٠١﴾
فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لَهُ عَلَىٰ نِعْمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ ۗ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.
