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I solemnly remind myself and call upon fellow congregation to always strive in increasing our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala

by abiding all of His **Commands and leaving** all of His prohibitions, as well as always making muhaasabah (evaluation) of our loving relationship with our beloved Prophet in our daily lives.

May our sincere efforts help to strengthen our tagwa and bring us closer to Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

#### Let us altogether ponder upon a khutbah titled



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Verily, the greatest love is the love for Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala and the love for Rasulullah ﷺ. The love for Rasulullah 🗯 is no minor love but it is closely intertwined with

imaan (belief). Those having belief and taqwa in their hearts will always feel the love and affection for Rasulullah ﷺ, far above everything else in their lives.

The believers who truly know the Prophet **ﷺ will** always love and yearn for him, constantly aspires to meet him in the Hereafter. What is the meaning of our lives today if it is void of deep love and affection for him **#?** Those that love this dunya (worldliness) including the parents and the society more than their love for His Messenger are deemed as having imperfect imaan.

This is evident in the hadeeth of Anas bin Maalik radiyAllaahu 'anh, where the Prophet Said:

### "None of you will have faith till he loves me more than his father, his children and all mankind." (al-Bukhaari)

The question today is, to what extent is our love for Rasulullah ﷺ? How many times in our lives do we actually reflect and rectify our love for the Messenger **%?** Is not the love for the Rasool

## something that is of great value to Allah *Ta'aala*?

Who does not know **Rasulullah ﷺ? He is the** greatest person ever created, sent as the messenger of

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala, who served as the intermediary that we are now enjoying the privilege of having imaan and Islam, who enlightened and served as the teacher that

guides, and served as the best exemplary to mankind on the face of earth. His struggle was no other than to rectify and perfect noble character (akhlaaq), and guiding mankind to the

true 'aqeedah through servitude and performing 'ibaadah (worship) unto Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala Alone. Allah Ta'aala mentions in verse 164 of Soorah Aal-**'Imraan**:

"Certainly did Allah confer [great] favor upon the believers when He sent among them a Messenger from themselves, reciting to them His verses and

purifying them and teaching them the Book and wisdom, although they had been before in manifest error."

Without arduous effort in his struggle (迷) of teaching and educating us as mentioned in the verse just now, the imaan and Islam imbued within us may not be enjoyed by us today. Because of that,

**Allah reminds His slaves** that adherence to the teachings of Rasulullah ﷺ is a prerequisite in knowing and loving Allah Ta'aala, thereafter earning mercy and forgiveness from

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. This is evidently manifested in al-Qur'an in verse 31 of Soorah Aal-**'Imraan that was recited** in the early part of the khutbah, which means:

"Say, [O Muhammad], "If you should love Allah, then follow me, [so] Allah will love you and forgive you your sins. And Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.""

The Prophet **#** is a person that truly loves and cares for his nation (ummah). Moreover, he would always remain concerned about the affairs of his ummah, even after he has passed

away. His love for his ummah is so great when compared with us as his ummah of today.

However, it is undeniable that many within the society are still heedless

and ignorant in committing wrongdoings forbidden by the Prophet **Furthermore**, it is no exaggeration to mention that there are those have transgressed against Rasululah

**Disputing and ridiculing** the Prophet 🗯 is a manifestation of sheer ignorance, which by no means, tantamount to clearly rejecting the truth from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. For example,

one who belittles the sunnah of the Prophet 35 as being outdated, or rejecting ahaadeeth collected by the scholars as being untrue is an agenda in

# undermining the integrity of the Prophet **ﷺ**.

While on the contrary, the **Prophet S** is a person who yearns for his ummah. There is a beautiful hadeeth that

mentions the love and yearning of Rasulullah ﷺ for his ummah that comes after his demise (1916). In the narration of Anas bin Maalik radiyAllaahu 'anh, Rasulullah said:

"I wish I could meet my brothers." The **Prophet's** companions said, "Are we not your brothers?"

### The Prophet said, "You are my companions, but my brothers are those who have faith in me although they never saw me."

(Ahmad)

Let us altogether ponder deeply within ourselves, do we truly love Rasulullah 🖄 or is it just lip service that we do not even feel love and affection towards

him within our hearts? Among the ways to manifest our love for our beloved Prophet are:

First, Reviving the sunnah and following the ways of Rasulullah ﷺ in all aspects of our lives including politics, social economics, family relations, and others.

Second; Always remembering and reminiscing the history of the struggles of the **Prophet ﷺ** in spreading the da'wah work.

Third; Always sending salawaat (blessings) and salaam (peace) upon the Prophet 2. Let us keep our tongue moist with salawaat upon our beloved Prophet ﷺ in all of our tasks. Sending

salawaat means supplicating for his wellbeing (ﷺ). Moreover, it is shameful for us as the ummah of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ if we are not diligent in

sending salawaat, for Allah and the angels also send salawaat upon the Prophet 1. This is as mentioned in verse 56 of Soorah al-Ahzaab:

"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."

Similarly in the hadeeth of Abu Hurayrah radiyAllaahu 'anh, where the Prophet 35 said:

## "Whoever sends blessings upon me once will have Allah send blessings upon him ten times."



To end the khutbah today, let us altogether derive beneficial lessons and advice that are to be given due attention:

1. The Muslim ummah must fully comprehend that love and affection for Rasulullah ﷺ is an obligation in Islam and also a command from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

2. The Muslim ummah must manifest its love and affection for Rasulullah ﷺ by practicing his sunnah (ﷺ), always remembering and sending salawaat upon him throughout its daily lives.

3. The Muslim ummah must educate itself, its families and societies to always remain grateful upon the favors of imaan and Islam by loving Rasulullah 25.

"There has certainly come to you a Messenger from among yourselves. Grievous to him is what you suffer; [he is] concerned over you and to the believers is kind and merciful." (at-Tawbah 9:128)



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**O Allah, You are the Lord that is** All Mighty, we are grateful to You for having bestowed upon us 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 Ahmadiyyah or Qadiyaani and teachings declared as astray such as Shee'ah and **Liberalism and Pluralism** perverted ideologies.

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 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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