



“EVIL AT THE FINGERTIPS”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: يَوْمَ تَشْهَدُ عَلَيْهِمُ أَلْسِنَتُهُمْ وَأَيْدِيهِمْ وَأَرْجُلُهُمْ بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ¹
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ
صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.
أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ! أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.
قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.²

Dear blessed Muslims,

I solemnly remind myself and call upon fellow congregation to always increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by abiding all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May our efforts further strengthen our *taqwa* and bring us closer to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Let us contemplate upon a *khutbah* titled “**EVIL AT THE FINGERTIPS.**”

Respected Muslims,

The world today is becoming wide open. Wherever we are, it has become easy to communicate and interact with others. Such facility is truly beneficial if it is utilized with responsibility. Among the facility that is frequently used is social media that is increasingly growing in today's world. With such development, social media has made it possible for information to spread with ease and at rapid speed. Wherever we may be, all forms of data and information can be disseminated by the fingertips. The development of communication technology today poses tremendous challenges, for without *imaan* (faith), it can cause great harm.

However, the question that lingers in our mind today is to what extent is the responsibility upon us in disseminating information obtained and how are we to convey it to others? It is truly unfortunate that there are those among us that gets super excited in spreading information without any verification measures, for the sake of fulfilling their desire. Do we not feel responsible in utilizing the communication technology for the *maslahah* (greater benefit) of mankind? Do we not feel guilty or sinful for spreading data and information that are inaccurate through the mobile phone or computer, without considering the feeling of others? Do we just allow our very fingers to be used for acts of disobedience towards Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*? Take heed! For there will come a

¹ an-Noor 24:24

² Aal-'Imraan 3:102.



time when our hands will be held accountable in front of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* for all of the deeds that they have done.

Allah mentions in verse 65 of soorah Ya-Seen:

الْيَوْمَ نَخْتِمُ عَلَىٰ أَفْوَاهِهِمْ وَتُكَلِّمُنَا أَيْدِيهِمْ وَتَشْهَدُ أَرْجُلُهُمْ بِمَا كَانُوا يَكْسِبُونَ ﴿٦٥﴾

“That Day, We will seal over their mouths, and their hands will speak to Us, and their feet will testify about what they used to earn.”

Respected audience,

Verily, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* has blessed us with the senses for us to perform *ibaadah* (worship) unto Him, not for us to delve into disobedience and sinful acts. If our fingers and hands are utilized to hurt others, it only means that we have betrayed the *amaanah* (trust) from Allah. In the past, we would harm others through physical aggression, but today with all of the technological advancement, we can easily hurt the feelings of others and even further aggravate the situation by spreading *fitnah* (slander) and cast aspersion through the “greatness” of our own hands. How many have we hurt through our words and writings on Facebook, WhatsApp, Instagram, and Twitter?

Some actually feel pleased by indulging in these disobedience and sinful acts. It is very easy for us to increase our sins through backbiting, harming others, arguing, and insulting others on social media, that some would even declare others as *kaafir* (disbeliever) only due trivial matter that could have been easily resolved. However, these matters are taken very lightly that some are willing to cutoff the ties of *silaaturrahm* (kinship) just so that their view and faction would prevail.

Is this not a weakness that must be taken seriously for such attitude will incur sins against Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Our hands and tongues are the manifestations of our *imaan* in Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. So let us utilize them for good deeds, for it is noble *akhlaaq* and mentioned numerous times in the *hadeeth* of the Prophet ﷺ.

Abu Moosa al-Ash'ari *radiallaahu 'anh* once asked Rasulullah ﷺ:

يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَيُّ الْمُسْلِمِينَ أَفْضَلُ؟ قَالَ: «مَنْ سَلِمَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ مِنْ لِسَانِهِ

وَيَدِهِ

“Whose Islam is the best?” He replied, “One who avoids harming the Muslims with his tongue and hands.”

(*al-Bukhaari and Muslim*)

Dear blessed Muslims,



On this very opportunity, I would like to advice everyone to always remain vigilant in all of our actions so that we will not easily commit sins through our fingertips. Let us altogether reflect on ourselves, how many times have we typed and sent messages inviting mankind towards good and righteous deeds, or are they only sinful acts? Just because of our carnal desires overpowering us, let us not become those using their hands in increasing their sins.

Let us become upright and responsible individuals in utilizing social media by emphasizing the following matters:

First; Always cognizant and utilizing the social media today with full responsibility and not resorting to instigating others, which can incur sins with Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Second; We should always remain trustworthy in every words and lines expressed in the social media, for if they are untrue, they can result in catastrophes and crises within the society. Therefore, let us avoid spreading inauthentic information.

Third; Practicing the culture of verifying before disseminating any information and things that we have received through social media. Let us not become among those that not only perform *'amal jaariyah* (continuous deed) but also continuous sinning. Allah mentions in verse 6 of soorah al-Hujuraat:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِن جَاءَكُمْ فَاسِقٌ بِنَبَأٍ فَتَبَيَّنُوا أَن تُصِيبُوا قَوْمًا بِجَهْلَةٍ فَتُصِبْحُوا عَلَىٰ مَا

فَعَلْتُمْ نَدِيمِينَ ﴿٦﴾

“O you who have believed, if there comes to you a disobedient one with information, investigate, lest you harm a people out of ignorance and become, over what you have done, regretful.”

Dear Muslims, O dear blessed guests of Allah,

To conclude the *khutbah* today, let us altogether derive lessons, suggestions, and important guidelines that are to be given due attention:

1. The Muslims must fully realize that both of our hands are always exposed to disobedience and sins that will be held accountable by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must remain penitent and remorseful by not spreading evil, *fitnah*, incitement, and immoralities when utilizing social media.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must always remain vigilant and perform *tabayyun* (verification) when writing and disseminating information to others. This is because all of our deeds and actions are recorded by the angels.



أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
مَا يَلْفِظُ مِنْ قَوْلٍ إِلَّا لَدَيْهِ رَقِيبٌ عَتِيدٌ ﴿١٨﴾

"Man does not utter any word except that with him is an observer prepared [to record]."

(Qaf 50:18)

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، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

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

تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٦﴾

"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)

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 وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَأَنْصِرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونَ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ اِبْنِ الْمَرْحُومِ سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عَبْدِ الْعَزِيزِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهُدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِيُوَلِّيَ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونَ، تَعَكُّوْا أَمِيرَ شَاهِ



إِبْنِ السُّلْطَانِ شَرْفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ
وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِيْنَ لِلْمُوْظَفِيْنَ 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 *Ahmadiyyah* or *Qadiyaani* and teachings declared as astray such as *Shee'ah* and *DAESH Militant Movement*. O Allah, Ya *Rahmaan*, Ya *Raheem*, unite our hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from calamities and epidemics such as Novel Coronavirus (Covid-19) and others. 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).

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