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## “TAKE HEED BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: وَذَكَرُ فَإِنَّ الذِّكْرَى تَنْفَعُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿٥٥﴾<sup>1</sup>  
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا  
عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللّٰهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلٰى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلٰى اٰلِهِ  
وَصَحْبِهِ اَجْمَعِينَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ  
فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا  
تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ ﴿١٠٢﴾<sup>2</sup>

**Dear blessed Muslims,**

Let us altogether increase our *imaan* (faith) and *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we all attain blissfulness and prosperity in this world and the Hereafter.

The *khutbah* this time is titled “**TAKE HEED BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE.**”

**Dear respected audience,**

Have we ever felt how quick time passes by? Yes, that is from among the signs that the Day of Judgment is getting closer. However, before we

<sup>1</sup> Adh-Dhaariyaat 51:55.

<sup>2</sup> Aal-'Imraan 3:102.



begin to think about the Judgment Day that will surely arrive, let us perform *muhaasabah* (self-evaluation) on our own lives.

In a *hadeeth* narrated by ibn 'Abbaas *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma*, Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم had said:

إِغْتَنِمُ خَمْسًا قَبْلَ خَمْسٍ: شَبَابَكَ قَبْلَ هَرَمِكَ، وَصِحَّتَكَ  
قَبْلَ سَقَمِكَ، وَغِنَاكَ قَبْلَ فُقْرِكَ، وَفَرَاغَكَ قَبْلَ شُغْلِكَ،  
وَحَيَاتِكَ قَبْلَ مَوْتِكَ

***"Take advantage of five before five: your youth before your old age, your health before your illness, your riches before your poverty, your free time before your work, and your life before your death."***

*(al-Haakim)*

Based on this *hadeeth*, we can conclude that there are five significant favors (*ni'mah*) for us to fully benefit from in our lives.

### **Blessed audience,**

Every human being living in this world would yearn for a long life. Life that is blessed and bestowed with *hidaayah* (guidance), as well as *tawfeeq* (aid) from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in performing *'ibaadah* (worship) and righteous deeds. However, there are instances where Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* would bestow the *barakah* (blessings) in life, with a short lifespan. But their *'ibaadah* and good deeds are a plethora, compared to those having longer lifespan.

For example, Imaam ash-Shaafi'i passed away at the age of 54, while Imaam al-Ghazzaali died at the age of 55. Whereas Imaam an-Nawawi passed away before reaching the age of fifty. However, they had achieved multitudes of good deeds from the *barakah* of their lifespan.



Indeed, life in this world is only temporary, and the Hereafter is the eternal life. When the time comes, death will overtake us. This is as Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 78 of soorah an-Nisaa':

أَيْنَمَا تَكُونُوا يُدْرِكُكُمُ الْمَوْتُ وَلَوْ كُنْتُمْ فِي بُرُوجٍ مُّشِيدَةٍ

***"Wherever you may be, death will overtake you, even if you should be within towers of lofty construction..."***

Therefore, we must earnestly whisper deep within our hearts, have we truly made adequate preparation to endure the Day of Resurrection?

**Dear noble Muslims,**

We are truly grateful to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* for having blessed us with good health in enabling us to perform *'ibaadah* with perfection. Such is the importance of our health, as stated by Imaam al-Ghazzaali, when he advised his students: *"Death, at times, would come in an instance. If death does not come in a sudden, sickness will strike in an instance. When you are sick, surely you will not be capable of performing righteous deeds, whereas those righteous deeds are provisions for the Hereafter."*

Hence, the very opportunity in this life should be utilized to the fullest. Especially with the young age, that it should be utilized to attain virtuous traits, increase in knowledge, attaining lofty stature within religious matters, and its like. For when old age is attained, it becomes very difficult for the weak body to perform *'ibaadah*, especially *salaah* (prescribed prayers), fasting in Ramadaan, and hajj.

**Dear esteemed Muslims,**



Speaking about wealth, it certainly leads to the noble practice of giving *infaaq* (charity) in the path of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Allah mentions in verse 7 of soorah al-Hadeed:

ءَامِنُوا بِاللّٰهِ وَرَسُوْلِهِ ۗ وَاَنْفِقُوْا مِمَّا جَعَلَكُمْ مُّسْتَخْلِفِيْنَ  
فِيْهِ ۗ فَالَّذِيْنَ ءَامَنُوْا مِنْكُمْ وَاَنْفَقُوْا لَهُمْ اَجْرٌ كَبِيْرٌ ﴿٧﴾

***“Believe in Allah and His Messenger and spend out of that in which He has made you successors. For those who have believed among you and spent, there will be a great reward.”***

In reality, the wealth that we possess truly belongs to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Therefore, it behooves us to spend a portion of it in aiding the poor and needy, supporting the orphans, and contributing for the *maslahah* (benefit) of the *ummah*. Even more, when we make *infaaq* in the form of *waqf* (endowment), for its tremendous reward remains continuous even after our demise.

**Dear blessed Muslims,**

It is truly natural that every human being wants to live in luxury, always remain youthful and healthy. However, it must be remembered that the sky is not always clear. When the time comes, the luxury may diminish, the age increases, the body gets weaker, and the memory worsen. Hence, let us not get duped by the temptation of the evil desire, causing us to neglect from engaging in *'ibaadah*. Similarly, with our free time, which is a bounty from Allah that is no less important for us to fully benefit from. For *'ibaadah* that we had missed out such as the *fard* (obligatory) prayer and Ramadaan fasting, we can make *qadaa'* (make up). Furthermore, we should increase in our *dhikr* (remembrance of Allah) and *tawbah* (repentance) to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.



Imaam ash-Shaafi'i *rahimahullaah*, after reaching forty years of age, began walking with a stick. When inquired, he stated, "Let me be always reminded that I am now walking towards the Hereafter."

Such was Imaam ash-Shaafi'i, reminding himself to not become heedless about death and preparing for the Hereafter.

### Dearest beloved audience of Allah,

To end this *khutbah*, we can conclude several lessons, among them:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have *imaan* with certainty (*yaqeen*) that this worldly life is only temporary and the Hereafter is the everlasting abode.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must truly appreciate the bounty of a long life, good health, wealth, and free time to indulge in *'ibaadah*.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must be wise in managing its time in the best manner so as to not become neglectful in obeying the commandments of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ  
وَالْعَصْرِ ﴿١﴾ إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَفِي خُسْرٍ ﴿٢﴾ إِلَّا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا  
الصَّالِحَاتِ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ ﴿٣﴾

**"By time, Indeed, mankind is in loss, Except for those who have believed and done righteous deeds and advised each other to truth and advised each other to patience."**

(*al-Asr* 103:1-3)



بَارِكْ 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، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.

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## 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.

Respected audience,

Let us unite upon the basis of authentic Islamic *'aqeedah* that is certain and solidified. Let us unite upon any situations, firmly united facing any circumstances and enemy's threat, whether hidden or apparent. The unity of the Muslim *ummah* is the foundational strength towards the nurturing of *Khayra Ummah* (the best nation). Muslims are entitled to have differing views, what more in worldly matters, but the Muslim *ummah* must continue to unite in *fikrah* (thoughts) and understanding according to the guidelines of the *kalimah* (phrase) لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ, affirmative principles within al-Qur'an and *al-Hadeeth*, as well as sound Islamic brotherhood principles.

In our effort to break the chain of Covid-19, it necessitate every Masjid attendees to remain disciplined and that it is *wajib* (obligatory) to abide by the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) that has been outlined by JAIS (Selangor Islamic Religious Department), specifically in performing the *wudoo'* (ablution) at home, bringing one's own prayer mat, wearing the face mask while at the Masjid and *Surau*, and practicing social distancing. Those



that are unhealthy or unwell are prohibited from performing *salaah* in the Masjid and Surau.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ يَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةَ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةَ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيَّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونِ، تَعَكَوْ أَمِيرِ شَاهِ، ابْنِ السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا، مُصْلِحِينَ لِلْمَوْظِفِينَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ 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 blessings upon this state that continues to prosper and progress, and that its residents remain united,



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

O Allah, protect us from calamities and pandemic such as Covid-19.

اللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اذْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءِ وَالْمَرَضَ  
وَالشَّدَائِدَ وَالْمِحْنَ، بِلُطْفِكَ يَا لَطِيفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ  
وَبِالإِجَابَةِ جَدِيرٌ.

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ  
إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ  
النَّارِ ﴿٢٠١﴾.

عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَى  
وَيَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ  
تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٩٠﴾

فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ،  
وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا  
تَصْنَعُونَ.