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اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِل: وَإِنَّكَ لَعَلَىٰ خُلُقٍ عَظِيمٍ ٤ اللَّهُ وَالْمَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وسَلِّم عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وسَلِّم عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اللهِ وصَحْبهِ وَصَحْبهِ وَاللهِ وصَحْبه والله عَلَى الله الله عَلَى الله الله عَلَى الله والله والل

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَآ أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ اِتَّقُواْ اللَّهَ، أُوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَٰأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ ٱتَّقُواْ ٱللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ ۖ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنتُم مُسلِمُونَ ٢٠٠٢

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we all attain success in this world and the Hereafter.

I humbly invite fellow congregation to altogether ponder upon the khutbah today titled "HOW BEAUTIFUL IS YOUR CHARACTER, O RASULULLAH."

Dear blessed audience,

¹ al-Qalam 68:4.

² Aal-'Imraan 3:102.



The beauty of the *akhlaaq* (character) of Rasulullah manifests the beauty of Islam. This is proven when the beauty of his character was successful in attracting the non-Muslims to come close and embrace Islam. Among the beauty and loftiness of the *akhlaaq* of Rasulullah that we can emulate is when the Prophet prevented the Companions from taking actions again the Bedouin Arab that had urinated inside Masjid an-Nabawi. He then mentioned as narrated by Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*:

"Leave him alone, and pour a bucket of water over what he has passed, for you have been sent only to make things easy and not to make things difficult."

(al-Bukhaari)

Let us emulate the beautiful *akhlaaq* of Rasulullah عينوسله as mentioned in the *hadeeth* of Abu Qatadah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, where the Prophet عيدوسله said:

"When I stand for prayer, I intend to prolong it but on hearing the cries of a child, I would shorten it, as I dislike to trouble the child's mother."

(al-Bukhaari)

Dear blessed Muslims,



Rasulullah علي المحالة had never committed aggression against anyone, not even against his own family members. He would treat his wives and grandchildren with kindness and respect. He would assist his wives by actually helping in their household chores. Sayyidatina 'A'ishah radiyAllaahu 'anha mentioned how Rasulullah معلى would repair his sandals, sew his garments, and indulge in physical work with his own hands. He معلى سالة washed his own clothes, milked his sheep, and resolved his own affairs.

Rasulullah عليه was also forebearing and he would openly express his love to his grandchildren. Once a man by the name of al-Aqra' bin Haabis saw the Prophet hugging and kissing his young grandchildren, whereupon he said, "I have ten children and I have never kissed any one of them." He عليه لله then said in a hadeeth narrated by Abu Hurayrah radiyAllaahu 'anh:

"Whoever is not merciful to others will not be treated mercifully."

(al-Bukhaari)

Furthermore, Rasulullah على was a very good husband, as testified by Sayyidatina 'A'ishah *radiyAllaahu 'anha* in her narration where Rasulullah على had said:

"The best of you is the best to his family, and I am the best of you to my family."



(at-Tirmidhi)

Respected audience,

Rasulullah عليه was a person who was humble or down-to-earth when he mixed and interacted with the society, as mentioned in the *hadeeth* of Anas bin Maalik *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, where he said:

"Any of the female slaves of Madeenah could take hold of the hand of Allah's Messenger (علية) and take him wherever she wished."

(al-Bukhaari)

Look at the great leader such as Rasulullah عليوالله, who remained humble even when interacting with a slave. He عليوالله was willing to spend time and fulfil his or her request. This mannerism should be emulated by all of us. Moreover, one who is pious and humble will be elevated in rank by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

Dear blessed audience,

Rasulullah على was a great leader for the Muslim *ummah* that is unparallel. He possessed leadership qualities in every aspect necessary, coupled with his upright persona that are adorned with noble and praiseworthy *akhlaaq*. The history of the leadership of Rasulullah علية والله clearly serves as proof that he was not one that is aggressive or behaved recklessly when insulted or faced with difficulties.



On the contrary, he would always opt for the patient and poised approach. He would not even hold grudge or take revenge upon his enemies. This was clearly mentioned in the books of *seerah*, particularly in the historical event of the Conquest of Makkah.

Ibn Katheer explained in his tafseer by stating that "Allah does not prohibit you (i.e. Muslims) from doing good to non-Muslims that are not waging war against you, such as kind treatment of women and the weak ones among them. Prophet Muhammad also forbade oppression upon kuffaar mu'aahad (non-Muslims under treaty with the Muslims) within ahl adh-dhimmah (non-Muslims under the Muslim's protection) and others."

This very matter was expounded in the *hadeeth* of Safwaan bin Sulaym, where the Prophet عليه said:

"Beware, if anyone wrongs a contracting man, or diminishes his right, or forces him to work beyond his capacity, or takes from him anything without his consent, I shall plead for him on the Day of Judgment."

(Abu Dawood)

Beloved audience,

Verily, none can deny the the beautiful *akhlaaq* of Rasulullah عليه الله. Just praises upon the beauty of his *akhlaaq* is inadequate if we as the Muslim *ummah* do not sincerely attempt to follow the footsteps of our beloved



Rasulullah عليه in manifesting the beauty of Islam upon humanity as a whole.

To end the *khutbah* today, let us derive several essential key points from the *khutbah* as our guidance, namely:

- 1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that Rasulullah عليه was sent by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* to perfect excellent *akhlaaq*.
- 2. The Muslim *ummah* must display noble *akhlaaq* as a manifestation of Islam's beauty.
- 3. The Muslim *ummah* must emulate the *akhlaaq* of Rasulullah عليه وسلم in all aspects of life.

"There has certainly been for you in the Messenger of Allah an excellent pattern for anyone whose hope is in Allah and the Last Day and [who] remembers Allah often."

(al-Ahzaab 33:21)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ، وَنَفَعَنِيْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلاَوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ.

أَقُولُ قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَآئِرِ الْمُسْلِمِیْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوْهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِیْمُ.





THE SECOND KHUTBAH

اَلْحَمْدُلِلَّهِ الَّذِيْ جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيْكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُوْلُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدً وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ اللهِ اللهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ اللهِ الله وَصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ اللهِ الله وَصَعْلِهُ وَاللهِ الله وَلَا الله وَلَاهُ الله وَالله وَلَوْمَ الله وَالله وَالله وَالله وَالله وَلَا الله وَالله وَالله وَالله وَالله وَالله وَلَهُ وَلَالِهُ وَالله وَالله وَالله وَلَهُ وَلِيَّا عَلَى الله وَلَا الله وَلَالِهُ وَلَالِهُ وَلَى الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَالِهِ وَصَحَدُهُ وَالله وَلِهُ وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلِهُ وَلَا الله وَعَلَى الله وَلَاهِ وَلَا الله وَلِهُ وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا اللّه وَلَا الله وَلِه وَلَا الله وَلِه وَلَا الله وَلِه وَلَا الله وَلِه وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلِهُ وَلِهُ وَلِهُ الله وَلِهُ وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلِهُ وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلِي الله وَلَا الله وَلِهُ وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلِهُ الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الله وَلَا الل

Respected audience,

In our effort to break the chain of Covid-19, it necessitate every Masjid attendees to remain disciplined and that it is *waajib* (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.

اَللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَات الأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَات، إِنَّكَ سَمِيْعٌ قَرِيْبٌ مُجِيْبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيّكَ الأَمِيْن، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بأَسْمَآئِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وِقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلاَلَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعَظَّم، سُلْطَان سلاغُور، سُلْطَان شَرَفُ ادريس شاه الحاج، ابن المرحوم سُلْطَان صَلاَحُ الدِّين عبد العزبز شاه الحاج. اَللَّهُمَّ أَدِم الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيّ عَهْدِ سلاغُور، تعْكُو أُمِير شَاه، إبْن السُّلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنِ وَصَلاَح وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَاالْجَلالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اَللَّهُمَّ أَطِلْ عُمْرَهُمَا، مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوَظِّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلاَدِ، وَبِلِّغْ 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.

اَللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اِدْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءِ وَالْمَرَضَ وَاللَّهُمَّ يَا وَالْمَرْفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَالْمَرْفَ الْمِدَائِدَ وَالْمِحَنَ، بِلُطْفِكَ يَا لَطِيْفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيْرٌ وَبِالْإِجَابَةِ جَدِيْرٌ.

رَبَّنَا هَبَ لَنَا مِنَ أَزَوِجِنَا وَذُرِّ يُّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعَيُن وَٱجْعَلَنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَّامًا. رَبَّنَا عَاتِنَا فِي ٱلدُّنْيَا حَسنَةٌ وَفِي ٱلْأَخِرَةِ حَسنَةٌ وَقِنَا عَذَابَ ٱلنَّارِ ٢٠١.

عِبَادَ اللهِ، إِنَّ ٱللهَ يَأْمُرُ بِٱلْعَدْلِ وَٱلْإِحْسَٰنِ وَإِيثَآيٍ ذِي ٱلْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَآءِ وَٱلْمُنكرِ وَٱلْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ، ٩

فَاذْكُرُواْ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوْهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوْهُ مَلَى فِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوْهُ مِنْ فَضِلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.
