

GUARD YOUR TONGUE AND HANDS



Let us altogether strive to increase our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala by fully abiding by all of His Commands and avoiding all of His

prohibitions. May we all become among those that attain the guidance and protection of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala in this world and the Hereafter.

Let us internalize upon the *khutbah* today titled



It is waajib (obligatory) for a Muslim to have good akhlaaq (moral conduct). It is a sign, manifestation, and proof of one's imaan (faith) in Allah

Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. It is also the spontaneous effect, not a choice in living according to the Sharee'ah.

From among the signs and proof of one's Islam is guarding the tongue and hands from harming others. It was narrated from 'Abdullah bin 'Amr radiyAllaahu 'anhuma that the prophet said:

"The Muslim is the one from whose tongue and hand the Muslims are safe from and the Muhaajir is the one who forsakes that which Allah has forbidden."

(al-Bukhaari)

This hadeeth shows that a true Muslim possessing virtuous akhlaaq is capable of restraining evil, whether from his speech or actions, from hurting the feelings and emotions of others,

as well as disrupting the peacefulness and wellbeing in the lives of others. Remember, that everything we utter and commit will have direct effect upon our Muslim brethren, and it will

always be known to Allah. Moreover, it is the very duty of the angels to record. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verses 17-18 of soorah Qaf,

as recited in the muqaddimah (introduction) of the khutbah earlier, which means:

"When the two receivers receive, seated on the right and on the left. Man does not utter any word except that with him is an observer prepared [to record]."

Let us have good akhlaaq when the tongue utters. Though the tongue is very soft in its physical appearance, it is sharper than the sword. Let us thoroughly ponder before expressing our opinion

with gentle words. Do not speak if it may insult, revile, and hurt the feelings of others. Remember that among matters that are irreversible are words

originating from the two jaws, aside from time and opportunity that will not reappear. Our words and speech will be held accountable in front of Allah in the

Hereafter. Narrated Abu Hurayrah radiyAllaahu 'anh that the prophet said:

"Allah has forgiven my followers the evil thoughts that occur to their minds, as long as such thoughts are not put into action or uttered."

(al-Bukhaari)

Regarding this hadeeth, Imaam ibn Hajar al-'Asqalaani stated that bad niyyah (intention) does not make one sinful, but if such evil is translated into speech

or action, then it will be recorded and accounted as a sinful act.

In our excitement while arguing and debating, there are some Muslims that intentionally blasphemed through their tongue and actions for the sake of the heart craving the satisfaction

of shaytaan's incitement for revenge, disgracing and unleashing ad hominem attacks upon individuals or those that oppose them. When engrossed in speech that blatantly degrade the

character of the noble and honorable prophet , has one not realize that such act is purely vile and immoral, has one forgotten the humiliation that Allah will inflict upon those that insults the

beloved of Allah? And while the hands hastily vandalize the mural and artwork of others with despicable sketches and vulgarities, does one not know about the realm of Barzakh that is filled

with venomous snakes and scorpions? When the fingers swiftly dance in typing out slander and incitement in the social media, does one not realize

the sins and severe torment that awaits? On the authority of Samurah bin Jundub radiyAllaahu 'anh that the prophet said:

"As for the man you came upon whose sides of mouth, nostrils and eyes were torn off from front to back, he is

the symbol of the man who goes out of his house in the morning and tells so many lies that it spreads all over the world."

(al-Bukhaari)

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala had also threatened those that harm others, as He mentions in verse 58 of soorah al-Ahzaab:

"And those who harm believing men and believing women for [something] other than what they have earned have certainly born upon themselves a slander and manifest sin."

Verily profanities and vulgarities spewed against fellow Muslims are actually great fitnah upon Islam and the Muslim ummah. It instantaneously tarnishes, tears, and

adversely affects the image of Islam, whose nature is to rescue and reconcile amongst Muslims and even the non-Muslims. Even worse than that, the collapse of Islamic akhlaaq will

contribute to the collapse of the dignity of the Muslim ummah and Islam itself. The strife amongst Muslims will open up the door for the enemies to take advantage in attacking Islam and

the Muslims without feeling guilty at all. Moreover, they would feel proud and confident for it was all initiated and intensified by the Muslims themselves. They have become bold in stomping,

defacing, burning, and committing anything at will. All because of a handful of Muslims that behave with disrespect and immorality, purely for the sake of worldly interest and authority.

In reality, it is these uncouth Muslims that are causing the Muslim ummah to become increasingly despised and suppressed.

Know that those evil words uttered by the tongue and acts of disobedience committed by the hands and the five senses will corrode and destroy all of our righteous deeds. Not

just that, one will bear the sins from the evil of others even without committing them. This is the true muflis (bankrupt). It was narrated from Abu Hurayrah radiyAllaahu 'anh that the prophet said:

"The bankrupt in my Ummah is the one who comes with Salaat and fasting and Zakaat on the Day of Judgment, but he comes having abused this one, falsely accusing that one, wrongfully

consuming the wealth of this one, spilling the blood of that one, and beating this one. So he is seated, and this one is requited from his rewards. If his rewards are exhausted before the

committed are requited, then some of their sins will be taken and cast upon him, then he will be cast into the Fire."

(Muslim)

Come on, let us all decorate ourselves with noble akhlaaq. It is as manifested by our beloved prophet Muhammad ...... Virtuous akhlaaq is absolute from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

Akhlaaq is a matter that is apparent and final, not relative according to circumstances, traditional customs, ethics, morals and local values that have generally failed in manifesting

the objectives and purpose of human creation.

Truthfully, with community living in this nation, good character is the very foundation of

harmony and wellbeing. It is further solidified by the principles of Rukun Negara that is truly based on core values that are emphasized in Islam, believed to be capable of safeguarding stability

within diversity. Moreover, these principles were first taught in Islam such as the reality of living with God-consciousness and upon a religion, the necessity of living with civility and virtuous

manners, obeying the ulil amri (Muslim authority), and the stipulation to living within the society with full harmony, as well as upholding the laws enforced by the Ruler.

Let us unite upon the basis of authentic Islamic 'ageedah that is certain and cemented. 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) 기시기 شا, affirmative principles within al-Qur'an and al-Hadeeth, as well as sound Islamic brotherhood principles.

To end the khutbah this time, I remind fellow congregation to take the following guidelines:

1. It is waajib upon the Muslim ummah to have belief that every words uttered and actions committed in this world will be accounted for and recompensed by

## Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in the Hereafter.

2. The Muslim ummah must guard its tongue and limbs from harming others.

3. The Muslim ummah must keep its tongue moist with dhikr and supplicating to Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala so that the COVID-19 pandemic will be lifted soon.

"On a Day when their tongues, their hands and their feet will bear witness against them as to what they used to do."

(an-Noor 24:24)

# THE SECOND KHUTBAH

#### 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.

#### 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.

