



“SAFEGUARD YOUR PRAYERS”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: وَمَا أَمُرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ مُخْلِصِينَ لَهُ الدِّينَ حُنَفَاءَ وَيُقِيمُوا
الصَّلَاةَ وَيُؤْتُوا الزَّكَاةَ وَذَلِكَ دِينُ الْقِيَمَةِ¹
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ
وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ
أَجْمَعِينَ.
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 وَأَنتُمْ
مُسْلِمُونَ²

Dear blessed Muslims,

I would like to solemnly remind respected audience to altogether strive in increasing our *imaan* and *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May the *taqwa* in its truest sense and *imaan* (faith) that is firm make us among the slaves that are successful in this world and the Hereafter.

On a day that is full of *barakah* (blessings), I will discuss upon a *khutbah* titled “SAFEGUARD YOUR PRAYERS.”

Dear respected Muslims,

Salaah (prayer) is an obligation upon every Muslim that must be performed daily at its prescribed times. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 103 of soorah an-Nisaa’:

إِنَّ الصَّلَاةَ كَانَتْ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ كِتَابًا مَّوْقُوتًا^{١٠٣}

“Indeed, prayer has been decreed upon the believers a decree of specified times.”

¹ al-Bayyinah 98:5.

² Aal-‘Imraan 3:102.



Muslims that truly safeguard their prayers will be deemed as among the believers. Hence, they are entitled to become slaves of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* that are obedient upon His Commands in its absolute sense. The *'ibaadah* (worship) of *salaah* also trains us to become individuals that are well disciplined and punctual in performing *salaah* during its prescribed times.

Al-Qur'an also mentioned that for those that preserve their *salaah* with perfection, *khushoo'* (full focus and humility), and *ikhlaas* (sincerity), their soul will be shielded from committing disobedience. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 45 of soorah al-'Ankaboot:

وَأَقِمِ الصَّلَاةَ إِنَّ الصَّلَاةَ تَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ

"...And establish prayer. Indeed, prayer prohibits immorality and wrongdoing..."

Salaah can also cleanse the Muslim *ummah* from sins that have been committed. Therefore, through such purification, it will produce hearts that are pure, nurturing Muslims that are always in the state of good and having good manners. In the *hadeeth* of Jaabir bin 'Abdullah *radiallahu 'anh*, Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

مَثَلُ الصَّلَوَاتِ الْخَمْسِ كَمَثَلِ نَهْرٍ جَارٍ غَمْرٍ عَلَى بَابٍ أَحَدِكُمْ
يَغْتَسِلُ مِنْهُ كُلَّ يَوْمٍ خَمْسَ مَرَّاتٍ

"The similitude of five prayers is like an overflowing river passing by the gate of one of you in which he washes five times daily."

(Muslim)

Dear blessed guests of Allah,

The obligation of performing *salaah* falls upon the shoulders of Muslim individuals that are *mukallaf* (accountable), whether male or female. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* forbade the Muslims from leaving the prayers intentionally, in any case or circumstances, and warns those that are negligence of it. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verses 42 and 43 in soorah al-Muddaththir:

مَا سَلَكَكُمْ فِي سَقَرٍ ۚ قَالُوا لَمْ نَكُ مِنَ الْمُصَلِّينَ ۚ

"[And asking them], "What put you into Saqar?" They will say, "We were not of those who prayed.""

Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم also made similitude between those that believed and disbelieved, as mentioned in the *hadeeth* of Jaabir bin 'Abdullah *radiallahu 'anh*, where Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

بَيْنَ الرَّجُلِ وَبَيْنَ الشِّرْكِ وَالْكَفْرِ تَرْكُ الصَّلَاةِ

"Between man and polytheism and unbelief is the abandonment of prayer."



(Muslim)

Respected audience,

The practice of *salaah* in Islam must be in accordance with the teachings of al-Qur'an and the *sunnah* of Rasulullah ﷺ. In the *hadeeth* of Maalik bin al-Huwayrith *radiallahu 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

صَلُّوا كَمَا رَأَيْتُمُونِي أُصَلِّي

"Pray as you have seen me praying."

(al-Bukhaari)

Unfortunately, there are Muslims out there that attempt to raise doubts and alter the way of the *'ibaadah* of *salaah* that we have been practicing for a long time. Furthermore, they claim that *salaah* is sufficient just by having *niyyah* (intention).

Dear blessed Muslims,

To end the *khutbah* today, let us derive lessons upon the following matters:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that the ordainment to perform the five daily prayers was decreed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must ensure that the *salaah* performed is perfected and conforms to what was taught by Rasulullah ﷺ through the Muslim scholars.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must safeguard its prayers for when they are preserved, other matters will also remain preserved.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ عَلَى صَلَاتِهِمْ يُحَافِظُونَ ، أُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْوَارِثُونَ ، الَّذِينَ يَرِثُونَ
الْفِرْدَوْسَ هُمْ فِيهَا خَالِدُونَ »

"And they who carefully maintain their prayers - Those are the inheritors. Who will inherit al-Firdaws. They will abide therein eternally."

(al-Mu'minoon 23:9-11)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ
الآيَاتِ 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.

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، أَوْصِيكُمْ
وَأَيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Dear respected audience,

In our effort to break the chain of Covid-19, it behoove every masjid attendee 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 وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ
إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى،
وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ
الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونَ، سُلْطَانَ شَرْفِ
الدِّينِ ادريس شاه الحاج، ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد
العزیز شاه الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِيُؤَيِّدَ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونَ، تَعَكُّوْ أَمِيرِ شَاهِ، ابْنِ السُّلْطَانَ
شَرْفِ الدِّينِ ادريس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ
يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَطِلْ عُومَرَهُمَا، مُصْلِحِينَ لِلْمُؤَظَّفِينَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ
وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

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، اِدْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءَ وَالْمَرَضَ وَالشَّدَائِدَ
وَالْمِحْنَ، بِلُطْفِكَ يَا لَطِيفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ وَبِالْإِجَابَةِ جَدِيرٌ.
رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي
الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ.
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَى وَيَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ
وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ١٠
فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ
فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.
