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اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِل: فَذَكِّرُ إِن نَّفَعَتِ الَّذِّكُرَىٰ ۞ سَيَذَّكَّرُ مَن يَغْشَىٰ ۞ الْعَائِل: فَذَكِّرُ إِن نَّفَعَتِ الَّذِكْرَىٰ ۞ اللهِ الْقَائِل: فَذَكِّرُ إِن نَّفَعَتِ اللَّهِ كُرَىٰ ۞ اللهِ اللهُ الل

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وسَلِّم عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اللهِ عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وسَلِّم عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اللهِ وصَحْبِهِ وَطَحْبِهِ وَعَلَى اللهِ وصَحْبِهِ وَاجْمَعِيْنَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَآ أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ اِتَّقُواْ اللَّهَ، أُوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَاأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ ٱتَّقُواْ ٱللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنتُم مُّسُلِمُونَ اللهَ عَامَنُواْ ٱتَّقُواْ ٱللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنتُم مُّسُلِمُونَ اللهَ

Dear blessed audience,

I humbly remind myself and respected audience that let us strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah by exerting firm commitment in remaining upon His Path (His Religion) and avoid deviating from this straight path.

Today, I would like to expound upon a *khutbah* titled "ENCULTURATION OF MUTUAL ADVISING."

¹ al-A'la 87:9-10

² Aal-'Imraan 3:102



Dear respected Muslims,

Islam is a religion that advocates its *ummah* to always advice each other and reprimand one another. This noble practice is strongly encouraged in Islam for it will always remind the Muslim from erring while providing guidance in attaining a better life.

Giving advice does not necessarily mean teaching others, but it is a reminder to another person who may have forgotten. It is also not necessarily providing new information but a reminder upon a matter that is already known or often heard, but may be forgotten or neglected. How many have erred not due to ignorance, but because they were not aware of the mistake and became accustomed to it, and even take certain matters lightly.

Giving advice and reminder is a necessity in our lives. Every day, we will surely come across various advice and reminders such as along the road. We will be met with signage stating "caution", "speed limit zone", "accident statistics", and "under construction" reminding the driver to be more careful and vigilant. Interestingly, not many will oppose and moreover accept reminders from those signage, for we all know that admonishment and reminders benefits mankind. This correspond with the words of Allah in verse 56 of soorah adh-Dhaariyaat:

"And remind, for indeed, the reminder benefits the believers."

Dear blessed audience,



Human beings were created by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with full perfection. However, despite that perfection human beings are always negligent, forgetful, and stray from the ultimate purpose of life. Some are still heedless in fulfilling the obligation of daily prayers, neglecting the duty of performing *zakaat*, entangled with *ribaa'* (usury) and bribery, drowning in excessive entertainment, consuming intoxicants, inciting others, spreading *fitnah* (slander), disrespecting the elders, teachers, and many more.

All these matters are forbidden in Islam, hence mutual advising among Muslims become a responsibility upon all of us. There is no harm in accepting advice. Moreover, it can improve and enhance in the perfection of our persona.

Nowadays, there is the tendency within our society where there are those that cannot be reprimanded and it is even difficult for them to accept admonition. For them, such reprimand is deemed as embarrassing as if it is making a mockery out of them. Those being admonished will flip out and outright reject the advice conveyed. In the end, the culture of advising and reprimanding each other will eventually extinct. Everyone decides to remain silent upon the mistakes committed by others. Even more unfortunate that even within the household, the husband could not be bothered in advising his spouse, and vice versa.

Such predicament is a culture that is very unhealthy and it must be curbed. It may be due to the life principle of living independently or that everyone has got their own graves or clinging to the saying "jangan jaga tepi kain orang" (meaning: mind your own business). They feel that they can live alone independently and not depend upon others. It also stems from being egotistical, having a high opinion of oneself with a high level of education and



good standard of living, or feeling insulted by the admonition given. Such attitude will cause them to become difficult to be advised and reprimanded.

Esteemed audience,

Verily, the culture of mutual advising and reprimanding should be a culture that is accepted within the society. We should remain grateful if there are others that would give advice and admonish us for our mistakes.

However, the admonition and advice given must be done with prudence and sincerity, with suitable language and without disgracing anyone in public. Reprimand but not to the level of insulting, rebuke but not to the extent of cursing, admonish but not to the level of judging. For the one being advised, he should be thankful, remain open-minded, appreciative, and think well of others. Do not become enraged, flip out, make excuses, in denial, and others. We may be prone to accept advice indirectly through lectures and courses delivered by various asaatidhah (Islamic teachers), which can serve as guidelines in our lives in becoming soft-hearted servants of Allah.

Dear blessed audience,

To end the *khutbah* today, let us altogether internalize and derive lessons upon the following matters, as guidance in our lives, among them:

- 1. It is *waajib* (obligatory) upon the Muslim *ummah* to abide by the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and have certainty that all of our deeds, whether good or bad, will be recompensed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.
- 2. The Muslim *ummah* must enculturate the practice of mutual advising in life, so as to remind and avoid from committing errors.



3. The Muslim *ummah* must give and accept advice that are truthful, as guided in the teachings of al-Qur'an and *Hadeeth*.

أَعُوْذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيْمِ كُنتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتُ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِٱلْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ كُنتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتُ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِٱلْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ ٱلْمُنكرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِٱللَّهِ وَلَوْ ءَامَنَ أَهْلُ ٱلْكِتَابِ لَكَانَ خَيْرًا لَّهُمْ مِّنْهُمُ ٱلْمُؤْمِنُونَ وَأَكْتَرُهُمُ ٱلْفَاسِقُونَ شَ

"You are the best nation produced [as an example] for mankind. You enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong and believe in Allah. If only the People of the Scripture had believed, it would have been better for them. Among them are believers, but most of them are defiantly disobedient."

(Soorah Aal-'Imraan 3:110)

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

أَقُولُ قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَآئِرِ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَآئِرِ اللهَ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوْهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ



THE SECOND KHUTBAH

Dear blessed audience,

Once more, I would like to remind all of us to always have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by guarding ourselves and our families from abominable deeds and disobedience against Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. At the same time, we will continue to pray so that our country will always remain blessed and protected from all forms of threat, as well as contagions from the Covid-19 pandemic. For that, let us graciously accept the government's recommendation by registering ourselves through the *MySejahtera* application in order to obtain vaccine shots that have been authorized by the Ministry of Health Malaysia.

May we become among the slaves of Allah that are patient while enduring all diseases afflicted, disciplined in adhering to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and the new normal practices in overcoming the Covid-19 pandemic, for the sake of our own safety and the community.



While dealing with this pandemic, let us not take the easiest way out by harming and injuring ourselves. We must be selfless, patient, and strong mentally and physically, built upon solid *imaan*.

Let us altogether increase our *salawaat* upon our beloved Prophet Muhammad as Allah has commanded:

إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ وَمَلْيِكَتَهُ و يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى ٱلنَّبِيِّ يَائَيُهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ صَلُّواْ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُواْ تَسُلِيمًا ٥

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلاَنَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِيْنَ. اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيْعٌ قَرِيْبٌ مُجِيْبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزَ الْإِسْلاَمَ وَالْمُسْلِمِيْنَ، وَأَهْلِكِ الْكَفَرَةَ الْجَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزَ الْإِسْلاَمَ وَالْمُسْلِمِيْنَ، وَأَهْلِكِ الْكَفَرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِيْنَ وَدَمِّرْ اَعْدَاءَكَ اَعْدَاءَ الدِّيْنِ. وَانْصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِيْنَ. وَانْصُرْنَا

اَللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِيْنِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِيْنِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الْحُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الْحَمَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلاَلَةَ مَلِكِنَا عِنَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلاَلَةَ مَلِكِنَا



الْمُعَظَّمِ، سُلْطَان سلاغُور، سُلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَان صَلاَحُ الدِّين عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اَللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ سلاغُور، تعْكو أَمِير شَاه ابْنِ السُّلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج، فِيْ أَمْنٍ وَصَلاَحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَاالْجَلالِ وَالإِكْرَامِ. اَللَّهُمَّ أَطِلْ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوظَفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلاَدِ، وَبلِّغْ مَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَربِق الْهُدَى وَالرَّهَيْةِ وَالْبِلاَدِ، وَبلِغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَربِق 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, make us among Your slaves whom are always exalting Your Word and Religion. Keep us away from groups and those that like to criticize, curse, and insult Your Religion.

O Allah, grant us guidance in performing the five obligatory prayers in congregation, fulfilling *zakaat* through Selangor *Zakaat* Board (LZS), and give away our wealth and endowment (*waqf*) through *Perbadanan Wakaf Selangor* (Selangor Endowment Corporation) and *Tabung Infak Jariah Umat Islam Selangor* (TIJARI, Selangor Continuous Charity for Muslims Fund), and to the orphans through Darul Ehsan Islamic Foundation (YIDE).



اَللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اِدْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءَ وَالْرَضَ وَاللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ وَالْبَرَاءِ وَالْبَلَاءِ وَالْبَلَاءِ وَالْبَلَاءِ وَالْبَرَاءِ وَاللَّهَ مَا يَا لَطِيْفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيْرٌ وَالْشِدَائِدَ وَالْمِحَنَ، بِلُطْفِكَ يَا لَطِيْفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيْرٌ وَبِالْإِجَابَةِ جَدِيْرٌ.

رَبَّنَا هَبُ لَنَا مِنْ أَزُورَجِنَا وَذُرِيَّتِنَا قُرَّةً أَعُيُنِ وَٱجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي ٱلدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةَ وَفِي ٱلْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةَ وَقِنَا عَذَابَ ٱلنَّارِ ﴿ . وَبَنَهَىٰ عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِٱلْعَدْلِ وَٱلْإِحْسَنِ وَإِيتَآيٍ ذِى ٱلْقُرْبَى وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَآءِ وَٱلْمُنكرِ وَٱلْبَغْیِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿ عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَآءِ وَٱلْمُنكرِ وَٱلْبَغْیِ يَعِظُكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، فَاذْكُرُواْ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ يَذْكُرُكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.