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“ARROGANCE IS THE TRAIT OF IBLEES”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: وَإِذْ قُلْنَا لِلْمَلَكَةِ اسْجُدُوا لِآدَمَ فَسَجَدُوا إِلَّا

إِبْلِيسَ أَبَى وَاسْتَكْبَرَ وَكَانَ مِنَ الْكَافِرِينَ ﴿٣٤﴾¹

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ
وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَىٰ آئِلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ
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 تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ
إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ ﴿١٠٢﴾²

Dear blessed Muslims,

Firstly, I would like to remind myself and invite fellow audience to always strive in increasing our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in its truest sense, diligently perform all of His Commands and avoid all of His prohibitions, as it was mentioned in al-Qur'an and taught by our beloved Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. May we all attain the pleasure and *rahmah* (mercy) of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in this world and the Hereafter.

Let us altogether ponder and reflect upon a *khutbah* titled
“ARROGANCE IS THE TRAIT OF IBLEES.”

¹ al-Baqarah 2:34.

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102.



Respected audience,

Arrogance is a disease of the heart where those afflicted will have pride and think highly of themselves. In the *hadeeth* of 'Abdullah bin Mas'ood *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

الْكِبْرُ بَطْرُ الْحَقِّ وَغَمَطُ النَّاسِ

"Pride is disdainning the truth and contempt for the people."

(Muslim)

Let it be known! The first sin ever committed was the sin of pride and arrogance of Iblees (leader of the devils) against the very command of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Arrogance had caused Iblees to commit *kufr* (disbelief) and disobedience. Iblees thought of himself as a creation of Allah that is way more noble, having greater virtues and strengths compared to Adam *'Alayhissalaam*. It is for this reason that Iblees transgressed and disobeyed the command of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in prostrating to Prophet Adam *'Alayhissalaam*, as recorded in verse 34 of soorah al-Baqarah that was recited earlier in the *khutbah*.

The disease of arrogance can only be cured through one's own cognizance, meaning by its sufferer, for arrogance stems from the condition of one's heart.

Allah had reminded us in al-Qur'an, namely in verse 37 of soorah al-Israa':

وَلَا تَمْشِ فِي الْأَرْضِ مَرَحًا إِنَّكَ لَنْ تَخْرِقَ الْأَرْضَ وَلَنْ تَبْلُغَ

الْجِبَالِ طُولًا ﴿٣٧﴾



“And do not walk upon the earth exultantly. Indeed, you will never tear the earth [apart], and you will never reach the mountains in height.”

It is clear that Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* forbade humans from being arrogant, what more for the Muslim *ummah*. Rasulullah ﷺ had taught us to always remain gentle and tolerant to fellow human beings, irrespective of creed, color, and ideology. The main thing is finding peace and harmony while living this worldly life.

In the *hadeeth* of 'Abdullah bin Mas'ood *radiallaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

لَا يَدْخُلُ الْجَنَّةَ مَنْ كَانَ فِي قَلْبِهِ مِثْقَالُ ذَرَّةٍ مِنْ كِبَرٍ

“He who has in his heart the weight of a mustard seed of pride shall not enter Paradise.”

(Muslim)

Dear respected audience,

Arrogance is caused by many reasons, among them is status, authority, wealth, knowledge, and lineage. But there are three types of arrogance that we really must know about because all three are usually unnoticed and not realized by most people, namely:

1. Arrogance towards Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

This is the most severe arrogance because being arrogant towards Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* means one rejects and disobeys Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. His heart is embedded with heedlessness and disobedience, not fearing and not having shame in transgressing against the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. He does not feel sinful at



all, even though he knows that he is a Muslim and arrogance is clearly prohibited in Islam.

Allah mentions in al-Qur'an, in verse 60 of soorah Ghaafir:

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَسْتَكْبِرُونَ عَنْ عِبَادَتِي سَيَدْخُلُونَ جَهَنَّمَ دَاخِرِينَ ﴿٦٠﴾

“Indeed, those who disdain My worship will enter Hell [rendered] contemptible.”

2. Arrogance towards Rasulullah ﷺ.

In reality, those that are arrogant do not want to accept and follow the teachings of Rasulullah ﷺ. They feel that whatever that was taught and shown by Prophet Muhammad ﷺ are only suitable during the time of Rasulullah ﷺ. In this modern age, according to them it is sufficient that we were born as Muslims.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 22 of soorah al-Anfaal:

إِنَّ شَرَّ الدَّوَابِّ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ الصُّمُّ الْبُكْمُ الَّذِينَ لَا يَعْقِلُونَ ﴿٢٢﴾

“Indeed, the worst of living creatures in the sight of Allah are the deaf and dumb who do not use reason.”

Meaning, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* debase those that do not want to listen to the truth and refuse to utter words of *haqq* (truth), that they do not comprehend the verses of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and the teachings of Rasulullah ﷺ, that in the end they become ignorant and understands nothing, and such ignorance is the form of disgrace upon those that are arrogant.

3. Arrogance towards fellow humans.



Arrogance that typically takes place is looking down upon others, thinking that one is always right and being the best, the most intelligent, the greatest, Mr. Know-it-all, the best in administering and managing, the best in everything. The arrogant person will always compare himself against others, and deem others as dumb, unintelligent, and unrighteous when compared with himself.

Those who are arrogant are usually power crazy, craving for respect, and thirsty for praise. They like to brag about themselves in public, and uttering words and reasoning that are unbecoming to be heard by those having *imaan* (faith) and knowledge. For sure, the arrogant folks dislike receiving criticisms, advice, and recommendations, what more with objections. They feel that they are the only ones that are most correct and will not care about the circumstances and views of others. Like in the Malay adage: "*Germs across the ocean are visible, but elephants in the eyelids are not visible.*" It means that one sees the fault of others even though it is minute, but one does not see his own fault or pretends not to see it.

Dear beloved audience,

As such, as Muslims we must stay away from arrogance for it is only befitting for Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, as He mentioned in a *hadeeth Qudsi* narrated by 'Ali bin Abi Taalib *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, where Rasulullah ﷺ said:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى يَقُولُ: إِنَّ الْعِزَّ إِزَارِي وَالْكَبْرِيَاءُ رِدَائِي فَمَنْ نَازَعَنِي فِيهِمَا عَذَّبْتُهُ.



“Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala said: “Majesty is My garment and pride is My cloak. Whoever disputes with me over them I will torment him.””

(at-Tabaraan)

Dearest Muslims,

To end today's *khutbah*, let us altogether derive lessons upon the danger of pride and arrogance, among them:

1. Arrogance destroys righteous deeds.

The arrogant ones would never have *ikhlaas* (sincerity), which is the core for all deeds and acts of worship (*'ibaadah*). Hence, all of their acts and deeds are in vain.

In the *hadeeth* of Anas bin Maalik *radiallāhu 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“Three things that destroy, they are: greediness that is obeyed, and desires that are followed, and a person becoming self-conceited (and proud) with himself.”

(at-Tabaraani)

2. Arrogance is worse than hidden *shirk*.

Shirk is a sin that is not forgiven by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* because those committing *shirk* do not testify to the Oneness of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala*. If it is said that arrogance is a disease that is much worse than *shirk*, definitely its punishment will be much severe.

Verily, the arrogant ones would always put the blame on *qadr* (predestination) for all of the mishaps and misfortune afflicting them, but when they are conferred with favors, they will not grant *shukr* (gratitude)



unto Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, and in the Hereafter they will be accompanied by Iblees whom together will enter Hellfire.

3. Arrogance only follows the desire.

Those that are arrogant will act according to whatever they would desire without thinking or considering their surroundings. They would always act without thinking thoroughly and purely succumbing to their lustful desire. They would do whatever they feel like, for what is important is that they are satisfied and proud.

In such condition, they are inclined to satiate their greed and easily incited by *shaytaan* and Iblees that they would commit none other than acts of disobedience.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
سَأَصْرِفُ عَنْ آيَاتِيَ الَّذِينَ يَتَكَبَّرُونَ فِي الْأَرْضِ بِغَيْرِ الْحَقِّ
وَإِنْ يَرَوْا كُلَّ آيَةٍ لَا يُؤْمِنُوا بِهَا وَإِنْ يَرَوْا سَبِيلَ الرُّشْدِ لَا يَتَّخِذُوهُ
سَبِيلًا وَإِنْ يَرَوْا سَبِيلَ الغَىِّ يَتَّخِذُوهُ سَبِيلًا ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ كَذَّبُوا
بِء آيَاتِنَا وَكَانُوا عَنْهَا غَافِلِينَ ﴿١٤٦﴾

"I will turn away from My signs those who are arrogant upon the earth without right; and if they should see every sign, they will not believe in it. And if they see the way of consciousness, they will not adopt it as a way; but if they see the way of error, they will adopt it as a way. That is because they have denied Our signs and they were heedless of them."

(Soorah al-A'raaf 7:146)



بَارَكَ 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



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 وَإِيَّايَ
بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

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.

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 deriving lessons from everything that has happened, always vigilant and mindful though we have been given a bit of freedom to move about. This is because the entire nation is still fighting the Covid-19 pandemic, for the sake of our own safety and the society as a whole.



For those that are truly affected by this pandemic, do not take the easy way out by harming and injuring oneself. 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 ﷺ as Allah has commanded:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٦﴾

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطِينِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ



الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانِ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه
الحاج. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعُوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُوْر، تَعَكَوْ اَمِيْر شَاهِ اِبْنِ
السُّلْطَانِ شَرْفِ الدِّينِ ادريس شاه الحاج، فِيْ اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ
عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِيْنَ لِلْمُوْظَفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ
مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيْقِ الْهُدٰى 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, 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), making endowment (*waqf*) through *Perbadanan Wakaf Selangor* (Selangor Endowment Corporation) and giving away (*infaaq*) our wealth through *Tabung Infak Jariah Umat Islam Selangor* (TIJARI, Selangor Continuous Charity for Muslims Fund), and to the orphans through Darul Ehsan Islamic Foundation (YIDE).



اللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اذْفَعْ 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 ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿٢٠١﴾.
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَى
وَيَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ

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