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I solemnly remind myself and respected audience that let us altogether strive to have the taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala by performing all

of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. Know that among the characteristics of the pious is loving fellow believers, just as how one would love his own or her ownself.

Let us internalize upon today's khutbah titled



The Muslim ummah must give full attention and care upon the plight of the yateem (orphans) so as to allow them to live comfortably and with sufficiency just like others who are blessed to

have fathers and mothers. Islam greatly ennoble those that give charity or infaaq (give away) their wealth especially to the orphans that are in need.

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 12-16 of soorah al-Balad:

"And what can make you know what is [breaking through] the difficult pass?

It is the freeing of a slave. Or feeding on a day of severe hunger. An orphan of near relationship. Or a needy person in misery."

Of late, we are truly feeling the direct effect of the Covid-19 pandemic, with findings from the census conducted by Darul **Ehsan Islamic Foundation** (YIDE) that the Covid-19

pandemic had taken away the lives of many heads of households and leaving the children as yateem in an instant. A total of 1,403 students from 1,020 families within the state of Selangor had

become orphans and this includes the non-Muslims as well.

Faced with such situation,
Darul Ehsan Islamic
Foundation (YIDE) had
launched various

initiatives to assist these orphans. On 8th October 2021, YIDE had launched Orphan's Month throughout the month of Rabee' al-Awwal in honoring the Birth Month of Prophet Muhammad

who was also a yateem. A one-off financial assistance of RM500.00 was given to each orphaned family, amounting to 549 families, with the allocation of RM274,500.00 handed

over in stages to its recipients.

In addition, the RM200.00 annual school aid for every orphan will be disbursed to 794 orphan students with an

allocation of RM158,800 annually.

YIDE had allocated RM126,300.00 to top up prepaid mobile service for 4,210 orphans so that they can pursue the

Home-based Teaching and Learning (PdPR) mode, which began in August.

With the economic situation that is gravely affected and many have lost their jobs, it indirectly posed to 19 challenges orphanages that are registered and

## supervised by YIDE in Selangor.

A total of RM677,000.00 fund donations were distributed to the 19 welfare homes for the

purpose of financing the management costs in administering those homes. YIDE had also allocated RM38,135.00 to finance the utility bills, namely Water and Electricity, during the

previously imposed MCO 3.0.

In exchange for severe tribulations afflicting the orphans, Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala replaced those trials by

elevating their rank. The command to take good care of the orphans was firmly stated by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala in His Words and by Rasulullah in his narrations. There is

tremendous virtue for those that take good care of the yateem, and severe warning upon those that oppress the orphans. This indicates that the orphans are to be nurtured and well

cared for.

In the *hadeeth* of ibn 'Abbaas *radiyAllaahu* 'anhuma Rasulullah mentioned:

"Whoever takes in an orphan among the Muslims to raise, to feed him and give him drink, Allah admits him into Paradise without a doubt,

unless he has done a sin for which he is not forgiven."

(at-Tirmidhi)

Those that oppress the orphans and consume their wealth unjustly, then Allah had issued a stern reminder:

"Indeed, those who devour the property of orphans unjustly are only consuming into their bellies fire. And they will be burned in a Blaze."

In the hadeeth of Sa'd Sahl bin radiyAllaahu 'anh: Rasulullah said:

"I will be like this in Jannah with the person who takes care of an orphan." The Messenger of Allah ( ) raised his forefinger and middle finger by way of illustration. (al-Bukhaari)

Among those that are tested by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala in this worldly life are children that have lost their parents. They have truly lost a place for support and dependence,

a place to confide, a place for love and affection, as if they had lost everything in their lives. Forget about losing our parents, even when we lose our money or our treasured items, we

become restless in a heartbeat. So, what more with the parents whom are irreplaceable.

Therefore, YIDE humbly invites fellow congregation to altogether

care for the orphans by providing moral and physical support, so that these yateem can taste the love of a father that they never experienced before.

Giving sadaqah (charity) can expiate the minor sins, as mentioned in the hadeeth of Mu'aadh bin Jabal radiyAllaahu 'anh where Rasulullah said:

"And charity wipes away sin as water extinguishes fire."

(at-Tirmidhi)

Not only that, giving sadaqah or making infaaq will not render one to become poor, moreover it will further facilitate in earning rizq (provision). Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala

mentions in verse 39 of soorah Sabaa, which means:

"Say, "Indeed, my Lord extends provision for whom He wills of

His servants and restricts [it] for him. But whatever thing you spend [in His cause] -He will compensate it; and He is the best of providers.""

Darul Ehsan Islamic Foundation (YIDE) has provided a medium that is easy for the society to partake and respond to the Divine Call in aiding to alleviate the burden of the orphans. Often times,

unable are we to contribute our time, or our energy, or even ideas, so financial contribution is the way to go. Rasulullah said, on the authority of Hurayrah Abu radiyAllaahu 'anh:

"When a son of Adam dies, his acts come to an end, but three, recurring charity, or knowledge (by which people) benefit, or a pious child who supplicates for him."

(Muslim)

l sincerely Therefore, invite upon all walks of society to altogether join Darul Ehsan Islamic Foundation (YIDE) in safeguarding the welfare of the orphans, especially in the state of Selangor.

Darul Ehsan Islamic (YIDE) Foundation provides the very opportunity for the general public that intend to make donations in the form of Ringgit through "Infaq Dana". To make

things easier, Infaq Dana is accessible online through the official website at www.yide.com.my and also through various digital platforms such as Touch n Go E Wallet,

Jom Pay, Snap N Pay Bank Islam, not to mention that there are even those that donated via Shopee. YIDE humbly call upon the general public to contribute through salary

deduction, where one can directly contact YIDE headquarter for such arrangement.

The funds contributed from the general masses is for the purpose of

building a future for the orphans, and every cent contributed to Darul Islamic Ehsan Foundation is 100% entirely channeled to the orphans.

These funds will be channeled to cover basic for the expenses orphans, and further cover the expenses for Pulau Indah Orphans Complex Development. Therefore, let us

become altogether determined and steadfast (istiqaamah) in helping the orphans. Let us donate and contribute in the form of material goods, spirituality, and energy regardless of

month, day, and time so that our contributions will help reduce their burden. May this serve as provision when we stand in front Allah on that very Day.

To end the khutbah today, let us altogether drive lessons and reflections as guidance in our lives:

1. The Muslim ummah must have certainty that loving and caring for the yateem is a command from Allah Subhaanahu Ta'aala upon mankind.

2. The Muslim ummah must realize that living as an orphan is truly a test for us in aiding them.

3. The Muslim ummah must realize that the responsibility in assisting orphan children is a daunting task and it will be rewarded handsomely by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

"Have you seen the one who denies the Recompense? For that is the one who drives away the orphan. And does not encourage the feeding of the poor."

(Soorah al-Maa'oon 107:1-3)

## THE SECOND KHUTBAH

Once more, I would like to remind all of us to always have the tagwa 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, and 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



For those that are truly affected by this pandemic, do not take the easy way out by harming and injuring ourselves. We must be selfless, patient, and strong mentally and physically, built upon solid *imaan*.



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 our wealth (infaaq) through Tabung Infak Jariah Umat Islam Selangor (TIJARI, Selangor Continuous Charity for Muslims Fund),

## and to the orphans through Darul Ehsan Islamic Foundation (YIDE).

