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اَلْحَمْدُ لِللَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: يُرِيدُونَ أَن يُطْفِئُواْ نُورَ ٱللَّهِ بِأَفْوَاهِمِمْ وَيَأْبَى ٱللَّهُ إِلَّآ أَن يُتِمَّ نُورَهُ وَلَوْ كَرهَ ٱلْكَافِرُونَ اللهَ اللهُ اللهَ اللهُ اللهُو

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى ءَالِهِ وَأَصْحَابِه أَجْمَعِيْنَ.

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

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَاأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ ٱتَّقُواْ ٱللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنتُم مُّسۡلِمُونَ ۞ 2

Muslimin yang dirahmati Allah sekalian,

All praise is due to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* Who had chosen us, those present in this House of His, as His slaves sealed by the *kalimah* (declaration) of *tawheed لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللهُ مُحَمَّدٌ رَّسُولُ الله where we testified that there is no Deity worthy of worship save Allah and that Prophet Muhammad عَيْنَ is the Messenger of Allah <i>Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

¹ at-Tawbah 9:32.

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102.



Therefore, let us have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions, as well as following the *sunnah* of Rasulullah . May we be from among His slaves whom He is pleased with and bestowed with *rahmah* (mercy), also attaining salvation in this world and the Hereafter.

Let us altogether internalize upon the *khutbah* today titled "THE GREATEST ENEMY OF THE MUSLIM UMMAH."

Dear beloved audience,

The coming of Islam had left a huge effect that it successfully rejected the lifestyle of *jaahiliyyah* (period of Ignorance) and brought the pagan Arabian society from the age of darkness into guidance, from tyranny to justice, and from oppression to moral upright.

This coincides with what Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 107 of soorah al-Anbiyaa':

"And We have not sent you, [O Muhammad], except as a mercy to the worlds."

The messengership of Prophet Muhammad unto mankind has brought great success and happiness. He had rescued mankind from misery. He was sent by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala to complete the religion and akhlaaq (moral character) of mankind so as to attain good in this world and the Hereafter. All of the struggles of Rasulullah had brought Islam from the period of jaahiliyyah heading towards a brighter Islamic civilization.



Until these very moments, even though Rasulullah ## had passed away over 1400 years ago, we are still accepting and implementing all of his teachings. However, the blessings (ni'mah) of security and prosperity that we are enjoying will always be tested. In reality, we are actually facing the onslaughts of the enemies of Islam that are both apparent and hidden.

Today, the Muslim *ummah* is not only defenseless against clearly visible enemies such as the Jews and the Christians, but also incapable of fighting off wicked "internal" enemies, namely the evil desire and *shaytaan*.

Truly Islam does not teach us to look for the enemies, but Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala had told us about the trials that will be faced by the Muslims, through His Verses in al-Qur'an al-Kareem, and the Prophet in his narrations had clearly exposed the actual enemies of the Muslims, among them:

- 1. The Jews and the Christians, as well as the disbelievers.
- 2. Lustful desire.
- 3. *Iblees* and *shaytaan*.
- 4. The *munaafiqeen* (hypocrites).
- 5. Envious Muslims.

Dearest blessed Muslims,

Allah had explained the attitude of the *kuffaar* (disbelievers) especially the *Yahood* (Jews) and *Nasaaraa* (Christians) that they will not be at ease and accepting the Muslims for as long as the Muslims do not become their followers and live according to their way of life.

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 120 of soorah al-Baqarah:



وَلَن تَرْضَىٰ عَنكَ ٱلْيَهُودُ وَلَا ٱلنَّصَارَىٰ حَتَّىٰ تَتَّبِعَ مِلَّتَهُمُّ قُلَ إِنَّ هُدَى اللَّهِ هُو ٱلْهُدَىٰ وَلَيِنِ ٱتَّبَعْتَ أَهُوَآءَهُم بَعْدَ ٱلَّذِى جَآءَكَ مِنَ ٱلْعِلْمِ مَا لَكَ مِنَ ٱللَّهِ مِن وَلِيِّ وَلَا نَصِيرٍ ﴿

"And never will the Jews or the Christians approve of you until you follow their religion. Say, "Indeed, the guidance of Allah is the [only] guidance." If you were to follow their desires after what has come to you of knowledge, you would have against Allah no protector or helper."

Therefore, the success of the enemies of Islam is not due to the greatness of their conspiracy or plotting but the weakness of the Muslim *ummah* itself. As it was reminded by Rasulullah ## that at the end of time, there will appear multitudes of *fitan* (tribulations) including conspiracies and plotting by the enemies of Islam. In addition to that, fitnah will also be instigated by the Muslims themselves with a plethora of quarrels, chaos, and fighting among themselves.

Dear beloved Muslims,

In order for us to become an *ummah* (nation) that is praised by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, then it is only befitting that we know the great enemies of the Muslim *ummah* that are always in command within our hearts, among them is the evil desire.

The lustful desire is among the Muslims' greatest enemies for the desire is unified or embedded within the self of every individual. It cannot be killed or expunged, but it can be subdued and controlled. Its very nature



is inviting to wrongdoing and disobedience. The evil desire will not stop from coercing the person until its wishes are fulfilled.

Even though it will always demand for its wishes to be fulfilled, it actually has its true meaningful purpose once the Muslim succeed in dominating and subjugating it to the path that is pleasing to Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 40-41 of soorah an-Naazi'aat:

"But as for he who feared the position of his Lord and prevented the soul from [unlawful] inclination, then indeed, Paradise will be [his] refuge."

Respected audience,

The third enemy of the Muslim *ummah* are *Iblees* and *Shaytaan*. *Iblees* and *Shaytaan* will attack from every nook and corner, its temptations are very subtle according to the level of the persons it seduces. It permeates through the body through the blood vessels and reigns in the heart, associating itself with the evil desire, and always accompanying every actions and behavior of humans.

Among the characteristics of the temptations and deceptions of *iblees* and *shaytaan* are:

Whispering laziness and the feeling of heavy burden in fulfilling religious obligations, where such laziness is greatly felt upon hearing the



call to fulfill an obligation, specifically the *salaah* (prayer). If we are successful in warding off that first temptation, definitely *iblees* and *shaytaan* will continue to launch its deceptions tirelessly.

If we succeed in averting the second deception, *iblees* and *shaytaan* will attempt to make our hearts busy with fantasies and imaginations, that we become forgetful and lose our *khushoo* (concentration) in our *'ibaadah* (worship).

Iblees and shaytaan will not surrender if its third deception fails, on the contrary it will pretend to become good, inviting us to do good, encouraging us to increase our 'ibaadah, whether day or night, that we would go overboard while feeling satisfied for having indulged in lots of 'ibaadah, that in the end we would feel that we are much better and righteous than others, looking down upon them.

Dearest audience,

The fourth great enemies of Muslims are the hypocrites (munaafiqeen).

This group is the enemy from within, smiling to our faces, pretending to be helpful but behind us they are very deceitful and treacherous. We must always remain careful of the *munaafiqeen* for outwardly (externally) they would project having the same 'aqeedah with Muslims having *imaan* (belief). The characteristic of the hypocrite is that when he speaks he lies, when he promises he breaks his promise, and when entrusted with an *amaanah* (trust) he betrays it.

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in the first verse of soorah al-Munaafiqoon:



وَٱللَّهُ يَشْهَدُ إِنَّ ٱلْمُنَافِقِينَ لَكَاذِبُونَ ۞

"...And Allah testifies that the hypocrites are liars."

Dearest beloved Muslims,

At times, the Muslim would be hated by those with *hasad* (envy) towards them. Indeed, *iblees* was the first one to have *hasad* in the high heaven. While, Qabeel was the first one to have *hasad* upon his own brother Habeel in this world. Hence, it is sufficient with their misdeeds as advice, reminders, and lessons for us that truly think and reflect.

In the hadeeth of Abu Hurayrah radiyAllaahu 'anh, Rasulullah said:

"Avoid envy, for envy devours good deeds just as fire devours firewood."

(Abu Dawood)

Dear beloved Friday congregation,

Ending the *khutbah* today, let us altogether internalize and derive lessons as guide and guidance in our lives. Among them:

- 1. The Muslim *ummah* must realize that the Jews and the Christians are the greatest enemies of Islam from the time of Rasulullah ## until today, and for sure it will continue throughout time.
- 2. The Muslim *ummah* must always remain vigilant in this life so as to not get ensnared by the deceptions of the Jews and the Christians.



- 3. The Muslim *ummah* must always strive to fight against its lustful desire so as to not deviate from the path of truth and the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.
- 4. The Muslim *ummah* must always supplicate for protection from the temptation of *iblees* and *shaytaan*, as well as the evil of the enviers.

أَعُوذُ بِاللّهِ مِنَ الشّيْطَانِ الرّجِيمِ

وَدَّ كَثِيرٌ مِّنْ أَهُلِ ٱلْكِتَابِ لَوْ يَرُدُّونَكُم مِّنْ بَعْدِ إِيمَانِكُمْ كُفَّارًا حَسَدَا مِّنْ عِندِ أَنفُسِهِم مِّنْ بَعْدِ مَا تَبَيَّنَ لَهُمُ ٱلْحُقُّ فَٱعْفُواْ وَٱصْفَحُواْ حَتَّىٰ يَأْتِى مِّنْ عِندِ أَنفُسِهِم مِّنْ بَعْدِ مَا تَبَيَّنَ لَهُمُ ٱلْحُقُّ فَٱعْفُواْ وَٱصْفَحُواْ حَتَّىٰ يَأْتِى مَاللَّهُ بِأَمْرِهِ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ اللَّهُ بِأَمْرِهِ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ عَلَى كُلِّ اللَّهُ عَلَى كُلِّ اللَّهُ اللِّهُ اللَّهُ اللْمُلْكِاللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللْمُولِلْ اللْمُولِ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللْمُؤْمِ اللْمُؤْمِ الللِّهُ الللِّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ الللْمِؤْمُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللْمُؤْمُ اللَّهُ اللْمُؤْمُ اللْمُؤْمِ اللَّهُ اللِهُ اللْمُؤْمِ اللْمُؤْمِ الللِّهُ اللْمُؤْمِ الللِهُ الللْمُؤْمُ اللْمُؤْمُ اللِّهُ اللْمُؤْمِ اللْمُؤْمِ اللْمُؤْمُ اللْمُؤْمُ الللِهُ الللْمُؤْمُ اللْمُؤْمُ اللَّ

"Many of the People of the Scripture wish they could turn you back to disbelief after you have believed, out of envy from themselves [even] after the truth has become clear to them. So pardon and overlook until Allah delivers His command. Indeed, Allah is over all things competent."

(al-Bagarah 2:109)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ، وَنَفَعَنِيْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلاَوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ فِيْهِ 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,

Let us altogether strive to have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by increasing our obedience towards Him and avoiding acts of disobedience and abominable deeds.

إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ وَمَلَّمِكَتَهُ و يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى ٱلنَّبِيِّ يَأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ صَلُّواْ عَلَى عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُواْ تَسُلِيمًا ۞

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِيْنَ.

اَللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْلَّوْمِنَاتِ الْلَؤمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُواتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيْعٌ قَرِيْبٌ مُجِيْبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيْعٌ قَرِيْبٌ مُجِيْبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ



وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللَّهُمَّ أَعِزَّ الْإِسْلاَمَ وَالْمُسْلِمِيْنَ، وَأَهْلِكِ الْإَسْلاَمَ وَالْمُسْلِمِيْنَ، وَأَهْلِكِ الْكَفَرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِيْنَ.

اَللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِيْنِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بعَيْن عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وِقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلاَلَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعَظِّم، سُلْطَان سلاغُور، سُلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَان صَلاَحُ الدِّين عبد العزبز شاه الحاج. اَللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيّ عَهْدِ سلاغُور، تَعْكُو أَمِير شَاه اِبْن السُّلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج، فِيْ أَمْنِ وَصَلاَح وَعَافِيَةِ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَاالْجَلالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اَللَّهُمَّ أَطِلْ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْن لِلْمُوَظِّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلاَدِ، مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

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).

اَللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اِدْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءَ وَالْبَرَضَ وَاللَّهُمَّ يَا وَاللَّهُمَّ يَا لَطِيْفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَالْمِرْفَ الْمِرْفَ الْإِجَابَةِ جَدِيْرٌ.

قديْرٌ وَبِالْإِجَابَةِ جَدِيْرٌ.

رَبَّنَا هَبُ لَنَا مِنُ أَزُوَ جِنَا وَذُرِيَّتِنَا قُرَّةً أَعْيُنِ وَٱجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي ٱلدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي ٱلْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ ٱلنَّارِ . وَبَنَا عَذَابَ ٱلنَّارِ فَي عَبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِٱلْعَدُلِ وَٱلْإِحْسَنِ وَإِيتَآيِ ذِي ٱلْقُرْبَىٰ عَبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِٱلْعَدُلِ وَٱلْإِحْسَنِ وَإِيتَآيٍ ذِي ٱلْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَآءِ وَٱلْمُنكرِ وَٱلْبَغِيْ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَآءِ وَٱلْمُنكرِ وَٱلْبَغِيْ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ

فَاذْكُرُواْ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.