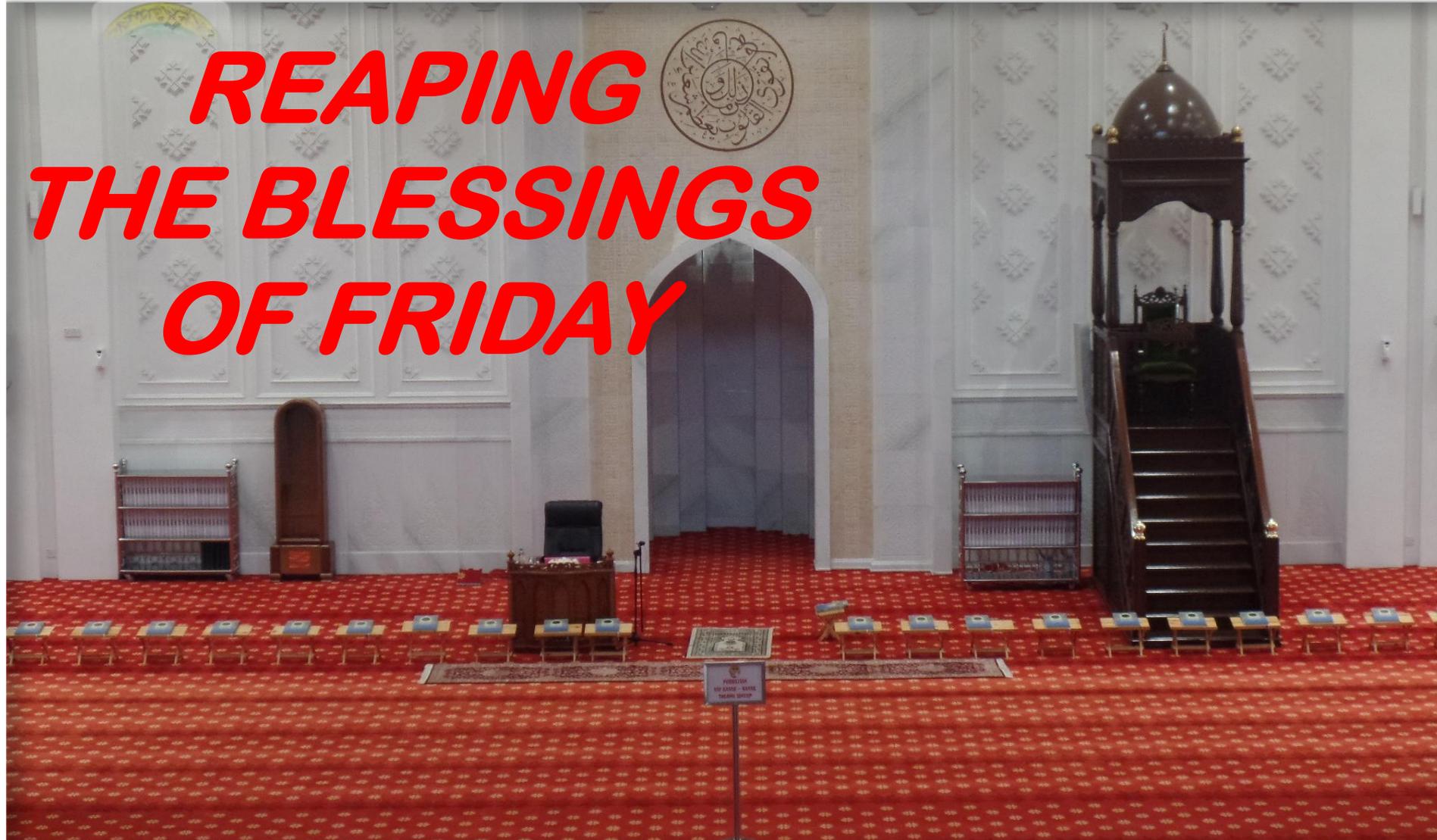




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REAPING THE BLESSINGS OF FRIDAY



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Let us altogether remain
istiqamah (steadfast) in
increasing our *imaan*
(faith) and *taqwa* of Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
by performing all of

**His Commands and
Ordainments, as well as
leaving off His
prohibitions and
forbiddance.**

“REAPING THE BLESSINGS OF FRIDAY.”

**Every *Jumu‘ah* (Friday) of
the week we would
convene at the masjid,
engaging in various good
deeds such as giving
charity (*sadaqah*),**

listening to the *khutbah*
(sermon), praying and
performing *i'tikaaf*
(seclusion) in the masjid,
reciting al-Qur'an, and
many others. However,
many are still heedless
and negligent, even

ignoring the honor that Allah has granted upon the day of Friday. This is because many would intentionally come late to the masjid, engaging in idle talk, and even while the *khateeb* is delivering

the *khutbah*, some would be in slumber, playing with their mobile phone, chatting outside the masjid. Even more upsetting is that many still do not attend the Friday prayer, even

ignoring it though the
adhaan (call to prayer)
can be clearly heard. Do
we really know or pretend
to not know the nobility of
the day of Friday in the
Sight of Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala?

Perhaps many among us know and are cognizant of the fact that Friday is the chief of all days, Friday is the day when Prophet Adam *'Alayhissalaam* was created, the day that

Prophet Adam was placed into Paradise and taken out of Paradise. Furthermore, the Day of Judgment will not occur on other days except on a Friday. Such glory that the sun rising on a Friday

morning is the best
sunrise as compared to
other days. This was
mentioned in the *hadeeth*
of Abu Hurayrah
radiyAllaahu 'anh where
the Prophet ﷺ said:

“The best day on which the sun has risen is Friday. On it Adam was created, on it he was made to enter Paradise, on it he was expelled from it. And the Hour will take place on no day other than Friday.”

(Muslim)

Verily, Friday is a great day for the Muslim *ummah*. Allah honors Friday over the day of 'Eid al-Fitr and 'Eid al-Adha. However, why are there still those that are heedless and ignores it,

when all other
creatures are fearful of
Friday? In the *hadeeth*
of Abu Lubaabah bin
'Abd al-Mundhir
radiyAllaahu 'anh,
Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“Friday is the chief of days, the greatest day before Allah. It is greater before Allah than the Day of al-Adha and the Day of al-Fitr. It has five characteristics: On it Allah created Adam;

***on it Allah sent down
Adam to this earth; on it
there is a time during
which a person does not
ask Allah for anything but
He will give it to him, so
long as he does not ask
for anything that is***

forbidden; on it the Hour will begin. There is no angel who is close to Allah, no heaven, no earth, no wind, no mountain, and no sea that does not fear Friday.”

(ibn Maajah and Ahmad)

In this life, definitely no one wants to bear any loss if the opportunity to reap profits is laid out wide open in front of their very eyes. Moreover, if possible, mankind would hope for

**the opportunity to haul in
profit to always emerge
so that they can
continuously benefit from
such golden opportunity.
Similarly, with the virtues
of the day of Friday. On
every Friday, beginning**

from the sunset of the previous day, which is Thursday afternoon, up until the time of Maghrib on this afternoon, every Muslim whether young or old, male or female, have equal opportunity to

reap multitudes of
virtues prepared by Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
for the day of Friday.
Among the merits of
Friday that we often
ignore is the period
where

du'aa (supplication) is
accepted by Allah
Subhaanahu Wa
Ta'aala. Abu Burdah bin
Abu Moosa al-Ash'ari
radiyAllaahu 'anh
reported that he heard

the Prophet ﷺ said
when he was asked
regarding the period of
mustajab (acceptance):

***‘Abdullah bin ‘Umar
radiyAllaahu ‘anhuma
said to me: Did you hear
anything from your father
narrating something from
the Messenger of Allah
(ﷺ) about the time on
Friday?***

I said: Yes, I heard him say from the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) (these words): “It is between the time when the Imaam sits down and the end of the prayer.”

(Muslim)

Similar with the
hadeeth of Jaabir bin
'Abdillaah *radiyAllaahu*
'anhuma, where the
Prophet ﷺ said:

***“Friday is twelve hours
in which there is no
Muslim slave who asks
Allah for something but
He will give it to him, so
seek it in the last hour
after ‘Asr.”***

(an-Nasaa’i)

The *hadeeth* mentioned clearly indicated the time of acceptance on a Friday for supplication. As servants of Allah that are full of weakness and shortcomings, definitely we have needs and

and supplications that
are to be fulfilled and
answered by Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.
But what a tremendous
loss when we have the
best opportunity on
every Friday and yet we

decorate it with
heedlessness and
unbeneficial deeds.

Therefore, let us get used
to engage in the *sunnah*
(supererogatory) acts for
Fridays, hastening to

arrive at the masjid as
early possible so as to
perform the *sunnah*
prayer with tranquility
and sitting in a
comfortable spot.

Moreover, those that
arrive early, their names

will be recorded by the
angels waiting at the
gates of the masjid.
These angels will stop
recording the names
once the *adhaan* is
made.

In the *hadeeth* of Abu
Hurayrah *radhiyAllaahu*
'anh, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

***“On every Friday the
angels take their stand
at every gate of the***

***masjid to write the names
of the people
chronologically and when
the Imaam sits (on the
pulpit) they fold up their
scrolls and get ready to
listen to the sermon.”***

(al-Bukhaari)

However, along with those virtues, there are several matters that we must be aware of and cautious about, so that the rewards that we crave for will not go in vain. Once we are in the

masjid, we must observe proper *adaab* (etiquette) and preserve the sanctity of the atmosphere. Furthermore, we have been reminded by Rasulullah ﷺ to not commit things that will go

in vain while the *khateeb*
is delivering the *khutbah*.
This was mentioned in
the *hadeeth* of Abu
Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu*
'anh, where Rasulullah ﷺ
said:

“If you say to your companions: ‘Be quiet’ on a Friday while the Imaam is delivering the sermon, you have engaged in Laghw (idle talk or behavior).”

(ibn Maajah)

Look at this, dearest audience, even rebuking others by saying 'be quiet' our deeds are rendered in vain. Hence, imagine if we are still chit chatting or engaging in idle talk in the back area

**or outside. Do we not
realize that our presence
on this day is just a
waste?**

To end the *khutbah* this time, there are several vital matters that we can derive as lessons and reflection. Among them:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must realize and have certainty, as well as remorse, that Friday is a day that is full of blessings from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Such that, the Judgment Day would take place on a Friday.

2. The Muslim *ummah* must hasten to seize the opportunity and reap the bountiful rewards from various deeds that adheres to the *Shara'* on a Friday.

3. The Muslim *ummah* must strive every day to ensure that the present day is better than the day before, unto becoming excellent and successful Muslims.

“Say, [O Muhammad], “Shall we [believers] inform you of the greatest losers as to [their] deeds? [They are] those whose effort is lost in worldly life, while they think that they are doing well in work.””

(al-Kahf 18:103-104)



**THE SECOND
KHUTBAH**



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.



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).**



O Allah, bestow upon us *rizq* that are lawful and blessed, keep us away from acts of corruption and abuse of power for they are betrayals upon the trust given.



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