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اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّهِ الْقَائِل: إِنَّ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ وَالَّذِينَ هَاجَرُواْ وَجَهَدُواْ فِ الْحَمْدُ لِلّهِ اللّهِ أُولِيكِ يَرْجُونَ رَحْمَتَ اللّهِ وَاللّهُ غَفُورٌ رَّحِيمٌ الله الله وَحْدَهُ لا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللّهُ مَلِ الله وَسَلّم عَلَى سَيّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى الله وَصَحْبه وَ أَجْمَعِيْنَ.

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

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَّأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ ٱتَّقُواْ ٱللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنتُم مُّسُلِمُونَ ﴿ وَاللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَّسُلِمُونَ ﴿ وَاللَّهُ مَاللَّمُونَ ﴿ وَاللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ اللَّالَةُ اللَّهُ اللَّا اللللَّهُ اللّهُ اللّه

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and leaving out all of His prohibitions. May we all attain success in this world and the Hereafter.

I would like to sincerely invite fellow congregation to altogether ponder upon the *khutbah* today, titled "HIJRAH, THE STRUGGLE TOWARDS GOOD."

¹ al-Baqarah 2:218

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102



Dear blessed audience,

Change is *sunnatullaah* or Divine rules that will surely take place in this universe. Nothing exists on the face of earth except that it will surely undergo through changes for the better, whether physically or spiritually, which requires constant struggle from our own selves. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* gave a clear example regarding changes within the human body, as He mentions in verse 54 of soorah ar-Room:

"Allah is the one who created you from weakness, then made after weakness strength, then made after strength weakness and white hair. He creates what He wills, and He is the Knowing, the Competent."

Islam in its history of survival on this worldly stage, is a religion that truly emphasizes on the importance of change. The change process is not limited to the nature and behavior of humans, but it also shifts the paradigm of thinking and life system. This is the transformation that was undertaken by Rasulullah whose main agenda was to create change, which is tranformation from a life that is full of *jaahiliyyah* (ignorance), *kufr* (disbelief), oppression, and many others, towards a life that is full of *imaan* (faith), justice, and genuine well-being. This was affirmed by Allah



Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala as the transformation from darkness into the light of faith.

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in the first verse of soorah Ibraaheem:

"Alif, Lam, Ra. [This is] a Book which We have revealed to you, [O Muhammad], that you might bring mankind out of darkness into the light by permission of their Lord - to the path of the Exalted in Might, the Praiseworthy."

It is clear here that mankind has been ordained to undergo changes in their lives, which is changing from a bad to a good situation, and also from a situation that is good to that which is even better.

Perhaps this is what Rasulullah # had meant in his narration mentioned by Sayyidatina 'A'ishah *radiyAllaahu 'anha*:

"There is no migration after the Conquest (of Makkah), but jihaad and sincere intention. When you are asked to set out (for the cause of Islam), go forth immediately."

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

Blessed audience,



Hijrah (migration) here does not mean that we attempt to run away or surrender, but instead it is one of the nostalgic collections of the past intending to make the Muslims aware regarding the preparation in strategizing for the battlefield that is full of challenges and adversity. It is also a call for commitment that is based upon sincerity, firm determination, and solid *imaan*, neatly summing up a new conviction in attaining absolute prosperity and eternal bliss in this world and the Hereafter.

Moreover, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* had also commanded the Muslims to reform or change themselves, as He mentions in verse 11 of soorah ar-Ra'd:

"Indeed, Allah will not change the condition of a people until they change what is in themselves."

According to *Tafsir Pimpinan ar-Rahman*, this verse explains that any nation that lives in peace and prosperity, it is due to their *imaan* and obedience unto Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, and also their noble and excellent *akhlaaq* (character). As such, Allah will not change their condition of righteousness until they change what is within themselves, meaning from *imaan* and obedience to *kufr* and disobedience, and from noble to vile *akhlaaq*, for all of evil and despicable traits and deeds are the reasons that leads to destruction. Such is *sunnatullaah* or the rules of Allah that will surely take place upon all of His creations.

Dear respected audience,



Looking at the current outlook of the Muslims nowadays, how they have fallen far behind in the competition of life with ugly struggles in various turmoil and life crises, which justifies that the Muslims are now crushed with the predicament of regression, poverty, ignorance, disunity, internal strife, inferiority, destitution, and in the end dragged into destruction. Ironically, the lives of the Muslims nowadays are synonymous and associated with turmoil and crises plaguing their entire life journey, hence it is no wonder that the Muslims are labeled with various names that only degrade their image and dignity in the eyes of the world, such as a nation of backwardness, extremists, conservatives or narrow-minded, Afterlife-centric, and others. It is as if the Muslim *ummah* is pleased and content with those nicknames, when it actually destroys their honor. In result, they become very poor and lag way behind in competing and carrying the legacy of Islam on the world stage that is ever challenging.

Actually, crisis after crisis that befalls the Muslim *ummah* not only affect a portion of the Muslim *ummah*, but instead it affects all walks of life within the Muslim community, whether individually, the Muslim family institution, Muslim society, and also the Muslim government. All of them have their own unique contributions in determining the direction and vision of a nation. If every quarter within the Muslim *ummah* would fulfill their very role according to the will of the Most Divine, definitely superiority and excellence will become theirs, while on the flipside, if not exerted as such, darkness and destitution will engulf their lives forever.

Therefore, struggling for the sake of transformation is vital beginning from now in various aspects of the human life, whether in the mindset, comprehension, internalization, and practice that are comprehensive upon



the Islamic teachings are in accordance with the word of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

As mentioned by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in verse 208 of soorah al-Baqarah:

"O you who have believed, enter into Islam completely [and perfectly] and do not follow the footsteps of Satan. Indeed, he is to you a clear enemy."

Dear beloved Friday audience,

To conclude the sermon today, let us derive several essences from the *khutbah* as our guidance, namely:

- 1. We must realize that every struggle towards good is enjoined upon all Muslims that are *mukallaf* (religiously accountable).
- 2. We must have determination in changing for the better, for Allah will not change the condition of a people for as long as there has been no effort and struggle made towards it.
- 3. We must acknowledge that Allah truly loves His servants that have made *tawbah* (repented) and always improving themselves towards righteousness.



۞ وَمَن يُهَاجِرُ فِي سَبِيلِ ٱللّهِ يَجِدُ فِي ٱلْأَرْضِ مُرَغَمَا كَثِيرًا وَسَعَةً وَمَن يَغُرُجُ مِن بَيْتِهِ مُهَاجِرًا إِلَى ٱللّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ ثُمَّ يُدْرِكُهُ ٱلْمَوْتُ وَمَن يَخُرُجُ مِن بَيْتِهِ مُهَاجِرًا إِلَى ٱللّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ ثُمَّ يُدُرِكُهُ ٱلْمَوْتُ فَقَدُ وَقَعَ أَجُرُهُ وَكَلَى ٱللّهُ وَكَانَ ٱللّهُ غَفُورًا رَّحِيمًا ١

"And whoever emigrates for the cause of Allah will find on the earth many [alternative] locations and abundance. And whoever leaves his home as an emigrant to Allah and His Messenger and then death overtakes him - his reward has already become incumbent upon Allah. And Allah is ever Forgiving and Merciful."

(an-Nisaa' 4:100)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ، وَنَفَعَنِيْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ قِلْ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلا وَتَهُ، فِيْهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلا وَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ.

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

THE SECOND KHUTBAH

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِيْ جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِبَاتِ. أَنْ مَنْ الطَّيِبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ اللهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيْكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ أَشْهَدُ أَنَّ



مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اللهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اللهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدَّيْنِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللهِ، اِتَّقُواْ اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ اللهِ بَقْوَى اللهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

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 وَمَلْيِكَتَهُ ويُصَلُّونَ عَلَى ٱلنَّبِيِّ يَالَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ صَلُّواْ عَلَى عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُواْ تَسْلِيمًا ٥٠ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُواْ تَسْلِيمًا ۞

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِيْنَ.

اَللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِیْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِیْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْیَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِیْعٌ قَرِیْبٌ مُجِیْبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَیَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللَّهُمَّ أَعِزَّ الْإِسْلاَمَ وَالْمُسْلِمِیْنَ، وَأَهْلِكِ الْكَفَرَةَ وَالْمُسْلِمِیْنَ، وَأَهْلِكِ الْكَفَرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُسْرِكِیْنَ.



ٱللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِيْنِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بأَسْمَآئِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَيْن عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلاَلَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْلُعَظَّم، سُلْطَان سلاغُور، سُلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس ش الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَان صَلاَحُ الدِّين عبد العزبز اَللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالسَّلامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيّ عَهْدِ سلاغُور، تَعْكُو أَمِير شَاه إِبْن السُّلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج، فِيْ بمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَاالْجَلالِ وَالإِكْرَامِ. يْن لِلْمُوَظِّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَربِقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

O Allah, grant us guidance in performing the five obligatory prayers in congregation, fulfilling *zakaat* through Selangor *Zakaat* Board (LZS), making endowment (*waqt*) 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).



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.

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 وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعُيْنِ وَٱجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي ٱلدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةَ وَفِي ٱلْآخِرةِ حَسَنَةَ وَقِنَا عَذَابَ ٱلنَّارِ ۞. عَبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِٱلْعَدُلِ وَٱلْإِحْسَنِ وَإِيتَآيٍ ذِي ٱلْقُرْبَى وَيَنْهَى عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَاءِ وَٱلْمُنكِرِ وَٱلْبَغِيُ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ وَيَنْهَى عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَاءِ وَٱلْمُنكِرِ وَٱلْبَغِيُ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ



فَاذْكُرُواْ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوْهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوْهُ مِنْ فَصْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.