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"DEATH THAT IS CERTAIN"

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ : كُلُّ نَفْسٍ ذَائِقَةُ الْمَوْتِ وَإِنَّمَا تُوَفَّوْنَ أَجُورَكُمْ
يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فَمَنْ زُحِرَ عَنِ النَّارِ وَأُدْخِلَ الْجَنَّةَ فَقَدْ فَازَ وَمَا الْحَيَاةُ
الدُّنْيَا إِلَّا مَتَاعُ الْغُرُورِ ﴿١٨٥﴾¹

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا
عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى
آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ 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 تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا
تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ ﴿١٠٢﴾²

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by performing all of His Commands and leaving out all of His prohibitions, so that we will be from among those attaining blissfulness in this world and the Hereafter.

The *khutbah* today is titled "**DEATH THAT IS CERTAIN.**"

¹ Aal 'Imraan 3:185

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102



Blessed Muslims,

One grave matter that will be experienced by every living being is death. As mentioned in verse 185 of soorah Aal 'Imraan that was recited earlier in this *khutbah*, it implicitly commands us to always remember death, which we will surely experience. Islam not only teaches how to live but also how to prepare for death, so that we will cease to live in a manner that is pleasing to Allah. Throughout our lives, definitely there have been many known to us that have passed away and left us, returning to their Maker, whether from among our relatives, friends and colleagues, teachers, and also our children, spouses, and parents. Their passing actually serves as a great lesson for all of us. At least it reminds us that one day, we too will follow them in departing this world.

The scholars have stated that death is not just one becoming deceased and that there is no more event or life afterwards, but death is the separation or severance between the *rooh* (soul) and the *jasad* (body), changing or moving from one condition to another condition, from one place to another. Death is a certainty that is awaited by those having utmost *taqwa*, and it is not a great *museebah* (calamity) for them. However, the *museebah* that is far greater than death is heedlessness in preparing for death or having little remembrance of death as well as abandoning righteous deeds, which serve as provision after one's demise.

Dear noble audience,

Abu Dardaa' *radiyAllaahu 'anh* had stated that death afflicting the *mu'min* (believer) is something that is good for him, and its purpose is virtuous, as Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 198 of soorah Aal 'Imraan:



لَكِنَّ الَّذِينَ اتَّقَوْا رَبَّهُمْ لَهُمْ جَنَّاتٌ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ
خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا نُزُلًا مِّنْ عِنْدِ اللَّهِ وَمَا عِنْدَ اللَّهِ خَيْرٌ لِلْأَبْرَارِ ﴿١٩٨﴾

“But those who feared their Lord will have gardens beneath which rivers flow, abiding eternally therein, as accommodation from Allah. And that which is with Allah is best for the righteous.”

While, death for the *kuffaar* (disbelievers) is as mentioned by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in verse 178 of soorah Aali 'Imraan:

وَلَا يَحْسَبَنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا أَنَّمَا نُمِّلِي لَهُمْ خَيْرٌ لِّأَنفُسِهِمْ
إِنَّمَا نُمِّلِي لَهُمْ لِيَزْدَادُوا إِثْمًا وَلَهُمْ عَذَابٌ مُّهِينٌ ﴿١٧٨﴾

“And let not those who disbelieve ever think that [because] We extend their time [of enjoyment] it is better for them. We only extend it for them so that they may increase in sin, and for them is a humiliating punishment.”

Dear blessed Friday audience,

Abu Hurayrah *radiallaahu 'anh* narrated that Rasulullah ﷺ said:

أَكْثَرُوا ذِكْرَ هَازِمِ اللَّذَاتِ

“Increase in the remembrance of the destroyer of pleasures.”

(at-Tirmidhi)

Even though these are words that are short and simple from the Prophet ﷺ, however it carries one meaningful message and command for us. Remembering death in its truest sense can prevent one from continuing to dream about worldly *ni'mah* (favors). Moreover, mankind can live with



complete tranquility along with feeling grateful with the *rizq* (sustenance) that Allah had bestowed upon them. The beauty of Islam is that it not only touches upon the way to live but also teaches mankind the way to die with sound *taqwa* in the Sight of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Some scholars mentioned that those that often remember death, he or she will be facilitated in three matters by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Those three matters are that he will hasten to perform *tawbah* (repentance), always have *qanaa'ah* (contentment) in life with whatever Allah bestows upon him, and surely he will remain enthusiastic in performing *'ibaadah* (worship) unto Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. On the other hand, those that are negligent in remembering death, he will be debased with three matters, namely he will always delay making *tawbah* to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, always feeling insufficient with the sustenance bestowed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, and he will engage in *'ibaadah* unto Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with laziness, thinking that he still have a long life ahead.

The Prophet ﷺ replied, when asked regarding the age of his *ummah*, as mentioned in the narration of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, stating:

"The lifespan of my nation is between sixty to seventy, and few of them will surpass that."

(at-Tirmidhi)

Take heed! Let us not be deceived by age and wealth that we possess. Let us not be from among those mentioned by Allah in verses 2-4 of soorah al-Humazah:

الَّذِي جَمَعَ مَالًا وَعَدَّدَهُ ۚ وَيَحْسَبُ أَنَّ مَالَهُ أَخْلَدَهُ ۚ كَلَّا ۚ
لَيُنْبَذَنَّ فِي الْحُطَمَةِ ۚ



“Those who collect wealth and [continuously] counts it. He thinks that his wealth will make him immortal. No! He will surely be thrown into the Crusher.”

Let us not be deceived by the *ni'mah* of good health. Let us not become heedless with the bounties of this worldly life, for death will surely come. Realize that when death overtake us, we will leave all of our possessions on this earth. Moreover, only our good deeds will remain with us in our grave and accompany us. In the *hadeeth* of Anas bin Maalik *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“Three things follow a deceased person. Two of them return and one remains. His family, his wealth, and his deeds follow him. His family and wealth return, but his deeds remain.”

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

Dear blessed Friday congregants,

As the conclusion of today's sermon, there are several lessons and reflections that we can ponder upon, namely:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must comprehend that the wise among us are those that are always prepared for death.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must multiply and intensify its *'ibaadah* and all righteous deeds, in accumulating provision as preparation for death.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must always supplicate to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* for virtuous death, so as to be placed in Paradise.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ



وَابْتَغِ فِيمَا آتَاكَ اللَّهُ الدَّارَ الْآخِرَةَ وَلَا تَنْسَ نَصِيبَكَ مِنَ
الدُّنْيَا وَأَحْسِنْ كَمَا أَحْسَنَ اللَّهُ إِلَيْكَ وَلَا تَبْغِ الْفُسَادَ فِي الْأَرْضِ
إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ الْمُفْسِدِينَ ﴿٧٧﴾

“But seek, through that which Allah has given you, the home of the Hereafter; and [yet], do not forget your share of the world. And do good as Allah has done good to you. And desire not corruption in the land. Indeed, Allah does not like corrupters.”

(al-Qasas 28:77)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ
بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلْ 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,



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

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ
أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ
وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ
الْكَفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ
بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ
عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا
الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطِينِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ
الْحَاجِ ابْنِ الْمَرْحُومِ سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عَبْدِ الْعَزِيزِ شَاهِ
الْحَاجِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطِينِ، تَعَكُّوْا أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ



السُّلْطَانُ شَرَفُ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ
عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوظَّفَيْنِ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ
مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

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).

Make us among Your slaves that fulfills the *amaanah*. Strengthen our *imaan* so that we avoid treachery, protect us from becoming among those that neglect their responsibilities, and protect our state and nation from destruction due to bribery. Render the duty to lead our country upon Your slaves whom are trustworthy and honest, as well as firm and courageous in upholding the truth and executing justice according to the *Sharee'ah*. O Allah, make the *masaajid* and *suraus* in the state of Selangor as Your peaceful homes, uniting everyone, and serve as the heart of the *ummah's* strength.



اللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اِدْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءَ وَالْمَرَضَ
وَالشَّدَائِدَ وَالْمِحْنَ، بِلُطْفِكَ يَا لَطِيفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ
قَدِيرٌ وَبِالإِجَابَةِ جَدِيرٌ.

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا

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رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿٣١﴾
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَى وَيَنْهَى
عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٩٠﴾

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