



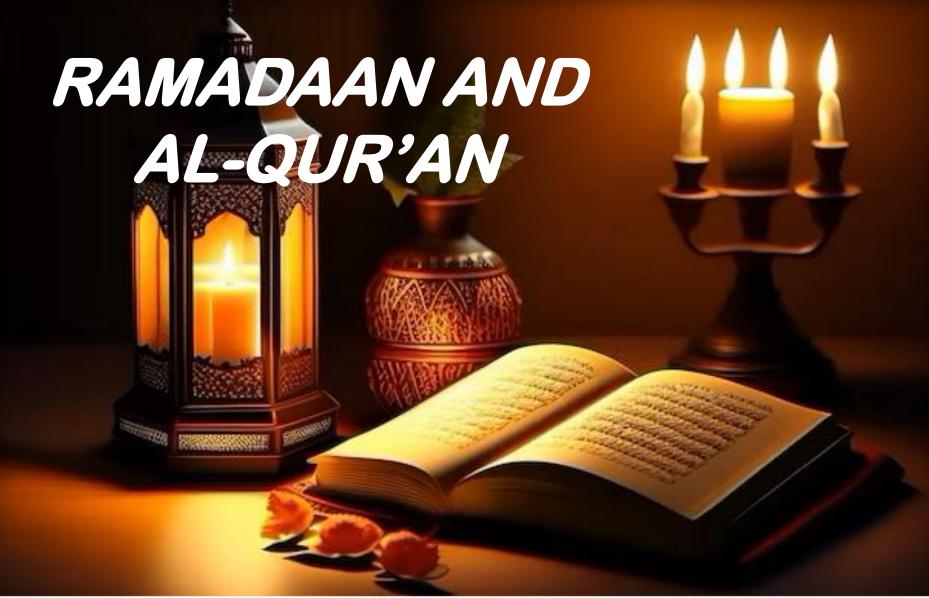
RAMADAAN AND AL-QUR'AN

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to altogether strive in increasing our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala by performing all of **His Commands and leaving** out all of His prohibitions.

Let us give our undivided attention to the sermon that is to be delivered. Do not speak and do not get carried away with our mobile phones. May we all attain benefit from the khutbah.

## On this noble day, I will be discussing upon a. <u>khutbah titled</u>



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When the month of Ramadaan is mentioned, surely we will come across the historical event of the revelation of al-Qur'an (Nuzul al-Qur'an) that took place during the night of

al-Qadr (Decree or **Power).** This indicates that Ramadaan and al-Qur'an are two elements that are united and The inseparable. revelation of al-Qur'an occurred from

Lawh al-Mahfoozh to Bayt (worldly al-'lzzah heavens), then sent down to Rasulullah صلى الله in عليه وسلم stages throughout a period of twenty three (23) years, based on specific needs or

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 185 of soorah al-Baqarah that was recited during muqaddimah the (introduction) of the khutbah:

"The month of Ramadaan [is that] in which was revealed the Qur'an, a guidance for the people and clear proofs of guidance and criterion."

The great event of the revelation of al-Qur'an took place in the night of al-Qadr, a very noble night in the month of Ramadaan that has virtue tremendous compared to other

nights. Engaging in 'ibaadah (worship) and righteous deeds on that night is greater than the worship of a thousand months. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verses 1-3 of soorah al-Qadr:

"Indeed, We sent the Qur'an down during the Night of Decree. And what can make you know what is the Night of **Decree?** The Night of Decree is better than a thousand months."

Also, in this month of Ramadaan, Rasulullah ﷺ would recite and revise al-Qur'an with angel Jibreel 'Alayhissalaam. Ibn 'Abbaas radiyAllaahu 'anhuma narrated:

## "Jibreel 'Alayhissalaam used to meet him [Rasulullah ] every night during Ramadaan to revise the Qur'an with him."

(al-Bukhaari)

It must be remembered that among the of the objectives revelation of al-Qur'an is for it to be recited often. Its recitation is a very important form of dhikr (remembrance) and will

be greatly rewarded by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 29 of soorah Faatir:

"Indeed, those who recite the Book of Allah and establish prayer and spend [in His cause] out of what We have provided them, secretly and publicly, [can] expect a profit that will never perish."

Rasulullah صلاليته عابي م had also narrated in reminding about the reward for those that recite al-Qur'an, as mentioned in the hadeeth of 'Abdullah bin Masood radiyAllaahu 'anh, where Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said:

"Whoever recites a letter from the Book of Allah, he will be credited with a good deed, and a good deed gets a ten-fold reward. I do not say

## that Alif Lam Mim is one letter, but Alif is a letter, Lam is a letter and Mim is a letter."

(at-Tirmidhi)

Such is the mu'jizah (miracle) of al-Qur'an, that reciting one letter from al-Qur'an will cause ten hasanaat (rewards) to be bestowed upon the reciter. What more if we become among those

that would always seek our time by and fill reciting the kalaam (Word) of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Surely, we will attain even greater rewards in the month of Ramadaan.

Al-Qur'an and Ramadaan becomes even dearer to us all.

Let us strive to make Ramadaan as the month of interaction with al-Qur'an. We must remain resolute in completing the recitation of the entire al-Qur'an in this noble month. In addition to reciting al-Qur'an, we are also encouraged to listen to the recitation of al-Qur'an by others,

whether during the congregational prayer or recitations the in television, radio, and May the others. recitation of the Speech of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala heard grant us

barakah (blessings), which will penetrate through the soul, and manifests with the akhlaaq (character) of al-Qur'an. Imaam an-**Nawawi mentioned that** 

it is from the sunnah to focus on the recitation of al-Qur'an in Ramadaan, especially in the ten last days, specifically in the odd nights.

Let us not give excuse to not recite al-Qur'an just because we are not proficient in its recitation, for even that would be better than completely abandoning

## the recitation of al-Sayyidatina Qur'an. 'A'ishah radiyAllaahu *'anha* narrated that Rasulullah 💥 said:

"One who is proficient in the recitation of al-Qur'an is associated with the noble, upright, recording angels; and he who falters in it, and finds it difficult for him, will have two rewards." (Muslim)

an-Nawawi Imaam explained that the two rewards attained are firstly for the recitation and secondly the difficulty and hardship endured in the recitation of al-Qur'an.

In revitalizing this noble month, many masaajid organizing are also spiritual various programs. Among the program that is always emphasized upon is tadarrus al-Qur'an, held

the every night after taraweeh prayer. The khatm (completion) al-Qur'an program is typically held in the final weeks of Ramadaan, at masaajid, suraus, offices, Islamic

institutions, and many others. Let us seize these golden opportunities to immerse altogether ourselves among those that are shielded by the angels.

What is saddening is that there are those among us that are willing to spend hours and hours on their smartphones searching for unbeneficial matters instead of reciting al-Qur'an and

understanding its verses. Also, many of us have been reciting al-Qur'an for decades but never made effort to comprehend the meanings of the verses recited. This is

specifically for soorah al-Faatihah and common soorahs that are recited daily, whether during salaah or outside of Allah salaah. Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala

## mentions in verse 24 of soorah Muhammad:

## "Then do they not reflect upon the Qur'an, or are there locks upon [their] hearts?"

Therefore, humbly advice myself and respected audience to utilize this month as the month for the recitation of al-Qur'an, and the comprehending meanings of its verses.

One of the methods is through tadarrus al-Qur'an with family members or the congregation at the masjid or surau, by checking and correcting the recitation of one

Seize the another. this opportunity in blessed to month increase our good deeds and 'ibaadah that we will take as provision after our demise. Take heed, for there is no guarantee

## thatwewilllivetoexperiencethenextRamadaan.

# To end the *khutbah* this time, let us derive lessons upon the following matters:

1. The Muslim ummah must have certainty that al-Qur'an is the Word of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala, and it is the only miracle of **Prophet Muhammad that** can be seen, touched, and rewarded for its recitation.

2. The month of Ramadaan and al-Qur'an are united, so let us fill our with Ramadaan activities related to al-Qur'an.

3. The Muslim ummah must always learn the proper recitation of al-Qur'an and strive to understand its meaning, deriving lessons, and utilizing its teachings as the very foundation in all aspects of our lives.

"[This is] a blessed Book which We have revealed to you, [O Muhammad], that they might reflect upon its verses and that those of understanding would be reminded." (Soorah Saad 38:29)



**O** Allah! We seek refuge in You from severe trials, from being afflicted with calamities, from evil in destiny, and from the joy of the enemies upon the tribulations and misfortunes

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that befell us. O Allah! We beseech Your protection, from losing the favors that You have bestowed, from the loss of health that You have granted, protect us from calamity and disaster.

**O Allah! You are our One** and Only Savior, we humbly beg You to save Masjid al-Aqsa in **Palestine**.

### **O Allah! 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,

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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,

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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.

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