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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: إِنَّ هَذِهِ أُمَّتُكُمْ أُمَّةً وَاحِدَةً وَأَنَا رَبُّكُمْ
فَاعْبُدُونِ ﴿٩٦﴾¹

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ
سَيِّدَنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدَهُ وَرَسُولَهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ 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 ﴿١٠٣﴾²

Dear blessed Muslims,

I humbly call upon all of us to altogether strive in increasing our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by performing all of His Commands and staying away from all of His prohibitions. Let us give full attention to the sermon that is to be delivered. Do not speak and do not get carried away with the cellular phone. May this *khutbah* benefit us all.

¹ al-Anbiyaa' 21:92

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102



On this blessed day and in conjunction with the Unity Week Program for the state of Selangor, I will expound on a *khutbah* titled: ***"UNITY IN DIVERSITY."***

Blessed Friday attendees,

The unity of the *ummah*, specifically within the Muslim *ummah*, is a union that is *Rabbaani* (God-centric) in nature, for it is based upon Divine guidance. The basis, concept, and guidance for the unity of the Muslim *ummah* has been mentioned in various verses of al-Qur'an and *ahaadeeth*. Among them is the verse that was recited during the early part of the *khutbah*:

"Indeed this, your religion, is one religion, and I am your Lord, so worship Me."

Verse 92 from Soorah al-Anbiyaa' depicts the Muslim *ummah* as an *ummah* that subscribes to one religion. Its basic fundamentals are belief, devotion, and full submission to the will of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, The One And Only God. This is the religion of Islam, which is a religion that heavily emphasizes on unity based on al-Qur'an, *as-Sunnah*, and *Qudwah Hasanah* (best exemplary).

Unity within the Muslim *ummah* is not merely an external necessity, but it is a bond of brotherhood or *ukhuwwah Islaamiyyah* fostered through *imaan* (faith) and Islam. This bond of brotherhood is woven across borders and boundaries of nations, as in the proverb "*cubit peha kanan, peha kiri akan terasa*" (when the right thigh is pinched, the left thigh feels the pain).

In the *hadeeth* of an-Nu'maan bin Basheer *radiallaha 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:



تَرَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ فِي تَرَاحُمِهِمْ وَتَوَادِّهِمْ وَتَعَاطُفِهِمْ كَمَثَلِ
الْجَسَدِ إِذَا اشْتَكَى عَضْوًا تَدَاعَى لَهُ سَائِرُ جَسَدِهِ بِالسَّهْرِ
وَالْحُمَّى

“You see the believers as regards their being merciful among themselves and showing love among themselves and being kind, resembling one body, so that, if any part of the body is not well then the whole body shares the sleeplessness and fever with it.”

(al-Bukhaari)

Solid relationship between members of society that truly love each other and mutually aiding one another can be seen among the Companions. Al-Baghaawi explained in the meaning of verse 29 of soorah al-Fath that those who were with Rasulullah ﷺ were affectionate and compassionate towards each other, stating: *“They sympathize and love one another like a child towards his father.”* The word *بَيْنَهُمْ* or ‘among them’ in that verse explains that being merciful within the Muslim *ummah* is an identity for that society.

Dear esteemed audience,

Malaysia is a country that is very unique, even though it is populated by people of various creed, color, and ethnicity. Islam remains as the official religion of the Federation, however Malaysians that comprise of various races and beliefs are free to practice their own faith. This very



freedom forms the national unity that is firm among diverse ethnicities and the formation of Malaysian national identity.

Islam as a way of life that is *shumool* (all-encompassing) provides the complete guidance regarding the rulings, laws, and etiquette pertaining to the life of the Muslim *ummah* alongside non-Muslim communities. The principles outlined includes tolerance, justice, welfare, and compassion for fellow Muslim and non-Muslim citizens. The main principle is to serve everyone equally except for some aspects. Moreover, the Prophet ﷺ firmly asserted that, as in the narration of Safwaan bin Sulaym *radiallaahu 'anh*, where he ﷺ said:

أَلَا مَنْ ظَلَمَ مُعَاهِدًا، أَوْ انْتَقَصَهُ، أَوْ كَلَّفَهُ فَوْقَ
طَاقَتِهِ، أَوْ أَخَذَ مِنْهُ شَيْئًا بِغَيْرِ طِيبِ نَفْسٍ، فَأَنَا حَاجِبُهُ
يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ

“Beware, if anyone wrongs a contracting man, or diminishes his right, or forces him to work beyond his capacity, or takes from him anything without his consent, I shall plead for him on the Day of Judgment.”

(Abu Dawood)

Islam, in general, drives mankind throughout their lives. Through religious teachings, mankind is well-informed regarding truth and falsehood. With religion, mankind can live in harmony, tranquility, and



disciplined. Islam has established principles that are profound and firm, such as the ones mentioned in verse 6 of soorah al-Kaafiroon:

لَكُمْ دِينُكُمْ وَلِيَ دِينِ ﴿٦﴾

"For you is your religion, and for me is my religion."

In addition, there are Islamic principles that are universal in nature, such as mutual aiding in matters regarding virtue and service, prioritizing lofty *adab* (etiquette), humanity, upholding justice, and performing good deeds.

As Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 90 of soorah an-Nahl:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايِ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ
الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٩٠﴾

"Indeed, Allah orders justice and good conduct and giving to relatives and forbids immorality and bad conduct and oppression. He admonishes you that perhaps you will be reminded."

Blessed Friday congregation,

To end the *khutbah*, let us altogether reflect and derive lessons as follows:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must know that mankind is born from various background for the purpose of getting to know one another, and complementing each other.



2. The Muslim *ummah* must remain responsible in ensuring that unity, harmony, and stability within the nation remain strong, according to pure authentic Islamic principles.

3. The Muslim *ummah* must remain in *jamaa'ah* (congregation) in performing *'ibaadah* (acts of worship) unto Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, so as to attain unity and cooperation based on Islam and *imaan* that is one.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
وَأَنَّ هَذَا صِرَاطِي مُسْتَقِيمًا فَاتَّبِعُوهُ وَلَا تَتَّبِعُوا السُّبُلَ فَتَفَرَّقَ بِكُمْ
عَنْ سَبِيلِهِ ذَٰلِكُمْ وَصَّاكُم بِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ ﴿١٥٣﴾

“And, [moreover], this is My path, which is straight, so follow it; and do not follow [other] ways, for you will be separated from His way. This has He instructed you that you may become righteous.”

(al-An'aam 6:153)

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

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 إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ
بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِينِ
عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةَ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةَ، جَلَالَةَ
مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطِينِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ
ادريس شاه الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عَبْد



العزیز شاہ الحاج. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ،
وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيَّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطِئِمْ، تَعَكُّوْا اَمِيْرَ
شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانِ شَرْفِ الدِّيْنِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِّ، فِي
اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ.
اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِيْنَ لِلْمُوْظَفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ،
وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيْقِ الْهُدٰى وَالرَّشَادِ.

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 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 fulfill 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 *masajid* and *suraus* in the state of Selangor as Your peaceful homes, uniting everyone, and serve as the heart of the *ummah*'s strength.



رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا ﴿٧٤﴾
رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿٢١﴾
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ
عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٩٠﴾
فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُواهُ عَلَىٰ نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ،
وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا
تَصْنَعُونَ.