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I 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 abandoning all of His prohibitions. May we all be granted with happiness and success in this world and the Hereafter.

On this glorious day, I will discuss upon a khutbah.



Happiness is a matter that is subjective, leading one to feel blissful, peaceful, and tranquil. These feelings are not guaranteed to be present in all human beings, rather it is attainable,

even for the poor and needy. Some feel blissful and tranquil for possessing tremendous wealth, or indulging in charitable and da'wah Islam) work. (calling to While, some actually feel

happy with position and rank. Clearly, this indicates that there are a plethora of interpretations and expressions regarding happiness that can be deduced in its meaning.

According to Imaam al-Ghazzaali, happiness is achieved when one is at the apex of taqwa, where it is the greatest ni'mah (favor) bestowed by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Therefore, while wading

through the sea of life, every human is searching for the true meaning of happiness in life. However, not all will be able to find the answer, for they do not truly comprehend the actual

meaning of blissfulness. When we truly understand the reality of happiness, we will not be enticed by worldly bounties and pleasures. Naturally, life nowadays have made many people

care only about material wealth, insanely pursuing opulence over happiness in life. Similarly, popularity has become the priority in life, being lauded and praised even though deep within one

does not feel peaceful and happy, as in the adage "untung ada tuah tiada" (meaning: possessing wealth but devoid of happiness in life).

The Sharee'ah heavily emphasizes on the issue of happiness in this world and the Hereafter. This is because, success in life in this world serves as the bridge heading towards the hereafter

that everlasting. is Blissfulness in Islam encompasses having the of Allah taqwa Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala, doing good unto others, having gratitude and contentment with the

endured, trials relationship preserving with Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala, as well as seeking balance between the worldly life and the Afterlife. While, longing for happiness in this

world is the basis for the birth of pious generation that inherits the excellence of mankind.

In the *hadeeth* of Anas bin Maalik *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah would always

supplicate to Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala to be bestowed with good in this world and the Hereafter. This du'aa (prayer) was mentioned in al-Qur'an, verse 201 of soorah al-Baqarah:

"Our Lord, give us in this world [that which is] good and in the Hereafter [that which is] good and protect us from the punishment of the Fire!"

When we truly internalize the concept of happiness in Islam, it is truly a reward of tranquility within the heart and peacefulness in the soul, by Allah conferred Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala

upon His slaves. However, this favor must be pondered even deeper by comprehending happiness in this world is not permanent and vastly different compared with the Afterlife that is everlasting.

Similarly, the favors and blissfulness in this world is a trial upon mankind, based on what Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 7 of soorah al-Kahf:

"Indeed, We have made that which is on the earth adornment for it that We may test them [as to] which of them is best in deed."

Verily, happiness in the life of this world is only temporary in nature, for Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala did not create the world as the purpose of life for humans. However, the dunya is a source for

heading provision towards eternal bliss. Therefore, let us remain moderate in seeking worldly pleasures. Not to the point of neglecting the aakhirah (Hereafter) that is everlasting.

Lives that are pursued according to Divine rules will make us taste the blessings of true happiness and peacefulness. Know that luxurious lifestyle with money, stature, position,

wealth, and children will not guarantee a blissful life in this world and the Hereafter. This is because, true happiness is not dependent upon having possession of wealth alone, but it is

intertwined with our purpose and objectives of creation by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 56 of soorah adh-Dhaariyaat:

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ ٱلْجِنَّ وَٱلْإِنسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ

"And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me."

At times, for the sake of attaining worldly luxury, many are willing to sacrifice their own happiness and the of those happiness around them. Working non-stop day and night

like the saying "kaki naik, kepala turun" (meaning: working non-stop day and night to make ends meet), without having regard for quality time with the family, parents, and relatives. Moreover,

ukhuwwah (brotherhood) ties with the neighbors and companions are neglected and forgotten. In the end, family relations and friendships become strained, with love and happiness

almost nonexistent. Let us ponder upon what Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 15 of soorah at-Taghaabun:

"Your wealth and your children are but a trial, and Allah has with Him a great reward."

Happiness is a ni'mah from the blessings of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala that is truly priceless. This blessing is not bestowed upon those that are always heedless upon

His Rulings. This blissfulness only is conferred upon those that are near and striving to attain nearness to Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. For the believer, happiness in life will be

present when one has certainty that rizq (sustenance) has been pre-determined by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala, hence everything given by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala is that which is

best for him or her.

Therefore, the believer will remain serene with certainty upon qadaa' (free will) and qadr (predestination) from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

On the contrary, those devoid of imaan (faith) in Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala will always feel anxious, worried, and sad for not having imaan upon His destiny. Similarly, every believer

must always remain prepared upon museebah (calamity) and trials that can occur at any given time. When afflicted with calamity, the heart is ever ready to accept the tribulation

with sabr (patience).
Indirectly, it injects
happiness within the
hearts of the believers.

Those having believed would have certainty that the life of this world is

impermanent, hence their hearts are not overly excited in seeking its pleasures, and do not despair when incurring its loss. On the flip side, those devoid of imaan in their hearts would

always remain heedless and drowning in worldly pleasures. When inflicted with trial, they deem it as being too heavy to bear with hearts that are empty and distant away from the remembrance

of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Therefore, spiritual their emptiness has been filled with worriness and anxiety, fearful of losing worldly delights.

the To ensure continuation of good in this world and in the blissfulness through Hereafter building life a excellence, we must remain consistent in

performing tawbah (repentance) and determined to leave out all of the wrongdoings, major and minor sins by learning and increasing our religious knowledge, having full regret upon all

of our previous sins and determined not to repeat them. In addition, blissfulness in the life of this world and the Hereafter can be built with sound understanding of authentic Islamic

teachings that is shumool (all-encompassing) and learning it, knowing the essence of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala as well as the attributes of His Perfection.

With those, the heart and soul will be filled with obedience and taqwa that will encourage one to perform righteous deeds and avoid all prohibitions that ultimately develops the

love for Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala and His Messenger. It nurtures the love for the religion and willingness to strive and fight in upholding the shi'aar (symbols) and teachings

of Islam high above.

Goodness will also appear when we are always thankful upon the favors of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Let us be grateful upon all of the bounties

by Allah bestowed Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala even though it may seem lacking or trivial to the human eyes. What seems to be abundant is not necessarily happiness, and that which appears

beautiful does not necessarily last forever, however with gratitude the soul will be at peace and happy. As such, it is not wrong to take portions from the delights of this world, for

as long as they are utilized as provisions in reaping happiness in the Hereafter that is eternal. Let us take this world as a temporary destination for stopover, before heading out to a realm

that is everlasting. This is because this world is not the main objective in our lives. Narrated 'Abdullah bin 'Umar radiyAllaahu 'anhuma: Rasulullah

said:

"Be in this world as though you were a stranger or a wayfarer."

(al-Bukhaari)

To conclude khutbah today, let us derive several lessons from this sermon as guidance in our lives, namely:

1. The Muslim ummah must have certainty and belief that having imaan, committing righteous deeds, and having noble akhlaaq (character) are necessities for eternal happiness.

2. The Muslims must have certainty that when the heart and mind submit to the divine decree, then felicity and tranquility will be in their possession, yielding blissfulness that lasts forever.

3. The Muslim ummah that fully comprehend the actual and eternal purpose of life will always remain calm, content, grateful, and having tawakkul (full reliance) upon the divine decree.

"Whatever you have will end, but what Allah has is lasting. And We will surely give those who were patient their reward according to the best of what they used to do."

(Soorah an-Nahl 16:96)

THE SECOND KHUTBAH

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 our state from calamity and disaster.

O Allah! You are our One and Only Savior, we humbly beg You to save the Muslims and Masjid al-Agsa 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,

and protect our state and nation from destruction due to bribery, embezzlement, and power abuse. 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.

