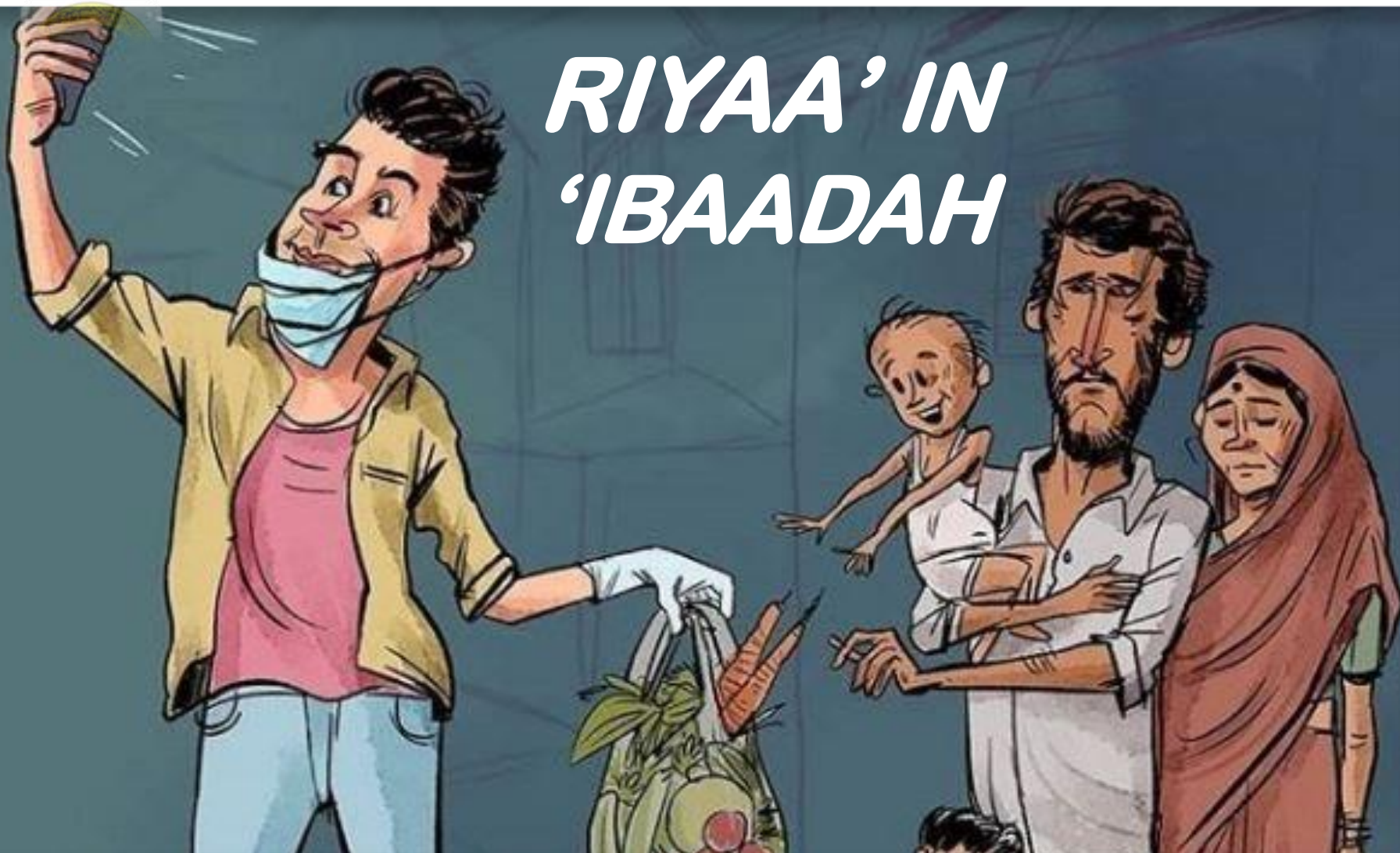




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RIYAA' IN 'IBAADAH



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

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 abstaining from all
of His prohibitions. May
we be bestowed with
blissfulness and
success in this world
and the Hereafter.**

On this blessed day, I will discuss upon a *khutbah*, titled...

RIYAA' IN 'IBAADAH



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Islam is protective upon its adherents so that they would always remain upon the path of Truth. The Muslims are taught to always preserve their *akhlaaq* (character) by getting rid of

madhmoomah
(blameworthy) traits
within themselves, and
replace them with the
traits of *mahmoodah*
(praiseworthy). Among
the traits of
madhmoomah that are

waajib (obligatory) to be avoided is *riyaa'* (showing off).

Linguistically, *riyaa'* originates from the word *ru'yah*, which means to manifest or make visible a

good deed towards fellow human being. From a technical or *Shar'i* standpoint, it means to perform *'ibaadah* (acts of worship) with the *niyyah* (intention) to be praised by others and without the

intention for the sake of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* Alone. This trait is truly futile for it entails a pretentious nature that is always scouring for the opportunity to be praised. It also serves as

the weapon for *shaytaan*
to defeat those that are
always indulging in
'ibaadah to the point of
having all of their deeds
invalidated and not
reaching Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 264 of soorah al-Baqarah:

“O you who have believed, do not invalidate your charities with reminders or injury as does one who spends his wealth [only] to be seen by the people and does not believe in Allah and the Last Day.”

**This trait can appear
whether we are in the
state of full cognizance
or not. At times we would
forget, become
negligent, and heedless
that some of our
'ibaadah are performed**

to be seen by the masses.
This is to gain the
attention and praise from
others such as uploading
any content, specifically
the *'ibaadah* that we
perform, onto social
media platforms and

others. We would then sit and wait, only to be in joy and pride when others would provide their feedback in praising us that we forget our true objectives in performing those '*ibaadah*.

Unfortunately, we are more hopeful in attaining rewards from humans in this world that we forget for all of the deeds and *'ibaadah* performed, it is only Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* who is worthy

to judge and reward.
Take heed, an *'ibaadah* is
done in adhering to the
command of Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
and not due to the
command of His
creations. The deeds that

we perform will only be
deemed worthy and
rewarded by Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
if they were done with
ikhlaas (sincerity) for His
sake. The attribute of
riyaa' is a very dangerous

ailment for it can threaten the purity of *'aqeedah* and destroy *ikhlaas* within the heart.

Mahmood bin Lubayd *radiyAllaahu 'anh* narrated that Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“What I fear for you the most is the minor shirk, that is ar-riyaa’. Allah will say on the Day of Judgement when He is rewarding the people for their actions:

***“Go to those for whom
you did riyaa’ for in
the world then see if
you find the reward
with them.””***

(Ahmad)

The ruling for *riyaa'* is that it is *haraam* (unlawful) and it is condemned by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, based on verses 4-6 of soorah al-Ma'oon:

***“So woe to those
who pray. [But] who
are heedless of their
prayer - Those who
make show [of their
deeds].”***

Based on these verses,
those that perform
'ibaadah or righteous
deeds for the purpose of
'ibaadah and riyaa', then
their *'ibaadah* will not be
rewarded by Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala

because its reward has
been concealed by *riyaa'*.

Getting rid of this vile trait
necessitates *mujaahadah*,
which is *jihaad* within
one's own self. The first
step is to throw out all of

**the evil and bad deeds
that have become a habit
within us. At the same
time, we must force
ourselves to engage in
righteous deeds. Instill
the determination to
continue to remain**

istiqamah (steadfast) in
ridding off *riyaa'* within
ourselves. Perform
'ibaadah with a sincere
heart, purely for the sake
of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa*
Ta'aala without
associating anything with

Him. There is no use for *'ibaadah* performed just to attain praises from human beings for they are only beneficial in this mortal world. Remember, all of the *'ibaadah* that we perform with *ikhlaas*

purely for Allah *Subhaanahu
Wa Ta'aala* Alone are purely
for the sake of attaining His
Pleasure.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa
Ta'aala* mentions in verse
146 of soorah an-Nisaa':

“Except for those who repent, correct themselves, hold fast to Allah, and are sincere in their religion for Allah, for those will be with the believers. And Allah is going to give the believers a great reward.”

To end the *khutbah* today, let us derive several lessons from the sermon as guidelines in our lives, namely:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must perform all *'ibaadah* with *ikhlaas* purely for the sake of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, not to gain attention and praises from humans.

2. The Muslim *ummah* must keep themselves away from *riyaa*' for it is an act that will destroy the *'aqeedah* and associates with Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in a hidden manner.

3. The Muslims must instill firm determination within in continuing to perform *jihaad* and liberating themselves from all *madhmoomah* traits and decorating themselves with traits of *mahmoodah*.


***“Say, “I am only a man
like you, to whom has
been revealed that
your god is one God.
So whoever would
hope for the meeting
with his Lord -***

***let him do righteous
work and not
associate in the
worship of his Lord
anyone.””***


(al-Kahf 18:110)




**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-
Aqsa in Palestine.**



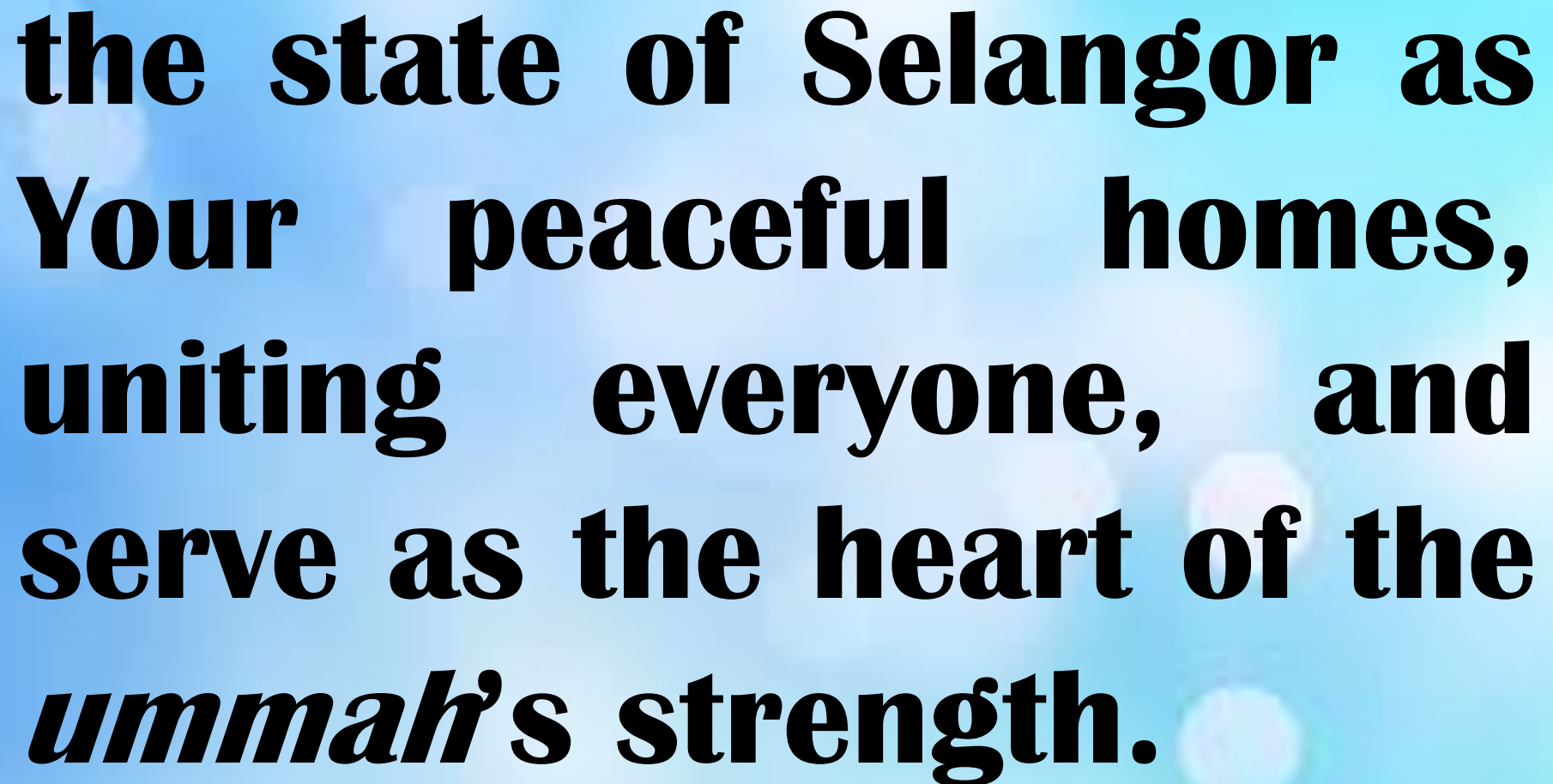
O Allah! Make us among Your slaves that fulfills the *amaanah*. Strengthen our *imaan* so that we avoid treachery, protect us from becoming among those that neglect their responsibilities,



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.**



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