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BECOMING BETTER**

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 fulfilling
all of His Commands**

**and abandoning all
matters that He
prohibited. May we be
bestowed with
blissfulness and
success in this world
and the Hereafter.**

Fellow congregation
is reminded to not
fiddle with the
cellular phone while
the *khutbah* is in
session.

On this noble day, I will discuss upon a *khutbah*.
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**The year 2025 has left us,
and today we have
stepped into the year
2026. Living at the End of
Time, we often feel that
time passes by quickly
that it is as if it was only
yesterday that we**

**entered the year 2025.
This is the stark reality of
time, where it never
stops and will not wait for
anyone. Time moves fast
like the thrust of the
sword, whoever is
heedless in benefitting**

from it will be crushed in
loss and exposed to the
wrath of Allah *Subhaanahu
Wa Ta'aala*.

In the narration of Anas bin
Maalik *radiyAllaahu 'anh*,
Rasulullah ﷺ had said:

***“The Hour shall not
be established until
time is constricted,
and the year is like a
month, a month is
like the week,***

***and the week is like
the day, and the day
is like the hour, and
the hour is like the
flare of the fire.”***

(at-Tirmidhi)

This *hadeeth* asserts that among the signs that the Day of Judgment is encroaching is that time will pass by quickly. Being preoccupied in pursuing worldly affairs and immersed in their

interests are among the reasons why time feels increasingly narrow and short. Hence, as servants of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, we are to fill our time with *imaan* (faith),

'amal saalih (righteous deeds), and *dhikr* (remembrance of Allah) as provision in the Hereafter.

Rasulullah ﷺ also had reminded his *ummah* to not delay obedience in

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, and instead to hasten in fulfilling His Commandments.

Whatever role that we shoulder must be fulfilled with the intention and purpose in attaining

nearness with Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

What a great loss if this
very short period of time
passes by without
obedience, that it further
distance us away from
the *rahmah* (mercy) and

love of Allah *Subhaanahu
Wa Ta'aala*, and even
incurs His Wrath. This
matter was emphasized
in the *hadeeth* of ibn
'Umar *radiyAllaahu*
'*anhuma*, where
Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“Be in the world like a stranger or a wayfarer.”

And ibn ‘Umar radiyAllaahu ‘anhuma used to say: “In the evening do not expect [to live until] the morning, and in the morning do not

expect [to live until] the evening. Take [advantage of] your health before times of sickness, and [take advantage of] your life before your death.”

(al-Bukhaari)

Throughout last year, did
our *imaan* and *'amal*
(deeds) increase or
became increasingly
weak? Has our
relationship with Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
and fellow human beings

**become stronger, or
further distanced due to
the lustful desire and
differing views? Are we
truly sincere in carrying
out our responsibilities
that have been entrusted
for the sake of**

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa*
***Ta'aala*, or purely chasing**
personal interest?

If we are still negligent,
heedless, and forgetful
upon the reality of life as a
slave in this world, then let

us rise with great
resolution to improve
ourselves. Know that our
real enemy is not human,
but *shaytaan* and its army,
as well as the lustful
desire that is always
erupting and unsatisfied.

Without *imaan* and *'amal*,
mankind will surely
become among those
who are at loss and
regretful. When that
moment arrives, there is
no longer that
opportunity to return to

the worldly life to better
one's deeds, increase
obedience and servitude
unto Allah *Subhaanahu
Wa Ta'aala*. For the
everlasting life, its
entrance is only one,
which is *taqwa* that is

born out of *imaan* that
firmly clings upon
Islam even if having to
hold a hot coal, and
upholding Islam as the
way of life.

**Allah *Subhaanahu Wa*
Ta'aala recorded
their remorse in
verses 99 and 100 of
Soorah al-Mu'minoon:**

***“[For such is the state
of the disbelievers],
until, when death
comes to one of
them, he says, “My
Lord, send me back
That I might do***

***righteousness in that
which I left behind.” No!
It is only a word he is
saying; and behind
them is a barrier until
the Day they are
resurrected.”***

**Therefore, we must
believe and perform
righteous deeds with full
servitude, for the life of
this world is only a trial
that is temporary in
nature, while the world is
getting older. Indeed,**

the wise ones are those
that are always engaging
in *muhaasabah* (self-
evaluation) regarding their
past, hastening to make
tawbah (repentance), and
increase their righteous
deeds as sustenance in

meeting

Allah

Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

In the *hadeeth* of Abi
Ya'la Shaddaad bin Aws
radiyAllaahu 'anhuma,
where Rasulullah ﷺ said:

***“A wise man is the
one who calls himself
to account and does
noble deeds to
benefit him after
death.”***

(at-Tirmidhi)

Those that are always
having *taqwa* and
performing righteous
deeds with diligence
will be bestowed with
knowledge from Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala

as a guide and
guidance for life. This is
as Allah *Subhaanahu
Wa Ta'aala* mentions in
verse 282 of Soorah al-
Baqarah:

***“And fear Allah.
And Allah teaches
you. And Allah is
Knowing of all
things.”***

This verse explains that true knowledge will not be separated from *taqwa*. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* does not promise knowledge purely due to one's intelligence or being well-read, but to

those that preserve their
relationship with Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
through *taqwa* and
obedience. When one
strives to fulfill the
commandments of Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala

and abstain from His
prohibitions with
earnestness, then Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
Himself will open the
door of religious
comprehension upon him
or her.

Aside from that, let us
altogether perform the
obligatory prayer in
jamaa'ah
(congregation) with
khushoo' (humility) and
diligence, as practiced

by Rasulullah ﷺ and his
Companions *radiyAllaahu*
'anhum.

Verily, only *salaah* that is
done with earnestness
can prevent vile deeds
and *munkar* (evil),

**foster affection, mutual
aiding and respect
among us.**

**In this new year, let us
give utmost priority upon
the obligation of fulfilling**

zakaat for it not only
purifies our wealth, but
instills the caring
attitude within the
society, and cleanse the
heart from traits of
mazhmoomah
(blameworthy) such as

bakheel (stinginess)
and *hasad* (envy).

To end the *khutbah*
today, let us altogether
derive lessons as guide
in our lives:

1. We must always perform *muhaasabah* and indulge in righteous deeds before we breathe our last. Verily, the smart ones are those

**that are always ready
by preparing
provision for life after
death.**

**2. We must have the
resolve and
determination to
change unto
becoming servants of
Allah *Subhaanahu Wa
Ta'aala* that are better**

**and continue to strive
in seeking the His
pleasure in all
aspects of life.**

3. The Muslim *ummah* is reminded to remain *istiqamah* (steadfast) in performing the obligatory prayer in *jamaa'ah*, fulfill *zakaah* obligation,

as well as preserving
and practicing
virtuous *akhlaaq*
(character) in daily
life.

***“O my son, establish
prayer, enjoin what is
right, forbid what is wrong,
and be patient over what
befalls you. Indeed, [all]
that is of the matters
[requiring] determination.”***

(Soorah Luqmaan 31:17)



THE SECOND KHUTBAH



**O Allah! Strengthen the
'*aqeedah* of the Muslims
upon the creed of *Ahl as-
Sunnah* *wal-Jamaa'ah*,
which is upon the path of**



Prophet Muhammad ﷺ
and his Companions
radiyAllaahu ‘anhum.

**Spare us from all forms
of bribery, abuse of
power, as well as**



**misguidance, shirk and
superstition, and protect
us from *fitan* that can
harm the union and unity
of the Muslim *ummah*.**



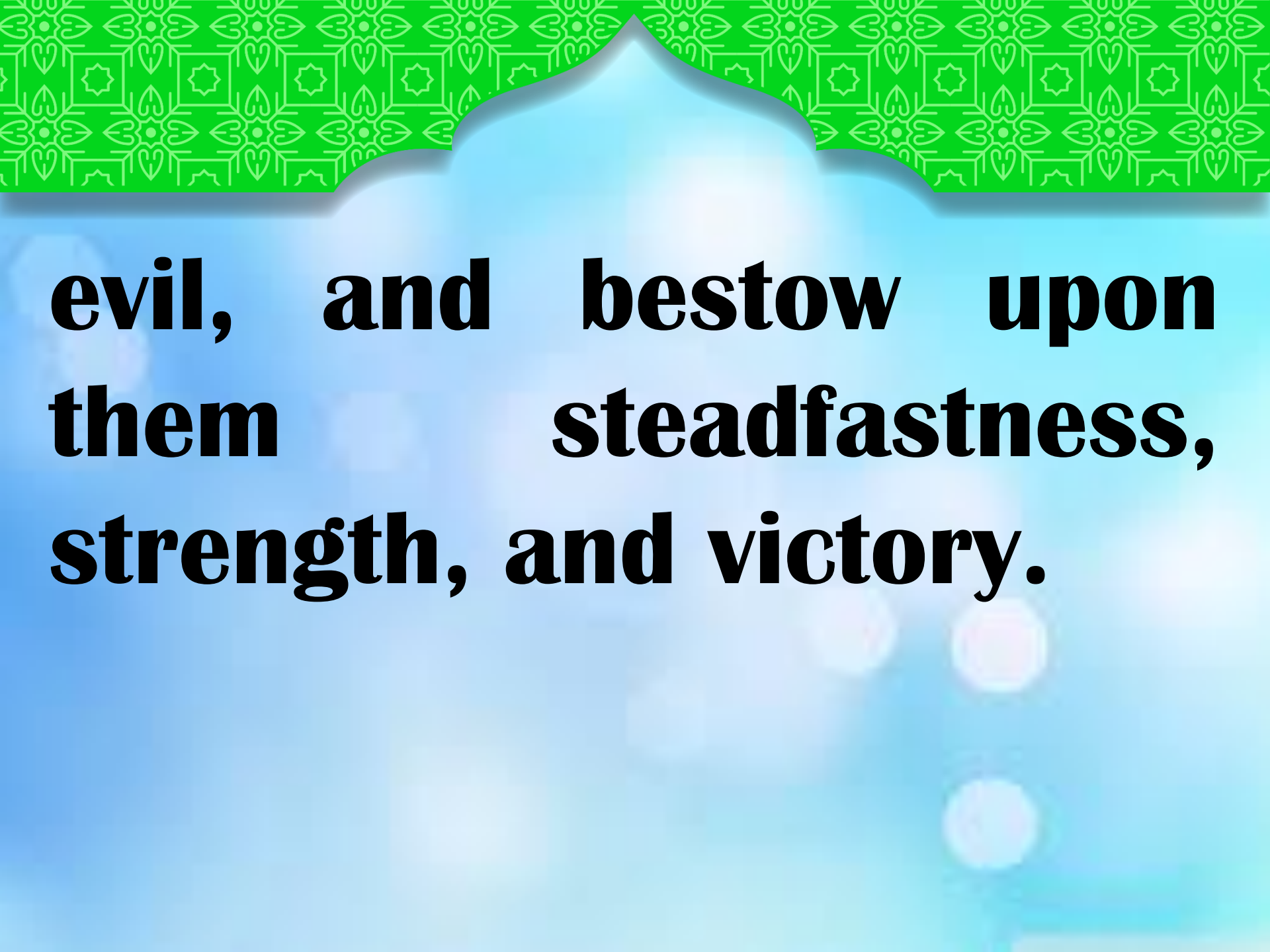
O Allah! Bestow peace and prosperity upon our state and nation. Protect us from all forms of disaster, fitnah and calamity.



**Bestow upon us leaders
that have utmost integrity,
firmness, and courage in
upholding the Truth
according to Your
*Sharee'ah.***



**O Allah! Protect the
Muslim *ummah* and
Masjid al-Aqsa in
Palestine. Preserve them
from oppression and**



**evil, and bestow upon
them steadfastness,
strength, and victory.**



**ILUSTRASI INI
DISEDIAKAN OLEH**

**unit khutbah
bahagian pengurusan masjid**