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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ الَّذِي أُنْزِلَ فِيهِ الْقُرْآنُ هُدًى
لِّلنَّاسِ وَبَيِّنَاتٍ مِّنَ الْهُدَى وَالْفُرْقَانِ¹

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا
عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى
آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى
اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا
تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.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 fulfilling all of His Commands and abandoning all matters that He prohibited. May we all be bestowed with happiness and salvation in this world and the Hereafter.

¹ al-Baqarah 2:185.

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102.

On this noble day, I will expound on a *khutbah* titled “**AL-QUR’AN IS A MIRACLE OF ALL TIME.**”

Blessed Friday audience,

We are currently in the holy month of Ramadaan, a month that naturally brings the hearts of the believers closer to al-Qur’an. Why is it felt that way? Because indeed al-Qur’an and Ramadaan are two inseparable gifts. It is in this month that al-Qur’an was sent down, beginning from a night that is full of *barakah* (blessings), from *Lawh al-Mahfoozh* (the Preserved Tablet) to *Bayt al-‘Izzah* (the House of Honor) in the worldly heavens, then revealed to Rasulullah ﷺ. He ﷺ received the *wahy* (revelation) gradually over a period of twenty-three years, according to necessity, with events and *hikmah* (wisdom) that educates the *ummah*.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* mentions in verse 3 of Soorah ad-Dukhaan:

إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَاهُ فِي لَيْلَةٍ مُبَارَكَةٍ إِنَّا كُنَّا مُنْذِرِينَ.

“Indeed, We sent it down during a blessed night. Indeed, We were to warn [mankind].”

From this verse, it is clear that the blessed night served as the starting point of the *wahy* that awakened mankind from heedlessness. It is as if Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* is teaching us that true blessings are not solely due to the atmosphere of that night, but upon the message brought by al-Qur’an itself, which is to bring awareness to people.

Ennobled Friday audience,

The main objective for the revelation of al-Qur'an is to be internalized as guidance and guide to life. With al-Qur'an, we are able to distinguish between truth and falsehood, and as the constitution of life for us heading towards the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Hence, reciting al-Qur'an is no ordinary deed, for it is the most important *dhikr* (remembrance) and *'ibaadah* (worship) that yields tremendous reward from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

In the *hadeeth* of 'Abdullah bin Mas'ood *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

مَنْ قَرَأَ حَرْفًا مِنْ كِتَابِ اللَّهِ فَلَهُ بِهِ حَسَنَةٌ وَالْحَسَنَةُ بِعَشْرِ أَمْثَالِهَا لَا أَقُولُ الْمَ حَرْفٌ، وَلَكِنْ أَلِفٌ حَرْفٌ وَلاَمٌ حَرْفٌ وَمِيمٌ حَرْفٌ

"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-Laam-Meem is one letter, but Alif is a letter, Laam is a letter and Meem is a letter."

(at-Tirmidhi)

This is the special privilege of al-Qur'an, the *kalaam* (word) of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, a *mu'jizah* (miracle) that lives throughout time. The more it is recited, the more pleasure one experiences. The more it is internalized, the more of its *hikmah* and teachings become apparent. Al-Qur'an can also serve as *rahmah* (mercy) and cure for the believers.

The 'ulamaa' (scholars), among them al-Imaam an-Nawawi *Rahimahullaah*, had explained that among the deeds that are greatly encouraged in the month of Ramadaan is increasing the recitation of al-Qur'an, especially in the last ten nights, specifically in the odd nights. What a great blessing if the recitation of al-Qur'an can be established as a culture within the household with family members, in the masjid, and even in the *surau* with the congregation. Through its recitation we can correct each other's reading, in addition to strengthening *silaaturrahm* (ties of kinship) and *ukhuwwah* (brotherhood) among us.

There is no need to feel ashamed if our recitation of al-Qur'an is not as proficient as others during al-Qur'an *tadarrus* session. Verily, whoever exerts effort in reciting and learning al-Qur'an with difficulty, he or she will be granted two rewards. This is as mentioned in the *hadeeth* of Sayyidatuna 'A'ishah *radiyAllaahu 'anha* where Rasulullah ﷺ said:

الْمَاهِرُ بِالْقُرْآنِ مَعَ السَّفَرَةِ الْكِرَامِ الْبَرَّةِ، وَالَّذِي يَقْرَأُ
الْقُرْآنَ وَيَتَتَعَتُعُ فِيهِ وَهُوَ عَلَيْهِ شَاقٌّ لَهُ أَجْرَانِ

"The one who is proficient in the recitation of the Qur'an will be with the honorable and obedient scribes (angels) and he who recites the Qur'an and finds it difficult to recite, doing his best to recite it in the best way possible, will have two rewards."

(Muslim)

Take heed, for al-Qur'an will grant *shafaa'ah* (intercession) on the Day of Judgment for those that frequently recites it. In the narration of Abu Umaamah al-Baahiliy *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, the Prophet ﷺ said:

"Recite the Qur'an, for on the Day of Resurrection it will come as an intercessor for those who recite it."

(Muslim)

So, let us not get distracted with gadgets and the social media that we forget to hasten in reaping the virtues of Ramadaan that are laid out in front of our very eyes. Take advantage of all technological facilities available towards righteousness. Utilize the gadgets in our hands as a means in reaping the virtues of Ramadaan, whether through the recitation, listening, and learning al-Qur'an. Today, al-Qur'an can be easily accessed anywhere and anytime.

Esteemed Friday congregants,

If today there are still bribery, betrayal of trust, negligence in *'ibaadah*, moral decay, and division within society, then its cause is not due to the absence of guidance but because of humans themselves, distancing themselves from the teachings of al-Qur'an, while Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* has mentioned in verse 24 of Soorah Muhammad:

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

Here is where we find that al-Qur'an is a *mu'jizah* and bounty from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* that must be embraced as credo in our lives. It is not only to be read but must be further delved and explored, pondered, and practiced so that it becomes the very light that guides every step of our actions.

Therefore, let us benefit from this glorious month by reciting al-Qur'an, with *tadabbur* (reflection) and practicing upon all of its teachings. Instill resoluteness and determination within us in remaining *istiqamah* (steadfast) learning, reciting, and understanding the verses of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. *Insha Allah*, these sincere efforts will manifest a reflection of the *akhlaaq* (character) of al-Qur'an within our actions, speech, attitude, and daily practices, hence giving birth to Muslims that excels and truly live with the light of guidance of al-Qur'an.

My dear brothers, blessed congregation,

To end the *khutbah* today, let us altogether derive lessons that can be benefited as guidelines in our daily life:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that al-Qur'an is a *mu'jizah* from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Its recitation yields reward, its *tadabbur* increases knowledge, comprehension, and brings one closer to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

2. The Muslim *ummah* must implement the teachings of al-Qur'an in all aspects of life, whether in *'ibadah*, *akhlaaq*, social responsibilities, and interactions among fellow humans so that every action, speech, and attitude will reflect the values espoused in al-Qur'an.

3. The Muslim *ummah* must remain *istiqamah* in reciting and understanding the verses of al-Qur'an daily, especially in the month of Ramadaan, for each recitation and efforts in understanding al-Qur'an will yield tremendous reward from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَتْلُونَ كِتَابَ اللَّهِ وَأَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَأَنفَقُوا مِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ
سِرًّا وَعَلَانِيَةً يَرْجُونَ تِجْرَةً لَّن تَبُورَ.

"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."

(Soorah Faatir 35:29)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ
مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتُهُ 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 أَنْزَلَ الشَّرِيعَةَ، هَدَى لِلنَّاسِ وَرَحْمَةً،
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا
عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ
وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ 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.³

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ
أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، بِرَحْمَتِكَ يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ.
اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَذِلَّ الشِّرْكَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ،
وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ، وَاجْعَلْ هَذَا الْبَلَدَ آمِنًا مُطْمَئِنًّا وَسَائِرَ
بِلَادِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ وَفِّقْ أُمَّةَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَوُلاةَ أُمُورِهِمْ وَجَمِيعَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ
لِمَا فِيهِ صَلَاحُ الْبِلَادِ وَالْعِبَادِ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ
بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِينَ
عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا
الْمُعَظَّمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُور، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفُ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاه

³ al-Ahzaab 33:56.

الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَان صَلَاحُ الدِّين عبد العزيز شاه
الحاج. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيَّ عَهْدٍ سَلَاطُور، تَغْكُو أَمِير شَاهِ ابْنِ
السُّلْطَانِ شَرْفُ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ أَطْلُ
عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوظَّفَيْنِ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ
مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

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*, as formulated by Imaam Abu Hasan al-Ash'ari and Imaam Abu Mansoor al-Maatureedi, practicing upon the Shaafi'i *Madhhab* (juristic school of thought) while accepting the other three *madhaahib*, practicing *tasawwuf* upon the way of Imaam Junayd al-Baghdaadi and Imaam al-Ghazaali. Spare us from all forms of bribery and abuse of power, as well as misguidance and extremism, 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.

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا.⁴
رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ.⁵
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَنِ وَإِيتَايِ ذِي الْقُرْبَى وَيَنْهَى
عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ.⁶
فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ،
وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا
تَصْنَعُونَ.

⁴ al-Furqaan 25:74.

⁵ al-Baqarah 2:201.

⁶ an-Nahl 16:90.