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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا مَنْ يَرْتَدَّ مِنْكُمْ عَنْ
دِينِهِ ۖ فَسَوْفَ يَأْتِي اللَّهُ بِقَوْمٍ يُحِبُّهُمْ وَيُحِبُّونَهُ ۖ أَذِلَّةٍ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ
أَعِزَّةٍ عَلَى الْكَافِرِينَ يُجَاهِدُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَلَا يَخَافُونَ لَوْمَةَ لَائِمٍ
ذَلِكَ فَضْلُ اللَّهِ يُؤْتِيهِ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ وَاسِعٌ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٥٤﴾¹
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، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى
اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ ۖ وَلَا
تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ ﴿١٠٢﴾²

Dear blessed audience,

I sincerely remind myself and respected audience to altogether strive
in strengthening our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with the truest

¹ al-Maa'idah 5:54

² Aal-'Imraan 3:102



of *taqwa* by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we all attain blissfulness in this world and the Hereafter.

Today I will be expounding on a sermon titled "**BEWARE WITH STATEMENT OF APOSTASY.**"

According to the explanation within the Shaafi'i *madhhab* (school of thought), *murtad* (apostasy) is defined as strong determination to sever one's ties with the religion of Islam through *niyyah* (intention), speech, or action that indicates *kufr* (disbelief), hence leaving the fold of Islam. Therefore, when *murtad* is mentioned, it does not mean leaving one religion for another religion. It actually means leaving Islam.

Dear blessed Muslims,

Lately, the issue of pronouncing *murtad* has become a very hot topic within the Muslim community in the social media. This matter is deemed as very sensitive to the Muslims, when it is uttered openly with certain assumptions. The statement of apostasy is not plaything that can just be loosely uttered on the lips and mouth. It is also not a controversial speech merely to garner popularity and sympathy. Every speech that can inflict harm upon oneself or others will be deemed as a sin. The declaration of *murtad* will have a major impact upon one's actions for it destroys the *imaan* (faith) when it is clearly stated without coercion and carries the meaning of *kufr*.

Meanwhile, joking around or deliberately uttering "I have left Islam" is the essence of speech that actually mocks the religion. Such utterance is gravely prohibited and cursed in Islam. It cannot be uttered at one's will or due to stressful personal issue. This matter can be seen when one is truly ignorant upon the knowledge of *Tawheed* (Oneness of Allah) and not knowing the reality of the true God. This is because the majority of people



that do not know God will easily utter statements of apostasy. However, for those that truly know the reality of the true God, it is impossible for them to utter the speech of *murtad*, for knowing the reality and actual attributes of The Most Divine. The prohibition to utter the statement of *kufir* and *murtad* is clearly stated in Islam. Allah mentions in verse 65 and 66 of soorah at-Tawbah:

وَلَيْنَ سَأَلْتَهُمْ لَيَقُولُنَّ إِنَّمَا كُنَّا نَخُوضُ وَنَلْعَبُ قُلْ أَبِاللَّهِ وَعَايَاتِهِ
وَرَسُولِهِ كُنْتُمْ تَسْتَهْزِءُونَ ﴿٦٥﴾ لَا تَعْتَذِرُوا قَدْ كَفَرْتُمْ بَعْدَ إِيمَانِكُمْ
إِنْ نَعْفُ عَنْ طَائِفَةٍ مِّنْكُمْ نُعَذِّبُ طَائِفَةَ بِأَنَّهُمْ كَانُوا مُجْرِمِينَ ﴿٦٦﴾

“And if you ask them, they will surely say, “We were only conversing and playing.” Say, “Is it Allah and His verses and His Messenger that you were mocking?” Make no excuse; you have disbelieved after your belief. If We pardon one faction of you - We will punish another faction because they were criminals.”

Dearest beloved audience,

The implication of uttering words of apostasy not only affects the one that uttered it, in fact it leaves a great impact upon the interests of the Muslim *ummah*, the religion, and nation. This scenario can indirectly threaten religious harmony within civil society. As a result, some within the society will become confused and begin making assumption in interpreting the speech with various perceptions.

The issue of *murtad* is nothing new within the history of the Muslim *ummah*. It had existed during the time of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, the era of the *salaaf as-saalih* (pious predecessors), and up until today. The approach in curbing the spread of this issue requires internalization and



education of Islamic *tarbiyyah* (upbringing) since young, as in the Malay proverb "*melentur buluh biarlah dari rebung*" (meaning: Educating the children from an early age). Hence, the parents are advised to equip their children with the knowledge of *fard al-'ayn* (individual obligations) that includes the studies of *usool al-'aqeedah* (principles of creed), *'ibaadah* (worship), and *akhlaaq* (character). Let us become good example for our offspring by obeying the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Such actions and practice will cultivate Islamic spirit (*rooh*), *ihsaan* (excellence), and fear within the soul of the children regarding the severe punishments of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Respected audience,

Let us not even think of uttering words that can nullify our *imaan* and causing us to apostate from Islam. This is because Islam is the true religion and that is pleasing to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 19 of soorah Aal-'Imraan:

إِنَّ الدِّينَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ الْإِسْلَامُ

"Indeed, the religion in the sight of Allah is Islam."

Islam is a religion of salvation and that it rescues mankind from misguidance. It is from the favor of Allah that is unparallel, pure guidance that is perfect, just, and *rahmah* (mercy) for the entire mankind and universe. We must always remain grateful for being among the chosen ones upon the bounty of *imaan* (belief) and Islam.

In preserving one's *imaan* while living at the End of Time that is filled with challenges and tribulations, Rasulullah ﷺ had reminded us in the *hadeeth* of Anas bin Maalik *radhiyAllaahu 'anh*, where the Prophet ﷺ said:



يَأْتِي عَلَى النَّاسِ زَمَانٌ الصَّابِرُ فِيهِمْ عَلَى دِينِهِ كَالْقَابِضِ عَلَى الْجَمْرِ

“There shall come upon the people a time in which the one who is patient upon his religion will be like the one holding onto a burning ember.”

(at-Tirmidhi)

In preserving religious harmony, everyone must view this matter with seriousness by taking firm and appropriate actions to the relevant authority so that the noble religion that is highly regarded will not be mocked by certain individuals and groups. Let us not turn the issue of *murtad* into a political matter. It is an issue that deeply concerns the entire Muslim *ummah* that truly love their religion. Every Muslim individual has a role in planning a strategy according to his or her level best, in ensuring that Islam is protected from any negative elements. Whatever the excuses and justification that are used to legitimize the very action of declaring apostasy, the Islamic *Sharee'ah* has clearly stipulated that such speech is severely forbidden within the *Shara'*.

We are forbidden from taking shortcuts according to our emotions and lustful desire. The appropriate consideration is to return through repentance (*tawbah*) and making *istighfaar* (seeking forgiveness) to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, earnestly beseeching guidance from Him.

Respected Muslims,

To end the *khutbah* today, let us altogether ponder and derive lessons so that we are bestowed with guidance in this life. Among them:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that Islam is the true religion that brings prosperity to universal humanity.



2. Every Muslim is obligated to safeguard religious harmony and preserve the sanctity of *imaan* and Islam.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must realize that *imaan* is a favor from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* upon His chosen slaves, and that it is from the greatest favor, whose value is incomparable even with the wealth of the entire world.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

مَنْ كَفَرَ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ بَعْدِ إِيمَانِهِ إِلَّا مَنْ أُكْرِهَ وَقَلْبُهُ مُطْمَئِنٌّ
بِالْإِيمَانِ وَلَكِنْ مَنْ شَرَحَ بِالْكُفْرِ صَدْرًا فَعَلَيْهِمْ غَضَبٌ مِّنَ
اللَّهِ وَلَهُمْ عَذَابٌ عَظِيمٌ ﴿١٠٦﴾

“Whoever disbelieves in Allah after his belief except for one who is forced [to renounce his religion] while his heart is secure in faith. But those who [willingly] open their breasts to disbelief, upon them is wrath from Allah, and for them is a great punishment.”

(an-Nahl 16:106)



بَارِكْ 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 وَآيَاتِي
بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى : إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ
ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٦﴾

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ
وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

Respected Muslims,

Let us altogether pray that our country will always remain blessed and protected from all forms of threat, as well as contagions from the Covid-19 pandemic. May it be expunged with effectiveness and end with immediateness. Let us have certainty that for every darkness, surely there will be light that will illuminate life. For that, let us graciously accept the government's recommendation in the vaccination efforts by registering ourselves through the MySejahtera and Selangkah applications, as well as other means that will enable us to obtain vaccine shots that have been authorized by the Ministry of Health Malaysia.



May we become among the slaves of Allah that are patient while enduring all diseases afflicted, and disciplined in adhering to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and the new normal practices in overcoming the Covid-19 pandemic, for the sake of our own safety and the community.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ
وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ
الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ.
وَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ
بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ
عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا
الْمُعَظَّمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه
الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه
الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونِ، تَعَكَوْ أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ
السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَطْلُ



عُمْرُهُمَا مُصْلِحِينَ لِلْمُوظَّفِينَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلَغَ
مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

O Allah, You are the Lord that is All Mighty, we are grateful to You for having bestowed upon us *rahmah* and blessings upon this state that continues to prosper and progress, and that its residents remain united, under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.

O Allah, grant us guidance in performing the five obligatory prayers in congregation, fulfilling *zakaat* through Selangor *Zakaat* Board (LZS), and give away our wealth through *Perbadanan Wakaf Selangor* (Selangor Endowment Corporation) and *Tabung Infak Jariah Umat Islam Selangor* (TIJARI, Selangor Continuous Charity for Muslims Fund), and to the orphans through *Yayasan Islam Darul Ehsan* (Darul Ehsan Islamic Foundation).

اللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اذْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءِ وَالْمَرَضَ
وَالشَّدَائِدَ وَالْمِحْنَ، بِلُطْفِكَ يَا لَطِيفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ
قَدِيرٌ وَبِالْإِجَابَةِ جَدِيرٌ.

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا.
رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿٢٠١﴾.
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَى
وَيَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ



فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُواهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ،
وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا
تَصْنَعُونَ.