





# CONTINUING THE DAWAHEFFORTS

## حرالته الرحمر الرحي Let us strive to increase our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala by abiding all of His Commands and avoiding all of His

prohibitions. Verily, taqwa is the best of provision for the Hereafter.

I would like to invite fellow audience to altogether ponder upon today's khutbah titled "CONTINUING THE DA'WAH EFFORTS."

Dr Yusuf al-Qaradawi had stated that da'wah is an effort to bring others to the religion of Islam, fulfilling all of the stipulations on earth, calling towards good and forbidding evil, as well as

undertaking jihaad in His Path. Da'wah is a continuation of the duty of the prophets and messengers, whom were sent by Allah to their ummah. This role is then assumed by the

Companions, as-salaaf as-saalih (the pious predecessors), and the Muslim scholars until the end of time.

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 36 of soorah an-Nahl:

"And We certainly sent into every nation a messenger, [saying], "Worship Allah and

avoid Taaghoot." And among them were those whom Allah guided, and among them were those upon whom error was [deservedly] decreed..."

In general, we know that da'wah strategy is delivered in three approaches, namely da'wah through speech, da'wah through actions, and da'wah through writing. Rasulullah عليه وسلم

provides the best example in giving da'wah. He صلى الله was able to perfect da'wah strategies through all three approaches mentioned, along with his Companions.

Da'wah is also a continuous effort and it is definitely not seasonal. It must be executed with diligence and ikhlaas (sincerity), though faced with various trials and challenges. This is

because the objective of da'wah itself is clear, which is to invite mankind to completely surrender and submit to the Will of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Indeed, the work of da'wah is a

responsibility shouldered by every believer, with the condition that one must have foundational knowledge regarding the knowledge that is to be conveyed. Those engaged in da'wah will attain the

reward and virtues when their da'wah efforts are accepted and practiced by others.

In the *hadeeth* of Jareer bin 'Abdullah *radiyAllaahu* 'anh, Rasulullah عليه وسلم said:

"He who introduced some good practice in Islam which was followed after him (by people) he would be assured of reward like one who followed it.

without their rewards being diminished in any respect..."

(Muslim)

Therefore, every Muslim cannot avoid the very task of *da'wah* in inviting

the society to good, especially upon family members or one's dependents. Verily, in conveying the risaalah (message) of da'wah, Islam has outlined basic principles that are clear

and must be adhered to, as Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 125 of soorah an-Nahl:

"Invite to the way of your Lord with wisdom and good instruction, and

# argue with them in a way that is best..."

Every da'i (one who gives da'wah) must master the message that is to be conveyed so that it coincides with authentic

Islamic teachings. All issues raised must be mentioned with the intent to educate and produce Muslims that are open minded, not obsessed with rigidity, or spreading teachings that are far

deviating from the actual teachings of Islam that it destroys the 'aqeedah, Sharee'ah, and Islamic akhlaaq, which are sacred.

Every da'i must always strive to increase their knowledge, especially regarding matters that are to be conveyed, remaining honest and sincere, as well as grasping thorough

comprehension of Islamic tarbiyyah (education) for it is truly vital in grooming the hearts of the intended recipient of their da'wah efforts.

# Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 108 of soorah Yoosuf:

"Say, "This is my way; I invite to Allah with insight, I and those who

follow me. And exalted is Allah; and I am not of those who associate others with Him.""

The diversity of methods or da'wah techniques truly provides effective

impact upon intended da'wah recipients. The da'i must be wise in selecting the most effective methodology, the necessary tools, and its suitable time, as well as verbal speech that can

captivate the hearts. However, all methodologies must be according to what has been deemed permissible by the Shara'. Do not just chase after sheer profits and popularity, which can

cause a well-intended program, having good objectives, but associated with unrighteous methods and exaggerated. Hence, its outcome ends without good.

The da'i must know who is the target of their da'wah. The saying goes, "different pond has different fish, different field has different grasshoppers" (meaning: different area has different customs or circumstances).

It is duly reminded and advised to fellow du'aat (plural of da'i) to always abide and adhere to the

regulations imposed by the religious authorities such as the requirement for having obtained tauliah (authorization). This is to invigorate the da'wah efforts throughout the state of

Selangor, as well as regulating ideologies and practices that violates the 'aqeedah, Sharee'ah, and Islamic akhlaaq from poisoning the Muslim minds, which will desecrate the sanctity

and well-being of the Muslim community.

To end the khutbah today, the Muslims are urged to take note and collectively shoulder the responsibility in carrying

#### out da'wah duties.

1. The Muslim ummah must have certainty that the command to perform da'wah is based upon al-Qur'an and as-Sunnah, and that it is an obligation that is to be fulfilled.

2. Every believer must fulfill their very duty of da'wah based on authentic knowledge and to master effective da'wah methodology.

3. Every da'i must cling firmly upon the creed of Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah in preserving the harmony of the religious belief of the Muslims that is sacred and holy.

"And let there be [arising] from you a nation inviting to [all that is] good, enjoining what is right and forbidding what is wrong, and those will be the successful."

(Aal-'Imraan 3:104)



## Once again, I would like to remind all of us to always have the tagwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. As Muslims, we are to manifest noble akhlaaq, having

utmost personality and attitude for Rasulullah عليه وسلم was sent to perfect akhlaaq and as mercy for the entire mankind and the worlds. Therefore, let us always



"Indeed, Allah confers blessing upon the Prophet, and His angels [ask Him to do so]. O you who have believed, ask [Allah to confer] blessing upon him and ask [Allah to grant him] peace." (al-Ahzaab 33:56)

### O Allah, You are the Lord that is All Mighty, we are grateful to You for having bestowed upon us rahmah and ni'mah, that this state has become an advanced

## state, prosperous and providing welfare, under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.







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