



## “MAKING THE MOST OUT OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ : وَالْعَصْرُ ﴿١﴾ إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِفِي خُسْرٍ ﴿٢﴾ إِلَّا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ وَتَوَّصُوا بِالحَقِّ وَتَوَّصُوا بِالصَّبْرِ ﴿٣﴾<sup>1</sup>  
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: يَأَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.

**Dear blessed Muslims,**

On this Friday that is full of *rahmah* (mercy) and *barakah* (blessings), I remind myself and fellow congregation to altogether strive in increasing our *imaan* and *taqwa* of Allah by always performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we becoming among His slaves that attain blissfulness and prosperity in this world and the Hereafter.

In conjunction with the year-end school holiday that had just recently began, let us altogether internalize upon today's *khutbah* titled “**MAKING THE MOST OUT OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY.**”

Before proceeding with the *khutbah*, I would like to remind respected audience upon the reminder of Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم in giving full attention to the *khutbah* being delivered. Do not speak and pursue matters that are in vain, which includes using the mobile phone while the *khateeb* is delivering the *khutbah*.

**Dear beloved audience,**

The school vacation has returned once more. This is the moment that our schooling children have been waiting for, because they will be no longer shackled by schoolbooks, co-curricular activities, or even extra classes. In short, anything related to school will no longer come to their attention. In fact, many actually feel that it is the time for them to rest, have fun, and indulge in their favorite activities, due to the time restrictions that they had endured during regular school session. Hence, we must ensure that our children are not heedless and waste those precious free time. In the *hadeeth* of ibn 'Abbaas *radhiyAllaahu 'anhuma*, the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

نِعْمَتَانِ مَغْبُونٌ فِيهِمَا كَثِيرٌ مِنَ النَّاسِ الصِّحَّةُ وَالْفَرَاغُ

**“There are two blessings which many people lose: Health and free time for doing good.”**

<sup>1</sup> al-‘Asr 103:1-3



(al-Bukhaari)

## Dear Muslims,

Remember, that time is precious like gold. This phrase is commonly mentioned to illustrate how time is greatly valuable. This is because the most precious matter after having attained *imaan* (belief) and Islam is time.

Through al-Qur'an, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* had repeatedly sworn by time, as a reminder upon the importance of time for us. Just like those verses recited earlier, from verses 1-3 of soorah al-'Asr. Aside from that, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* would always describe the importance of time by mentioning وَالضُّحَى (By the morning brightness), وَاللَّيْلِ إِذَا سَجَى (And [by] the night when it covers with darkness), وَاللَّيْلِ إِذَا سَجَى (And the day, when it brightens).

This shows that time is a *ni'mah* (favor) from Allah that is very valuable. Imaam Fakhr ad-Deen ar-Raazi mentioned in his *tafseer* of soorah al-'Asr:

فَكَأَنَّهُ تَعَالَى أَقْسَمَ عَلَى أَنَّ الدَّهْرَ وَالْعَصْرَ نِعْمَةٌ حَاصِلَةٌ لَا عَيْبَ فِيهَا إِنَّمَا  
الْخَاسِرُ الْمَعْيِبُ هُوَ الْإِنْسَانُ.

"It is as though the Almighty swore that age and time is a blessing that is not flawed but the defective loser is the human being."

(Tafseer al-Kabeer)

## Beloved Muslims,

The wise person is one that utilizes his time in the best possible manner. In this regard, the role of the parents is crucial in ensuring that the children will be able to partake in beneficial activities throughout their school holiday. Normally, the children have their own plans in utilizing their free time. What is greatly hoped is that the parents would supervise their children so that they will not succumb to non-beneficial activities involving the corruption of the *akhlāq* and morality, what more when it is related to the *'aqeedah* of a Muslim. This indicates that it is the parents that will become the key determinant and architect of their children's future. Narrated Abu Hurayrah *radhiyAllaahu 'anh*: the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

كُلُّ مَوْلُودٍ يُوَلَّدُ عَلَى الْفِطْرَةِ، فَأَبَوَاهُ يُهَوِّدَانِهِ أَوْ يُنَصِّرَانِهِ أَوْ يُمَجِّسَانِهِ

"Every child is born with a true faith of Islam (*fitrah*) and his parents convert him to Judaism or Christianity or Magianism."

(al-Bukhaari)

## Dear beloved audience,

In reality, there are multitudes of activities that can be pursued throughout the school vacation. Just to share some views with fellow audience, especially those with



children that are still schooling, among the activities that can be done throughout the school holiday are:

1. Enliven the masjid with the participation of the children through activities such as the congregational prayer, Islamic lessons, memorization of al-Qur'an, *fard al-'ayn* courses, *Smart Salaah*, *dawraat* (intensives) dan many others.

2. Picnic and sightseeing. In other words, sightseeing and picnic to any destination. Through this activity, it can provide the opportunity for those to experience the outside world, hence, to see the beauty of the creations of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 11 of soorah al-An'am:

قُلْ سِيرُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ ثُمَّ أَنْظِرُوا كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الْمُكْذِبِينَ ﴿١١﴾

**"Say, "Travel through the land; then observe how was the end of the deniers.""**

3. School holiday camps. These programs typically offers various activities that are based on the motivation for building and development of one's personality, spirituality, *akhlaaq*, *'ibaadah*, and its like. In addition to attaining knowledge, one also gains new experience and making new friends.

4. Visiting immediate and distant relatives, so as to know each other better and strengthen family ties, as well as upholding the *silaturrahm* (ties of kinship). In the *hadeeth* of Anas bin Maalik *radiallāhu 'anh*, Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

مَنْ سَرَّهُ أَنْ يُبْسَطَ عَلَيْهِ رِزْقُهُ، وَيُنْسَأَ فِي أَثَرِهِ فَلْيَصِلْ رَحِمَهُ

**"Whoever desires that his means of sustenance should be expanded for him and his age lengthened, should join the tie of relationship."**

(al-Bukhaari)

**Respected Muslims,**

I also would like to remind fellow audience to not allow our children at all from wasting their school vacation with non-beneficial matters. In reality, negative deeds will not help in enhancing self-potential. Instead, it only brings harm to oneself. For example, watching the television unsupervised, playing videogames and smartphone without time limitation, and hanging out with friends regardless whether during the day or night.

Sufficient monitoring and supervision by the parents are truly crucial in preventing the children from being inflicted with harm and getting involved with immorality. This was reminded by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in verse 6 of soorah at-Tahreem:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا قُوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ وَأَهْلِيكُمْ نَارًا وَقُودُهَا النَّاسُ وَالْحِجَارَةُ عَلَيْهَا مَلَائِكَةٌ غِلَاظٌ شِدَادٌ لَا يَعْصُونَ اللَّهَ مَا أَمَرَهُمْ وَيَفْعَلُونَ مَا يُؤْمَرُونَ ﴿٦﴾

**"O you who have believed, protect yourselves and your families from a Fire whose fuel is people and stones, over which are [appointed] angels, harsh and**



**severe; they do not disobey Allah in what He commands them but do what they are commanded."**

**Dearest audience,**

Indeed, every believer having *taqwa* will truly value and appreciate every second granted upon them. Furthermore, the role of the parents in the effort of educating the children to truly value time is vital, for the sake of their excellence in this world and the Hereafter. For the children that are still schooling, treasure your youth with beneficial matters. One of the five reminders mentioned by Rasulullah ﷺ namely 'take advantage of your free time before you become busy' should be thoroughly pondered by all of us so that in the Hereafter we will not become among the losers.

To end the *khutbah* today, let us altogether contemplate upon several directive guidance and suggestions mentioned:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that time is very important in the lives of a Muslim, and it will be accounted for in the Hereafter.
2. It is *wajib* (obligatory) upon the Muslim *ummah* to educate its offspring to appreciate and maximize their school vacation by pursuing beneficial matters.
3. The Muslim *ummah*, whether the parents or communities, must always monitor and serve as the eyes and ears in ensuring that the children are not involved with idle matters, especially those that can harm them.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ  
وَالَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَاتَّبَعَتْهُمْ ذُرِّيَّتُهُمْ بِإِذْنِ الْحَقِّنَا بِهِمْ ذُرِّيَّتَهُمْ وَمَا آتَيْنَاهُمْ مِنْ عَمَلِهِمْ مِنْ شَيْءٍ كُلُّ امْرِئٍ بِمَا كَسَبَ رَهِينٌ ﴿٥٢﴾

**"And those who believed and whose descendants followed them in faith - We will join with them their descendants, and We will not deprive them of anything of their deeds. Every person, for what he earned, is retained."**

(at-Toor 52:21)

بَارَكَ 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،  
فَأَسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.

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## 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 وَرِيَّائِي بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Dear blessed audience,

Once again, I would like to remind all of us to always have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and realize that Islam teaches us to remain moderate in every actions and deeds. As Muslims, we are to manifest noble *akhlaaq*, having utmost personality and attitude for Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم was sent to perfect *akhlaaq* and as mercy for the entire mankind and the worlds. Therefore, let us always increase our *salawaat* and *salaam* upon our Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions:

***"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)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا.

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

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 وَدَمَّرْ 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 الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ،



جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُورِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعُوْنَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِيُوَلِّيَّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُورِ، تَعْكُو اَمِيرِ شَاهِ، اِبْنِ السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا، مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوظَّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

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 we are able to continue the effort in empowering the Muslim *ummah*, as an advanced state, prosperous and providing welfare, under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.

Hence, we sincerely beseech You, O Allah, strengthen our *imaan* and creed according to that of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*, accept our righteous deeds, cultivate our soul with good mannerisms, unite our hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from disasters and save us from teachings that are outside the fold of Islam such as *Qadiyaani*, deviant teachings such as *Shee'ah*, and other teachings deemed as deviating from Islamic teachings or contradicting the creed of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*. O Allah, open up our hearts in performing the five daily prayers, fulfilling *zakaat* through *Lembaga Zakat Selangor* (Selangor *Zakaat* Board), making *waqf* and *infaaq* of our wealth to *Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor* (Selangor *Waqf* Corporation), and *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor).

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ اَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ اَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ اِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا اِنَّا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةٌ وَفِي الْاٰخِرَةِ حَسَنَةٌ وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ  
عِبَادَ اللّٰهِ، اِنَّ اللّٰهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْاِحْسَانِ وَاِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٩٠﴾  
فَاذْكُرُوا اللّٰهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلٰى نِعْمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاَسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ ۗ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللّٰهِ اَكْبَرُ وَاللّٰهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.

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