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## “UNDERSTANDING THE MEANING OF THE HIJRAH OF THE MESSENGER”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: إِنَّ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَالَّذِينَ هَاجَرُوا وَجَاهَدُوا فِي سَبِيلِ  
اللَّهِ أُولَئِكَ يَرْجُونَ رَحْمَتَ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ <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 ءَالِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ  
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 <sup>2</sup>

Dear blessed Muslims,

I humbly remind respected audience to altogether strive in increasing our *imaan* (faith) and *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May firm *imaan* and absolute *taqwa* make us from among the servants that are truly successful in this world and the Hereafter.

On a day that is full of *barakah* (blessings), I will discuss upon a *khutbah* titled “**UNDERSTANDING THE MEANING OF THE HIJRAH OF THE MESSENGER.**”

<sup>1</sup> al-Baqarah 2:218.

<sup>2</sup> Aal 'Imraan 3:102.



## Dear blessed audience,

The journey of *hijrah* (migration) by Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was a journey of victory for Islam. A journey that was ordained by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* is definitely not a refugee journey as understood by some. Even if there was conspiracy to assassinate Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, it was not the main factor for *hijrah* was a journey of obedience unto Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

The winding journey of *Hijrah* of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ marked an episode of sacrifice and success by a *Rasool* (Messenger), the torchbearer of *imaan*. The pain and hardship experienced were challenges that had to be endured for the sake of obedience unto Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, though having to abandon the relatives and possessions. However, the *rahmah* (mercy) and forgiveness of Allah truly awaits. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 218 of soorah al-Baqarah:

***“Indeed, those who have believed and those who have emigrated and fought in the cause of Allah - those expect the mercy of Allah. And Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.”***

## Dearest audience,

The historical *Hijrah* journey of the Messenger, which serves as inspiration for the *ummah*, has a plethora of *hikmah* (wisdom) and lessons. It manifested the great significance behind the command for *Hijrah* in the continuity of carrying the symbols (*shi'aar*) of Islam as a religion of *tawheed* (monotheism). In fact, the success of the *da'wah* (calling to Islam) of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is closely intertwined with strategy, especially in addressing allegations hurled by the enemies of Islam upon the *da'wah* efforts of the Prophet ﷺ.



The great event of *Hijrah* enlightened our minds upon strategic and structured planning that allowed for the actual plan of *Hijrah* to execute with perfection despite the obstacles that emerged. Look at the important figures involved during the *hijrah* of the Prophet ﷺ, acting as aides to the Prophet, they were intelligent in reconnaissance strategy and psychological warfare, providing food and aid supplies, and many more, that it behooves us to uncover their roles and study them further. Prominent figures such as Sayyidina Abu Bakr, Sayyidina 'Umar al-Khattaab, 'Abdullah bin Abi Bakr, Sayyidina 'Ali bin Abi Taalib, and many other Companions of the Prophet ﷺ.

### Dear respected Muslims,

Aside from those, among the matters that we must observe and practice is the usage of the *Hijri* Calendar (*at-Taqweem al-Hijri*) in our daily lives. Many of us are still unfamiliar with and do not even know the names of the months in the Islamic (*Hijri*) calendar. Beginning with Muharram, Safar, Rabee' al-Awwal, Rabee' al-Aakhir, Jumada al-'Ula, Jumada al-Aakhirah, Rajab, Sha'baan, Ramadaan, Shawwaal, Dhul Qa'dah, and Dhul Hijjah. It is definitely not wrong to use the Gregorian calendar, but the *Hijri* calendar is our actual identity as the Muslim *ummah*.

Considering how important is the *Hijri* calendar to the Muslim *ummah*, it necessitate that the Muslims embrace the *rooh* (spirit) of *hijrah* in their daily affairs. This is because *hijrah* does not just mean migrating from one location to another, but it is also making *hijrah* towards the better and leaving all of the forbiddance by Allah *Ta'aala*. In the *hadeeth* of 'Abdullah bin 'Amr *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma*, the Prophet ﷺ said:

المُسْلِمُ مَنْ سَلِمَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ مِنْ لِسَانِهِ وَيَدِهِ، وَالْمُهَاجِرُ  
مَنْ هَجَرَ مَا نَهَى اللَّهُ عَنْهُ



**“A Muslim is the one who avoids harming Muslims with his tongue or his hands. And a Muhaajir (an emigrant) is the one who gives up (abandons) all what Allah has forbidden.”**

(al-Bukhaari)

**Esteemed audience,**

The *Hijrah* spirit of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ should be emulated as exemplary in the current situation with the onslaught of Covid-19 outbreak. *Hijrah* teaches the Muslims to always remain alert and earnestly strive to ensure that every objective can be achieved with success, in addition to always supplicating and having *tawakkul* (full reliance in Allah). Not just that, the pangs of living as a direct effect of the pandemic is now tremendously felt and truly requires high motivation and relentless fighting spirit. In these trying moments, it is truly imperative that the unwavering spirit of the Muhaajireen and Ansaar are put into practice by all of us in the very effort of aiding our brethren that had lost their earnings due to the pandemic that is plaguing us. Life tragedies reminds us that the historical event of *hijrah* teaches the Muslim *ummah* to always exert all of its efforts purely for the sake of Allah. All of the sorrow and miseries endured teaches us the actual meaning of life. Let us continue our fight even if we have to wade through obstacles after obstacles in life. May this new *Hijri* year provide virtuous values and strength upon us while wading through the coming challenges.

**Blessed audience,**

To end the *khutbah* this time, there are few important matters that are to be comprehended, among them:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that the *hijrah* of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was a command from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.



2. The Muslim *ummah* must ensure that every *hijrah* undertaken towards good is preceded by rigorous planning.

3. The Muslim *ummah* must always strive to make *hijrah* towards the better, so as to earn rewards and the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ  
وَمَنْ يُهَاجِرْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ يَجِدْ فِي الْأَرْضِ مُرَاعِمًا كَثِيرًا وَسَعَةً وَمَنْ  
يَخْرُجْ مِنْ بَيْتِهِ مُهَاجِرًا إِلَى اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ ثُمَّ يُدْرِكُهُ الْمَوْتُ فَقَدْ  
وَقَعَ أَجْرُهُ عَلَى اللَّهِ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ غَفُورًا رَحِيمًا ﴿١٠٠﴾

***“And whoever emigrates for the cause of Allah will find on the earth many [alternative] locations and abundance. And whoever leaves his home as an emigrant to Allah and His Messenger and then death overtakes him - his reward has already become incumbent upon Allah. And Allah is ever Forgiving and Merciful.”***

*(an-Nisaa’ 4:100)*

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، 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 وَإِيَّايَ  
بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

**Dear blessed audience,**

Once more, I would like to remind all of us to always have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by guarding ourselves and our families from abominable deeds and disobedience against Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. At the same time, we will continue to pray so that our country will always remain blessed and protected from all forms of threat, as well as contagions from the Covid-19 pandemic. For that, let us graciously accept the government's recommendation by registering ourselves through the *MySejahtera* application in order 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, 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.



While dealing with this pandemic, let us not take the easiest way out by harming and injuring ourselves. We must be selfless, patient, and strong mentally and physically, built upon solid *imaan*.

Let us altogether increase our *salawaat* upon our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ as Allah has commanded:

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.

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 بَعِينِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطِينِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه





الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانِ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عَبْدِ الْعَزِيزِ شَاهِ  
الْحَاجِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعُوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ  
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُوْرٍ، تَعَكُّوْا اَمِيْرَ شَاهِ ابْنِ  
السُّلْطَانِ شَرْفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ، فِيْ اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ  
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ  
عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِيْنَ لِلْمُوْظَفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ  
مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيْقِ الْهُدٰى 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, make us among Your slaves whom are always exalting Your Word and Religion. Keep us away from groups and those that like to criticize, curse, and insult Your Religion.

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 and endowment (*waqf*) 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 Darul Ehsan Islamic Foundation (YIDE).



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

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا.  
رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الآخِرَةِ 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 وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ،  
وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا  
تَصْنَعُونَ.