



## “SLANDERING LEADS TO DESTRUCTION”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِنِ جَاءَكُمْ فَاسِقٌ بِنَبَأٍ فَتَبَيَّنُوا أَن تُصِيبُوا قَوْمًا بِجَهْلَةٍ فَتُصْبِحُوا عَلَىٰ مَا فَعَلْتُمْ نَادِمِينَ ﴿٦﴾<sup>1</sup>

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَىٰ سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَىٰ ءَالِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ 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 تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ .

**Dear blessed Muslims,**

Let us altogether strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with full obedience, certainty, and sincerity. That is by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we become individuals having *taqwa*, becoming successful, and attaining salvation in this world and the Hereafter.

On this noble day, I will be discussing upon a *khutbah* titled “**SLANDERING LEADS TO DESTRUCTION.**”

**Dear blessed audience,**

*Fitnah* (slander) is a vile act, accursed by the *Shara'*, and it is from among the major sins. Hence, those that cause and spread *fitnah* are the worst of humans. *Fitnah* refers to accusation by way of information, stories or expressions, and others that are made up or fabricated, intending to defame or inflict harm upon specific individuals. *Fitnah* is the inferno, poison, and cancer that can cause various destructions, disasters, and conflict for oneself, within the family, nation, and religion.

Among the important events in Islam that is closely related with slander is the incident of *Hadeeth al-lfk*, which is the heinous lie that was propagated by the hypocrites upon Sayyidatina 'A'ishah *radiyAllaahu 'anha*. This *fitnah* had spread within the society and Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* had prepared severe torment for the perpetrators.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 19 of soorah an-Noor:

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يُحِبُّونَ أَنْ تَشِيعَ الْفَاحِشَةُ فِي الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا لَهُمْ عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ ۗ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ وَأَنْتُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١٩﴾

<sup>1</sup> al-Hujuraat 49:6



**"Indeed, those who like that immorality should be spread [or publicized] among those who have believed will have a painful punishment in this world and the Hereafter. And Allah knows and you do not know."**

**Dear blessed audience,**

In the era of globalization, in the age of technological advancement, just about every matter, incident, and news can be easily spread at a rapid speed, widespread, and effortlessly. Through the social media alone as the intermediary such as Facebook and WhatsApp, information can be broadcasted all over the world in just a matter of a few seconds. Infused with the gross attitude of not wanting to be left out, such "sensational information" or "breaking news" will continue to be disseminated and concocted without any verification. In reality, the truth is that any information that is without any form of verification and validation is *fitnah* that is being propagated.

The mentality of easily accepting news and disseminating them without any vigilance and scrutiny is gravely prohibited in Islam. Every Muslim must investigate every piece of information received so that one does not become involved with defamatory news. All information received must be verified of its authenticity. If we do not know of its validity, then we must not disseminate that information, for everything will be held accountable by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* has reminded the believers in verse 36 of soorah al-Israa':

وَلَا تَقْفُ مَا لَيْسَ لَكَ بِهِ عِلْمٌ إِنَّ السَّمْعَ وَالْبَصَرَ وَالْفُؤَادَ كُلُّ أُولَئِكَ كَانَ  
عَنْهُ مَسْئُولًا ﴿٣٦﴾

**"And do not pursue that of which you have no knowledge. Indeed, the hearing, the sight and the heart - about all those [one] will be questioned."**

**Blessed audience,**

There are various religious texts (*nusoos*) that prohibit and detest the act of spreading *fitnah*. Among them:

**First:** The one spreading *fitnah* is the worst person. 'Abdur Rahmaan bin Ghanmin *radiyAllaahu 'anh* narrated that Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

شَرَّارُ عِبَادِ اللَّهِ الْمَشَّاءُونَ بِالنَّمِيمَةِ، الْمُفْرِقُونَ بَيْنَ الْأَحِبَّةِ، الْبَاغُونَ الْبُرَاءَ  
الْعَنَتَ

**"The worst among the slaves of Allah are those who go about slandering, sowing discord between friends in order to separate them, and desiring to lead the innocent into wrong action."**

(Ahmad)

**Second:** The slanderer will be inflicted with the punishment of the grave. In the *hadeeth* of ibn 'Abbaas *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma*, Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:



**"They are being punished, but they are not being punished because of a major sin. One of them used not to save himself from (being soiled with) the urine, and the other used to go about with calumnies (nameemah)."**

(al-Bukhaari)

In another *hadeeth*, narrated by Samurah bin Jundub *radiyAllaahu 'anhu*, Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم explained his dream:

وَأَمَّا الرَّجُلُ الَّذِي أَتَيْتَ عَلَيْهِ، يُشْرِشِرُ شِدْقَهُ إِلَى قَفَاهُ، وَمَنْخِرُهُ إِلَى قَفَاهُ، وَعَيْنُهُ إِلَى قَفَاهُ، فَإِنَّهُ الرَّجُلُ يَغْدُو مِنْ بَيْتِهِ، فَيَكْذِبُ الكَذْبَةَ تَبْلُغُ الْآفَاقَ

**"... As for the man you came upon whose sides of mouth, nostrils and eyes were torn off from front to back, he is the symbol of the man who goes out of his house in the morning and tells so many lies that it spreads all over the world..."**

(al-Bukhaari)

**Third:** The slanderer will not enter Paradise. This is as it was narrated by Hudhayfah *radiyAllaahu 'anh* where he heard Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

**"A qattaat (backbiter) will not enter Paradise."**

(al-Bukhaari)

**Dear blessed audience,**

Indeed, *fitnah* leads to tremendous catastrophe upon individuals, the society, and nation. *Fitnah* is a grave sin committed by a person upon another person. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* will not forgive the sin of the slanderer and tattler, unless those slandered forgives them. Spreading *fitnah* can cause great dishonor to individuals, prominent figures, or a group of people.

*Fitnah* can also sever the ties of brotherhood, causing strife, and even ruin the family institution and society. Through *fitnah*, the relationship between siblings, spouses, neighbors, and others would rupture, which in the end becomes totally severed. It then turns into everlasting hostility that threatens the national security.

**Dear blessed audience,**

To end the *khutbah* on this blessed day, I would like to remind fellow audience regarding the following:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that all of our words and actions will be held accountable before Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* on the Day of Judgment.
2. The Muslim *ummah* is prohibited from spreading *fitnah* for it can lead to dispute and disunity.



3. The Muslim *ummah* must remain vigilant and always scrutinize all information received so as to avoid the evil of spreading *fitnah*, which only leads to destruction.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ  
إِنَّ الَّذِينَ فَتَنُوا الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ ثُمَّ لَمْ يَتُوبُوا فَلَهُمْ عَذَابُ جَهَنَّمَ  
وَلَهُمْ عَذَابُ الْحَرِيقِ ﴿١٠﴾

***"Indeed, those who have tortured the believing men and believing women and then have not repented will have the punishment of Hell, and they will have the punishment of the Burning Fire."***

*(al-Burooj 85:10)*

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ  
الآيَاتِ 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، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ 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 يَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ اعِزَّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمَّرْ أَعْدَاكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَأَنْصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةَ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةَ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونَ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيَّ عَهْدِ



سَلَاعُور، تَعَكُو أَمِير شَاه، إِبْنِ السُّلْطَانِ شَرَفُ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِی  
أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِیَةِ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا،  
مُصْلِحِیْنِ لِلْمَوْظَفِیْنَ وَالرَّعِیَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِیقِ الْهُدٰی 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* especially in the state of Selangor, 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 أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَأَجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا  
ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ  
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ  
وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٠١﴾  
فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُواهُ عَلَىٰ نِعْمِهِ ۖ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ  
فَضْلِهِ ۗ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.

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