

**AN ONGOING MISSION**

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إِنَّ الْحَمْدَ لِلَّهِ، مُحَمَّدُهُ وَنَسْتَعِينَهُ وَنَسْتَغْفِرُهُ وَنَتُوبُ إِلَيْهِ، وَنَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ شُرُورِ أَنْفُسِنَا
 وَسَيِّئَاتِ أَعْمَالِنَا، مَنْ يَهْدِ اللَّهُ فَهُوَ الْمُهْتَدِ وَمَنْ يَضِلَّ فَلَنْ تَجِدَ لَهُ وَلِيًّا مُرْشِدًا.
 أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ، اللَّهُمَّ
 صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى نَبِيِّنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ دَعَا بِدَعْوَتِهِ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.
 أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَنَفْسِي بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ وَطَاعَتِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ
 تَفْلِحُونَ.

قَالَ تَعَالَى: أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

وَلَنْ تَرْضَى عَنْكَ الْيَهُودُ وَلَا النَّصَارَى حَتَّى تَتَّبِعَ مِلَّتَهُمْ قُلْ إِنْ هَدَى اللَّهُ فَهُوَ الْهُدَى وَلِئِنْ
 اتَّبَعْتَ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ بَعْدَ الَّذِي جَاءَكَ مِنَ الْعِلْمِ مَا لَكَ مِنَ اللَّهِ مِنْ وَلِيٍّ وَلَا نَصِيرٍ ﴿١٢٠﴾

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

Let us together increase the level of our conviction and faith in Allah SWT by performing all that He has commanded us to do and avoiding all that He has prohibited us from doing. May our conviction and faith in Allah SWT enable us to achieve happiness in this world and in the Hereafter.

The *mimbar* today shall present a sermon entitled, "**An Ongoing Mission**".

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

However, before continuing with the sermon, the *mimbar* would like to take the opportunity to bring the attention of all who are gathered here today to



the issue of bogus Umrah packages, which has begun to occur quite frequently in our country. Based on statistics issued by the Ministry of Tourism and Culture, there were ninety six (96) cases which have been compounded by the authorities from 2012 to June 2017. While based on the reports by the Ministry of Domestic Trade, Cooperatives and Consumerism (KPDNKK), some three thousand six hundred and forty five (3,645) cases were reported from 2012 to June 2017. In fact, statistics of The Royal Malaysia Police also show that there were two hundred and eighty (280) bogus Umrah package cases reported in 2012 to Jun 2017, which involved approximately Ringgit Malaysia Ten Point Six Million (RM10.6 million). It is a worrying trend. Therefore, please be extra careful when choosing the *umrah* packages offered. Do a bit of research by surfing the website of the Ministry of Tourism and Culture, or the Umrah Monitoring Council (MKSU), to ensure the license of the company organising the umrah is indeed genuine and valid.

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

The land of Palestine is very special to Muslims. It is a place blessed and honoured by Allah SWT. More so because it is there that the Al-Aqsa Mosque is situated, the direction which Muslims prayed to in the early days before it was changed towards Masjid al-Haram in Makkah. It is symbolic of the teachings of Prophet Muhammad SAW being a continuation of the teachings of the early prophets who were mostly based in Palestine, to the extent that it is known as the Land of The Prophets. Hence, it is not surprising that every issue that has taken place on Palestinian land would garner the attention of Muslims throughout the world, through the ages.

The serenity and peace of Palestine under the administration of Muslims was often envied and destabilised by the Zionists. It is as if it was a test



and obligation for the *Ummah* to defend and protect it. The climax of all this was the establishment of an illegal Israeli state, on May 15, 1948, to allow Jews from around the world to encroach into the noble land of Palestine. Since then, there have been series of occupations on Palestinian lands. News of attacks, bombings, murders, expulsions against Palestinian Muslims and so on have been continuously reported in the mass media. Each is a sad and painful wound, wrenching the hearts of the people.

Every day we hear news of Zionist brutality against Muslims in Palestine. Every day there are news of Palestinians killed, raped, oppressed, tortured and dominated. Their lives are bombarded with bullets, bombs and bloodshed. They are denied the right to live freely and to carry out religious activities within their own country. Recently, the Zionist regime committed a new crime of restricting access to the Al-Aqsa Mosque, denying the Palestinian Muslim community to hold events and activities that venerates the mosque. Unfortunately, the world seems to turn its head away from dealing with the problems of Muslims in Palestine. Human rights defenders seem to be silent and inactive when posed with allegations and issues regarding Zionist crimes against Palestine.

Imagine the suffering faced by Muslims there. So, should we as Muslims here be silent and not do anything? Should we let our brothers in Palestine continue to be oppressed? Every day, we are called upon to rise and to help the Palestinian's struggle in defending their homeland through all possible assistance. The question is, how much effort and action have we done to help them?

**Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,**

Indeed, Islam has taught us that Muslims are like brothers unto one another. Hence, it is the responsibility of every Muslim individual to help each other. The following steps can be taken to assist them:

First: Reinforcing efforts to inform and educate the society that the Palestinian issue is an issue affecting all Muslims

We all believe that knowledge and understanding are key to everything. Without denying that there has been massive dissemination of information on the issue of oppression against Palestinians in the mass media, unfortunately, it is partly mixed with false and misleading information. Therefore, our role is to ensure the authenticity of such information before being widely disseminated. In addition, other efforts such as lectures, seminars, discourses, speeches, and other campaigns should also be carried out in order to communicate and make the community understand the real issues regarding Palestine. These efforts are aimed at raising high sensitivity and concern among the public in relation to it. Remember, even if our struggle through social media is small, it is very meaningful and will surely be rewarded by Allah SWT.

Second: Delivering funds and financial contributions to reduce the burden of the Palestinians

Remember, we may not be able to take up arms in support of the Palestinians, but we still have financial strength. We must realise that part of the abundant blessings we receive should be distributed and disbursed to assist the Palestinians. At the same time, we must be wise donors who would not be deceived by unscrupulous fraudulent channels which try to



take advantage of this issue and seek benefits from it. Mistakes in donating and funding are also part of wastage.

Third: Praying to Allah SWT for the Muslims in Palestine to achieve victory

The most powerful weapon belonging to Muslims is prayers and our reliance on Allah SWT. Apart from working physically and financially, we should never forget to pray to Allah SWT for the struggle of Muslims in Palestine to be rewarded with victory.

Victory for Islam cannot be achieved without any struggle. Similarly, victory cannot be achieved without consent from Allah SWT. This is understood based on the words of Allah SWT in Surah Ali Imran, verse 12:

قُلْ لِلَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا سَتُغْلَبُونَ وَتُحْشَرُونَ إِلَىٰ جَهَنَّمَ وَبِئْسَ الْمِهَادُ ﴿١٢﴾

Which means: *"Say to those who disbelieve, "You will be overcome and gathered together to Hell, and wretched is the resting place."*

By offering prayers and putting our reliance on Allah SWT, all Muslims around the world can participate in this struggle. The essence of victory now is the ultimate success in the Hereafter. May we be among those who are considered successful.

On the other hand, Rasulullah SAW had signalled to the people of the end of times that they will eventually succeed in this crisis. This should motivate and should fire up the enthusiasm among Muslims so as not to give up on the struggle. Ponder upon a hadith recorded by Imam al-Bukhari, which was narrated by Abu Hurairah RA, where Rasulullah SAW was reported to have said:



لَا تَقُومُ السَّاعَةُ حَتَّى تُقَاتِلُوا الْيَهُودَ حَتَّى يَقُولَ الْمَجْرُ وَرَاءَهُ الْيَهُودِيُّ يَا مُسْلِمُ هَذَا
يَهُودِيٌّ وَرَائِي فَاقْتُلْهُ

Which means: “The Hour will not begin until you fight the Jews, until a Jew will hide behind a rock and the rock will say: ‘O Muslim, O servant of Allah, here is a Jew behind me; come and kill him!’”

Based on the hadith stated just now, it is clear to us that Muslims will be assisted in their struggles eventually. Assistance would be received not only from humans, but from other beings too. Whether it is a figurative or actual fact, it still signals that the assistance from Allah SWT will come, unexpectedly, from every corner. However, the main struggle is still assigned to Muslims.

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

On this occasion, the *mimbar* would like to invite the congregation here today to avoid giving up on what is happening in Palestine right now. Let us together be positive towards the rise of Muslims and doubling our efforts and our energy towards it, because Allah SWT has promised victory for Muslims.

Remember, what has happened to the Palestinian Muslims can also happen to us in this country, because the enemies of Islam has never relented in their search of ways to destroy Islam and its followers. Therefore, we should not be easily deceived and indifferent of their movements, which sometimes are concealed behind political parties, NGOs and certain organizations.



It is time for Muslims in this country to close ranks and to unite on the basis of Islamic faith, to deal with all forms of attacks and threats that are being planned by our enemies. O, fellow Muslims, rise and unite, before it is too late!

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

The takeaways that can be derived from the sermon today are as follows:

First: Defending Palestinian land is the responsibility of Muslims all over the world.

Second: We must intensify our efforts to help ease the burden of Palestinian Muslims.

Third: We must believe that Allah SWT will eventually grant aid and victory for the Muslim cause.

As stated by Allah SWT in Surah al-Isra', verse 5:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
فَإِذَا جَاءَ وَعْدُ أُولَاهُمَا بَعَثْنَا عَلَيْكُمْ عِبَادًا لَنَا أُولَىٰ بَأْسٍ شَدِيدٍ فَجَاسُوا خِلَالَ الدِّيَارِ
وَكَانَ وَعْدًا مَّفْعُولًا ﴿٥﴾

Which means: “So when the [time of] promise came for the first of them, We sent against you servants of Ours - those of great military might, and they probed [even] into the homes, and it was a promise fulfilled.”



بَارَكَ اللهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ بِالْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ
الْحَكِيمِ، وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ
اللهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ، وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ،
فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.



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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَلِيِّ الصَّالِحِينَ، وَالْعَاقِبَةُ لِلْمُتَّقِينَ، وَلَا عُدْوَانَ إِلَّا عَلَى الظَّالِمِينَ، وَالصَّلَاةُ
وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى إِمَامِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ، وَقُدُورَةِ النَّاسِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ
بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، الْمَلِكُ الْحَقُّ الْمُبِينُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا
مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ، صَادِقُ الْوَعْدِ الْأَمِينِ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَكُونُوا مَعَ الصَّادِقِينَ، وَحَافِظُوا عَلَى الطَّاعَةِ
وَحُضُورِ الْجُمُعَةِ مَعَ الْمُصَلِّينِ.

The *Mimbar* would like to request for the congregation who are here today to use the donation boxes provided around the mosque to donate from their pockets, so that we can continue organising activities that would utilise the benefit of this House of Allah SWT. May such donations be counted by Allah SWT as part of the charity given by us throughout our life.

وَأَعْلَمُوا أَنَّ اللَّهَ سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى أَمْرُهُ بِأَمْرِ بَدَأَ فِيهِ بِنَفْسِهِ وَثَنِي بِمَلَائِكَتِهِ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ.
فَقَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى مُخْبِرًا وَأَمْرًا بِالْمُؤْمِنِينَ :

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

تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٦﴾



اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا صَلَّيْتَ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَعَلَى
آلِ سَيِّدِنَا إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا بَارَكْتَ عَلَى
سَيِّدِنَا إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَعَلَى آلِ سَيِّدِنَا إِبْرَاهِيمَ فِي الْعَالَمِينَ إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مُجِيدٌ.

وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنِ الْأَرْبَعَةِ الْخُلَفَاءِ الرَّاشِدِينَ سَادَاتِنَا أَبِي بَكْرٍ وَعُمَرَ وَعُثْمَانَ وَعَلِيٍّ،
وَعَنْ أَزْوَاجِ نَبِيِّنَا الْمُطَهَّرَاتِ وَعَنْ أَهْلِ بَيْتِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَسَائِرِ الصَّحَابَةِ وَالتَّابِعِينَ وَمَنْ
تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. وَارْضَ عَنَّا بِرَحْمَتِكَ يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ.
وَإِيْدِ اللَّهُمَّ بِالتَّوْفِيقِ وَالْهُدَايَةِ مُدَبِّرِ هَذِهِ الْبِلَادِ الْإِسْلَامِيَّةِ مَلِكِنَا كِبَاوَهُ دَوْلِي
يَعْمَهَا مِلْيَا سِرِي فَدُوكِ بَكِينِدَا يَغْ دَفَرْتَوَانِ ائِخْوَعِ ك-15 سُلْطَانِ مُحَمَّدِ ك-5.

اللَّهُمَّ أَطْلُ عُمُرَهُ مُصْلِحًا لِلْمُؤَظَّفِينَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُ لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى
وَالرِّشَادِ. اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ مَالِيزِيَا وَسَائِرَ بِلَادِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ طَيِّبَةً آمِنَةً مُطْمَئِنَّةً رَخِيَّةً، يَا
رُؤُوفُ بِالْعِبَادِ.

اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ فِي كُلِّ مَكَانٍ وَحِينٍ، وَأَنْصُرْ مَنْ نَصَرَ الدِّينَ، وَاخْذُلْ
مَنْ خَذَلَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَعْلِ كَلِمَتَكَ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ، وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ.

O, Allah, You are The One Lord Who is the Most Gracious and the Most Merciful, we express our gratitude to You for all the gifts and blessings which you have bestowed upon us, provide to us and to our leaders direction and guidance, strengthen the solidarity among us, unite our



hearts for Your sake, ease all our affairs, multiply our beneficial knowledge, cultivate our souls with good morals, lead us to the route that You would approve, reinforce our faith while facing all forms of trials and tribulations from You, preserve the peace, harmony and safety of our country Malaysia and of our states and territories, namely the Federal Territories. Eschew us from any form of upheaval, disunity and chaos.

رَبَّنَا لَا تُرْغِ قُلُوبَنَا بَعْدَ إِذْ هَدَيْتَنَا وَهَبْ لَنَا مِنْ لَدُنْكَ رَحْمَةً إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْوَهَّابُ. رَبَّنَا
آتِنَا 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 ﴿١٠﴾

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