



HIJRAH: A UNITED COMMUNITY, A PROSPEROUS NATION
 IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CELEBRATION OF MAAL HIJRAH 1439H
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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي هَدَانَا لِلْإِسْلَامِ، وَأَبَانَ لَنَا الشَّرَائِعَ وَالْأَحْكَامَ، وَرَتَّبَ عَلَيْهَا جَزِيلَ
 الْفَضْلِ وَالْإِنْعَامِ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ الْمَلِكُ الْعَلَامُ،
 وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ سَيِّدُ الْأَنْبَاءِ، صَلَّى اللَّهُ وَسَلَّمَ عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ
 وَأَصْحَابِهِ الْبَرَّةِ الْأَعْلَامِ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَأَيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ وَطَاعَتِهِ، فَقَدْ فَازَ
 الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ تَعَالَى: أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

وَمَنْ يُهَاجِرْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ يَجِدْ فِي الْأَرْضِ مُرْعَمًا كَثِيرًا وَسَعَةً وَمَنْ يَخْرُجْ مِنْ بَيْتِهِ مُهَاجِرًا إِلَى
 اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ ثُمَّ يُدْرِكْهُ الْمَوْتُ فَقَدْ وَقَعَ أَجْرُهُ عَلَى اللَّهِ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ غَفُورًا رَحِيمًا ﴿١٠٠﴾

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

Let us have conviction and faith in Allah SWT. Execute all that He has commanded and avoid all that He has prohibited. May Allah SWT give us the ultimate success and happiness in this world and in the hereafter.

The *mimbar* today shall discuss a sermon entitled “**Hijrah: A United Community, A Prosperous Nation**”.

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

We are back again in the month of *Muharam*, the month which marks the beginning of the new year 1439 *Hijrah* of the Islamic Calendar. It



would be really unfortunate if Muslims do not want to change and 'migrate' themselves. Muslims must advance in all aspects of life. The spirit of *Hijrah* is to change from the darkness of ignorance to the light of Islam, from disbelieving to having faith, from a corrupted life to a blessed life.

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

Hijrah means to move or to leave behind. The history of Islam saw the migration, or *hijrah*, of Rasulullah SAW and his Companions from Makkah to Madinah, in order to defend and uphold the teachings of Islam. Referring to this great event, some scholars have interpreted it as a process of migrating from '*darul kufur*' to '*darul Islam*', which is to move from a place filled with disbelief to a place enveloped in tranquillity. Today, migration needs to be one of the principles of our life. The *hijrah* from something bad to something better. To realize this requirement in migration, there are four *hijrah* opportunities that every Muslim needs to do:

First: The migration of I'tiqad, which concerns Belief. This belief or confidence can be high and can sometimes be low. It can be low due to several factors, such as trials and tribulations of life, ignorance and surrounding influences. At such time, *hijrah* would be necessary in order to strengthen the weak faith and confidence. *Hijrah* would enable us to regain the belief that each test in life has its own blessings, to eliminate ignorance through gaining as much knowledge as possible, and to strengthen the bond with Allah SWT so that influences and temptations surrounding us can no longer shake our conviction.

Second: The migration of Fikrah, which concerns Mindset. In tune with the latest advances in technology and information, nowadays



various information and thoughts can be easily achieved. Today's world has actually become a battlefield of ideas. Not surprisingly, various ideas have spread in the battlefield, akin to weapons that can take lives. The issues of secularism, capitalism, liberalism, pluralism, and socialism has infiltrated our cultural roots and our minds, even becoming cancerous according to an Islamic viewpoint. *Hijrah* is necessary to re-position our minds back to an Islamic foundation, based on the Al-Quran and As-Sunnah.

Third: The migration of Syu'uriyah, which concerns Willpower. Our desires are sometimes driven by our lust for things such as entertainment, fashion and lifestyle that do not conform to Islamic requirements. Uncontrolled hedonism will slowly drag the community to follow a rhythm that is preferred by the enemies of Islam. Didn't Rasulullah SAW remind us of this? Imam Muslim recorded a narration by Abu Sa'id Al-Khudri RA, who reported that Rasulullah SAW had said:

لَتَتَّبِعَنَّ سَنَنَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ شِبْرًا بِشِبْرٍ وَذِرَاعًا بِذِرَاعٍ حَتَّىٰ لَوْ دَخَلُوا فِي جُحْرٍ ضَبَّ لَا تَبَعْتُوهُمْ. قُلْنَا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، الْيَهُودَ وَالنَّصَارَىٰ؟ قَالَ: فَمَنْ؟

Which means: “*Verily, you will follow the path of those who came before you, step by step and inch by inch, such that if they entered the hole of a lizard you would follow.*” The Companions asked, “O, Messenger of Allah, do you mean the Jews and Christians?” The Prophet answered, “(If they are not) then who else?”

Therefore, *hijrah*, or migration, in Islam is the solution to shape the will of the people so as not to be uncontrollable and not to wantonly devour whatever they lust for.



Fourth: The migration of akhlak, which concerns Morals. Beware, for moral crisis is a very disturbing reality of today's life. It is not an easy challenge to solve. We are required to exert all the power we have in order to restore the community's character to that of Rasulullah SAW's character, as referred to by Allah SWT in Surah Al-Qalam, verse 4:

وَإِنَّكَ لَعَلَىٰ خُلُقٍ عَظِيمٍ ﴿٤﴾

Which means: “And indeed, you are of a great moral character.”

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

Looking at the scenario of Muslims lately, especially in Malaysia, there seems to be a fracture among the brotherhood of fellow Muslims. It is as if the community has divided into groups hostile to each other. Accusations and insults abound until lifelong enemies are created. Remember that Islam calls for unity. Surah Ali Imran, verse 103 explains:

وَاعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلَا تَفَرَّقُوا ۗ وَاذْكُرُوا نِعْمَتَ اللَّهِ عَلَيْكُمْ إِذْ كُنْتُمْ أَعْدَاءً فَأَلَّفَ بَيْنَ قُلُوبِكُمْ فَأَصْبَحْتُمْ بِنِعْمَتِهِ إِخْوَانًا وَكُنْتُمْ عَلَىٰ شَفَا حُفْرَةٍ مِنَ النَّارِ فَأَنْقَذَكُمْ مِنْهَا كَذَٰلِكَ يُبَيِّنُ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ آيَاتِهِ ۗ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَهْتَدُونَ ﴿١٠٣﴾

Which means: “And hold firmly to the rope of Allah (Islam) all together and do not become divided. And remember the favor of Allah upon you - when you were enemies (during the time of ignorance) and He brought your hearts together and you became, by His favour, brothers. And you were on the edge of a pit of the Fire, and He saved you from it. Thus does Allah make clear to you His verses that you may be guided.”



According to Ibn Kathir, this verse was revealed to the people of Aus and Khazraj, who were constantly fighting with each other before the migration of Rasulullah SAW to Madinah. When the *hijrah* occurred, Islam illuminated the land of Madinah and even illuminated their hearts, to the point that they were able to stop fighting and became very close to each other like relatives. In line with this spirit of *hijrah*, let us return to the foundation of unity among Muslims. Opening our hearts, let us wisely deal with differences, and repay a brother's malice with countless kindness. Imagine if Rasulullah SAW were with us today, what would he want from us, his followers? The answer is definitely not a divided people, but a strong bond of brotherhood firmly tied by the same *aqidah*, or creed. Such was the struggle of Rasulullah SAW during the *hijrah*.

Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,

To end the sermon on this blessed day, let us reflect upon some of the lessons put to us:

First: The agenda of *Hijrah* does not stop at the end of the *Awal Muharam* celebrations, but it needs to be continued and implemented throughout our life.

Second: *Hijrah* needs to be viewed comprehensively. It is not merely a physical migration, or change, but it encompasses the migration, or change, of beliefs, thoughts, desires and morals.

Third: Among today's crucial migration, or change, is the importance of being open-minded and being wise in managing the differences of thoughts and ideas among Muslims.



Let us reflect upon the words of Allah SWT recorded in Surah Al-Hajj, verse 58:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
وَالَّذِينَ هَاجَرُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ ثُمَّ قُتِلُوا أَوْ مَاتُوا لَيَرْزُقَنَّهُمُ اللَّهُ رِزْقًا
حَسَنًا وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَهُوَ خَيْرُ الرَّزُقِينَ ﴿٥٨﴾

Which means: “Those who leave their homes in the cause of Allah, and are then slain or die, on them will Allah bestow verily a goodly Provision: Truly Allah is He Who bestows the best provision.”

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 وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ
مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.

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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَبِإِيَّاسِ 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 عَبْدَهُ وَرَسُولَهُ، صَادِقُ الْوَعْدِ الْأَمِينِ.

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

وَاعْلَمُوا أَنَّ اللَّهَ سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى أَمْرُهُ بِأَمْرٍ بَدَأَ فِيهِ بِنَفْسِهِ وَثَبَّتْ بِمَلَائِكَتِهِ الْمُقَرَّبِينَ.
فَقَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى مُخْبِرًا وَآمِرًا 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 وَعَلِيَّ،
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.

وَأَيِّدِ اللَّهُمَّ بِالتَّوْفِيقِ وَالْهُدَايَةِ مُدَبِّرَ هَذِهِ الْبِلَادِ الْإِسْلَامِيَّةِ مَلِكَنَا كِبَاوَهَ دُولِي

يَعْمَهَا مَوْلِيَا سِرِي قُدُوكَ بَكِينِدَايَغ دَفَرْتَوَانِ اَكُوغْ ك-15 سُلْطَانِ مُحَمَّدِ ك-5.

اللَّهُمَّ أَطْلُ عُمُرَهُ مُصْلِحًا لِلْمُؤَدِّبِينَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُ لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى
وَالرَّشَادِ. اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ مَالِيزِيَا وَسَائِرَ بِلَادِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ طَيْبَةً آمِنَةً مُطْمَئِنَّةً رَّخِيَّةً، 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 تُزِغْ 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، وَاشْكُرُوا عَلَىٰ نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ
يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ، وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.