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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ نَحْمَدُهُ وَنُسْتَعِينُهُ وَنَسْتَغْفِرُهُ. وَنَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ شُرُورِ أَنْفُسِنَا وَمِنْ سَيِّئَاتِ أَعْمَالِنَا. مَنْ يَهْدِهِ اللَّهُ فَلَا مُضِلَّ لَهُ وَمَنْ يُضِلِّ فَلَا هَادِيَ لَهُ.

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ.
اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.
أَمَّا بَعْدُ،

فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَأَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ، فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Let us increase our righteousness towards Allah the Almighty by carrying out all His commands and abandoning all His prohibitions. May we be blessed by Allah the Almighty in this world and the Hereafter.

Dear blessed brothers and sisters,

We are now in the month of Rabiulawal, the month of the birth of the greatest human being, Prophet Muhammad (pbuh). His coming is a great opportunity for us to emulate and manifest our love for him (pbuh). Thus, the celebration of Maulidur Rasul is among the significant days of Islam which commemorates every year. Allah the Almighty says in chapter 9 (Surah At-Taubah) verse 128:

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لَقَدْ جَاءَكُمْ رَسُولٌ مِّنْ أَنْفُسِكُمْ عَزِيزٌ عَلَيْهِ مَا عَنِتُّمْ حَرِيصٌ عَلَيْكُمْ بِالْمُؤْمِنِينَ رَءُوفٌ رَّحِيمٌ ١٢٨

Which means: *“There certainly has come to you a messenger from among yourselves. He is concerned by your suffering, anxious for your well-being, and gracious and merciful to the believers.”*

Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) is a mercy to all the worlds. The mercy brought by him (pbuh) encompasses all aspects of life i.e. faith, law, character, community living, and others . Allah the Almighty says in chapter 21 (Surah Al-Anbiya) verse 107:

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا رَحْمَةً لِّلْعَالَمِينَ ١٠٧

Which means: *“We have sent you O Prophet only as a mercy for the whole world.”*

In the aspect of faith (akidah) and law (syariah), Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) was sent to save mankind from the darkness of polytheism to the light of monotheism. He liberated the human mind and soul from dependence on created beings, directing them instead to worship and place their hope solely in Allah the Almighty. Thus, he commanded us to preserve tawhid, to avoid all forms of misguidance and shirk that contradict the creed of Ahl al-Sunnah wal-Jama‘ah, and to live life according to the syariah.

Dear brothers and sisters,

Blessings was sent to Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) as the best role model for Muslims in the aspect of morality and community life. Allah the Almighty says in chapter 33 (Surah Al-Ahzab) verse 21:

لَقَدْ كَانَ لَكُمْ فِي رَسُولِ اللَّهِ أُسْوَةٌ حَسَنَةٌ

Which means: *“Indeed, in the Messenger of Allah you have an excellent example.”*

Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) said in a narration by Imam al-Baihaqi, which means:

“Indeed, I was sent to perfect good character.”

Among the main morals that we must emulate from are:

Firstly, emulate truthfulness (Siddiq) of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) by guarding our speech and writing, avoiding harsh and insulting words, including on social media. We must be free from deceit, stay away from slander, gossip, and the spreading of false news.

Secondly, emulate the trustworthiness (Amanah) of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) by being trustworthy in holding positions, managing wealth, carrying out duties at the workplace, leading the family, and other responsibilities. Every trust will be questioned before Allah the Almighty.

Thirdly, emulate the compassion (Rahmah) of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh). He was known for his forgiving nature, careful speech, and never hurting others. In today’s context, Rahmah means restraining ourselves from insults, curses, and the culture of bullying whether verbally or in the digital world.

Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) was the source and symbol of unity for the Ummah. Through his noble character, he succeeded in shaping a society founded upon love, justice, and excellence. Likewise, the syariah brought by him (pbuh) regulates human relationships. Acts such as helping one another, mutual respect, safeguarding the rights of neighbors, visiting the sick, assisting those afflicted by calamities, honoring guests, easing the affairs of others, prioritizing dialogue, and avoiding disputes are all manifestations of the mercy brought by the Prophet (pbuh).

Dear blessed brothers and sisters,

Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) honored his birthday by fasting on Mondays. In a hadith narrated by Imam Muslim, when he was asked about fasting on Mondays, the Prophet (pbuh) replied:

ذَٰكَ يَوْمٌ وَلِدْتُ فِيهِ، وَيَوْمٌ بُعِثْتُ فِيهِ، أَوْ أَنزَلَ عَلَيَّ فِيهِ

Which means: *“That is the day I was born, and the day I was sent (with revelation).”*

At the same time, Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) also commanded his followers to increase their blessings (*selawat*) upon him, especially when his name is mentioned. The Prophet (pbuh) said in a hadith narrated by Imam al-Bukhari, which means: *“Whoever sends blessings upon me once, Allah (SWT) will send blessings upon him tenfold, and will erase ten sins from him, and will raise him ten degrees in status.”*

The arrival of the month of Rabiulawal and the celebration of Maulidur Rasul should further ignite the love of Muslims for Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) by increasing blessings (*selawat*), reading the history of his life, reciting *Barzanji*, reading hadiths from *Shamail Muhammadiyyah*, and chanting *qasidah* in praise of him (pbuh).

Dear blessed brothers and sisters,

To conclude today's sermon, it can be summarized that:

Firstly, the birth of the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) is a mercy to all creation, encompassing faith, law, morality, and social life.

Secondly, Muslims must take the Prophet (pbuh) as the best example in living their daily lives.

Thirdly, celebrate Maulidur Rasul by increasing selawat, reading the history of the Prophet's life, reciting *Barzanji*, reading hadiths from *Shamail Muhammadiyyah*, chanting *qasidah* in praise of him (pbuh), and engaging in other acts of obedience.

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يَا أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ إِنَّا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ شَهِيدًا وَمُبَشِّرًا وَنَذِيرًا ٤٥١
وَدَاعِيًا إِلَى اللَّهِ بِإِذْنِهِ وَسِرَاجًا مُنِيرًا ٤٦١

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، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.