

Summarised Friday Sermon
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Personal Evaluation After Ramadan

- It is sad that there exist among us those who worship Allah only in the month of Ramadhan. When the month ends, their communication with Allah will also end. They have severed the rope that has bound them with Allah.
- The month of Ramadhan has taught and trained us to overcome and control our desires. We need to evaluate and ponder on the quality of our fast. We should be concerned on whether our deeds and prayers will be accepted or rejected by Allah
- Let this day be the new starting point for us to evaluate so that we improve ourselves. How can we make our ibadah in Ramadhan our culture in other months and strengthen our spiritual condition and environment so that it will be like in the month of Ramadhan
- There are several steps that we can do so that we can protect the results of our training in Ramadhan and make us as a graduate of madrasah of Ramadhan.
- Firstly, perform the voluntary fast, weekly fast on Mondays and Thursdays or at least 3 days in a month (ayyamul biidh). Performing the voluntary fast after Ramadhan contains a high educational value. This is because it is based on an enhanced taqwa within ourselves, which would make us closer to Allah.
- Secondly, protect the continuity of night prayers. Night prayers are usually difficult to be performed every night.
- Thirdly, is to have a target for a systematic completion of reading the Qur'an like in Ramadhan. Allah SWT does not enjoin the reading of the Qur'an at specific times as it can be read at any time. Thus, the reading of the Qur'an cannot be abandoned or not taken seriously.
- Lastly, allocate a time for personal evaluation each day. Personal evaluation will protect us from committing errors continuously. Our good actions are determined by the purity of our hearts thus we must protect our hearts Let us hope that victory in the coming months will be a foundation for us in our quest to seek Allah's blessings



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