

Summarised Friday Sermon

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The Foundations for an Excellent Muslim Community II

- Two principles that could help us in realizing our vision to build an excellent Singapore Muslim community are 'social' principle and also the 'model' principle or 'the exemplary society'.
- We need to realize is the importance of shaping a community that observes Islam more than just the ritual practices and through this characteristic, the community will need to increase their level of ibadah or worship act thoroughly, that is by understanding the essence of each ibadah that is carried out.
- Another characteristic in the aspects of society that we need to know is, that an excellent Muslim community should be able to adapt to changes as a contributing community in a multi-religious nation,
- The principle of helping each other towards goodness including non-Muslims is not something new. It was in fact practised by our prophet Muhammad saw at Medina, and was even stated in the Treaty of Medina.
- The existence of a Muslim community in a secular nation is not a hindrance towards living our lives as good Muslims. At the same time, we still maintain our Islamic identity in a society of different races and religions.
- A good Muslim is also a good citizen. To realise a good Muslim as a good citizen, one need to contribute towards the country's stability, in terms of education, socially, economically or religiously
- As a good Muslim and a good citizen, we need to bring harmony to everyone, regardless of race or religion as Islam is a blessing to the world, not only to Muslims.
- Building an excellent Muslim community requires understanding and awareness to execute and collaboration from all Muslims to achieve, and then our vision to build an excellent Muslim community will be achieved.



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