

## Summarised Friday Sermon

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### ENHANCING OUR TAQWA BY INTERNALISING THE SPIRIT OF WORSHIP

- Taqwa to Allah is the first step for us to become a community of excellence, a community which is spiritually strong and well-prepared to take on the challenges of today and tomorrow.
- The month of Sya'ban is very dear to our Beloved Prophet Muhammad SAW. He used to fast many days in this month, besides the many other acts of devotion to Allah that he performed.
- Sya'ban is special because it is a month which reminds us that Ramadan is approaching and because it is a month where all acts will be witnessed and presented to the Al-Mighty Allah SWT.
- All acts of worship or 'ibadah are based on principles and carry with them the spirit of worship, which is to shape us into God-conscious human beings, exemplary individuals, and God's vicegerents or khalifah, who will bring blessings and comfort to all.
- For example, our five daily prayers are meant to shape us into exemplary Muslim individuals thus we should not be performing prayers in terms of only perfecting the movements or recitations. .
- Ibadah in Islam is instituted to achieve two things: to uplift and enhance our spirituality, and for us to translate the spirit of worship into our actions and personality.
- An ibadah constitute anything good which is done for Allah Al-Mighty is an act of worship. No good acts are small or insignificant in the eyes of Allah.
- These are the results of acts of worship and it is very important for us to understand and appreciate the spirit of worship. We must understand why we do things in Islam as to enhance our taqwa.by internalizing the spirit of our worship



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