

Summarised Friday Sermon

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Islam as a Guidance in Life

- Lets try to achieve Taqwa in its truest form and we can do so by obliging to all that we have been commanded to do and by refraining ourselves from all that has been prohibited. With Taqwa, let us strengthen the love amongst ourselves.
- There are still some Muslims who think that the purpose of religion is solely for the success and happiness of life in the hereafter. When studying Fiqh, for example, what would normally cross our minds would be topics such as toharah, prayers, dealing with janazah, and fasting.
- Such Islamic education is *fardhu ain*, or compulsory and it helps to fulfill the fundamental needs of each and every practicing Muslim in our community. But we cannot afford to just stop there and feel content. We cannot assume that religion only gave us guidelines on how to pray and perform rituals.
- All of us are exposed to the fast-changing and improving technology, economy, medicine, trends of life, and many more. With these developments, it is vital that we shape our individual selves as Muslims who are able to face those challenges.
- There are numerous challenges that our Muslim community face in this present day, especially here in Singapore. This is why we cannot afford to look religion as wajibs, harams, sunnahs and makruhs per se. But we need to also look at religion as a set of holistic guidelines; one that will strengthen our faith in our Creator.
- May all of us be able to accept Islam as a guide for our life here on earth and we can only accept the guidelines if we can appreciate the ijihad of our scholars in responding to the demands and challenges of our current life



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