

Summarised Friday Sermon

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THE IMPORTANCE OF SPIRITUALITY

- It is indeed important that we, as people who claim to have faith, strive towards finding ways to increase our faith and spirituality. An unwavering faith is vital for life. Without a firm, unwavering faith, our spirituality will be prone to unhealthy influences.
- In order for us to achieve the noble goal, we will have to cleanse our souls from all ailments of the heart and know the factors that might lead to an impure heart or an unclean soul.
- The first tip to increase our faith is to set short term and long term goals, which we want to achieve. However, it is not after we have entered the Month of Ramadan then we are required to set such goals. We should set our goals early in order for us to reap the best of benefits.
- The second tip is to come up with a good strategy for us to ensure that our goal can be easily achieved, our short term goal is to complete the recitation of Al-Qur'an in the Month of Ramadan, hence a good strategy will be to train ourselves by reading the Al-Qur'an even before the arrival of Ramadan.
- Another example is our goal is to perform qiyamullail in the last ten nights of Ramadan. It has to be accompanied with a multi-level strategy, by training ourselves to wake up at night before Ramadan, at least once a week on the night of a holiday.
- Another example of an excellent goal, for instance, is to make this Ramadan a more meaningful Ramadan than the last, and that can be achieved by keeping strong relationships with others, which is not usually paid attention to or being done in the month of Ramadan. The strategy is to make Ramadan like a school where we learn to strengthen our individual characters.
- Once we are able to follow this example, Insya Allah, our goal of increasing spirituality will be attained. Along with keeping our relationship with the Lord, it is important that we maintain strong relations with others.

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