

## Honour of the Holy Prophet's ( peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and blasphemy law



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# Summary

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# The blasphemy law of Pakistan



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A true Muslim, who believes in all prophets from Hadhrat Adam (on whom be peace) to the Holy Prophet (pbuh) is distressed at offence directed at any of the Prophets

A true Muslim is particularly most concerned as regards the Seal of all the Prophets (pbuh)

**A true Muslim can lay his/her life down, can see his/her children murdered and his/her property looted but cannot listen to disrespect towards his/her master, the Holy Prophet (pbuh)**

Today, the blasphemy law of Pakistan is at a critical juncture and Western leaders as well as the Pope are making demands regarding it

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إِنَّا كَفَيْتَكَ الْمُسْتَهْزِئِينَ ﴿٩٦﴾

Chapter 15 , Verse 96

We will, surely, suffice thee against those who mock:

## The Honour of the Holy Prophet (pbuh)

God Himself is protecting the honour of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him)

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In the current age, the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) understood this status more than any other and explained it to us. He said that the Holy Prophet's (pbuh) truthfulness and sincerity was such that he experienced all manner of evil but did not care and God thus stated: 'Allah and His angels send blessings on the Prophet. O ye who believe! you also should invoke blessings on him and salute him with the salutation of peace

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ  
يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا  
تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٧﴾

Chapter 33, Verse 57

Allah and His angels send blessings on the Prophet. O ye who believe! you *also* should invoke blessings on him and salute *him* with the salutation of peace.

## The Honour of the Holy Prophet (pbuh)

God Himself is enhancing his status every minute as stated in the Holy Qur'an

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No verse of this magnitude has been used for any other Prophet.

God willed us to send salutations on him as a mark of thankfulness

In his blessed model, the Prophet's (pbuh) truthfulness and sincerity was for God

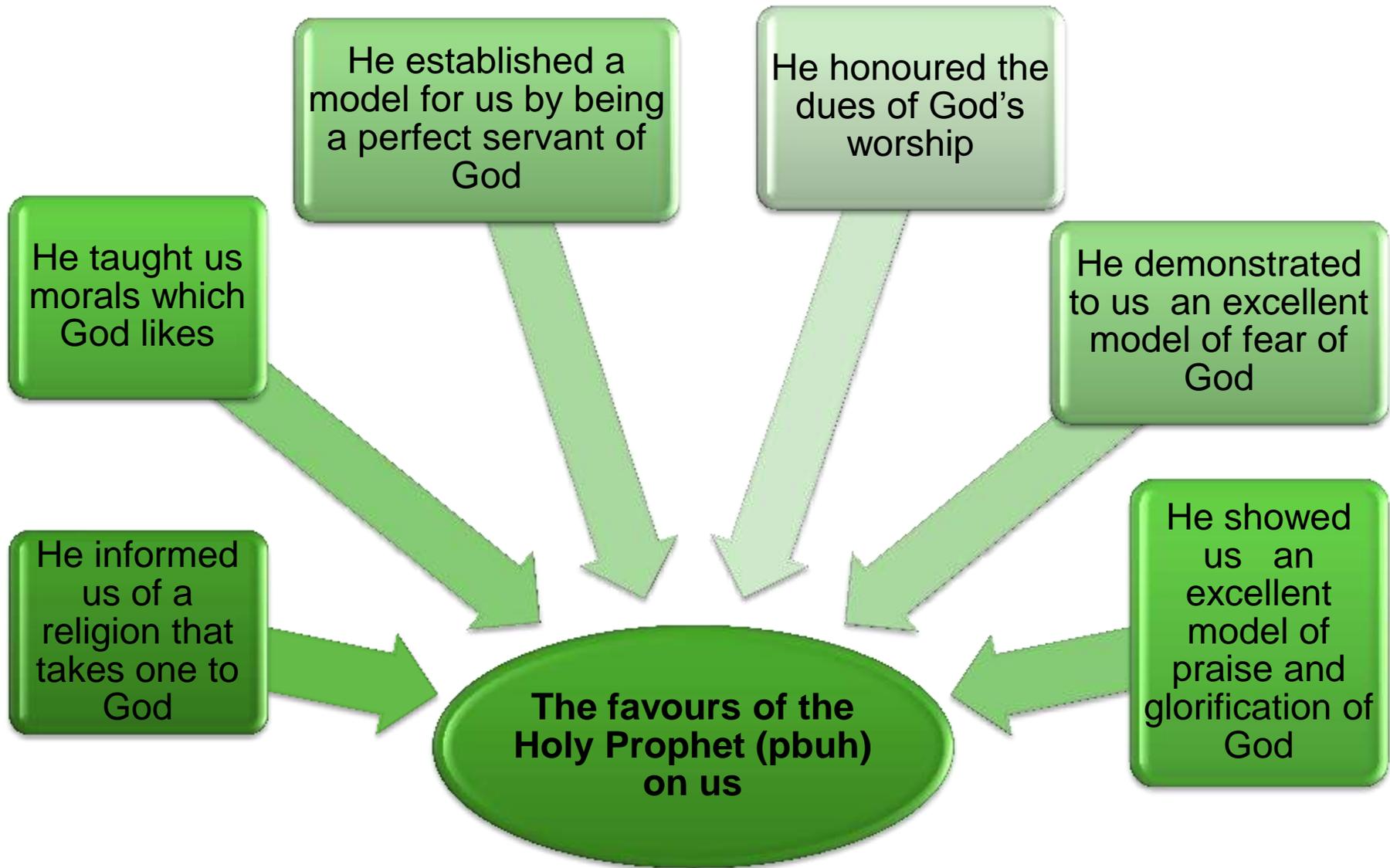
Therefore, if we wish to be included among those who are true believers of the Ummah

Then we should obey all of God's commandments with truthfulness and sincerity and invoke salutations and blessings (Durud) on the Prophet (pbuh) in abundance

## The Honour of the Hoy Prophet (pbuh)

While invoking Durud we should remind ourselves of his favours upon us

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# The Honour of the Holy Prophet (pbuh)

The Qur'an gives many commandments, among them are:

- to adhere to truth under all circumstances
  - to fulfil promises
- to pay the dues of kinship
- to have compassion for creation of God
  - to be steadfast
    - to forgive
    - to be humble
- and to have faith in God in every situation

The Holy Prophet (pbuh) was a supremely excellent model of all these attributes

The truthfulness and sincerity of a true believer to the Holy Prophet (pbuh) can only be expressed if Durud is invoked with gratitude while trying to follow the blessed model of the Holy Prophet (pbuh)

# The honour of the Prophet (*Namoos e Risalat*)

This is a serious cause for concern for Muslims

If our detractors get a chance to say negative things about the Holy Prophet (pbuh) due to our weaknesses, then we are answerable to God for this

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## The honour of the Prophet (*Namoos e Risalat*)

If the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) had not elucidated the true status of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) to us, the extent of our reverence for him would also have been limited to holding rallies

He understood the lofty station of the Prophet (pbuh) and then explained it to us

That light of high degree that was bestowed on perfect man was not in angels, was not in stars, was not in the moon, was not in the sun, was not in the oceans and the rivers, was not in rubies, emeralds, sapphires, or pearls; in short, it was not in any earthly or heavenly object. It was only in perfect man whose highest and loftiest and most perfect example was our lord and master, the Chief of the Prophets, the Chief of all living ones, Muhammad, the chosen one [pbuh]. That light was bestowed on this man and, according to their ranks, upon all those who bore the same colour to some degree... This dignity was found in its highest and most perfect form in our lord and master and our guide, the immaculate Prophet, the righteous one, testified to by the righteous, Muhammad, the chosen one [pbuh]

# The honour of the Prophet

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote

'I always wonder how high was the status of this Arabian Prophet, whose name was Muhammad, (thousands of blessings and peace be upon him). One cannot reach the limit of his high status and it is not given to man to estimate correctly his spiritual effectiveness. It is a pity that his rank has not been recognized, as it should have been

He was the champion who restored to the world the Unity of God which had disappeared from the world; he loved God in the extreme and his soul melted out of sympathy for mankind. Therefore, God, Who knew the secret of his heart, exalted him above all the Prophets and all the first ones and the last ones and bestowed upon him in his lifetime all that he desired

## The honour of the Prophet

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote

He is the fountainhead of every grace and a person who claims any superiority without acknowledging his grace is not a man but is the spawn of Satan, because the Holy Prophet has been bestowed the key to every exaltation and he has been given the treasury of every understanding. He who does not receive through him is deprived forever. I am nothing and possess nothing. I would be most ungrateful if I were not to confess that I have learnt of the true Unity of God through this Prophet. The recognition of the Living God we have achieved through this perfect Prophet and through his light.

## The honour of the Prophet

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote

The honour of converse with God, through which we behold His countenance, has been bestowed upon me through this great Prophet. The ray of this sun of guidance falls like sunshine upon me and I continue illumined only so long as I am adjusted towards it.'

(Essence of Islam, Vol. I)

# The honour of the Prophet (*Namoos e Risalat*)

The Promised Messiah (on whom  
be peace) also wrote

When we estimate justly, then out of the whole series of Prophets, we find one of high courage and alive and greatly dear to God, the Chief of the Prophets, the pride and the crown of the Messengers, whose name is Muhammad Mustafa and Ahmad Mujtaba [peace and blessings of Allah be on him]. By walking under his shadow for ten days one obtains that light which before him could not be obtained in a thousand years

Hudhur(aba) said impartial opinion would clearly perceive that no one recognised the station of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) as the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) did

He alone had the valour to raise effective voice in response to attacks against the person of the Holy Prophet (pbuh)

In his day a priest published a most offensive book about the Holy Prophet (pbuh) and sent free copies to Muslim religious leaders. The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) had a poster published addressing the government

## The honour of the Prophet

He suggested that a law should be introduced whereby people of each religion would only mention the good aspects of their faith and did not offend others

# The honour of the Prophet (*Namoos e Risalat*)

Hudhur (aba) said true support of Islam is in eradicating every objection raised against it so that those who have spread the falsehood become weary

What is needed is practical effort borne out of compassion for Islam and this needs to be a constant endeavour to dismiss all allegations, bolstered by practice befitting true believers

The Promised Messiah's (on whom be peace) sentiments regarding upholding the honour of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) were such that he wrote that he would rather befriend poisonous snakes than those who make impure accusations against his master.

He also wrote that nothing hurt him more than derision and mockery aimed at the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him)

He said that even if all his progeny and its progeny, his friends and associates all were murdered and his hands were cut off and the pupils of his eyes were gouged out and he lost all his amenities, the grief of attacks against the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) would be weightier for him than these woes

## The honour of the Prophet (*Namoos e Risalat*)



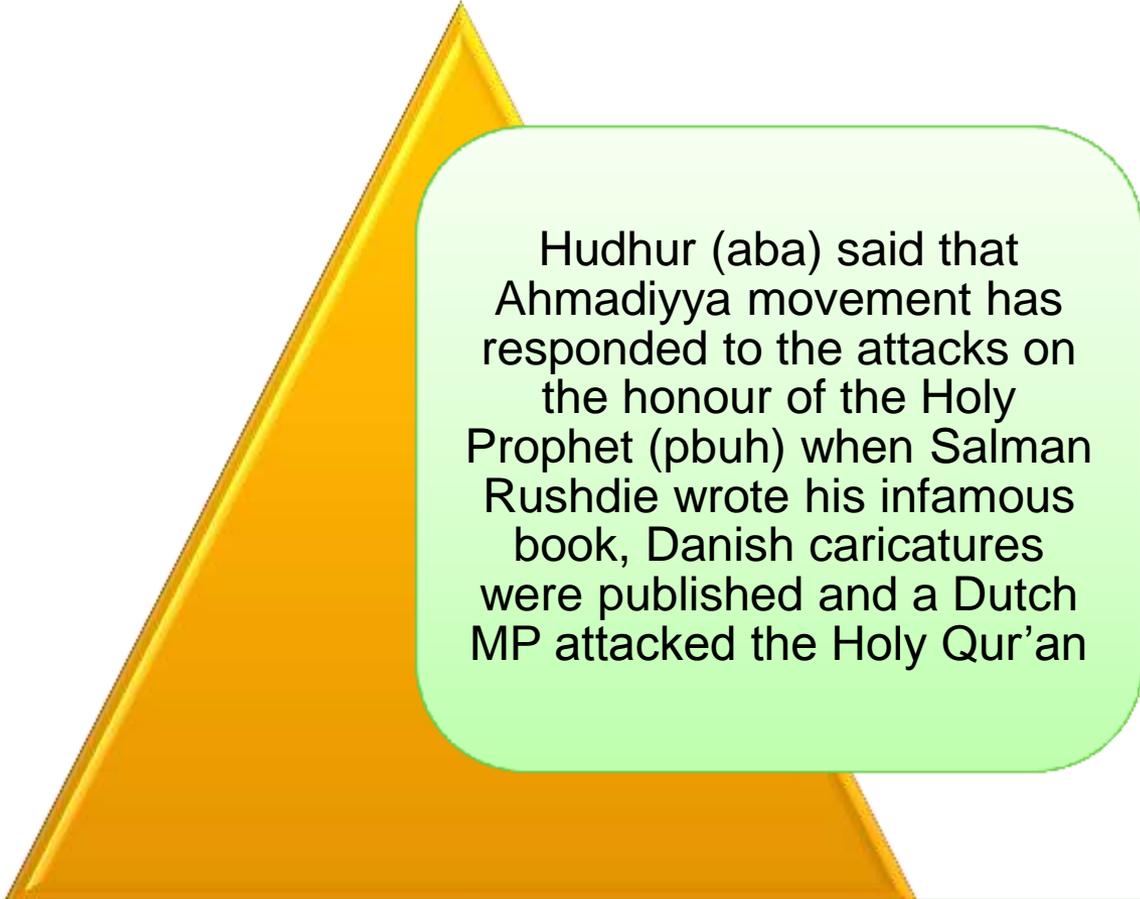
Hudhur said there are some anti-Islam Christian priests around today as well

Recently an American priest had wanted to burn copies of the Qur'an

He wished to come to the UK. However, the British government has banned him from entering the country

## The honour of the Prophet

Hudhur (aba) said this was an extremely commendable step by the British government, may God enable them to fulfil dues of justice in the future as well



Hudhur (aba) said that Ahmadiyya movement has responded to the attacks on the honour of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) when Salman Rushdie wrote his infamous book, Danish caricatures were published and a Dutch MP attacked the Holy Qur'an

## The honour of the Prophet

Hudhur (aba) said it is in keeping with the dignity of a true Muslim to respond to such matters with a sense of honour while remaining within the law

# The honour of the Prophet *(Namoos e Risalat)*

Hudhur (aba) said if the blessed model of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) was followed by the Muslims, the enemy would have been automatically silenced and those with ulterior motives would have been brought to justice



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# The honour of the Prophet (Namoos e Risalat)

Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih II ( may Allah be pleased with him) said that my master's honour is much higher that one person or one community could be described as a price of this disgrace.

My master came to give life to this world and  
not to take life.

I wish every Muslim would understands this

# The honour of the Prophet

## (*Namoos e Risalat*)



Laws address apparent disorder they do not address what is in hearts



Laws can not uphold the honour of the Holy Prophet (pbuh). This honour will be endorsed if the love of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) is instilled in the hearts of people



**It is the obligation of an Ahmadi in any case, for which we should make our best efforts, but if other Muslims also demonstrate models of forgiveness that the Holy Prophet (pbuh) displayed rather than show harshness, this indeed would be service to Islam**

# Hudhur (aba) prayed



Today, same forgiveness is needed as shown by the Holy Prophet (pbuh) to spread the message of Islam, and not some outward laws

May God enable us and the other Muslims to do this. Ameen