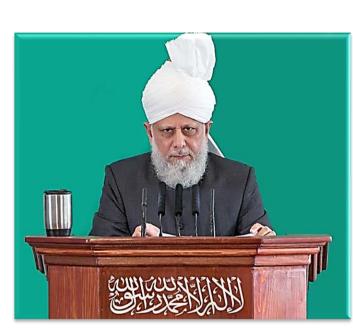
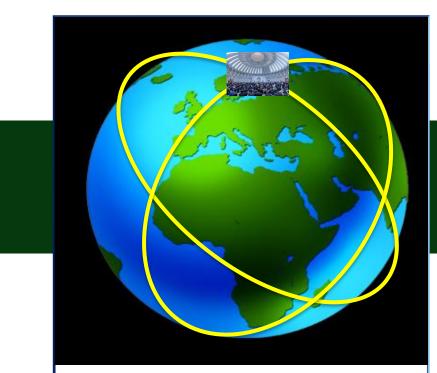
# Patience, Prayers, Steadfastness and Humility



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### <u>Patience Wins Hearts – Showing True</u> <u>Patience in the Face of Difficulty</u>

His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad(aba) receives letters and arguments from people who suggest that Ahmadis should retaliate against the difficulties faced by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. His Holiness(aba) said that some people even cite certain examples of the Second Caliph(ra) and say that he gave permission to retaliate, however His Holiness(aba) made it clear that these things are wrongly ascribed to the Second Caliph(ra).

His Holiness has always advised the Community to remain patient and forbearing.

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# **Patience is a Teaching of Islam**

His Holiness(aba) said that before the partition of Pakistan and India while India was under British rule, there were certain British officers who were against Ahmadiyyat who tried to say that some speeches delivered by the Second Caliph(ra) were inflammatory and they did this to try and incite an attack on him.

However, they always failed in this attempt, because the Second Caliph(ra) would always advise the Community to remain patient.

His Holiness stated that we too could show the same aggression being shown against us, however as we have accepted the Messiah of the Age who came to establish peace and he has taught us to remain patient.

## The True Meaning of Patience

His Holiness(aba) said that when we analyse the meaning of 'patience' in Arabic we find that 'patience' has three principal meanings:

### To consistently do good deeds

one must consistently undertake acts of virtue, and also adopt those acts of virtue which they have not yet been able

to.

#### To abstain from sin

one must combat those evils which incite a person and to safeguard against those evil which could incite a person in the future

#### To abstain from panic and fear

One should always keep in mind that whatever they have is a bestowal from God Almighty. If He takes something away, then He will grant something else later. This is the mentality of those who are righteous and patient.

## Patience Solely for the Sake of God

His Holiness(aba) said that it should be borne in mind that patience should not be the result of any weakness or worldly fear, rather patience should be solely for the sake of God and in accordance with His commandment

His Holiness(aba) said that on one occasion, the Promised Messiah (as) said that one's actions should exhibit the distinction between patience and a lack of dignity.

For example, if there is an instance where retaliating negatively impacts the society, yet a person still retaliates, then this would be considered foolish.

However, remaining patient for the greater good is true patience.

## **Patience Wins Hearts**

His Holiness(aba) continued quoting the Promised Messiah(as) who said that this Community would face difficulties similar to those faced by the community of Muslims at the time of the Holy Prophet(sa). However, it should be remembered that such difficulties are necessary. No one is greater than the prophets, and they endured the greatest of difficulties. The more difficulties there are, the more opportunities there are to draw nearer to God Almighty.

His Holiness(aba) further quoted the Promised Messiah(as) who said that one who does not show patience cannot be included in his community.

# **Success is Rooted in Patience**

Patience is also a form of worship, and God says that the patient will be rewarded without measure. His Holiness(aba) quoted the Promised Messiah(as) who said that our success is not rooted in retaliation, rather it is rooted in seeking forgiveness, repenting, attaining religious knowledge, recognising God's Majesty, and offering the five daily prayers. His Holiness(aba) said that these are the ways towards our success. If we adopt these things as the Promised Messiah(as) has advised, then we will prove victorious.