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The National Amīr/ Pro	esident
Jamāʻat Aḥmadīyya,	
Dear Brother,	
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## Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by *Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ* V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at *Mubārak* Mosque *İslāmabād*, Tilford, UK

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: In the context of the Battle of Uhud, I will relate further accounts that shed light on the noble life and character of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him).

Ḥaḍrat Jābir bin 'Abdullah (May Allāh be pleased with him) relates that when Ḥaḍrat 'Abdullah bin 'Amr (May Allāh be pleased with him) passed away, he left behind some debts. Ḥaḍrat Jābir approached the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) and proposed that the creditors be asked to consider reducing the debt. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) conveyed this to the creditors, but they declined. Subsequently, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) instructed Ḥaḍrat Jābir to separate his harvest of dates by their different types. When Ḥaḍrat Jābir had done so, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) sat among the date piles and told him to measure them and give them to the creditors.' Ḥaḍrat Jābir did so. All the debts were thus settled. Yet, so many dates were still left that it seemed as though they had not been reduced at all.

The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) prayed for the martyrs of Uhud, 'O Allāh! Grant good guardians for the families of the martyrs of Uhud.' Another prayer of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) is mentioned when he prayed for the widow of a martyr: 'May Allāh grant you an even better guardian than your martyred husband.' Ḥaḍrat Muṣleḥ Mau'ūd (May Allāh be pleased with him) says that the Battle of Uhud highlights the Holy Prophet's exemplary moral character and the unprecedented sacrifices of his Ṣaḥāba.

Referring to the Holy Prophet's regard for the emotions and sensitivities of Sahāba, Hadrat Muşleh Mau'ūd (May Allāh be pleased with him) says that when the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) returned from the Battle of Uhud, he was quite weak due to his injuries, and the Sahāba helped him dismount from his horse. After offering Maghrib prayer, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) went home. The women of Madinah had already received news of the martyrdom of their men and had begun to wail. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) was deeply moved by these cries, and his eyes welled up with tears. He said, 'My uncle and foster brother, Hamza, have also been martyred, yet there is no one to cry for him.' When the women heard of this, they gathered at the Holy Prophet's house and started wailing for Hadrat Hamza. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him), due to the severity of his injuries and weakness, had gone to sleep by this time, and Hadrat Bilāl did not think it's appropriate to awaken him. When one-third of the night had passed, and he was awakened, the women of Madinah were still mourning the death of Hadrat Hamza. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) said, 'May Allāh have mercy on the women of Madinah, for they have shown sympathy towards me. I know that the Ansar too have great love for me.' However, he said, 'To lament in such a manner is displeasing to Allāh.' When it was said that this was the people's custom and that they needed to vent their emotions in this way, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) said, 'I do not forbid crying, but tell these women not to slap their faces, tear their clothes, or pull out their hair.'

Ḥaḍrat Muṣleḥ Mau'ūd (May Allāh be pleased with him) concludes that these instances demonstrate the Holy Prophet's exemplary character, showing how, despite his own injuries and pain, he respected the emotions and feelings of others.

When the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) entered his home after the battle, he handed his sword to Ḥaḍrat Fāṭimah (May Allāh be pleased with her) and said, 'O, my beloved daughter, clean the blood from this sword. Today, it has truly served its purpose.' Ḥaḍrat 'Ali then handed his sword to Ḥaḍrat Fāṭimah and said, 'Clean the blood from this sword. By Allāh, today this sword has shown great feats.' Upon hearing this, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) said, 'If you have shown excellence today, then Sa'd bin Abi Waqāṣ and Abu Dujanah have also shown great bravery alongside you.'

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that this concludes the events related to the Battle of Uhud. I will now mention the expedition of Ḥamrā'ul Asad, which took place in the month of Shawwal in the third Ḥijrī year. This expedition is essentially a continuation and culmination of the Battle of Uhud. Due to the results obtained from this expedition, the Battle of Uhud is considered a victory for the Muslims.

While returning from the Battle of Uhud, the army of Quraish were considering to attack Madinah. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) said that if they advanced upon Madinah, then stones had already been marked, which they would be pelted with, resulting in the Quraish's army being entirely annihilated.

In the latter part of the sermon, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) spoke about the following recently deceased members of the Jamā'at and announced to lead their funeral prayer in absentia after the Friday prayer. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) also prayed for their lofty station in Jannah:

Maulāna Ghulām Aḥmad Nasīm Ṣāḥib, an Aḥmadīyya missionary, passed away in the USA at the age of 93. He also served as a professor at Jāmiʻa Aḥmadīyya Rabwah. He dedicated his life in 1947. Commencing his education at Madrasa Aḥmadīyya in Aḥmadnagar in 1948, he obtained his Maulvī Faḍil degree in 1954 and later achieved a Shāhid degree from Jāmiʻatul Mubashirīn. He served as a missionary in Sierra Leone, Guyana, and Zambia before serving at Jāmiʻa Aḥmadīyya Rabwah. He furthered his academic pursuits by passing the MA Arabic examination and engaging in scholarly endeavours. Renowned for his zeal, he remained a highly dedicated and successful missionary of the Jamāʻat.

**Dr Ihsanullah Zafar Ṣāḥib**, former National Amīr of Jamā'at Aḥmadīyya USA, passed away at the age of 81. Throughout his tenure, he served in various capacities, including as a local president, Nā'ib Amīr of the USA Jamā'at, and as National Amīr from 2002 to 2016. He was characterized by numerous virtues: his warmth, kindness, compassion, patience, profound spiritual connection, devout worship, extensive Qur'ānic research, charitable efforts, gratitude, and unwavering devotion to Khilāfat.

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