



Patience and Forbearance

Friday Sermon
November 12TH , 2010



NOTE: Al Islam Team takes full responsibility for any errors or miscommunication in this Synopsis of the Friday Sermon

Summary

Hudhur (aba) elaborated that through patience and prayer a believer will achieve success and blessings of Allah Almighty

Patience means that we remain steadfast through any sort of trial and tribulations that comes our way without complaining

All the Prophets and their followers have gone through hardships, but they did not complain and remained steadfast in their faith

So going through difficulties to seek pleasure of Allah Almighty without doubting Allah Almighty and His messengers is patience and forbearance

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said that there will come a time upon my community that our enemies will no longer exist

Hudhur (aba) gave sad news of martyrdom of Sheikh Mahmood Ahmad Sahib and demise of Ch Muhammad Siddique Sahib and Masood Ahmad Khursheed Sannauri Sahib

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَعِينُوا بِالصَّبْرِ
وَالصَّلَاةِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ مَعَ الصَّابِرِينَ

Chapter 2, Verse 154

O ye who believe! seek help with patience and Prayer; surely, Allah is with the steadfast.

Hudhur (aba) elaborated that through patience and prayer a believer will achieve success and blessings of Allah Almighty

This is what all the previous Prophets of Allah taught their followers and this is what the Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) taught us

There are many verses in the Holy Qur'an through which we get the real meaning of patience

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010

Patience means that we remain steadfast through any sort of trial and tribulations that comes our way without complaining

All the Prophets and their followers have gone through hardships

No Prophet is dearer to Allah than the Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) and he and his followers also went through trial and tribulations--

Patience

-- but they did not complain and remained steadfast in their faith

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010

Patience, Prayers and Steadfastness

It is human nature that if we go through a prolong period of trials that we get tired

We wonder that when will that time come for our victory and the defeat of our enemies

Allah reassures his believers that I am with those that remain patient and steadfast

To achieve this nearness to Allah, we must be vigilant in our prayers and remain steadfast

A true believer should always remember Allah in his heart, should always be punctual in his prayers and should not doubt his faith

Another meaning of patience is to stay away from all evil and follow all the commandments of Allah

To continue to implement the commandments of Allah under any circumstances using all of one's capabilities and qualities



To safeguard oneself from performing sins under any circumstances



To maintain, in the face of difficulties, distractions and greed, a high moral standard

Patience

So going through difficulties to seek pleasure of Allah Almighty without doubting Allah Almighty and His messengers is patience and forbearance

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010

These are satanic attempts to remove Ahmadis from their faith

Some people are pressurising Ahmadis by saying that your Khalifa tells you to remain patient and steadfast and that all these hardships will go away

There are others who have distributed pamphlets saying that Ahmadis are lying because they have been persecuted for more than 100 years and Allah is not helping them.

These people are trying to ignite the emotions of Ahmadis by saying that the followers of no other prophet have been tried for this long

Patience

There are many examples of long term persecution of religious people for example the followers of Prophet Jesus (on whom be peace) Christians had to hide in caves for the first 300 years

In the face of long term hardship, the followers of other prophets also asked the questions that when will the persecution end?

There is a hadith narrated by Hadhrat Hubab (May Allah be pleased with him) that we asked the Holy Prophet (pbuh) that, "Do you pray for us that may Allah remove our hardships." The Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) replied, "There have been people before you who were buried in the graves up to their waists and then they would be hit by a saw to split them in pieces but they would remain steadfast till the end. Sometimes a steel comb would be used to rip open a believer's flesh, exposing their bones, but they would still remain steadfast."

By giving this example, the Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) explained the golden principle of a righteous community

That trial and tribulations are bound to occur and can only be overcome if you pray, are patient and remain steadfast

Once a companion of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) requested prayers for his transfer as he was being harassed by a certain Maulvi

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) smiled and said that when you have entered this community, then you should follow its teachings.

If there are no hardships, then how will you reap the benefits of Allah's blessings?

These words show the truth of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and his complete faith and obedience to Allah. He said that if Allah has said that He will help us then Allah will not leave us

The Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) endured thirteen years of hardships in Mecca and some of you might not even know the details. Eventually his enemies were all perished.

There will come a time upon my community that our enemies will no longer exist. Allah has promised us that his Jama'at will prosper and will spread all over the world.

If Allah so desires he can get rid of all our hardships but Allah is training us to remain patient and steadfast

The prophecies of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace)

Allah Almighty has promised us that his Jama'at will prosper and will spread all over the world.

The persecution of Ahmadi students, businessmen and martyrs lead to emigrations, hence all these persecutions are helping us spread the message of Ahmadiyyat. The numbers of ba'its outside of Pakistan are increasing day by day

Hudhur (aba) said that it is our responsibility to spread the message of Ahmadiyyat and to do Tabligh. If we are patient and pray to Allah and remain steadfast, then Inshallah we will witness more rewards from Allah

Another prophecy of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) is that when your numbers will increase, your enemies will be silent

وَاسْتَعِينُوا بِالصَّبْرِ وَالصَّلَاةِ وَإِنَّهَا
لَكَبِيرَةٌ إِلَّا عَلَى الْخَاشِعِينَ

Chapter 2, Verse 46

And seek help with patience and Prayer; and this indeed is hard except for the humble in spirit,

Hudhur (aba) further explained that we must increase our relationship to Allah by trying to be humble and not become arrogant

Allah said to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) that, "I like your humbleness."

This meant that Allah was pleased with the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and gave him the glad tiding that you will be blessed with immense success

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010

الَّذِينَ يَخْتِئُونَ أَنَّهُمْ مُلْقُوا رَبِّهِمْ وَأَنَّهُمْ إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ

Who know for certain that they will meet their Lord, and that to Him will they return.

Chapter 2, Verse 47

This is a further example of how Allah Almighty will bless those who are humble and remain steadfast

Hudhur (aba) said that we should not doubt this at all and Allah will always protect this Jama'at and we will Inshallah spread far and wide.

A believer's faith must be strong

He must take all the trial and tribulations with a stride and remain steadfastness and above all remain humble.

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010

There is a message to those terrorist and extremist organizations that you are not following the true teaching of Allah by killing innocent people

Hudhur (aba) said that when through the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace), Allah has ordained that 'Jihad' of the sword is no longer necessary; ; a true believer throws away his sword and remained humble and steadfast

We should strive to be humble and follow the laws of the country that we reside in

Today, only Ahmadis are following this true teaching of Allah by remaining humble, patient and steadfast

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010

تَفُؤْ
أُولَئِكَ عَلَيْهِمْ صَلَوَاتٌ مِّن رَّبِّهِمْ وَرَحْمَةٌ
وَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُهْتَدُونَ

It is these on whom are blessings from their Lord and mercy, and it is these who are rightly guided.

Chapter 2, Verse 158

Allah will continue to shower his blessings on our Jama'at as long as we remain consistent in our prayers, are patient and remain steadfast. May Allah enable us to achieve this blessing. Ameen.

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010

Martyrs of Ahmadiyyat



**Sheikh
Mahmood
Ahmad**

He and his family have
been persecuted for a
long time

He was martyred in
Mardan, Pakistan on 8th
November 2010

He was regular in Salat,
listening to Friday sermon
and gave regular financial
sacrifice

He was a dedicated Ahmadi,
committed from a young age
to the services of Jama'at

In 1974, he helped get some
references to Maulana Dost
Mohammad Shahid for the National
Assembly hearing

Hudhur (aba) said that his son was injured during the firing and is in hospital. May Allah grant him full health, he is very courageous and has said such attacks will not weaken our faith

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010

- He was dedicated, a Waqfe Zindagi and had a long period of services to Jama'at in key positions
- He had the honour to accompany the convoy migrating from Qadian to Lahore with Hadhrat Amman Jan at the time of partition of India in 1947
- He had the honour of serving in Furqan Battalion and Ahmadiyya Core

The sad news of demise of Chaudary Muhammad Siddique Sahib

He had the privilege to camp along with Abdus Salam Akhtar sahib for the first night in the barren valley that was to be established as Rabwah

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010

The sad news of demise of Masood Ahmad Khursheed Sannauri Sahib

- Hudhur (aba) also mentioned the death of Masood Ahmad Khursheed Sannauri Sahib who has also one of those who has served the Jama'at in both Pakistan and the US
- His children and grand children are also serving Jama'at

NOVEMBER 12TH, 2010