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Summary




Hazrat Khalifatul Masih delivered his Friday sermon from Baitul Huda Mosque Australia.




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the Grace of Allah, the Exalted,
Jalsa Salana [Annual
Convention] Australia is starting
today

The First Jalsa Salana was
held in Qadian, a small
town of Punjab, India, 123
years ago and just 75
people participated in it.

The Promised Messiah (as) had told us to not think of this
Jalsa as being just another ordinary gathering of people but
rather he had said that this was a phenomenon that is based
purely on the Divine Help, for propagation of Islam. The
foundation stone of this movement has been put in place by
the Hand of God Himself.

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People ask for proofs to establish the truth of the Promised Messiah (as).

These Jalsas attest to the truth of the Promised Messiah (as). And the truth of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at.

These Jalsas attest, with great majesty, to the fulfillment of the prophecy of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa).

These Jalsas attest brightly to the fulfillment of the promise made in the verse of the Holy Quran:

And among others from among them who have not yet joined them. He is the Mighty, the Wise. [62:4]

The holding of these Jalsas in every nook and corner of the world would be a very great proof.

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While these Jalsas provide for Ahmadis a means to advance their knowledge and attain greater and higher spiritual stages they also serve to convince the non-Ahmadis of the beauties of Islam and thus make them witness to the fulfillment of the words of the Promised Messiah (as).

The Promised Messiah (as) has said with regard to the objectives of the Jalsa that by participating in it you should increase in your taqwa, righteousness and fear of God.

During these days of the Jalsa, examine your level of adherence to the Bai'at - the Oath of Allegiance - that you have entered into. While trying to discharge the obligations you owe to Allah, there is need for you to look at the obligations and responsibilities you owe to your fellow human beings also.

The Promised Messiah (as) has said, "what need have I for people who do not take on the responsibility of discharging the dues of the faith truthfully and with a sincere heart?"

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Allah, the Exalted, says:
*innama yataqab-balul-laho minal mut-
taqeen; ‘*
Allah accepts only from the righteous. [5:28]

The Promised Messiah (as) says about this: Taqwa is not some minor thing. It is with this that one can confront and face all those satans who have taken over a person's every internal strength and ability.

One of the objectives of the Jalsa that he (the Promised Messiah) had mentioned was that, “so that those who come develop taqwa, righteousness in their hearts.”

Promised Messiah (as) says, while advising, that the way of taqwa should be adopted because it is only taqwa that can be said to be the sum and essence of shariat [religious code of conduct] and if we would like to convey succinctly what shariat is then we may say that the essence of shariat can only be taqwa.

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The Promised Messiah (as) goes on to say that one must make use of one's God given powers and abilities at all times. He says, so these powers and abilities and strengths that human beings have been given, if he were to make use of them, then he can certainly become a friend of God - a walee, a saintly person.

I tell you with certainty that this ummat, the followers of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa), has been blessed with many people of great powers, abilities and strengths who are filled with the light of God and truth and piety. So no one should declare himself deprived from such powers. Has Allah, the Almighty, published a list from which it must be concluded that we shall not be given any share of these blessings - meaning that some will be given such powers and others not; there is no such list.

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The Promised
Messiah (as) says
God is Most Gracious
and His ocean of
Grace is very deep
which can never be
exhausted. And
never has the one
who is in search of
Him ever been
disappointed. So
you should wake up
in the night again
and again and pray
and seek His Grace.

In every one of the formal
daily Prayers there are many
opportunities to pray; in
rukoo while bowing, in
qiyam while standing, in
qa'ada, while sitting, in sajdah
while prostrating etc. and this
Prayer is offered five times a
day: Fajar, Zohar, Asr,
Evening and Isha. Going
beyond these there are the
Ishraq [voluntary prayer
offered after sunrise] and
tahajjud [voluntary prayer
offered late at night] prayers.
These are all opportunities
for praying to God.

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“The real purpose and essence of the Salat is really to seek the help of God and to pray to Him and seeking His help through prayer is in complete accord with the laws and decrees of God.”

Promised Messiah (as) says that God desires that you should come to Him with a pure heart and the condition only is that you should make yourselves come into accord with Him and that true change that makes one able to present oneself to God, bring about such a change in yourselves. So I say it truly to you that God possesses the most wonderful qualities and powers and He possesses unending Grace and blessings but to see them and to partake of them one must develop the eye of love. If true love exists then God is Most Hearing of the prayers and Helps immensely.

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It is a condition for those who possess taqwa, righteousness, that they pass their lives in simplicity and meekness. This is a branch of taqwa with which we have to confront unwarranted anger and uncontrollable rage. The last and most bitter stage is saving oneself from this excessive anger and uncontrolled rage and this is so very difficult, even for the very greatest of saintly persons, who have attained to much knowledge of God and are truthful.

The Promised
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said that *Allah*
cares for none
except the
virtuous
persons.

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The Promised
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that man has his
own ego or self to
deal with. And
there are three
types of this:
ammarah,
lawwama and
mutmainnah.

In the stage of ammarah -
the self that inclines one to
evil, a man cannot fully
control himself and his
urges, as I have said
already, and he soon goes
out of control and any kind
of measure and falls below
the stage of good morals.
But when he reaches the
stage of lawwama he can
control himself and his
heart accuses him again
and again and reminds
him that he has been guilty
of committing an evil.

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So it is this stage of lawwama which enables a man to reform himself in this to and fro struggle. It is a daily observation that if a mischiefmaker hurls abuse at someone or creates some mischief, the extent to which such a one is avoided and ignored to that extent you will be able to safeguard your honor and respect. And to the extent that you decide to enter into a tussle with him you will suffer destruction and get in exchange disgrace and dishonor.

When one reaches the stage of Mutmainnah, the soul at rest, a man becomes involved in the doing of good and the spreading of charity. He disassociates himself totally from the world and all that is beside Allah. He is seen walking in the world and meeting people of the world but in reality he is not in this world. Where he is, is another world and the heavens and earth of that world is different.

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Then delivering the good news to those who had joined his Jama'at and try to act on his teachings, the Promised Messiah (as) said that Allah, the Exalted, has said in the Holy Quran: ***“and will place those who follow thee above those who disbelieve, until the Day of Resurrection”***;
[3:56]

The Promised Messiah (as) says this comforting promise was made to the Messiah born in Nazareth, meaning it was made with Jesus (as). But I give you the glad tidings that Allah, the Exalted, has made the same promise in the same words with the Ibn-e-Maryam who came in the name of Jesus the Messiah.

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I do not say anything beyond this that you have a connection and a link with a person who has been raised by Allah. So listen to his words with the ears of your hearts and become ready and willing to act on his teachings wholeheartedly so that you do not become like those people who, after accepting, fall into the filth of denial and become the purchasers of lasting punishment and torment.

Then the Promised Messiah (as) says that to desire that one should be reformed and to ask for the strength to be able to carry out such a reformation, is the way of faith.

It is written in the ahadith [the sayings of the Holy Prophet] that the one who raises his hands in prayer with full certainty, Allah, the Exalted, does not reject the prayers of such a one. So pray to God and ask from Him and ask with full faith and certainty and a truthful heart.



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So if your actions will be in accord with the teachings of Islam. if our every word and deed will be in accord with the dictates of the Holy Quran, and will be in the shape and form that the Promised Messiah (as) desires of us, then this will become a great means of conveying the message of Islam Ahmadiyyat to the world.

To convey the message to the local people also you will have to make your actions and deeds such as will draw the attention of the people towards us...

... and this also is a great objective of the Jalsa.

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During these days of the Jalsa and in this environment of the Jalsa keep analyzing yourselves.



Devote a lot of time during these days to prayers and render thanks to Allah, the Exalted, that by bestowing this opportunity on us to participate in this Jalsa, He has blessed us with another opportunity to reform ourselves.



Pray that we should become among those who are bestowed the Grace of Allah, the Exalted.



May Allah bless all of us with the ability to fully benefit from these blessed days and that we may become the inheritors of the prayers of the Promised Messiah (as).

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After the formal Prayers Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih (aba) lead a funeral prayer in absentia of Respected Sahibzadi Amtul Rashid Begum Sahiba who was the daughter of Hazrat Musleh Maood (ra) and Hazrat Sayeda Amtul Hayy Begum Sahiba and the wife of Respected Abdur Rahim Sahib.

She was the grand daughter of the Promised Messiah (as), and the sister of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih III and IV and my maternal aunt. So she was related to all the Khulafa from Hazrat Khalifatul Masih I to today.

She passed away on September 30, 2013 in Maryland at the age of 95 years. Inna lil-laay wa inna elaihay rajayoon, 'Surely, **to Allah we belong** and to Him shall we return.'
[2:157]

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The girls of the Jama'at who belong to the Nasiratul Ahmadiyya auxilliary are under a debt of gratitude to her. This organization came into being in 1939 and this is recorded in the History of Ahmadiyyat and its first Secretary was Amtul Rasheed Sahiba. She was the one who had urged or suggested this. She says that when I was taking religious studies classes I thought that just as Lajna is set up to provide for the teaching and training of ladies, a similar organizations should be set up for the girls which was named Nasiratul Ahmadiyya by permission of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II (ra).

She was exceptional in her hospitality, especially during the days of Jalsa she would give her whole house for the guests and the whole family would itself move into a store...and sometimes, in fact, put up tents and move into those and leave the whole house for the guests.

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She took great care of the poor. She would deal with them cheerfully. She arranged for the marriage of many orphan girls.

Her children, three daughters and one son, Dr Zaheerud Din Mansoor are all in America. May Allah enable these children also to walk in the footsteps of their father and mother and bless them with the ability to do righteous deeds.

May Allah elevate her station in Paradise. And treat her with forgiveness and Mercy.