The Promised Messiah and Mahdi (a.s.)

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Summary
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The Promised Messiah (as) announced that the awaited Messiah and Mahdi [the Guided one] prophesied by the Holy Prophet (sa) was fulfilled in his personage. The Promised Messiah (as) further stated that his mission was to establish the oneness of God and the love of the Almighty in the hearts of the people.

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Those people who assert that we consider the status of the Promised Messiah (as) to be greater than the Holy Prophet (sa) (heaven forbid) are guilty of a grave injustice.

At present, this is the very allegation being used against Ahmadis in Algeria.

Even women with young children are being arrested and taken hundreds of miles away to face prosecution.

They all have stated that they have found the unity of God and the true love of the Holy Prophet (sa) through accepting the Promised Messiah (as). Therefore, they will never retract from it.

Huzur (aba) stated that whilst we pray for Ahmadis to be relieved of difficulties, we also pray that may God Almighty grant the Muslims the opportunity to accept the ardent devotee of the Holy Prophet (sa).

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[O Lord] My soul is soaring towards you with the utmost certainty, just as a bird soars towards its nest. Thus, I desire from you a sign of your existence, not for sake of my honour nor for any personal reason, so that people recognise you and identify your virtuous paths, lest they deviate from guidance by declaring the one who was sent to be false.

How unfortunate is the man, who even now, is unaware that there is a God who has power over all things. Our paradise lies in our God. Our highest delight is in our God for we have seen Him and found every beauty in Him.
This wealth is worth procuring though one might have to lay down one's life to procure it. This ruby is worth purchasing though one may have to lose oneself to acquire it. O ye, who are deprived! Hasten to this fountain as it will satiate you. It is this fountain of life that will save you. What am I to do?

How shall I impress the hearts with this good news? What sort of a drum am I to beat in the streets in order to make the announcement that this is your God, so that people might hear? What remedy shall I apply to the ears of the people so that they should listen?"

Huzur (aba) stated that this is the relationship that we must build with God Almighty and this was the standard the Promised Messiah (as) expected from his followers.
On one occasion the Promised Messiah (as) was reciting the couplet in the Mubarak mosque and tears were flowing from his eyes.

The couplet was written by Hasaan bin Saabit and was written in praise of the Holy Prophet (sa), wherein he wrote:

O Muhammad, you were [like] the pupil of my eye which has been blinded since your demise. Whosoever may depart henceforth, for I feared your death alone.

The Promised Messiah (as) stated that while reading this couplet, he wished that it was he who had written these couplets.
However, when it came to the Holy Prophet (sa), he was filled with emotion and tears would flow down from his eyes.

Regarding this incident, Hazrat Mirza Bashir Ahmad (ra) Sahib states that the Promised Messiah (as) experienced every kind of difficulty but never expressed his emotions of sorrow or grief on his blessed countenance.

Those who level allegations against the Promised Messiah (as) that, God forbid, he considered himself superior in rank to the Holy Prophet (sa) cannot even come close to the love the Promised Messiah (as) actually had for the Holy Prophet (sa).

There are countless examples in the books and various sayings of the Promised Messiah (as) which illustrate the deep love he had for the Holy Prophet (sa).
The Promised Messiah (as) said that everything he had attained was due to the Holy Prophet (sa) and by following his noble example.

The Promised Messiah (as) once stated that if all of his progeny were murdered before his eyes and his own hands and feet were cut off and the pupils of his eyes were gorged out, it would not pain his heart as it has been pained by the attack on the noble character of the Holy Prophet (sa).

The Promised Messiah (as) did not just merely profess his love for the Holy Prophet by speech alone, in fact every action of his demonstrated the deep love he had for the Holy Prophet (sa).
He swears by Allah the Almighty that just as God Almighty had spoken to Abraham and then Isaac, Ismael, Jacob, Joseph, Moses and Jesus son of Mary and then the Holy Prophet (sa), upon whom He bestowed His most illumine and pure revelation, in the same way He has bestowed His revelation upon him. However, he said that this is purely due to his subservience to the Holy Prophet (sa).

The Promised Messiah (as) also stated that had he not been among the followers of the Holy Prophet (sa) and not followed his noble example then even if his virtuous deeds were as high as a mountain, he would never have been bestowed revelation from Allah the Almighty.
Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:

After hearing all of this, if someone still levels allegations against the Promised Messiah (as) then this is purely an injustice on their part and done out of foolishness and ignorance.

Not only did the Promised Messiah (as) come to establish the Tauhid and inform the world of the true status and rank of the Holy Prophet (sa),

He also came to fulfil the rights of God Almighty's creation and also to instil love and compassion for them.
That under the impulse of any passions, he/she shall cause no harm whatsoever to the creatures of God in general and Muslims in particular, neither by his/her tongue, hands, nor any other means.

That he/she shall keep himself/herself occupied in the service of God's creatures for His sake only and shall endeavour towards the beneficence of mankind to the best of his/her God-given abilities and powers.

The Promised Messiah (as) stated there are two aspects of faith. Firstly, to believe in the existence of God Almighty and show complete love and devotion to Him.

Secondly, to spend all of one's effort and abilities to serve the creation of God Almighty and treating them with sympathy.
The Promised Messiah (as) also stated that the love he had for the whole of mankind was far more than the love a benevolent mother has for her children. However, his only enemy is the false doctrine which has obliterated the truth. He also that it is his duty to show sympathy to mankind and it was his principal to shun falsehood, Shirk, cruelty, immorality and injustice.

Every species loves its own kind. Therefore, it becomes the duty of one who invites others to God Almighty that he should love them the most. Thus, 'the Promised Messiah (as) stated that he loves mankind the most and bears no personal enmity with anyone but it is their ill-practises and acts of injustice and cruelty that he despises.
The Promised Messiah (as) further said: 'I have been told that of all the religions, Islam is the true one. Out of all the Guidance only the Guidance in the Quran remains in a perfect state and free from human interpolation.

It has been explained to me that out of all the Messengers, the one who brought teachings which are perfect, superlative and unmatched in wisdom, teachings which display the qualities for the best example of man's life, is none other than the Chosen One, Muhammad, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him.'
During the days when the plague was rampant, and every day countless people would fall victim to the epidemic and die, I heard the Promised Messiah (as) praying in a manner that left me astounded. There was such passion, fervour and heart-melting agony in his supplication that left even the one hearing it in an extraordinary emotional state. He would weep and cry in prostration upon the Divine threshold, and his voice was filled with such pain and anguish that it sounded like a woman restless in labour.

Maulvi Sahib says: 'I listened carefully and heard him praying for the mankind to be saved from the punishment of the plague and he prayed that

'O God! Should all these people perish from the wrath of the plague, who will remain to worship you?'
Win the Hearts of People

It is the teachings of the Promised Messiah that enable all Ahmadis to never deviate from high moral standards even when faced with opposition.

If only people understood that the Promised Messiah and Imam Mahdi has arrived

and that the mission of spreading Islam will only be achieved through his community – and not through swords, weapons or force or by killing innocent people.

We will only win the hearts of people and not win over territories and land.
In London a few days ago innocent people were attacked and killed in the most barbaric and cruel fashion.

Atrocities are occurring in Europe in the name of Islam by either individuals or groups.

People simply walking on a street were mowed down by a car and a policeman was also murdered. All of this has happened because the so-called Muslim scholars have led people astray.

Rather than instil them with the beautiful teachings of Islam, they infuse them with thoughts of cruelty and barbarity.

Huzur (aba) said, it is the task of an Ahmadi to display the beauty of Islam before the world.
O ye people, hearken to my call! Remember that this is a prophecy from Him Who created the earth and the heaven. He will cause this, His Own Movement, to spread in all countries and shall cause them to triumph over all others through reasoning and argument. The days are approaching, nay they are near at hand, when only this religion shall be spoken of with honour and respect. God shall grant this religion and this Movement His choicest blessings and unprecedented success and frustrate the designs of all those who seek to destroy them and shall perpetuate their ascendancy till the time the world comes to its end. They jeer at me now but their jeering shall cause no harm, for there has not been a Prophet who has not been jeered at. It was, therefore, incumbent that the Promised Messiah be also jeered at, as God Almighty says: “Alas for My Servants! There comes not a Messenger to them but they mock at him.” [36:31]
It is, therefore, a Sign from God; because every Prophet has been mocked at. Who would laugh at a person who comes down from heaven with a host of angels? Even from this one could understand that the story of Messiah coming down from heaven is no more than a myth.

Remember very well that no one will descend from heaven. All our opponents who live today shall die and none of them shall ever see Jesus son of Mary coming down from heaven; then their children that are left after them shall also die and none from among them shall ever see Jesus son of Mary coming down from heaven and then their third generation shall also die and they too shall not see the son of Mary coming down.
The Promised Messiah (AS) said:

Then God shall cause great consternation in their hearts, yet the son of Mary has not come down. Then in dismay the wise among them shall forsake this belief and three centuries from now shall not have passed when those who await the coming of Jesus son of Mary, whether they be Muslims or Christians, shall relinquish altogether this conception.

Then shall prevail only one religion over the whole world and there shall be only one religious Leader. I came only to sow the seed which has been planted by my hand. It shall now grow and flourish and there is none who can hinder its growth. (Tadhira-tus-Shahadatain, pp. 66-67)

Huzur (aba) said we see today how this seed has flourished and reaped fruit and has become a luscious tree.