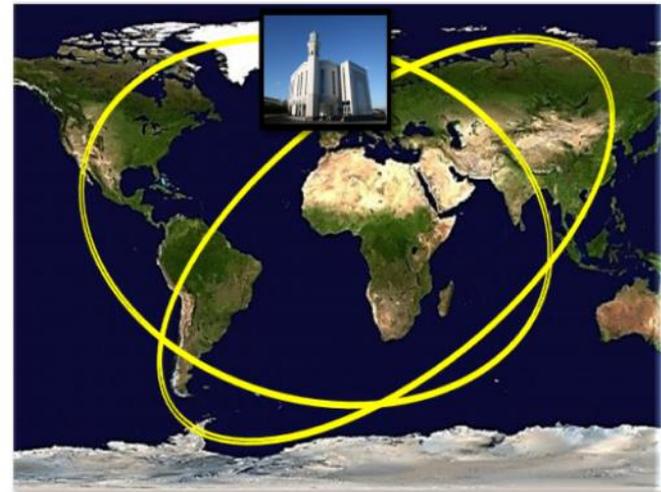


The Promised Messiah (a.s.) The need for The Imam



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Summary

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Allah the Exalted and His Messenger (SA) also foretold some signs for the advent of the Promised Messiah. He would not make a claim without any signs.



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The Promised Messiah (a.s.): The need for The Imam

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (aba) stated: Tomorrow will be 23rd March, and this day is commemorated in the Community as the “The Promised Messiah Day”.

On this day, the pronouncement was made regarding that Messiah and Mahdi, who in accordance with the prophecy made by the Holy Prophet (sa), was to come in the Latter Days.

This mission was to convey and to spread the true teachings of Islam to the world, to unite all the Muslims under one banner and to bring followers of all religions under the subservience of the Holy Prophet (sa).

The Promised Messiah (a.s.): The need for The Imam

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (aba) said:

The Promised Messiah (as) states in one of his couplets:

“This was indeed the appointed time for none other than The Messiah;

Had I not been appointed, someone else would surely have appeared!”

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani (as) declared that he was that Promised Messiah and Imam Mahdi, whose advent was prophesied by the Holy Prophet (sa) and thus, he started taking the Bai'at.

I will now present some sayings of the Promised Messiah (as), in which he has explained about the need for the advent of the Promised Messiah.

The purpose of the Islamic Messiah was to prove the superiority of the teachings of Islam over all other religions through arguments and proofs.

The Promised Messiah (a.s.): The need for The Imam

The Promised Messiah (AS) said:

If the land is barren, rain is of no benefit; in fact, it is damaging and harmful. And so, heavenly light has descended, and it is illuminating the hearts of the people. Prepare yourself to accept it and benefit from it so that in the likeness of barren land that gains no benefit from rainfall, you too do not walk in darkness and stumble, and consequently perish, falling into a dark abyss, despite the presence of light.

Allah the Exalted is more merciful than a compassionate mother. He does not wish for His creation to be wasted. He reveals to you the paths of guidance and light. But in order to tread these paths, you must utilise your reason and purify your souls. Just as planting does not occur until the soil is ploughed to prepare it, so too pure reason cannot descend from heaven until souls are purified through strenuous effort and rigorous self-discipline.

The Promised Messiah (a.s.): The need for The Imam

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (aba) said:

Allah the Exalted and His Messenger (sa) also foretold some signs for the advent of the Promised Messiah.

These are all prophecies contained in the Holy Qur'an that beasts would be gathered together. Zoos have been created.

Knowledge has become accessible and spread across the world.

Communication has now become extremely easy and a person is able to communicate across the world within seconds.

Books will be spread far and wide. The press and media; all of these aspects prove the fact that this is the era of the Promised Messiah.

The Promised Messiah (as) states: "Another sign in support of the awaited one is that in his era, during the month of Ramadan, the solar and lunar eclipses will occur."

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The Promised Messiah (AS) said:

As for the place of the Promised Messiah's advent, it ought to be remembered that the emergence of the Anti-Christ has been foretold to take place from the East and this refers to our country. Then, it is narrated that the Messiah will appear in the village of Qad'ah, which is short for 'Qadian. Calamities were also to serve as a sign. Heavenly calamities took on the form of famine, plague and cholera. As for earthly calamities, there are wars and earthquakes, which have destroyed the land.

Was the sign of Lekhram not a magnificent sign? Similarly, well before the Conference of Great Religions, I announced many days in advance that Allah Almighty had informed me that my essay would be superior to all others. Those who witnessed this grand and awe-inspiring conference can reflect and understand for themselves that the prophecy was fulfilled.

The Promised Messiah (a.s.): The need for The Imam

The Promised Messiah (AS) said:

In short, even at this time, there are many proofs of my being commissioned from God. **Firstly**, there is internal evidence. **Secondly**, there are external proofs. **Thirdly**, there is the saying of the Prophet Muhammad (sa) about the arrival of one who would rejuvenate faith at the turn of every century. **Fourthly**, there is the divine promise of preserving the Qur'an in the words, 'Surely, We have sent down the Qur'an, and it is indeed We Who shall safeguard it.'

The **fifth** proof – which is an outstanding sign – is the divine promise in Surah An-Noor, the Promise of Divine Successorship. According to this promise of Divine Successorship, the Caliphs of the dispensation of Muhammad (sa) shall be like the Caliphs of the dispensations before them. Similarly, the Holy Qur'an has also mentioned the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa) in the likeness of Moses (as), as it states (73:16)

The Promised Messiah (a.s.): The need for The Imam

The Promised Messiah (AS) said:

Just as Jesus (as) did not bring any new law, but came to fulfil what was in the Torah, so, too has the Messiah of the dispensation of Muhammad not introduced any new law, but has come for the rejuvenation of the Quran – to revive the true understanding of the Noble Quran.

Remember well! The promises of God are indeed true! According to His divine promise, He has sent a warner to the world, but the world accepted him not. Yet God shall accept him and will demonstrate his truthfulness with mighty assaults. I tell you truly that I have appeared as the Messiah in accordance to the promise of God. Now, as you so desire, accept me or reject me, however your rejection will have no significance because that which God Almighty has willed, shall surely come to pass.

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (aba) said:

I would now like to briefly mention in regard to the incident that took place in New Zealand last Friday. I wanted to speak about this last Friday, but I forgot to mention it towards the end. In any case, I issued a press release and on behalf of the entire Ahmadiyya Community, in which I expressed my condolences.

Many innocent people, including children were martyred as a result of religious and ethnic hatred. May God Almighty have mercy on them all and grant patience to the bereaved.

The most excellent and moral way New Zealand's government, and particularly its Prime Minister, has responded to this attack, and also in fulfilling their duties as a government, has been exemplary and is most praiseworthy.

It has been a reaction of the highest order and I pray that Muslim nations learn from this model of morality and each play their own role towards eradicating all forms of religious hatred.

Khurshid Ahmad Anwar Sahib

After the Prayers, I will lead a few funeral prayers in absentia. The first funeral is of Maulana Khurshid Ahmad Anwar Sahib, who was the Wakilul Maal of Tehreek-e-Jadid in Qadian.

He passed away on 19th March at the age of 73; To Allah we belong and to Him shall we return. By the grace of Allah he was a Moosi.

He was suffering from cancer for a long period of time, however, he bore this illness with great patience, courage and resolve. Despite being severely ill and weak, he was never negligent towards fulfilling his official duties.

He would regularly go to the office and until his last breath, he fulfilled his Waqf to the best of his abilities. In fact, I believe that he fulfilled his devotion in the manner it ought to be fulfilled.

Khurshid Ahmad Anwar Sahib

The deceased grew up in Qadian and had the opportunity to be in the company of prominent companions [of the Promised Messiah (as)] and the Dervish of Qadian.

The deceased was the son of Abdul Azeem Sahib – a Dervish of Qadian – and Raeesa Begum Sahiba and was from Pindi Bhattian. The deceased's father was the first person to accept Ahmadiyyat in his family.

After performing Bai'at, the deceased's grandfather began to oppose his father severely and would even beat him. Afterwards, his father then migrated to Qadian and settled there.

He passed the Maulvi Fazal exam from Madrasa Ahmadiyya, Qadian, after which he was appointed as a teacher in Madrasa Ahmadiyya.

He served as Nazim Irshad for Waqf-e-Jadid Qadian. He also had the opportunity to serve as Nazim Irshad Sadar Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya of India and Naib Nazir Baitul Maal Aamad.

Khurshid Ahmad Anwar Sahib

In 2006 he was appointed as Wakilul Maal of Tehreek-e-Jadid and until his demise, he served in this capacity with due diligence.

Similarly, he was a member and also president of several important Central Committees.

He was a very competent administrator and would complete his work with full sincerity and devotion.

He played a vital role in securing India's position in Tehreek-e-Jadid Chanda. He was mindful of Jamaat money and would spend with due care.

His approachability, hospitality and tireless effort are among his prominent characteristics. Prior to Jalsa Salana, he would prepare for the arrival of guests with great enthusiasm. Despite having limited resources, he would make excellent arrangements for the guests. He had a deep bond with Khilafat.

Tahir Hussain Munshi Sahib

Tahir Hussain Munshi Sahib was the Naib Ameer of Fiji Jamaat. He passed away on 5th March, at the age of 72. He was a longstanding servant of the Fiji Jamaat and had the opportunity to serve as Naib Ameer for a long period of time.

He was a pious individual, sincere and very loyal. By the grace of Allah he was a Moosi and gave Hissa Jaidad during his lifetime. By the grace of Allah, Tahir sahib had the opportunity to serve in Fiji's education sector.

Munshi Sahib was from a Sunni background. Whenever he would invite his Maulvi to debate with Ahmadis, the Maulvi would refuse. This would upset Munshi Sahib greatly. Afterwards, God Almighty enabled him to accept the Imam of the age

He was very loyal, especially towards Khilafat. He would encourage others to respect and show obedience to Khilafat and this is something he would demonstrate through his own example.

Musa Sisko Sahib

The third funeral is of Musa Sisko sahib of Mali. He passed away on 15th February. He was a Brigade Commander in the army. He learnt of the Ahmadiyya Community through a magazine, after which, he remained in close contact with a missionary in Waskaso Region. He accepted Ahmadiyyat in November 2012.

In 2013 during the launch of Waskaso Jamaat Radio station, he had the opportunity to serve as the director for the radio station and he was also appointed as the Sadr Jamaat. After the radio station was established, the Jamaat faced extraordinary opposition. Musa Sahib showed great wisdom and dealt with the matter with patience and steadfastness.

After performing Bai'at, he dedicated his life for the service of the Jamaat. Aside from offering his obligatory prayers, he was regular in offering the Tahajjud prayers. He was a very sincere and loyal individual. He had a unique bond with Khilafat and would try to be the first to respond to any initiative launched by the Khalifa.

May Allah the Almighty elevate the status of all the deceased and enable their children to continue their virtuous deeds. Munshi Sahibs children are not Ahmadi, may Allah the Almighty enable them to accept the Imam of the age.