Responding to Persecution & Oppression with Prayers & Compassion

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In recent days, a Muslim cleric was saying on social media that if there is any disorder in the world, it is because of the ‘Qadianis’. He used this as a means to justify cruelties against Ahmadis and even killing them.

His Holiness (aba) said these are the tactics which they use and this has been the case since the inception of Ahmadiyyat. But it is by the grace of God that we have accepted the Imam of the Age who has taught that upon hearing their words and seeing their efforts against us, we must remain patient.

It is such ‘Leaders of the Disbelievers’ who have misguided the general Muslim population who do not know any better, towards treating Ahmadis in a cruel manner.
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This opposition is nothing new, rather it has been occurring since the time of the Promised Messiah (as).

Even despite listening to the harsh words said about us, we continue to pray for them. God Almighty informed the Promised Messiah (as) that their actions are due to a lack of understanding...

...and their misguided love for the Holy Prophet (sa) – though misguided, they do claim to love him. Hence, God Almighty instructed the Promised Messiah (as) that he should not pray against them, but should rather pray for them.
The Promised Messiah (as) said that if such people oppose us, then it is due to their misunderstandings. Hence, we should pray for them, and enlighten them.

His Holiness (aba) further quoted Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) who said that if these opponents knew how much he loved the Holy Prophet (sa), they would rush towards Ahmadiyyat.

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Once, a companion of the Promised Messiah (as) heard the Promised Messiah (as) weeping profusely in prayer. He heard him praying to God that the plague had spread, and if all these people died because of it, then who would be left to accept God? This plague had been foretold by the Holy Prophet (sa) as a result of people’s disbelief and it was also foretold in prophecies vouchsafed to the Promised Messiah (as). Yet when the plague spread, the Promised Messiah (as) prayed for the very people due to which it manifested.
Ahmadiyyat has been established for the very reason of saving Muslims. Hence, we have been tasked with helping people reach great heights, how then can we pray against them?

His Holiness (aba) said that our responsibility is to pray and remain patient. This is the best course of action which will lead us to success.

Our duty is to keep our thoughts and hearts free from any malice towards other Muslims. We must continue to pray that may Allah enable them to see the truth and may they accept the Imam of the Age.