

## Hazrat Imam Mahdi's (as) Love for the Holy Prophet (saw)

Say, if you love Allah, then follow me (The Holy Prophet (saw)), then Allah will love you and forgive you your sins. And Allah is the Most Forgiving and The Merciful. (3:32)

Respected panel, and my dear brothers and sisters in attendance, Asalamo alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakaatuh. The topic upon which I have been given the opportunity to speak upon can be found in the following couplet of the Promised Messiah (as).

بعد از خدا بعشق محمدؐ تخمرم  
گر کفر این بود بخدا سخت کافرم

After the love of God, I am fully intoxicated in the love of Muhammad (saw)

If this is considered by short sighted people to be disbelief, then by God I am the greatest disbeliever.

The topic of my speech is The Imam Mahdi, the Promised Messiah's (as) love for the Holy Prophet (saw). The reason why I read this specific verse of the Quran, was due to the reason that we can see in this verse where the roots of the Promised Messiah's (as) love take hold of the Holy Prophet (saw).

The verse states that if we are truly of those who love Allah, then we must follow and love the Holy Prophet (saw), and in result of this Allah will love us. And this is something that the Promised Messiah (as) fully realized, and held unto until the very last breaths of his life.

So much so, that we find that even the Angels of the Almighty God even testify to this.

Once, before going to sleep, the Promised Messiah (as) invoked a great amount of Darood onto the Holy Prophet (saw). As he went sleep, he saw in a dream that, angels were roaming the land, looking for an individual that had the true love of the Holy Prophet (saw) in their hearts, in order to carry the banner that would be the revival of Islam, but this was person was yet to be found. But when the angels came across the being of the Promised Messiah (as) they proclaimed:

هذا رجل يحب رسول الله

This man truly loves the Prophet of Allah the Holy Prophet (saw). The Promised Messiah (as) comments on this that the greatest criteria that a person was to fulfill was that they must have complete love for the Holy Prophet (saw)

( Braheene Ahmadiyya, Rohani Khazaain vol 1 p 598)

There are countless incidences that can be found in the life of the Promised Messiah (as) that portrayed his love for the Holy Prophet (saw). One I would like to mention is the testimony of his son, Hazrat Mirza Bashir Ahmad Sahib (ra). He writes in Seerut Tayyibah that:

I swear to Allah in whose hands is my life and in front of whom I shall be presented after death that it has never occurred that only on the mere mention of the name of the Holy Prophet (saw), that the eyes of the Promised Messiah (as) have not filled with tears. From this, we see how deep the love of the Holy Prophet (saw) was rooted in the heart of the Promised Messiah (as) and we find many incidences that verify this statement.

In another incidence, the Promised Messiah (as) was feeling a bit ill and was lying down and the wife of the Promised Messiah (as) Hazrat Ammah Jaan (rah) and the father in law of the Promised Messiah (as), Hazrat Nana Jaan Mir Nasir Nawaab sahib (ra) were talking and Hazrat Mir Nawaab Sahib (ra) mentioned that nowadays it has become much easier to perform Hajj.

Only the mention of Hajj brought tears to the eyes of the Promised Messiah (as). He wiped his tears and replied:

”یہ تو ٹھیک ہے اور ہماری بھی دلی خواہش ہے مگر میں سوچا کرتا ہوں کہ کیا میں آنحضرت ﷺ کے مزار کو دیکھ بھی سکوں گا!“

I agree and it is also my ardent desire to perform Hajj but sometimes I wonder whether I will even be able to look at the tomb of the Holy Prophet (saw).

A small incidence, but it shows the ocean of love that was in the Promised Messiah's (as) heart that on the mention of Hajj, his mind takes him to the streets of Mecca upon which once his beloved once walked and could not bare to even think of looking at the Holy Prophet's (saw) tomb: being the symbol of the end of the life of our beloved master, the Holy Prophet (saw).

In a similliar incident, The Promised Messiah (as) was once walking alone in Musjid Mubarak where he was reciting the couplet of Hazrat Hasaan bin Saabit (ra) which he wrote on the death of the Holy Prophet (saw)

كنت السواد لناظري فعمى عليك الناظر

من شاء بعدك فليمت فعليك كنت احاذر

O Prophet! You were the pupil of my eye and my eyes have become blind by your death. I do not care for the death of anyone else, for it was your death I feared. Upon reading this couplet, tears began to pour forth from the Promised Messiah's (as) eyes. A companion of the Promised Messiah (as) entered the mosque, and on

the sight of the Promised Messiah's (as) tears, he inquired, "what's wrong?" In reply to his companion he said"

کاش یہ شعر میری زبان سے نکلتا

I wish I had written this couplet for the Holy Prophet (saw). Anyone that is familiar with the poems that the Promised Messiah (as) wrote on behalf of his beloved, the Holy Prophet (saw) is aware that the love that is found in the Promised Messiah's poetry is infinitely great, but the love of the Promised Messiah (as) would not allow him to pass a chance for the portrayal of his love.

For example, in one of his famous couplets, he writes:

صد ہزاراں یوسف، بیم دریں چاہ ذقن

و آں مسیح ناصری شد از دم او بے شمار

There are thousands of Hazrat Yusuf (ra) that can be found in the single dimple of the Holy Prophet (saw). ( Hazrat Yusuf (ra) was known for his great beauty). Through the Power of Holiness within the Holy Prophet's (saw) single breath, many Jesus Son of Mary's can be born.

Another great example, of the portrayal of the Promised Messiah's love for the Holy Prophet (saw) can be found in his Qaseeda, which is a poem that is filled with his love for the Holy Prophet (saw). It was written in his book A'ina Kamalaateh Islam in 1893. It is a poem that has been categorically setup in such a chain of events in which the Promised Messiah (as) praises the Holy Prophet (saw), he speaks of the spiritually dark time in which the Holy Prophet (saw) comes, and how he brings light to the people of the earth. These people were so set in the vices of sin, that never had a time come in which the world was so indulged in sin and so deranged from God as did up to the time of the arrival of the Holy Prophet (saw). The Holy Prophet (saw) brought salvation to these

people and he caused them to leave their evil habits in such a way that they were filled with the light of the truth of God, and no power on earth was to bring these people to leave their beloved master, the Holy Prophet (saw). He speaks of the sacrifices, the hardships, and the lives that were given by the companions of the Holy Prophet (saw), for the sake of their religion.

Hazrat Pir Sirajul Haque (ra) narrates that:

When the Promised Messiah (as) completed writing this poem, his face lit up with joy and he said: Allah has told me that this poem has found acceptance by Allah. He will bestow His love and His Nearness to anyone who commits this poem to memory and recites it constantly.

We see that even God has accepted the love and beauty for the Holy Prophet (saw) found in this poem.

I selected some couplets from the Qaseeda to show the great love of the Promised Messiah (as) for the Holy Prophet (saw).

7: O you whose Divine Light and luminescence has rendered him like

The twin luminaries—the Sun and the Moon--- lighting up the day as well as the night.

8: O our Full Moon, O Sign of the Gracious God

O (you who are) the Greatest (Spiritual) Guide, the Bravest amongst the Brave

70: My body is craving to fly towards you due to (my) enormous longing for you  
(O Holy Prophet (saw))

I wish I (actually) had the (capacity and) power to fly!

Now I would like to focus the attention of the audience to an incident where we see the physical effects of love for the Holy Prophet (saw) on the Promised Messiah (as)

- Mirza Farhatullah Baigh Sahib- (non ahmadi relative of the Promise Messiah (as))
- Mirza Anaayatullah Baigh Sahib- uncle of the non ahmadi relative of the Promised Messiah (as)
- Relative's uncle told him to go look closely to the face of the Promised Messiah (as)
- What he saw was great spiritual excitement on the face of the Promised Messiah (as) and as if green water was circling the pupils of the Promised Messiah (as)
- Uncle told relative not to ever harm this man
- Known as an accepted consensus amongst great scholars of the Past, that these eyes are the sign of a man who loves the Holy Prophet (saw)
- Reference: Tarikh- Ahmadiyyat vol 2 p571

His great love also found in the book, Braheeni Ahmadiyya that which he wrote in defense of the religion that God sent to the earth through the hands of his beloved master, the Holy Prophet (saw) .

Due to this great achievement, the Promised Messiah mentions of a vision in which he saw the Holy Prophet (saw), and his approval of the Promised Messiah's effort.

- First Meeting of the Promised Messiah with the Holy Prophet (saw)
- A'ina Kamaalaate Islam p 548 (found in Seerut Tayyiba p 17)

But not just in Braheeneh Ahmadiyya do we find his great love for the Holy Prophet (saw), but we find his love for the Holy Prophet (saw) deeply embedded in all his books. For example, the Promised Messiah (as) writes:

☆ ”وہ اعلیٰ درجہ کا تو رجو انسان کو دیا گیا۔ یعنی انسان کامل کو۔ وہ ملائک میں نہیں تھا۔ نجوم میں نہیں تھا۔ قمر میں نہیں تھا۔ آفتاب میں بھی نہیں تھا۔ وہ زمین کے سمندروں اور دریاؤں میں بھی نہیں تھا۔ وہ لعل اور یاقوت اور زمرد اور الماس اور موتی میں بھی نہیں تھا۔ غرض وہ کسی چیز ارضی اور سماوی میں نہیں تھا۔ صرف انسان میں تھا۔ یعنی انسان کامل میں جس کا تم اور اکمل اور اعلیٰ اور ارفع فرد ہمارے سید و مولیٰ سید الانبیاء سید الاحیاء محمد مصطفیٰ ﷺ ہیں،“  
(آئینہ کمالات اسلام روحانی خزائن جلد ۵ صفحہ ۱۶۰)

That light of high degree that was bestowed upon perfect man was not in angels, was not in stars, was not in the moon, was not in the oceans and the rivers, was not in rubies, emeralds, sapphires, or pearls: in short, it was not in any earthly or heavenly object. It was only in the perfect man whose highest and loftiest and most perfect example was **our lord and master, the Chief of the Prophets, the Chief of all living ones, Muhammad the chosen one (saw).**

(Aina e Kamalaate Islam, Ruhani Khaza-in, vol 5 pp. 160-162)

There are countless incidences of the Promised Messiah (as) fights safeguarding the sanctity of Islam. History is our witness and even non- Ahmadi have testified that Mirza Ghulam Ahmad’s pen acted as a sword against all who tried to disgrace the Chief of Prophets, the Holy Prophet (saw). Not only this, but he tried to inculcate this jealousy in his followers as well through his example.

- Not replying to Salam of Lekhram
- Promised Messiah at Lahore train station, asr time, so was doing ablution
- Lekhram found out about his whereabouts and attempted to say salam to Hazoor (as) while doing his ablution, Hazoor (as) momentarily looked up, ignored him, and continued his ablution
- Attempted to say salam on other side of Hazoor (as) but Hazoor (as) remained quiet.
- Seeing it was hopeless, Lekhram left

- A companion of the Promised Messiah (as) respectfully stated that Lekhram tried to say salam
- In great passion, Hazoor replied by saying:

“ہمارے آقا کو تو گالیاں دیتا ہے اور ہمیں سلام کرتا ہے”

He insults our Master, the Holy Prophet (saw) and expects us a reply to his Salam?

( Seerut Hazrat Masih Maud (as) vol 2, p 271)

Hazoor (as) would not tolerate the disrespect of the Holy Prophet (saw) in any manner whether it be from Lekhram, or his own family.

- Hazoor (as) was eating at his Uncle Mirza Ghulam Haidr Sahib’s house
- His wife mentioned something in disrespect to the Holy Prophet (saw)
- Despite them being his family, he was greatly hurt by this, and immediately got up from eating and left their household
- And never again did he eat or drink anything from their house
- (Seerut Masih Maud (as) vol 2 p 270)

When he found out about this, he was angered greatly and replied: Why did you not leave the convention? Why did you not stop them? How could your hearts bear the pain of listening to the insults against the Holy Prophet (saw)?

I would like to present what the Promised Messiah (as) said with regards to the pain he feels on the attacking of his master, the Holy Prophet (saw):



” ان مخالفین کے دل آزار طعن و تشنیع نے جو وہ حضرت خیر البشر صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم کی ذات والا صفات کے خلاف کرتے ہیں میرے دل کو سخت زخمی کر رکھا ہے۔ خُدا کی قسم اگر میری ساری اولاد اور اولاد کی اولاد اور میرے سارے دوست اور میرے سارے معاون و مددگار میری آنکھوں کے سامنے قتل کر دیئے جائیں اور خود میرے ہاتھ اور پاؤں کاٹ دیئے جائیں اور میری آنکھ کی پٹلی نکال پھینکی جائے اور میں اپنی تمام مرادوں سے محروم کر دیا جاؤں اور اپنی تمام خوشیوں اور تمام آسائشوں کو کھو بیٹھوں تو ان ساری باتوں کے مقابل پر بھی میرے لیے یہ صدمہ زیادہ بھاری ہے کہ رسول اکرم صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم پر ایسے ناپاک حملے کئے جائیں،“  
(ترجمہ عربی آئینہ کمالات اسلام روحانی خزائن جلد ۵ صفحہ ۱۵)

I swear to God if these people had murdered my children before my eyes, and cut my sincere friends into pieces, and had killed me with great humiliation and had possessed themselves with all my possessions, I would still have not been so pained and my heart would not have been so grieved as compared to the pain that I feel by the insults to the Holy Prophet (saw). ( Aina Kamalaateh Islam, vol 5 p15)

In the end, let us pray that may Allah enable us to inculcate the love of the Holy Prophet (saw) in our hearts: may he make us the true guardians of the honor of the Holy Prophet (saw). May he enable us to completely obey him in every aspect of life.

I end my speech with the following couplets of the Promised Messiah (as):

وہ پیشوا ہمارا جس سے ہے نور سارا  
نام اُس کا ہے محمدؐ دلبر میرا یہی ہے  
اس نور پر فدا ہوں اس کا ہی میں ہوا ہوں  
وہ ہے میں چیز کیا ہوں بس فیصلہ یہی ہے

