

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/ National President  
Jamā'at Ahmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 25<sup>th</sup> March 2011, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V ایده اللہ تعالیٰ delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūḥ Mosque, London.

Ḥūḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: An American priest who had spoken disparagingly of the Holy Qur'ān and had talked of burning it in September 2010, has committed this blasphemous act a few days ago in the presence of his followers. Ḥūḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: Such appalling and despicable acts have always been perpetrated against Islām and they cause a great deal of anguish to a true believer. It is, however, wrong to respond to it by putting a price on someone's head or by violent demonstrations and destroying public property. The most appropriate response is to make the world realize the beauty of Qur'ānic teachings through our own conduct, character and speech so that the perpetrators of such acts are condemned by their own people.

Ḥūḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ quoted some orientalist who have admitted the excellence of the Holy Qur'ān. They write that the Holy Qur'ān explains the reasoning behind every injunction. It is full of high moral teachings and commandments. Its composition is clear and lucid and every world contains such a variety of meanings that one is forced to admire it.

Ḥūḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: Only those who have an element of righteousness and purity in them will realize that the teachings of the Holy Qur'ān are far more sublime than those of past scriptures. And only those who are God-fearing will get guidance through its teachings. The Holy Qur'ān is a mercy for all believers and its mercy is with them at all times. It contains remedies for man's physical and spiritual maladies and it is a compendium of all perfect teachings. When Allah sent the Holy Prophet صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم, it was through the Holy Qur'ān that he was able to reform an extremely decadent society and illuminate the hearts of an ignorant people. When he introduced to them the book of the One God that contains teachings for all times, those who lived like animals became human, and then they became civilized men and finally attained the status of godly men.

In our time, the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام has shown the superiority of the Holy Qur'ān over the Bible by comparing its teachings regarding Divine unity, the doctrine of heaven and hell and God's various attributes with those of the Bible. He says, "The Torah does not prove the existence of God, His Oneness and His attributes through reason, whereas the Holy

Qur'ān gives rational arguments for these doctrines and also for the need for revelation and Prophethood, and it discusses them in rational terms so those who seek the truth may easily understand them. Moreover, all past books including the Torah and the Gospels were meant to reform specific people viz. the children of Israel, whereas the Holy Qur'ān addresses the whole of mankind and its teachings are not confined to any specific group or nation. The Holy Qur'ān clearly states that it is for all Mankind and it wants to reform everyone.

Ḥūḍūr إيدہ اللہ تعالیٰ said: We can only consider ourselves fortunate if we mould our lives according to the teachings of the Holy Qur'ān and spread its beautiful teachings to all members of the society. May Allāh enable us to do so.

At the end of the Sermon, Ḥūḍūr إيدہ اللہ تعالیٰ informed the Jamā'at of the sad demise of an eminent scholar of the Jamā'at, Hafiz Saleh Muhammad Allah-Din Sahib, Sadr/President of Sadar Anjuman Aḥmadiyya Qādiān. Ḥūḍūr إيدہ اللہ تعالیٰ spoke commendingly of his intellectual achievements, his devotion to Khilāfat and his services for the Jamā'at. Ḥūḍūr إيدہ اللہ تعالیٰ also spoke about the passing away of Colonel (r) Muhammad Saeed Ṣāhib of Canada, and led the *Namāz Janāzah Ghā'ib* of both after the Jumu'a prayer.

Please convey these guidelines given by Ḥūḍūr إيدہ اللہ تعالیٰ to the members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

Taḥrīk Jadīd Anjuman Aḥmadiyya Pakistan,

Dated: 29 Mar. 2011