

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/National President  
Jamā‘at Ahmadiyya,  
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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On April 11, 2014, Hazrat Khalīfatul-Masīh V (May Allāh be his Helper) delivered the Friday Sermon at the Baitul Futūh Mosque, Morden, London.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) gave a discourse on Khutba Ilhamiyah, the Revealed Sermon, of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام, and said that it was on 11 April 1900, the ‘Īd-ul-Azha Day that year, that God Almighty granted this great sign to the Promised Messiah عليه السلام. The Revealed Sermon was delivered in Arabic and published under the title of Khutba Ilhamiyah.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) elaborated on the history, background and contents of the Revealed Sermon and illustrated how the Ahmadi audience at the time had a unique spiritual experience by listening to it and how its eloquence impressed the non-Ahmadi intellectuals and literati as well.

Citing the background of the Revealed Sermon, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: On the eve preceding ‘Īd-ul-Azha in 1900, the Promised Messiah عليه السلام spent the whole night in prayer and supplication to God. In his book, Nuzul-ul-Masīh, the Promised Messiah عليه السلام has thus described the events: On the morning of ‘Īd-ul-Azha, I received a revelation: ‘Say a few words in Arabic’. I, therefore, informed my friends about the revelation. I had never made a speech before this in Arabic. But, on that day when I stood up to deliver the Eid Sermon, God caused an articulate, eloquent and full of wisdom speech to flow from my tongue, which is set out in Khutba Ilhamiyah. It is a lengthy speech, which was delivered extemporaneously. God called it a sign in His revelation, for it was made impromptu, under the influence of the power of the Almighty God.

The Promised Messiah عليه السلام further writes: When the speech was made, there were around two hundred people who listened to it. A stream of words flowed from the unseen. I can’t say whether it was I who spoke or an angel spoke through my tongue. I knew only that I had no part in this address. Sentence after sentence issued from my mouth and each one was a sign for me. This is a miracle of a literary nature that God has shown, and no one can present anything like it.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) quoted Tarikh-e-Ahmadiyyat, the History of Ahmadiyyat: When the Promised Messiah عليه السلام rose up to deliver the Sermon, he told Hazrat Maulwi Abdul Karim Sahib رضي الله عنه and Hazrat Maulwi Nooruddin Sahib رضي الله عنه to write down the Sermon. When they became ready to note down the Sermon, the Promised Messiah عليه السلام began with the words ‘يا عباد الله’, ‘O the servants of the Almighty God...’

The Promised Messiah ﷺ advised his companions to memorize the Sermon, after which a number of companions committed the whole Sermon to memory.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The Revealed Sermon was published in August, 1901. The Promised Messiah ﷺ took special care in getting it written by a scribe, and translated it into Persian and Urdu himself adding diacritical marks as well. When the book was published, it astonished the greatest scholars of Arabic language at the time and they declared it to be incomparable in terms of eloquence, beauty and knowledge.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) spoke in this connection of some new Ahmadīs who have recently joined Ahmadiyyat with great sincerity. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) also quoted the statements of some non-Ahmadī scholars about the unparalleled eloquence and verities described in the Revealed Sermon.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) read out certain passages from the Revealed Sermon in Arabic and then gave their Urdu translation. The English rendering of a few sentences from the passages is as follows:

O people! I am the Messiah and Mahdi. Truly, God is with me. I have been given a fire that is all-consuming and water that is sweet. I am the Yemani star and the spiritual rain. To inflict pain on me will, like a sharp spear, recoil on the attacker himself. My prayer is like a tested remedy. I display my majesty to one body of people and my grace to another. In my hand is a weapon with which I destroy the habits of injustice and sinfulness. And, in my other hand is a syrup, with which I revive the hearts that are dead. Hence, you should be thankful to God, Who has sent the Messiah to eliminate harm, and sent the Mahdī for the good and welfare of mankind.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: May God grant the world wisdom and courage to recognize the message of His prophet and appointee. May God enable the world to become his helpers. May God enable us also to fulfil our responsibilities in this regard. *Āmīn*.

Next, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) announced that he would lead two funeral prayers after the Jumu'a. One was of Hanifa Bibi Sahiba wife of Chaudhry Bashir Ahmad Sahib of Bhoru, district Sheikhpura, and the other of Syed Mahmood Ahmad Shah Sahib of Karachi.

Please convey these guidelines given by Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) to members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

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