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The Amīr/National President
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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

Extracts from the Friday Sermon by *Hadrat Khalīfa-tul-Masīh V* (May Allah be his Helper) delivered on 20 April 2018 from Spain.

Three Qualities of a true Muslim

Our Imam, *Hadrat Khalīfa-tul-Masīh V* (May Allah be his Helper) recited the following verse:

وَمَنْ أَحْسَنُ قَوْلًا لِّمَنْ دَعَا إِلَى اللَّهِ وَعَمِلَ صَالِحًا وَقَالَ إِنَّنِي مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

And who is better in speech than he who invites men to Allāh and does good works and says, ‘I am surely of those who submit?’ (41:34)

The verse is a perfect description and it encompasses all the qualities that should be the hallmark of a true believer. Who but a true Muslim can act upon this. If anyone possesses these three qualities described by Allāh, a real revolution can take place in his life. Such a person will not only bring about a change in himself but in his environment as well. The three qualities are (1) to invite people towards Allāh; (2) to do good deeds; and (3) to demonstrate obedience and loyalty and to pledge that one will to the best of his ability try to act upon the commandments of Allāh and His Messenger.

Allāh has decreed: ‘Most surely I will Prevail, I and My Messengers.’

There is no doubt that God has sent the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him) in keeping with His promise and in keeping with the prophecies of the Holy Prophet (May Allah's Blessings be upon him), and therefore the mission that has been assigned to him will definitely be accomplished, Insha’Allāh. Some of these were accomplished during his lifetime while others were to be accomplished posthumously and continue to be accomplished today. His message is now reaching the whole world and pure-hearted people are entering the fold of Ahmadiyyat and Islām. Allāh always fulfils the purpose of sending a Prophet. He says:

كَتَبَ اللَّهُ لَأَعْلَبَنَ أَنَا وَرُسُلِي

Allāh has decreed: ‘Most surely I will Prevail, I and My Messengers.’

(58:22)

This verse was also revealed to the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him) several times. Explaining this verse, the Promised Messiah

(May peace be upon him) says: This is a Divine practice that has been manifested ever since God created man and it is that He always helps His Prophets and Messengers and grants them victory. God Almighty says:

كَتَبَ اللَّهُ لَأَعْلَيْنَ أَنَا وَرَسُولِي

Victory here means that just as it is the desire of the Prophets and Messengers that God's decree is fulfilled in the world and no one can counter it, like wise God demonstrates his truth with mighty signs. The truthfulness that they want to spread in the world, He causes its seeds to be sown by their own hands.

The completion of propagation of Islām was destined to take place in the time of the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him)

The Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him) says: God has written and decreed that He and His Messengers shall prevail. And since I am His Messenger and have been chosen by Him — even though I have not come with a new law or a new claim or a new name, rather I have come in the name of the Seal of the Prophets and have come as part of him and as his reflection — I say that just as this verse had proven true for every Prophet, from Adam to the Holy Prophet (May Allah's Blessings be upon him), so will it be proven true in my case.

Thus, the tree that Allāh wants to plant in every corner of the earth through the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him) is the tree of the Sharī'ah that was revealed to the Holy Prophet (May Allah's Blessings be upon him). The completion of propagation of Islām was destined to take place at the time of the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him). As the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him) says that God causes His Messengers to sow the seed for the truthfulness that He desires to be spread in the world. Likewise He has caused the seed of the completion of the propagation of Islām to be sown by the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him). And God should the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him) some of these seed's ripened fields in some areas. And now this seed's trees are spreading throughout the world through the institution of Khilāfat. In other words, the tree that God had caused to be sown at the hands of the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him) is now spreading in other countries. Just as farmers prepare plants in nurseries so that they can be taken anywhere and planted, in the same way, the nursery of the Promised Messiah's (May peace be upon him) knowledge of the Holy Qur'ān and its commentary and the message of Islām as he taught us is now being spread to the corners of the earth. And the world is falling in love with the beautiful teachings of Islām.

The message of Islām shall spread in the world through the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him)

Thus, there is no doubt that the message of Islām is bound to spread through the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him), and he was informed of this through various revelations. I have already mentioned the revelation *كَتَبَ اللَّهُ لِأَعْلِيَّيْنِ أَنَا وَمُرْسَلِي*. There is also the revelation:

ينصركم الله في الدين

“Allāh will help you in the matter of His faith.”

This means that the message you are spreading is also the message of God, which is Islām. Then there is the revelation

ينصرك الله من عنده

“Allāh will help you from Himself.”

Then there is the revelation:

“I shall make you famous with honour to the ends of the earth.”

This means that the Promised Messiah’s (May peace be upon him) honour will be established and it will be because of his propagation of the message of Islām and it shall be established by God. Then there is the famous revelation, “I shall cause thy message to reach the corners of the earth.” Everyone knows and states this revelation. There is no doubt that his message is bound to reach the whole world and that the world will know him as the true lover of the Holy Prophet (May Allah's Blessings be upon him) and a valiant champion. And so we see that Allāh is causing the message to be spread through MTA. As I have said before, that our means could never bear the load of running a 24-hour TV channel, broadcasting programs in various languages to every part of the world, my sermons being translated live into about seven languages while conveyed to the world. This is only the result of the promises that Allāh made to the Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him). And as a result of my sermons, programs and other programs of MTA, many pure-hearted people are entering the Jamā‘at.

If you desire a long life, then devote your life to your faith with sincerity

The Promised Messiah (May peace be upon him) says: People do not know the purpose of their lives. Some are only concerned with eating and drinking like animals. They only know how much meat to consume or what to wear etc. They do not care about anything else. When such people are apprehended, they meet their end at once. But those who remain busy in the service of their faith are granted respite until they have fulfilled their task. If a person wishes to have a long life, then, as far as possible, he

should devote his life to his faith. Remember, you cannot deceive God. He who tries to deceive God should remember that he only deceives himself and as a result he shall be ruined one day. Thus there is no better prescription for having a long life than that a person should, in all sincerity and fidelity, become engrossed in spreading the message of Islām and serving the faith. This prescription is even more potent today because the faith needs such sincere people. Otherwise, there is no guarantee of life and it can end aimlessly.

Bringing someone to the right path is far greater than owning a red camel

The advice that the Holy Prophet (May Allah's Blessings be upon him) gave to Ḥaḍrat Ali (May Allah be pleased with him) with regard to Tablīgh is also a golden guidance for us. The Holy Prophet (May Allah's Blessings be upon him) once said to Ḥaḍrat Ali (May Allah be pleased with him): “For a person to find guidance through you is far greater for you than to be given a fine red camel. Red camels in those days were considered a very precious thing to own and the one who owned them was considered very rich and powerful. Thus the Holy Prophet (May Allah's Blessings be upon him) said that the worldly riches are nothing as compared to spreading the message and becoming the means for someone’s guidance.

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

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

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