

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/National President  
Jamā‘at Ahmadīyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

**Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by *Ḥaḍrat Khalīfa-tul-Masīh V* (May Allāh be his Helper) on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021 from Mubarak Mosque Islāmabad, Tilford, UK.**

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) recited verses 3-4 of *Sūrah Al-Jumu‘a*, which are as follows:

هُوَ الَّذِي بَعَثَ فِي الْأُمِّيِّينَ رَسُولًا مِنْهُمْ يَتْلُو عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِهِ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَإِنْ كَانُوا مِنْ قَبْلُ لَفِي ضَلَالٍ مُّبِينٍ۔ وَأَخْرَجَ مِنْهُمْ لَمَّا يَلْحَقُوا بِهِمْ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ۔

*“He it is Who has raised among the Unlettered people a Messenger from among themselves who recites unto them His Signs, and purifies them, and teaches them the Book and wisdom, although they had been, before, in manifest misguidance; And among others from among them who have not yet joined them. He is the Mighty, the Wise.”*

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: A few days ago it was March 23<sup>rd</sup>, the day on which the Ahmadīyya Jamā‘at was founded. Each year this day should remind us that, in keeping with the prophecies of the Holy Qur’ān and the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him), the purpose of the advent of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) was to revive the faith and to spread the true teachings of Islām to the whole world. In order to accomplish this important mission, we, who claim to have made pledge of allegiance to the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), are duty-bound to employ all our capabilities towards this end. We have to re-acquaint lost mankind with God and to remind them to fulfil their obligations towards one another. First of all, however, we need to reform our own selves.

Today, I would like to quote some writings of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) in which he outlines the need and purpose of his advent and cites past prophecies that serve as proof of the truth of his claim. He also speaks of how his Jamā‘at is undergoing a holy transformation and bearing hardships just the like the Sahāba of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him). We need to remember all this so that we can prosper as a Jamā‘at.

Explaining the verse of the Holy Qur’ān that I have recited, the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says: The crux of this verse is that God is the One Who sent His Messenger at a time when people had become devoid of knowledge and wisdom. The Messenger purified their souls and bestowed upon them knowledge of the Book and wisdom. Then it says that another people will appear in the latter days of the world who will also be engrossed in darkness and misguidance and will be devoid of knowledge and wisdom and faith; but, then, God will cause them to become like the Sahāba in their sincerity and devotion.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: After pledging *Bai'at* to the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), we should have the same strength of faith in Allāh and the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) and Islām and in the truth of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) as the Sahāba had. These days I am relating accounts regarding the Sahāba and they should serve as role models for us.

The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says: The meaning of this verse is that there are two groups of people who will receive guidance and wisdom after they had gone astray: The first of these were the Sahāba of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him), and the second are the followers of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), because, like the Sahāba of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him), they too are witnesses to the miracles of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him). Today, after thirteen hundred years, the door of the miracles of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) has opened once again. People have witnessed the lunar and solar eclipses in the month of Ramaḍān and have seen the Great Comet. Similarly, the spread of the Plague, to be barred from the Hajj, the establishment of the railways and the consequent abandonment of the camels, all these are miracles of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) that have been witnessed in this age. Our Jamā'at has an extraordinary affinity with the Sahāba because we suffer mockery and ridicule and abuse in the way of Allāh just as the Sahāba did.

The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says: In this age, God Almighty has decided to unite the different sects into one and to eliminate religious conflicts and gather all people under one religion. The Holy Qur'ān mentions many signs of these latter days, such as the construction of canals, the discovery of minerals, the progress of terrestrial sciences, the abandonment of camels, the proliferation of books, the discovery of easy ways of communication, the eclipse of the moon and the sun, the spread of the Plague, etc. It should be very enlightening for the wise that God has sent me at a time when all the signs written in the Holy Qur'ān have been fulfilled.

The mission of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) is to end the conflict and to make Islām triumphant through pen, prayers and great concentration. Unfortunately, people do not grasp this fact and they are more focused on materialism of this world than their faith. Being engrossed in the impurities of this world, how can they hope to gain the in depth knowledge of the Holy Qur'ān? The sole purpose of my advent is to revive and support Islām. The Sharia and Prophethood have come to an end with the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him). However, the blessings and bounties of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) and the fruits of the teachings and guidance of the Holy Qur'ān have not come to an end. God has sent me to support and guide the Muslims at a time when they are weak and in decline.

Referring to persecution by the opponents, the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says: I do not regret that I am called the antichrist and a liar or that I am slandered, rather It was appropriate that I should have been treated like the Messengers before me. I, for my part, have not suffered even a fraction of the hardship that the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) had to go through.

The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says: I have presented the perfect path that will cause Islām to prevail over other religions. If you call me a liar and an impostor, even after seeing the signs that He has shown in my support, then I challenge you to show me the example of an impostor who continuously received Divine support. I swear by God that I am truthful. God helps me in every lawsuit, saves me from every calamity, and has instilled love for me in the hearts of hundreds of thousands of people.

If I was not of the ummah of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him) and was not among his followers, then, even if my good deeds were equal to all the mountains of the world put together, I would never have had the honour of receiving Divine word and discourse. This is because all Prophetic dispensations, with exception of the dispensation of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's Blessings be upon him), have come to an end. The task that God has entrusted to me is to remove the estrangement that has come about between God and His creatures and to re-establish a relationship of love and devotion.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: May Allāh enable all the people of the world, particularly the Muslims, to comprehend this truth and to understand the claim of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) so that they may soon pledge allegiance to the Messiah and Mahdī.

At the end of the sermon, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) once again appealed for prayers for the Aḥmadīs of Pakistan and Algeria. In Pakistan incidents are taking place on an almost daily basis. Similarly, the intentions of some government officials in Algeria do not look good. May Allāh protect every Aḥmadī in every country of the world. Aḥmadīs should also strive to submit before Allāh and fulfil their obligations towards His creatures. May Allāh enable us all to do so.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

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Additional Wakīlut Tabshīr

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