

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/National President
Jamā'at Ahmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by *Hadrat Khalīfa-tul-Masīh V* (May Allāh be his Helper) on 27th May 2022 at Mubarak Mosque Islāmabad, Tilford, UK.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Today is 27th May. In our Jamā'at, this day is known as Youm-e-Khilāfat or Khilāfat Day. Each year we hold Youm-e-Khilāfat Jalsas on or around this date, but why do we do so? We must keep the answer to this question in mind at all times and encourage our children to reflect on it as well.

This began on 27th May 1908, when Allāh, in accordance with His promises, bestowed His grace on us and established the institution of Khilāfat in Jamā'at Ahmadiyya. Allāh had given the glad tiding to the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) about the progress of the Jamā'at which He fulfilled on this day. Where on one hand the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) was preparing Jamā'at about his demise, at the same time he foretold that his Community would grow and flourish as Allāh has promised.

The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) described the journey of Khilāfat from his time to the latter days.

"تَكُونُ النَّبِيُّ فِيكُمْ مَا شَاءَ اللّٰهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ، ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا، ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَيَّ مِنْهَاجِ النَّبِيِّ، فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللّٰهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ، ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ اللّٰهُ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا، ثُمَّ تَكُونُ مَلِكًا عَاصِمًا، فَيَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللّٰهُ أَنْ يَكُونَ، ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا، ثُمَّ تَكُونُ مَلِكًا جَبْرِيَّةً، فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللّٰهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ، ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا، ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَيَّ مِنْهَاجِ نَبِيِّيَ" ثُمَّ سَكَتَ،

Prophethood will remain in you as long as Allāh wills i.e. the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) will remain among the Companions as long as Allāh so desires, then Allāh will take it away and Khilāfat on the precept of Prophethood will be established i.e. the Righteous Khilāfat will be established which will follow completely in the footsteps of Prophethood, then, when Allāh so wills, He will take it away.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: In the context of my recent sermons about the Companions of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him), it has become absolutely clear that all the Khulafā' selflessly followed the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) and made the Holy Qur'ān their guide. In other words, they tried to follow in the footsteps of Prophethood.

The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) further said: According to God's destiny, a tyrannical regime will be established which will make people anxious and fearful. When this period comes to an end then, according to His second destiny, an even more oppressive reign will be established. Finally, Allāh's mercy will be roused and He

will put an end to this period of oppression, and Khilāfat on the path of Prophethood will be established. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) then fell silent.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: This silence of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) indicates that this period will extend for a long time. Those who think it to mean that Khilāfat will come to an end after the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) are wrong. The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) himself made it clear that this is an ongoing Khilāfat and that the promises made to him by God are bound to be fulfilled. Heaven and earth can waver but Divine promises cannot be stopped from being fulfilled.

The manner in which members pledged Bai'at to Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ I (May Allāh be pleased with him) was nothing but a demonstration of Divine help and support. Thereafter, during the election of the second Khalīfa, despite the mischief and discord caused by some opponents, the members of the Community pledged allegiance to Ḥaḍrat Mirzā Mahmood Aḥmad Sahib (May Allāh be pleased with him) as the Second Khalīfa. The world then witnessed just how quickly the Community continued to progress. Mission houses were opened around the world, mosques were constructed, literature was disseminated, and the mission with which the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) was commissioned continued to flourish. Then, in the time of the Third Khilāfat, Allāh blessed the Community with further progress despite a severe attack by the government of the time. Those who claimed that they would reduce the Jamā'at to carry a begging bowl, themselves departed this world in a pitiable state. Later, new avenues of progress opened during the era of the Fourth Khilāfat and Allāh demonstrated new signs of His aid and support and new doors were opened for the spreading of Islām. Those who sought to cut the hands of the Khalīfa had their own hands cut and their body parts scattered in the air, but the Community never stopped making progress. The scope of missionary work greatly increased and MTA was launched through which the message of the Community started reaching every home.

Allāh has also manifested His aid and support during the Fifth Khilāfat and new avenues have opened for propagating the message of Islām and completing the mission of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him). In the beginning there was only one channel of MTA, but now there are eight channels. Programmes are being translated into different languages of the world and MTA now reaches all parts of the earth that it could previously not reach. The message of Aḥmadiyyat and the true Islām has started to reach people living in these countries in their local languages, and thus hundreds of thousands of pious natured people have been able to accept Aḥmadiyyat. Aside from MTA and radio programmes, Allāh has guided people Himself and enabled them to accept Aḥmadiyyat through dreams and literature.

If we study the history of Aḥmadiyyat, we find many instances during the lifetime of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) of how Allāh Himself guided people to accept the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), and how this continued in the era of all the Khulāfā'. This was a result of the promises vouchsafed to the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) by Allāh. The same has been true in the Fifth Khilāfat. Allāh is continuing to open new

avenues for Tablīgh and is opening the hearts of more and more people to listen to and accept the message of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), which is the message of true Islām. These incidents speak of pure Divine support, otherwise, those people would never have believed through any human effort. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) cited several instances where Allāh turned people's hearts toward Islām and Aḥmadiyyat, made the truth of Aḥmadiyyat manifest to them, and instilled its love in their hearts.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: As long as every Aḥmadī remains attached to Khilāfat, they will continue to inherit the blessings of Allāh. To achieve this, we must mould our actions according to the teachings of God. Allāh has promised that those whose faith is accompanied by actions in keeping with God's teachings will continue to reap the blessings of Khilāfat. Every Aḥmadī should have a connection of sincerity and loyalty with Khilāfat. Only those people who truly fulfil the pledge of Bai'at rise to this level. When this is achieved, we will truly commemorate Khilāfat Day.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: I would like to announce that today the Ghana Jamā'at is commencing its Jalsa Sālāna at Bustan-e-Aḥmad. The Ghana Jamā'at was established in 1921 through *Maulana Abdul Rahim Nayyar Sahib*. Last year, the Jamā'at wished to celebrate its centenary but was unable to do so because of COVID. They have now decided to hold these programmes during 2022-23. May Allāh make their Jalsa blessed in every way and continue to increase Aḥmadīs there in sincerity and loyalty. Similarly, the three-day Jalsa Sālāna of The Gambia Jamā'at is also commencing today. May Allāh bless it as well in every aspect. *Amīn*.

Jazākumullāh
Wassalām,

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