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Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by *Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīh* V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 26th May 2023 at *Mubārak* Mosque *Islāmabād*, Tilford, UK.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: After receiving the news from Allāh that the time for his departure from this world was near, the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) addressed his Jamā'at with these words: Allāh manifests two kinds of Power. First He shows the Hand of His Power at the hands of His Prophets themselves. Second, when with the death of a Prophet, difficulties and problems arise and the enemy feels stronger and thinks that things are in disarray and is convinced that now this Jama'at will become extinct and even members of the Jamā'at, too, are in a quandary and their backs are broken, and some of the unfortunate ones choose paths that lead to apostasy, then it is that God for the second time shows His Mighty Power and supports and takes care of the shaken Jama'at. Thus one who remains steadfast till the end witnesses this miracle of God. This is what happened at the time of Hadrat Abu Bakr (May Allāh be pleased with him), when the demise of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) was considered untimely and many an ignorant Bedouin turned apostate. The companions of the Holy Prophet (May Allah's blessings be upon him), too, stricken with grief, became like those who lose their senses. Then Allāh raised Abu Bakr (May Allāh be pleased with him) and showed for the second time the manifestation of His Power and saved Islām, just when it was about to fall, and fulfilled the promise which was spelled out in the verse:

وَلَيُمَكِّنَنَّ لَهُمْ دِيْنَهُمُ الَّذِي الْتَضْي لَهُمْ وَلَيُبَدِّلَنَّهُمْ مِّنُّ بَعْدِ خَوْفِهمْ أَمْنًا

That is, after the fear We shall firmly re-establish them. That is also what happened at the time of Moses (Peace be upon him), when he died on his way from Egypt to *Kin'an* before taking the Israelites to the intended destination in accordance with the promise. At his [Moses's] death Israelites were plunged into deep mourning. It is written in Torah that with the grief at this untimely death and sudden departure of Moses (Peace be upon him), the Israelites wept for forty days.

The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says: For it is essential for you to witness the second Manifestation also, and its Coming is better for you because it is everlasting the continuity of which will not end till the Day of Judgement. And that second Manifestation cannot come unless I depart. But when I depart, God will send that second Manifestation for you which shall always stay with you just as promised by God in *Barāhīne Aḥmadīyya*.

Accordingly, upon the passing of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), Allāh fulfilled His promise by unifying the Jamā'at under the leadership of Ḥaḍrat *Maulāna Nūr-ud-Dīn* (May Allāh be pleased with him). Despite attempts by some individuals to retain control, Ḥaḍrat *Maulāna Nūr-ud-Dīn* (May Allāh be pleased with him) decisively quelled all dissent.

He was succeeded by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ II (May Allāh be pleased with him), and once again, the hypocrites sought to sow discord within the Jamā'at. However, Allāh united the believers under a single leadership, thwarting the opponents and preventing them from achieving their nefarious objectives. The demise of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ II (May Allāh be pleased with him) was followed by the third and then the fourth *Khilāfat*.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: After this, Allāh placed this responsibility upon me, and in keeping with His promise to the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), ensured the progress of the Jamā'at. Despite the countless efforts of the enemy to sow discord among us and their martyring of Aḥmadīs and tempting them with worldly allurements, Allāh has continued to strengthen Aḥmadīs in their faith and conviction. The connection that Aḥmadī Muslims have with *Khilāfat* can only be established by Allāh, and no one has the power to separate anyone from Allāh or from *Khilāfat*. I receive thousands of letters expressing unwavering love and devotion to *Khilāfat*. Today, I will share a few examples of how Allāh draws people's attention to *Khilāfat* and instils its love in their hearts.

A *Mu'allim* from Tanzania writes that one day after the *Fajr* prayer he noticed a woman on the steps of the mosque. She said that she had come to seek prayers, as is customary among non-Aḥmadīs. He took the opportunity to enlighten her about the teachings of the Jamā'at and also prayed for her. The woman said that she had been having dreams in which a man with beard would impart religious knowledge to her. Subsequently, she was introduced to Aḥmadīyyat and shown photographs of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) and of the *Khulāfā*. Upon seeing the photograph of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), she exclaimed, "This is the same holy man who appears in my dreams!"

Mr 'Abdullah, from Indonesia, had connection with the Jamā'at. Due to his close association with our missionary, the adversaries defamed him and forbade him from entering their mosque. In a dream, Mr 'Abdullah found himself trapped in a treacherous whirlpool. Later, he came across a photograph of Ḥaḍrat Mirzā Ghulam Aḥmad (Peace be upon him) and said that this was the holy man who had saved him from the whirlpool in his dream. His son also experienced a similar dream. Then, upon seeing the images of the Third and Fourth Khulāfā of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), they recognized these individuals as the ones who had appeared in their dreams as their saviours. Subsequently, Mr. 'Abdullah and his family pledged Bai'at.

Prior to embracing Aḥmadīyyat, a woman from Mali had a dream where she heard two distinct voices. One voice was reciting verses of the Holy Qur'ān, while the other voice belonged to a local *Mu'allim*. Later, when she listened to my sermons and other programs on the Jamā'at's radio, she immediately recognized that they were the same voices she had heard in her dream. As a result, she made the decision to pledge *Bai'at*.

A young man from Cameroon says that a few years ago he saw two holy men in his dream. A few days later, he happened to meet a young man distributing Aḥmadīyya pamphlets in the market. The pamphlet contained a photograph of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), whom he at once recognized as one of the persons he had seen in his dream. Intrigued, he contacted the Jamā'at and read our literature. He then came across another picture that caught his attention. It was the photograph of the current *Khalīfa*, who had instructed him in his dream to offer prayers. When the chief of the locality passed away, this young man was appointed as the new chief of the area. He believes that all these blessings came his way because he accepted Aḥmadīyyat.

Ayesha Maria, from Guinea-Bissau, witnessed her two sons embracing Aḥmadīyyat. However, her elder brother, who financially supported the family, strongly opposed the Jamā'at and warned that if they did not abandon Aḥmadīyyat, he would sever ties and withdraw his support. Undeterred, her sons bravely declared, "Allāh is sufficient for us; we will not abandon Aḥmadīyyat." Two days later, Ayesha had a dream in which she saw a man with beard dressed in white reassuring her that her sons would always remain dominant. In the morning, she visited the missionary and, upon seeing my photograph, exclaimed that it was the same holy man from her dream. After pledging Bai'at she has become an enthusiastic and active member of the Jamā'at.

One day, *Muḥammad 'Abdi*, of Kenya, came to our centre to pray and was introduced to the Jamā'at and its teachings. A few days later, he visited the home of our missionary where he saw my sermon being broadcasted on MTA. After the sermon concluded, he expressed his sincere desire to pledge *Bai'at*. When asked why, he explained that upon awakening during the previous night, he had found himself standing in the courtyard where he witnessed a luminous object in the sky that left a profound impact on him, evoking a sense of awe and reverence. He said that listening to the sermon had brought completion and clarity to his vision from the previous night. Therefore, he made the decision to join the Jamā'at along with his entire family.

After attentively listening to my sermons on MTA, Mr *Ibrahīm*, of Sierra Leone, proclaimed that the teachings propagated by the so called Muslim scholars were false because he had himself witnessed the *Imām* of the Aḥmadīyya Jamā'at citing verses from the Holy Qur'ān and sharing *Aḥādīth* in his sermons. Moreover, he knew that Aḥmadīs recite the same *Kalima* as other Muslims. Thus, Mr *Ibrahīm* realized that the Aḥmadīyya Jamā'at could not be labelled as false. Having embraced this truth, he wholeheartedly accepted Aḥmadīyyat.

Amīr Ṣāḥib writes from the Democratic Republic of Congo that, in addition to the Jamā'at's own radio station, out programs and Friday sermons are broadcasted on 23 different radio stations across the country. A local Christian doctor said that he diligently listens to these sermons and requested they be translated into the local language so that they could reach a wider audience. It is thus that Allāh is facilitating the dissemination of the message of Islām and Aḥmadīyyat.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) related several more incidents from countries such as Trinidad, Kyrgyzstan, Paraguay, and Bangladesh, and said that a time will come when people's hearts will be opened and they will recognize Aḥmadīyyat. The blessings of *Khilāfat* will endure forever. These examples serve as undeniable evidence of Allāh's unwavering support for *Khilāfat* and the truth of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), who was sent as the servant of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) to unite the world under one Jamāʿat. Despite facing challenging circumstances, it is solely the Aḥmadīyya *Khilāfat* that actively carries out the crucial task of propagating Islām globally, which serves as a practical testament to Allāh's constant backing. In alignment with Allāh's promises and the prophecies of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him), this *Khilāfat* will continue to emulate the model of prophethood until the Day of Judgment, remaining steadfast and invincible against any adversaries. Therefore, you need to strengthen your faith, stay connected with the institution of *Khilāfat*, and never hesitate to make any sacrifices for its sake. *Wassalām*,

Abdul Majid Tahir Additional Wakīlut Tabshīr ISLĀMABAD (UK) Dated: 30 May 2023