



Friday Sermon Slides

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Summary

- Huzur gave a discourse on the Divine attribute of Al Matin (The Strong).
- Al Matin Allah came to the help of persecuted Muslims at the time of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)
- Powerful enemies of Islam were destroyed during the battle of Badr
- Al Matin Allah showed his might against enemies of Islam during the time of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace)
- Al Matin Allah is in operation today and will deal with enemies at the appointed time
- Our job is to seek Allah's help with prayers
- Huzur (aba)urged for special prayers for the stability of Pakistan.

Huzur (aba) explained Al Matin (The Strong)

Huzur (aba) said the word Matin has been mentioned in the Holy Qur'an three times, in Surah Al A'raf, Surah Al Dhariyat and Surah Al Qalam.

In each instance the word describes this Divine quality along with the wretched ending of those who reject the Truth.

Huzur (aba) explained that the word Matin is used for people as well as for God, connoting similar meanings although for God its scope is expansive.

A person with a strong back is called *matin*

The muscles surrounding the backbone are also referred to as *matin*.

The word also means something solid, again, a physically robust person with a strong back.

Al-Matin

For God the word signifies a Being Who has power and is Strong, it signifies a Being that is so Strong, fatigue or tiredness, is unknown to Him.

Huzur (aba) explained the key message

Huzur (aba) said the Meccans rejected God's signs and relentlessly persecuted the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) and his companions putting them in extremely agonising conditions.

God consoled the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) that He is Matin, His reckoning is unyielding and the enemy would not escape it.

Huzur (aba) explained that during the Battle of Badr arrogant Meccans were defeated by Allah

وَالَّذِينَ كَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا
سَنَسْتَدْرِجُهُم مِّنْ حَيْثُ لَا
يَعْلَمُونَ

And those who reject Our Signs, We will draw them
to destruction step by step in a manner which they
do not know.

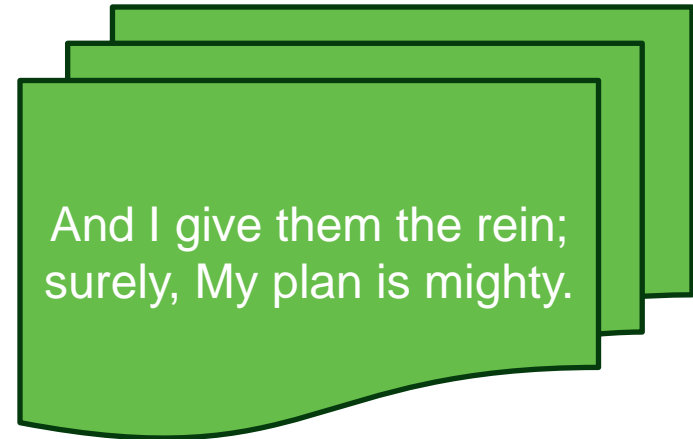
Chapter 7, Verse 183

Al Matin

By virtue of His attribute Al Matin, God seizes those
who transgress against His beloved Prophets.



Chapter 7, Verse 184



Al Matin

God's informs Prophets of the specific way of how He would seize their opponents, just as God informed the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) during the Battle of Badr of the specific spots where some of the chiefs of the enemy would fall.

فَذَرْنِي وَمَنْ يُكَدِّبُ
بِهَذَا الْحَدِيثِ
سَنَسْتَدْرِجُهُمْ مِّنْ
حَيْثُ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ

Chapter 68, Verse 45

So leave Me *alone* with those who reject this word of Ours. We shall draw them *near to destruction* step by step from whence they know not.

Al Matin

Human thought cannot reach the ways and means through which God arranges chastisement of the enemies of His beloveds.

The aforementioned verses explain that those who reject God's signs will be seized in a way that will take them by utter surprise.

The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) was thus assured not to be concerned by their rejection.

God told him that they will not succeed in driving the believers away, their matter was to be left with God Who is the Master of all powers.

His retribution would be so forceful that it would serve as a deterrent.

The respite given to enemies is an opportunity in case they reformed themselves.

Al Matin

Everything is in God's powers and that is why He has no haste. He would destroy them when He so wished.

Al Matin and the Battle of Badr

God's attribute of Matin came into force during the Battle of Badr as a great manifestation of His rebuke for those who persecuted and mistreated His beloved.

Two arch enemies, Atba and Abu Jahl, who considered themselves to be very powerful, met their wretched end in this battle.

Abu Jahl a Pharaoh-like figure was killed by two Ansari youths. His last words were to the effect that if only he had not been killed by the hands of farmers.

Huzur (aba) explained that the inhabitants of Medina were looked down upon by Meccans and were referred to as farmers and here their leader was killed by farming youths!

Al Matin and the Battle of Badr



- Twenty four Meccan chiefs were killed during the Battle of Badr . The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) instructed their communal burial.

During the burial, he addressed the dead asking if they had found fulfilment of God's promise, for he had indeed seen God's promise fulfilled.

Upon this Hadhrat Umer (may Allah be pleased with him) asked why was the Prophet addressing the dead men.

- **The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) replied that the dead men could indeed hear him from where they were.**

Al Matin and King of Persia

The King of Persia tried to attack the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) and God seized him through his son.

Shortly afterwards, the kingdom of Persia came into the hands of the Muslims.

It is a sign of God's power and strength that at the appointed time, He makes the weak overcome the strong.

God does provide the enemies of truth opportunities to reform

During the migration of the Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) from Mecca to Medina, there were three such occasions where, had the enemy stopped to think about the Power that was helping the Prophet, they would have realised that the same Power could also punish them.

1. The Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) was able to leave his house while Meccans were standing guard.

2. When the Prophet (peace be upon him) hid in the cave with Hadhrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him) the pursuers came to the mouth of the cave but on seeing the spider's web there, they did not enter.

3. During the migration journey the Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) reached Medina safely despite Meccan's efforts

وَلَا يَحْسَبَنَّ الَّذِينَ
كَفَرُوا أَنَّمَا نُؤْتِيهِمْ
خَيْرٌ لِّأَنفُسِهِمْ إِنَّمَا
نُؤْتِيهِمْ لِيُزِدُوا إِثْمًا
وَلَهُمْ عَذَابٌ مُّهِينٌ

Chapter 3, Verse 179

Huzur (aba) explained that while God gives respite so that the pious natured people may be identified, it also increases some in their evil ways.

And let not the disbelievers think that Our granting them respite is good for them; *the result of Our granting them respite will only be that they will increase in sin; and they shall have a humiliating punishment.*

Al Matin

It is then that the chastisement of the Most Powerful and Strong God comes and crushes the evil-doers to smithereens.

God's attribute of **Matin** is in operation today

وَأْمَلَى لَهُمْ إِنَّ
كَيْدِي مَتِينٌ

And I give them the rein; surely, My plan is mighty.

Huzur (aba) explained that God will destroy them. Today, those who make dreadful allegations against the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) will be punished in a way that is beyond our imagination.

- God revealed to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace), 'They plan and Allah plans and Allah is the Best of planners. Then He will attack the planners.'
- (Tadhkirah p. 326).

God's attribute of Matin is in operation today

God certainly seized many enemies of Islam in the era of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace). God has used different ways and means for His punishment in different eras.

However, our task is to use the weapon of prayer.

It was through this very weapon that Lekh Ram, Abdullah Atham and Dowie met their wretched ends.

Today, those who deride the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) and who use abusive language against him are inviting God's wrath.

Indeed high level of sacrifice absorbs God's blessings

The Prophet (peace and blessings be on him) was granted the capacity to make sacrifices of supremely excellent levels that surpass human thinking, but such is the outstanding blessed model that he set for us.

Allah rewarded his patience and sacrifice and sons of the staunch enemies of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) became his devotees.

The fathers of Ikrama, Khalid Bin Waleed and Umer bin Aas were sworn enemies of Islam.

Allah placed the offspring of these fiercest enemies of Islam, who used to taunt the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) for being without a son, in his embrace.

- Huzur (aba) read a lengthy extract from the august writings of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) highlighting how God helps His chosen people through adversity and hard times and how His promises are fulfilled at the appointed time in their favour.

**The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) was given a revelation of
'Surely, it is thy enemy who is without issue.'**

And the world witnessed how God annihilated his enemies and we continue to witness the same.

Is all this not a fulfilment of this? Most certainly it is.

Ahmadis should reflect on this and should engage in more prayers for fulfilment of God's promises.

- Huzur (aba) mentioned a vision of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) showing him that final victory belongs to Islam
- This success will continue till the day of Judgement

These visions and revelations will come true at the appointed time

Victory of Ahmadiyyat

Huzur (aba) prayed that may God continue to show us manifestations of Ahmadiyyat, the true Islam, with prayers, sacrifices and strength of faith.

Huzur (aba); Special prayers



- Huzur (aba) urged for special prayers for the stability of Pakistan.
- **He prayed that may God save the country for the sake of Ahmadiyyat for we have played a great role in its formation.**

Those who are the source of disorder in the country did not ever take part in its making and in the name of Islam and honour of the country they are in pursuit to break it up.

- **May God soon bring about the chastisement of these enemies of the country and may He save our country. Ameen.**