

Friday Sermon Slides

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Summary

- Huzur (aba) explained the divine attribute of *Al Wali* , the Friend, the Helper
- ***Al Wali* Allah is the Helper of believers and fulfils their needs in the face of trials and adversity. No trial, enemy or power can damage Al Wali Allah's true friends i.e. believers**
- From every trial, believers emerge more successful while disbelievers progressively decline to darkness and oblivion
- **Huzur (aba) urged Muslims not to insist on disbelieving in Allah's prophet and Imam of this age and make clear their concept of finality of prophet from Islamic literature of earlier times**
- Allah, Who promises to swiftly handle those who forge divine revelations, vowed and continues to help Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) after his claims, a clear evidence of truthfulness of the Imam of our age.
- **Indeed Allah is the excellent Protector and excellent Helper**

Among the Divine attributes, one is *Al Wali*
(The Friend).

According to lexicon it means, a helper, a Being that takes care of all matters of the entire universe and all creation.

It also connotes a friend who is compliant.

God is the Helper of believers and fulfils their needs

Al Wali

According to lexicon *waliullah* is one who is a friend of God, that is, in His complete subservience.

اللَّهُ وَلِيُّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا يُخْرِجُهُم مِّنَ
الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا
أَوْلِيَهُمُ الطَّاغُوتُ يُخْرِجُونَهُم مِّنَ
النُّورِ إِلَى الظُّلُمَاتِ أُولَئِكَ أَصْحَابُ النَّارِ
هُمْ فِيهَا خَالِدُونَ

Chapter 2 , Verse 258

Allah is the friend of those who believe: He brings them out of every *kind* of darkness into light. And those who disbelieve, their friends are the transgressors who bring them out of light into every *kind* of darkness. These are the inmates of the Fire; therein shall they abide.

Al Wali (The Friend)

Huzur (aba) explained the message

Truth is that God is the Friend of those who believe and continue to progress in their faith.

God thus declares here that He will bless those who believe, with spiritual and physical success individually as well as a community and will liberate them from troubles.

This promise is conditional to efforts of continued spiritual advancement after the initial belief.

Those who abide by God's commandments, God truly becomes their Friend and nothing can destroy them

Al Wali; No one can destroy Allah's true friend



God states that a believer does go through difficulties and has to endure loss of life, property and children.

It should be remembered that when a believer has firm faith in God, he/she keeps a communal perspective.

A personal sacrifice in the cause of faith becomes a source of collective progress

In the days of early Islam the colossal sacrifices of small number of Muslims in the face of relentless persecution increased them in faith and communal progress.

The persecution did not stop other pious-souls to come into the fold of Islam

Al Wali; No one can destroy Allah's true friend; Early Islam

They had to emigrate from their homeland and this opened doors of even more progress in number and fiscal terms.

Until the time came when the once-fierce enemy was subjugated by the Muslims.

Al Wali; No one can destroy Allah's true friend; **Ahmadiyyat after the troubles of 1974**

Ahmadies
emigrated to all
over the world

They progressed
financially and
academically

It enhanced the
overall
achievements of
the community

This should take each
Ahmadi closer to God
and enhance them in
faith

God has proven to be The
Friend, it is up to us now
to prove ourselves to also
be His true servants

Al Wali is a Friend and a Helper.

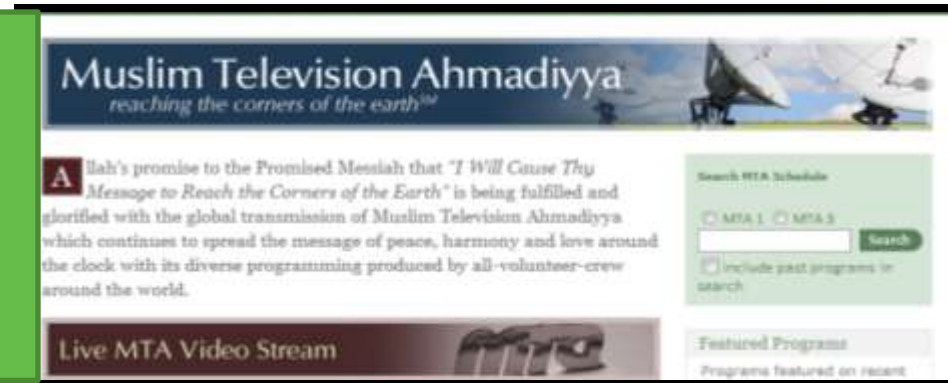
God has been a real Friend and has bestowed us with success.

Al Wali; No one can destroy Allah's true friend; Ahmadiyyat after 1984

When our enemies tried to restrict us in 1984, our God, our Friend and Helper, the Being Who has power over everything, helped Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih IV (may Allah have mercy on him) in a way that no worldly friend could.



The Community progressed amazingly and through the medium of MTA, one voice of guidance could be heard simultaneously throughout the world.



ذٰلِكَ بِاَنَّ اللّٰهَ مَوْلٰى
الَّذِيْنَ اٰمَنُوْا وَّ اَنَّ
الْكٰفِرِيْنَ لَا مَوْلٰى
لَهُمْ

Chapter 47, Verse 12

That is because Allah is the Protector of those who believe, and as for the disbelievers, there is no protector for them.

Allah is not a protector of disbelievers

Those who do not believe are destined to move towards darkness, thus relating in principle that they are Satan's associates.

Huzur (aba) explained the key principle

Those who do not believe and reject Prophets of God tumble down in darkness; Satan fills them with rancour and malice and God declares that their end is very bad

Those who rejected the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him), digressed from all good deeds and were eventually destroyed. Abul Hakam became Abul Jahl. His friend was none other than Satan. While a true friend of Allah, an African slave progressed to the status of *Syeddna Bilal*

Similarly those who rejected the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) were taken over by darkness whereas those previously ignorant, most notorious and corrupt, in accordance to God's promise, progressed in spiritually after accepting him.

وَأَنَّ الْكَافِرِينَ لَا
مَوْلَىٰ لَهُمْ

and as for the disbelievers,
there is no protector for them

This is serious food for thought for the
Muslims.

Those who do not believe [the Promised
Messiah] will meet a similar fate as those who
rejected the earlier Prophets.

Chapter 47, Verse 12

Huzur (aba) explained

Muslim scholars admit that they are
going through decline and acknowledge
that somewhere along the line they have
displeased God.

There is still time for them to accept the
Imam of the age, take the salutation of
the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings
of Allah be on him) to him.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن
تَنصُرُوا اللَّهَ يَنصُرْكُمْ
وَيُثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَكُمْ

Chapter 47 , Verse 8

O ye who believe! if you help *the cause of Allah*, He will help you and will make your steps firm.

This verse counsels the Muslims of the era after the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) that it is obligatory on them to help the religion of God and this alone will give them God's help in return.

Al Wali; help Allah to be helped by Allah

In particular during the time of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace), when revival of faith is to take place, it is their absolute obligation to help.

Huzur (aba) invited Muslims today to revive their fortunes by accepting the Imam of the age and enjoined Muslims to focus on the concept of finality of prophethood.

Huzur (aba) stressed that there is the Islamic literature that supports the evidence that the door to prophethood is not closed.

Khatamun Nabiyyeen; Writings of great Muslim Scholars

If people reflected on the verses of the Holy Qur'an and these references everything would come to light.

Hadhrat A'ishah (may Allah be pleased with her) said that you may say that the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) is *Khatamun Nabiyyeen* but do not say that there will be no prophet after him.

In his book, *'Futûhât al-Makkigya'*, **Hadhrat Muhigudin ibn Arabi** said that the prophethood that was finalized on the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) was the law-bearing prophethood, however a prophet, who is in complete subordination of the Shariah (religious law) of Islam, can come in the future

Hadhrat Imam Sherrani wrote in *'Al Yawaqeeet wal Jowahar'* that the Hadith of *'la nabi ba'adi'* signifies that there will be no law-bearing prophet after me.

With reference to the Hadith of *'la nabi ba'adi'* (there is no prophet after me) **Hadhrat Muhigudin ibn Arabi** wrote that the connotation of this Hadith is exactly the same as the implication of the saying of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) 'when this Kaiser will be killed there will be no other Kaiser'.

Khatamun Nabiyyeen; Writings of Muslim Scholars

Hadhrat Mullah Ali Qari wrote in his book *'Mauzuat Kabir'* that the Holy Prophet's (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) saying that had Ibrahim (the Holy Prophet's infant son) survived, he would have been a prophet is not contrary to the belief of *Khatamun Nabiyyeen* (finality of prophethood) because the term *Khatamun Nabiyyeen* signifies that after the Prophet no such prophet can come who will abrogate his Shariah and who is not from his ummah.

وَلَوْ تَقَوَّلَ عَلَيْنَا بَعْضَ الْأَقَاوِيلِ
لَأَخَذْنَا مِنْهُ بِالْيَمِينِ

And if he had forged *and*
attributed any sayings to Us,
We would surely have seized
him by the right hand,

As evidence of truthfulness of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace),
Huzur argued that the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) continued to
enjoy clear Divine help and succour with him decades after he claimed to have
received Divine revelations.

**Al Wali ; Allah does not support anyone who forges lies of Divine
revelations**

ثُمَّ لَقَطْنَا مِنْهُ الْوَتِينَ

Chapter 69 , Verse 47

And then surely We
would have severed
his life-artery

Al Wali ; Allah does not support anyone who forges lies of Divine revelations

Allah the Exalted deals with those who forge lies on Allah swiftly, the community of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) continue to be successful for more than 100 years. This is not how Allah deals with liars!

فَمَا مِنْكُمْ مِّنْ أَحَدٍ عَنْهُ
حَاجِرِينَ

Chapter 69 , Verse 48

And not one of you could
have held Us off from
him.

In 1883
'Hearken,
there is no fear
on the friends
of Allah, nor
do they
grieve.'
(Tadhkirah p.
128).

'God is my
Guardian and
my
Providence.'

(Tadhkirah p.
479).

Al Wali ; Allah does not support anyone who forges lies of Divine revelations

It was on numerous occasions that God gave proof that He was a Friend of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace)

Allah the Exalted revealed to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace)

In 1886, the only way out of Qadian was through horse-driven carriage when God made this promise to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) in that small primitive village.

In 1886
'God...will
convey thy
message to
the ends of
the earth'.

Today, via MTA, his message is transmitted
to the world.

Al Wali: Allah the excellent Helper

نِعْمَ الْمَوْلَىٰ وَنِعْمَ النَّصِيرُ

Chapter 8 , Verse 41

What an excellent Protector
and what an excellent
Helper!

Our Protector is God and He demonstrates to us that He is also our Friend, Helper and Guardian at every step and continually blesses us with His grace.

Huzur (aba) announced the funeral Prayers in absentia

Zulfiqar Mansoor sahib was martyred by extremists in Quetta after kidnap and torture. He was a very active Khadim, naib qaid Khuddam and was an honest person. Two of his uncles had also been martyred in the past. His great-grandfather was a companion of the Promised Messiah.

Our friend from Egypt, Muhammad Ashwa sahib was an exemplary Ahmadi. He had a bond of ardent love with Khilafat. He was a pious, righteous person who worked extremely conscientiously and had great emotional devotion to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace). He was a lawyer and Huzur related the incident of his bai'at in detail. May God elevate his station and may He enable his family to stay firm on Ahmadiyyat.

Mian Rasul sahib from Okara, Pakistan. He was a Moosi, son of a companion of the Promised Messiah. He was possessed of extraordinary good qualities. Many non-Ahmadis attended his funeral Prayer and said that they felt as if they had been orphaned.

Zafar Ahmad Mansoor sahib was a missionary who had served in Western Africa. He was a very hard working person, Huzur knew him from childhood. May God keep them all in His protection.