

Friday Sermon Slides

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Depiction of the Quranic term 'Khaira Ummah' (best people)

Summary

- Citing verse 111 of Surah AI e Imran, Huzur gave a discourse on the depiction of the Quranic term 'Khaira Ummah' (best people).
- Muslims are Khaira Ummah, and have responsibilities in this regard to invite to do good, forbid evil and invite to Allah. Financial sacrifice is needed for this.
- Giving in the cause of Allah is a mean to purify wealth as well as to purify the self
- Tehrike Jadid is one of the monetary schemes initiated by Hadhrat
 Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) with the main objective of
 spreading the message of Islam outside India.
- Despite global economic crises, both the amount raised and number of contributors to Tehrike Jadid increased from last year
- May God keep this spirit of sacrifice alive in us and our next generation and may we continue to be the recipients of His blessings.



Chapter 3, Verse 111

You are the best people raised for the good of mankind; you enjoin what is good and forbid evil and believe in Allah. And if the People of the Book had believed, it would have surely been better for them. Some of them are believers, but most of them are disobedient.

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The key message of the verse; Khaira Ummah

Huzur (aba) said only Islam has got this distinct honour and until the Day of Judgement it will be only Islam that will retain this honour.

A true believer needs to ponder whether it is sufficient to simply feel a sense of pride

What exactly is the role of a Muslim in the last and final Shariah?

God expects and indeed commands a believer to do good works after believing. Huzur (aba) explained that the responsibility to serve does not entail serving any particular nation or body of people; it is for the whole mankind.





Chapter 15, Verse 10

Verily, We Ourself have sent down this Exhortation, and most surely We will be its Guardian.

Without doubt, being a Muslim is most significant, having believed in the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) and the last and complete Shariah.

Khaira Ummah





Huzur (aba) explained; 'Khaira Ummah'

A true believer needs to ponder whether it is sufficient to simply feel a sense of pride at this Divine declaration of being a Muslim

If God declared the Muslim Ummah as the 'Khiara Ummah' it comes with certain responsibilities

God expects and indeed commands a believer to do good works.



For the first few centuries [of Islam] the Muslims proved to the world that they were 'Khaira Ummah'.

They governed equitably over people of all religions

Their governance was firm on justice They spread the light of knowledge all over the world

They promoted good

They made an effort to eradicate evil

They did all they could for the good of mankind

Later, materialistic people with ulterior motives abandoned good and deprived themselves from being 'Khaira Ummah'.

Khaira Ummah and the Promised Messiah

God's promise to safeguard the Holy Qur'an was to bring about people who would put its teachings in practice.

Through their practices the glory of Islam was to be revived, the message of Islam was to be taken to the ends of the earth and service to humanity was to take place.

For this purpose, God sent the true and ardent devotee of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him), i.e. the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace), who brought back the faith of Islam restoring Muslims to be 'Khaira Ummah'.

The Khaira Ummah today

Huzur (aba) said that he recently witnessed on TV a Sunni and Shia scholar who were both impolite to one another

Such role models would provoke an ordinary Muslim to query who is included in the term 'Khaira Ummah'?

The answer to this is in what the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) has explained.

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said that when conflict between Muslims arises, God will send the Promised Messiah; accept him.



The Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) said about the Promised Messiah, go to see him even if you have to crawl on your knees through glaciers. Go to see him and give him my greetings. He alone will prove the superiority of Islam over other religions of the world.





Khaira Ummah and the Promised Messiah

Huzur (aba) said this puts a great responsibility on us to honour being 'Khaira Ummah.'



The Imam of the age has arrived

The Imam of the age came in perfect subservience and obedience of the Holy Prophet of Islam (peace and blessings of Allah be on him).

He was sent by God to dispense justice and only he has accurately explained and elucidated the Holy Qur'an.

The religion he taught was the religion of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him)

Ahmadis are 'Khaira Ummah' by virtue of following him

The survival of the entire Muslim Ummah is now in gathering on his hand.

The Promised
 Messiah (on
 whom be
 peace) was
 commanded
 by God to
 gather
 mankind on
 this religion.



Khaira Ummah and financial sacrifice

Chapter 22, Verse 42



- •By calling Muslims 'Khaira Ummah' a collective responsibility has been placed on them to work together. It is neither possible to have the means nor the knowledge to take on the objectives on an individual level.
- •Financial contributions for this purpose were instigated by the Prophets and the *Khulafa*.
- During *Khilafat e Rashida* (the Rightly Guided Khilafat) many schemes of monetary donations were followed. This practice was also adhered to by other Muslims.
- •In the era of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and his subsequent Khulafa these schemes continued.

Khaira Ummah and financial sacrifice

This practice will continue till the Day of Judgement. God has expounded in the Holy Qur'an that giving is a way to purify wealth as well as to purify the self.

Tehrike Jadid is one of the monetary schemes initiated by Hadhrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) with the main objective of spreading the message of Islam outside India.



Today the Community is either established or is blossoming in 193 countries of the world.



Jamia Ahmadiyya are established in Pakistan, UK, Canada, Indonesia, Bangladesh, Kenya and Ghana to train missionaries.



Mosques and Mission houses are built in the developing countries



Missionaries are sent around the world for training

Tehrike Jadid completes its 75 years and with the grace of God last year's contributions stand at £4,953,800, which is an increase of £850,000 from last year's total.

The number of new contributors to Tehrike Jadid last year was 90,000.

Huzur (aba) announced the commencement of the new year for Tehrike Jadid

The Community of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) demonstrated being 'Khaira Ummah'. It fills one's heart with praise of God Whose blessings on us are endless

Despite global economic crises, both the amount raised and number of contributors increased from last year





Tehrike Jadid: Special commendation

Top 10 contributing countries

- Pakistan
- 2. USA
- Germany
- 4. UK
- Canada,
- Indonesia
- 7. India
- Australia
- Belgium
- 10. Switzerland.

This year once again Pakistan, despite the poverty stands first in making the biggest contribution

India has shown the highest percent increase in contributions since last year

In USA 80% of under five-year-olds have now joined Tehrike Jadid.



In Pakistan the first three big contributors are the Jama'ats of Lahore, Rabwah and Karachi.

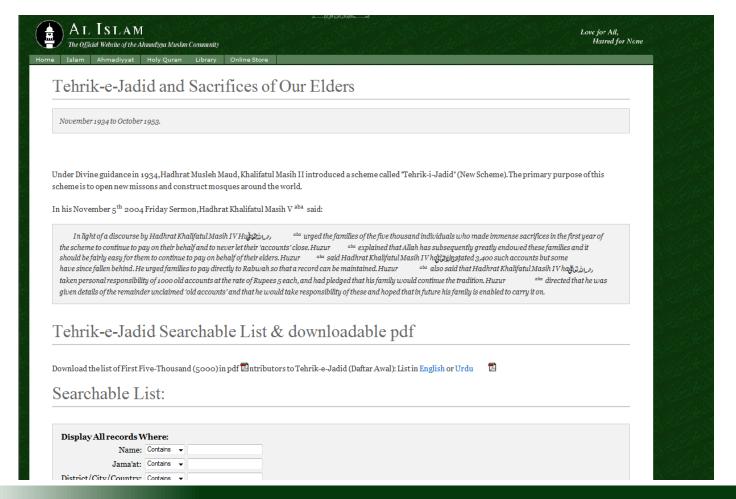
The efforts of Ahmadis in Peshawar and Kotli were praised by Huzur (aba)

In USA the first four Majalis are; Silicon Valley, Los Angeles West, Detroit and Chicago West.

The top Majalis of Canada are, Calgary North West, Peace Village East, Peace Village Centre, Surrey East and Vancouver.

Tehrike Jadid

In the UK the first ten Majalis are, London Mosque, Surbiton, Cambridge, Gillingham, New Malden, Birmingham West, Worcester Park, Purley, S.E. London and Oxford.



Tehrike Jadid

All 5,000 accounts from phase one has been re-opened and information is available on Al Islam

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Tehrike Jadid and Wasiyyat

Hadhrat
Musleh Maud
(may Allah be
pleased with
him) called
Tehrike Jadid
the foundation
of Wasiyyat.

Today our children are being prepared for financial sacrifice and for the scheme of Wasiyyat by contributing to Tehrike Jadid

Huzur (aba) concluded



- For the 'Khaira Ummah' the monetary sacrifice has increased in spite of the economic crises
- As long as we continue to aspire to develop in piety we will be 'Khaira Ummah'.
- A person or a child who makes even a small contribution will be included in this blessings of this scheme.
- May God keep this spirit of sacrifice alive in us and our next generation and may we continue to be the recipients of His blessings.

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