



Friday Sermon Slides

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SUMMARY

Hudhur (aba) delivered his Friday Sermon from Basharat Mosque, Pedro Abad, Spain and gave a comprehensive exposition on the essence of Tabligh.

Reminding about the rise and fall of Islam in Spain, Hudhur (aba) said today the task of the revival of Islam is the task of each Ahmadi

For this we need to pay attention to improve our own condition. Hudhur (aba) said each person of the Jama'at in Spain needs to pay attention to this and abandon indolence.

Our task is to plan Tabligh according to the ways of the country we live in. Hudhur (aba) said an extensive and courageous planning is needed.

Hudhur (aba) said he wished to say that the Spanish speaking Waqfe Nau children should apply to Jamia Ahmadiyya in order to take the message of Ahmadiyyat to all the Spanish-speaking countries of the world

The object of the advent of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) was to revive the glory of Islam.

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) was sent at a time when Muslims were turning to Christianity

Having received knowledge from God, he told the world about the superiority of Islam over other world religions.

In response to his powerful evidence about the reality of Christianity, the Christian priests were forced to be defensive and some of them retreated, telling their followers never to engage in a discussion with Ahmadis.

Tabligh in Spain

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Hudhur (aba) said each person of the Jama'at in Spain needs to pay attention to enhance their (spiritual) condition and avail the scholarly treasures given to us and expedite Tabligh efforts.

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Tabligh in Spain

In order to introduce people to the concept of religion and God, we need to present good practises as well as try to enhance our own spiritual development and enhance our *taqwa* levels

Acknowledgement of Unity of God and adapting one's practices accordingly are the only means of salvation. This alone is the objective for which we need to endeavour and pray, put it in practise and take the message to others.

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) stated: 'God Almighty desires to draw all those who live in various habitations of the world, be it Europe or Asia, and who have virtuous nature, to the Unity of God and unite His servants under one Faith.

This indeed is the purpose of God for which I have been sent to the world. You, too, therefore should pursue this end, but with kindness, moral probity and fervent prayers.' (The Will, pp 8 - 9)

Tabligh in Spain

Coming into the Bai'at of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) is not the ultimate objective of our lives. The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said that taking of his *Bai'at* is honoured when one attempts to establish Unity of God and to gather people on the one true faith.

The wealth of Qur'anic proof given to us by the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) should be used in courteous discussions and it should be proven to the world that the teaching of Islam does not require force for it to spread. It is that light which reaches the soul of each pure-natured person.

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) made it our responsibility to try and work, according to our individual capacities and capabilities, for the purpose for which he was sent. Today the whole world commits *shirk* (associating partners with Allah) in the name of religion or rejects the very existence of God.

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The real way to spread the true faith is through spiritual development and spiritual development does not come about without prayers and a connection with God.

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) expounded that our triumph will come about with prayers alone.

Tabligh in Spain

Tabligh too requires prayers and bears fruit with effort and prayers combined with special attention given to improving one's own practices.

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Tabligh in Spain

وَمَنْ أَحْسَنُ قَوْلًا لِّمَنْ دَعَا إِلَى اللَّهِ وَعَمِلَ صَالِحًا وَقَالَ إِنَّنِي مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

And who is better in speech than he who invites *men* to Allah and does good works and says, 'I am surely of those who submit?'

Chapter 41 , Verse 34

God declares summoning people to Him as the best of tasks and everything else as secondary

One is to give his all to perform this task and be included in the best of people.

It is a most significant condition for one who invites people to God to be one who does 'good works'.

Only then can one summon others to the ways showed by the Promised Messiah (as) in the current age.

Then alone can one assert that one is heading towards spiritual development

Hudhur (aba) said that being an Ahmadi makes them a silent summoner to God

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Chapter 2, Verse 129

Our Lord, make us submissive to Thee and *make* of our offspring a people submissive to Thee. And show us our ways of worship, and turn to us with mercy; for Thou art Oft-Returning *with compassion and Merciful*.

It is indeed our good fortune that the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) taught us these ways and the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) revived them in the current age.

رَبَّنَا وَاجْعَلْنَا مُسْلِمِينَ لَكَ وَمِنْ
ذُرِّيَّتِنَا أُمَّةً مُّسْلِمَةً لَّكَ
وَآرِنَا مَنَاسِكَنَا وَتُبْ عَلَيْنَا إِنَّكَ
أَنْتَ التَّوَّابُ الرَّحِيمُ

Hudhur (aba) said without worship of God the purpose for which His Prophets come to this world is not fulfilled.

One only truly understands the teaching of God and its wisdom when one's *nafs* (self) is purified

Nafs is only purified when one knows the ways of worship of God that gain acceptance with Him

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Hudhur (aba) said generally speaking the reason for most Pakistani Ahmadis to be living outside Pakistan is their faith.



Therefore while being grateful, as we work to improve our worldly life, we should at least commit one day a week to summon people to God.



Tabligh needs to be done in accordance to the mindset of people concerned; some are far-removed from religion whereas others deny the existence of God



Therefore, Islam should be introduced in a wise/sagacious manner and the advent of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) in the current age should be cited

Hudhur (aba) said the lost glory of Islam will be re-established when the Ahmadis of Spain will realise that it is their responsibility.

Don't be put off by the fact that people are indifferent or under the influence of Catholicism

Indeed, a few decades ago, it was unthinkable that we could construct a mosque here or that one day the Spanish would be embarrassed at the past and would think of an apology.

Tabligh in Spain

These are the works of God. Our task is to plan according to the ways of the country we live in

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Tabligh in Spain

فَإِنْ أَعْرَضُوا فَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ عَلَيْهِمْ حَفِيظًا إِنَّ
عَلَيْكَ إِلَّا الْبَلْغُ فَإِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ كَفُورٌ

Chapter 42, Verse 49

Hudhur (aba) said an extensive and courageous planning is needed with clear targets. The entire Jama'at, missionaries and the auxiliaries need to work side by side to achieve a lot.

But if they turn away, We have not sent thee as a guardian over them. Thy duty is only to convey *the Message*.

Hudhur (aba) commented on slow progress in Tabligh efforts in Spain.

Hudhur (aba) expressed the importance of long term planning, need to foster good community relations and more Ahmadiyya literature in Spanish language.

Hudhur (aba) said that people are interested in our views on peace, economics and Jihad

A brief introductory leaflet about Ahmadiyyat, Interfaith meetings and seminars are needed

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Hudhur (aba) directed that brief literature should be produced for tourists in different attractive designs. Hudhur acknowledged that some people may not accept or read the leaflets but many will read it.

Our task is to fulfil our responsibility. God has never said that Tabligh will always have great response.

إِنَّكَ لَا تَهْدِي مَنْ أَحْبَبْتَ وَلَكِنَّ
اللَّهَ يَهْدِي مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ أَعْلَمُ
بِالْمُهْتَدِينَ

Surely thou wilt not be able to guide *all* whom thou lovest; but Allah guides whomsoever He pleases; and He knows best those who would accept guidance.

Chapter 28: Verse 57

Tabligh in Spain

Hudhur (aba) said our task is to make the best effort we can and pray that May God cover our faults, overlook our mistakes and accept our endeavours. If our effort is right, the rest God will bring forth.

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Message for Spanish Waqfe Nau children

Hudhur (aba) expressed a wish that adolescent Waqfe Nau children who are born and bred in Spain and are familiar with Spanish way of life should apply to Jamia Ahmadiyya

The Community needs Spanish-speaking missionaries to disseminate the message of Islam to Spanish speaking countries.

Hudhur (aba) said the Waqfe Nau children should be brought up in a way that they eagerly join Jamia Ahmadiyya.

Hudhur (aba) stressed the importance of comprehensive, timely and considered long term planning for Tabligh. Sincere efforts will be required for this. The office holders should recognise the objective for which God is enabling them to serve.

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said that we need people who will achieve objectives. He said tours are needed for Tabligh work as well as people who can devote their lives for this purpose. He also said that to take the message to Europe not only the language of the country should be known but one should also be well-versed in local phraseology.

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Hudhur (aba) explained

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said fear of God entailed that one was mindful of harmony between one's word and deed.

He said an impure heart has no value in the sight of God, no matter how pure the utterance of the person.

He said his Community should understand that they have come to him so that a seed may be sown which would make them into a fruit-bearing tree

Hudhur (aba) said we should all reflect on our inner self and that the fruits of each Ahmadi are two-faceted.

- Improve our own condition and that of our children and adhere to *taqwa*

Firstly

- Take the beautiful message of Islam to the world

Secondly

May God enable us to put this in practice

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Hudhur (may Allah assist him with His Mighty Help) prayed



May there be no contradiction between our word and deed

May we ever turn to God and attain His pleasure

May we be enabled to do the task entrusted to one commissioned by Him in an excellent manner

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