

Patience and prayers
on great sacrifices of
the Lahore martyrs



Friday Sermon Slides

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SUMMARY

- Hudhur (aba) gave sermon that revolved around the great sacrifices of the *Shaheeds* (martyrs) of Lahore.

Shaheeds of Lahore

- Hudhur (aba) said that most certainly God granted these beloved people to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) in order to accomplish his high objectives.

Patience and steadfastness

- Every single drop of their spilt blood will bear great fruits. Angels will have embraced them.

Shaheeds of Lahore

- Addressing the Ahmadis of Lahore Hudhur said, 'Fortunate are you that the Promised Messiah has given a glad tiding about your city.'

Ahmadis of Lahore

- Hudhur (aba) said in his view the enemy did not carry out these attacks only to incur loss of life. They intended to disgrace Ahmadis in the world.

Motives of the Attack

- Our sorrow and grief is to God alone. God is True to His promises, our resolve should not waver due to the length of the trial and no word of ingratitude should be uttered.

Resolve of Ahmadis

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ ثُمَّ اسْتَقَمُوا
تَتَنَزَّلُ عَلَيْهِمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ أُولًا تَحْسَبُوا
وَأَبْشُرُوا بِالْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي كُنتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ

Chapter 41, Verse 31

As for those who say, 'Our Lord is Allah,' and then remain steadfast, the angels descend on them, *saying*: 'Fear ye not, nor grieve; and rejoice in the Garden that you were promised.'

Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore

Hudhur (aba) said each week he receives thousands of letters asking for prayers for various matters. However, last week Hudhur received thousands more letters than is usual and the subject of all of them revolved around the great sacrifices of the *Shaheeds* (martyrs) of Lahore.

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Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore

Letters from Ahmadis from all over the world demonstrated expression of grief, pain and anger, but the anger transformed in the very next sentence in patience and prayers.

They express anguish as if it were their close, blood relations who had been victims of the cruelty.

As for those whose close relations were martyred, they have been consoling Hudhur (aba) in their letters on the martyrdom of their sons, fathers, brothers and husbands.

It is a great account of patience and steadfastness.

Hudhur (aba) personally telephoned the families of all the martyrs to pay his condolences and he found children, wives, mother and fathers submitting to the will of God.

Hudhur (aba) said having read all these letters he feels unable to express his own emotions.

الَّذِينَ إِذَا أَصَابَتْهُمُ مُصِيبَةٌ قَالُوا
إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ

Chapter 2: Verse 157

‘ Who, when a misfortune overtakes them, say,
‘Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we
return

Hudhur (aba) said that the relatives demonstrate full awareness and have complete perception of attaining God’s pleasure that they have submitted to the will of God.

Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore

They are those who will revive the model of the earlier-ones, they follow the great example of the Companions (may Allah be pleased with them all).

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□ Hudhur (aba) said that talking to relatives and reading letters strengthened his belief that most certainly God granted these beloved people to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) in order to accomplish his high objectives.

□ These great people are patient and steadfast.

□ The departed ones also demonstrated models of steadfastness as they met their God.

□ They attained the pleasure of God and also set examples that shall flourish faith.

وَلَا تَقُولُوا لِمَنْ يُقْتَلُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أَمْواتٌ بَلْ
أَحْيَاءٌ ۗ وَلَكِنَّكُمْ لَا تَشْعُرُونَ

Chapter 2 Verses 155

And say not of those who are killed in the cause of Allah that they are dead; nay, they are living; only you perceive not.

These embodiments of steadfastness who offered their lives for faith lay injured in their blood for hours and recited Durud.

Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore

Every single drop of their spilt blood will bear great fruits. Angels will have embraced them and they would not have felt anything as they gave their lives; being hit by bullets or the shrapnel from the grenades.

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Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore

Hudhur said he has seen a most heartbreaking video recorded by an injured person which is most moving.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oe0YsjTdrtg>

At the uncontrollable scream of an injured person, the other injured said to him, 'be patient, people give their lives without any cause, you are going to sacrifice yourself for a great cause.'

And then, the injured recited Durud till he breathed his last and thus assured that he was fulfilling his promise made to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace).

A 19 year old was hit by several bullets but he waited patiently for hours in one position and prayed.

One young man caught the terrorist's grenade wanting to throw it back, but the grenade detonated. He thus gave his life and saved many.

An elderly person also offered his life as he ran towards the assailant thus taking all the bullets on his body.

Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore



Hudhur (aba) said the IG of the police is boasting that the police captured two terrorists.

This is what happens when the entire system, from top to bottom reeks of untruth.

Indeed, the two terrorists were captured by our own youth.

One was held by a young man who is slim of build but was full of faith.

He held the terrorist with one hand on his neck and the other preventing him detonating his suicide belt.

Terrorists

Hudhur said the terrorists were men in their late teens early twenties from deprived backgrounds.

Suicide attack

Poor children are brainwashed by criminals who, give them false hopes of Paradise and make them carry out suicide attacks

Hudhur (aba) said while the descent of angels is apparent on the injured. God has also placed it on those who lost their loved ones.

God commanded the angels to console them as they are engaged in prayers.

Hudhur (aba) said he saw the same outlook in every home and was amazed at the calibre of people God has given to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace).

Each one appears a personification of ‘...I only complain of my sorrow and my grief to Allah...’(12:87)

It is due to their faith in the Imam of the age and this indeed is the glory of a believer

Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore

Chapter 2, Verse 154

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَعِينُوا
بِالصَّبْرِ وَالصَّلَاةِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ مَعَ
الصَّابِرِينَ

O ye who believe! seek help with patience and Prayer; surely, Allah is with the steadfast.

A servant of the Gracious God will only submit to God rather than raise a clamour, take out rallies and take the law in his own hands.



He shifts his emotions to patience and prayers and that is when he is worthy of glad-tiding.

Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore

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Blessed are the Ahmadis of Lahore

who have displayed steadfastness,
those who have departed as well as
those who are left behind.

وَلَنَبْلُوَنَّكُمْ بِشَيْءٍ مِّنَ الْخَوْفِ
وَالْجُوعِ وَنَقْصٍ مِّنَ الْأَمْوَالِ
وَالْأَنْفُسِ وَالْأَثْمَارِ وَبَشِيرٍ
الصَّابِرِينَ

Chapter 2, Verse 156

And We will try you with
something of fear and hunger,
and loss of wealth and lives,
and fruits; but give glad tidings
to the patient,

Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore

God is True to His
promises, He will fulfil
all His promises

Angels console martyrs and those
who live their lives to seek the
pleasure of God.

Life, property and honour of
believers is attacked and at times
it appears as if the doors of God's
help have closed from all
directions.

When believers exercise patience
and steadfastness in such trials
they garner God's grace.

Doors to success are opened for
them and God demonstrates
wonders for them. Thus,
steadfastness is the condition.

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Shaheeds (martyrs) of Lahore

Hudhur (aba) said today the dust of our martyrs too gives off this fragrance and it is making us fragrant and is telling us not to let go of the patience that we have held on to.

God is True to His promises, our resolve should not waver due to the length of the trial and no word of ingratitude should be uttered.

Hudhur (aba) said many have seen good dreams of the Lahore martyrs in Paradise being awarded medals.

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said angels descend on those who say our Lord is Allah and who are steadfast. God is their Friend in this world and in the Hereafter. Most excellent steadfastness is when one is engulfed in misfortunes from all directions and there is no assurance. When, as a trial, Allah even does not show consolation through dreams etc. If one does not display cowardice and there is no lessening in steadfastness and dedication and one does not rely on anyone for support, rather is firm and resolute by oneself and does not flinch at God's decree and does not show any impatience or restlessness until the trial is over.

This is the steadfastness through which one finds God and the fragrance of which can still be smelt from the dust of the Prophets, the truthful and the martyrs.

Addressing the **Ahmadis of Lahore** Hudhur said, 'Fortunate are you that the Promised Messiah has given a glad tiding about your city'

Hudhur (aba) said this is the honour of Ahmadis of Lahore and they should try and uphold it as there is immense glad-tiding in this connection.

Hudhur (aba) said Ahmadis in Lahore are those about whom the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) had a revelation: '

There are our pure members in Lahore'
(Tadhkirah p. 482).

Ahmadis of Lahore

Ahmadis are those who seek God's help with patience and Prayer and who come in His refuge, who gather under the banner of Khilafat and will therefore never react in such a manner.

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Motives for the attack

Hudhur (aba) said that in his view the enemy did not carry out these attacks only to incur loss of life.

They wished to create fear. In their assumption they wanted to alienate the weak Ahmadis and create restlessness among the youth.

The enemy had assumed Ahmadis will not be able to bear this huge loss and will take out violent rallies which would give the government the chance to impose its will on them. And by exaggerating any such reaction to the rest of the world Ahmadis could be disgraced.

Hudhur (aba) addressed the attackers,
You keep your brutality and your violence that you perpetrated in the name of God on God's beloved people. With this you appear to take the masses back to the brutality of 1500 years ago.

Hudhur (aba) said when Ahmadis did not show violent reaction, the outside world raised concerns and the media too exposed these people, then late in the night, Pakistan Government too thought of issuing statements of sympathy.

We said 'Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return' and left our matter with God and we await His decree.

The 120 years of our history shows that Ahmadis rise and sit on the voice of one Imam. They are the followers of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) who came to establish the teaching of his master the Holy Prophet (pbuh); teaching that had brutes transform into righteous men.

Reaction of Ahmadis

Now that we have left the state of brute-like existence and aspire to be godly people, how could we take out rallies and react in a violent way?

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Thus their brutality has resulted in blessings for us.

Brutality

You are unsuccessfully trying to bring the name of my master, benefactor of mankind, the Holy Prophet (pbuh) in disrepute.'

Hudhur said on the Day of Judgement the Kalima (declaration of Islamic faith) will seize every single one of them and hurl them to their bad ending

Kalima as a witness

Reaction of Ahmadis

Our task is to be patient; not only are the others amazed at our steadfastness rather they are inclined towards Ahmadiyyat and have expressed the wish to take *bai'at*.

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Hudhur (aba) said he had thought that he would relate some incidents , some of which are so heartbreaking that Hudhur feared he would overcome with emotion.

One worshipper at the funeral Prayer said, I have received one more blessing, I am now a father of a martyr. My resolve and courage is high.'

One Ahmadi was informed that his brother had been martyred and was asked to go to the hospital he said, 'the one who has departed has gone. I will stay here, Ahmadi brothers may need my blood donation.'

One mother said, 'I have placed my youth son from my lap onto God's lap, he was God's trust'.

A 65 year old Ahmadi ran towards a terrorist trying to attack 200 Ahmadis taking shelter on the stairs and took his bullets on his chest. The terrorist was delayed and as a result many Ahmadis ran to safety.

Shad sahib, our martyred missionary of Model Town who was delivering Friday sermon at the time of attack, continued to recite Durud and prayers and said Allaho Akbar aloud.

One Ahmadi who was visiting from Japan went to **funeral Prayers**. He says that these funeral Prayers evoked memory of the time of the Holy Prophet (pbuh). Such were the models of steadfastness that it is difficult to put them in words.

There were resolute faces all around.

He met an elderly person and asked him how did he know the martyr? His reply was, 'he was my son'. The narrator says his heart sank but the father of the martyr said, 'Alhamdolillah, it was God's will'.

One mother lost her only son, her other children are daughters, she is exhibiting extreme patience and steadfastness.

There was no panic, no chaos, no fear. Everyone was doing their duties, obeying instructions even when firing was going on.

Hudhur (aba) said, 'O Ahmadi mothers, never allow these virtuous, pure emotions to die. As long as they are alive, no enemy can harm even an iota of the Jama'at.'

Ahmadi Mothers

- An Ahmadi lady showed her patience when told about firing taking place in the Mosque where her young children were Praying. She said that our matter is with God. She said, she was not concerned about her children; everyone [in the mosque] was her relative.
- If her children were martyred they would gain nearness to God, if they survived they would be *Ghazi* (one who has been in a conflict for Islam).

Hudhur (aba) said these people, these mothers are great models of sacrifice trained in the community of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace). They are not only concerned about their own children, their hearts pain for the entire Jama'at.

Hudhur (aba) said these are the great people of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) who only show their emotions to God.

Moving the coffins of the martyrs in ambulances one young man remarked that the last coffin was his father's. Rather than leave with the coffin in the ambulance, he went back to his duty in the mosque

Every one says while the terrorists were in the mosque there was no sense of panic.

As long as they were alive, the murrabi sahib, the office holders gave out instructions and they were followed.

Even afterwards everyone remained organised.

One elderly person stayed in prostration posture throughout the firing.

Reaction of Ahmadis

Hudhur (aba) said there were scores of other incidents which will be all collated and written down at a later time.

Hudhur (aba) said these are illustrations of true faith

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People are giving Hudhur (aba) assurance of their own pledge and allegiance

مِّنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ رِجَالٌ صَدَقُوا مَا عَاهَدُوا اللَّهَ عَلَيْهِ فَمِنْهُمْ مَّنْ قَضَىٰ نَحْبَهُ وَمِنْهُمْ مَّنْ يَنْتَظِرُ وَمَا بَدَّلُوا تَبْدِيلًا

The enemy thought he would weaken us, will break our strength. He assumed urban Ahmadis probably did not have faith.

‘Among the believers are men who have been true to the covenant they made with Allah. There are *some* of them who have fulfilled their vow, and *some* who *still* wait, and they have not changed *their condition* in the least;

Chapter 33, Verse 24

Reaction of Ahmadis

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) has infused the energy of faith in his community. Urban Ahmadis, undoubtedly are involved in worldly matters but this is not their objective. This is why, when they are called for faith, they are always forthcoming.

Hudhur (aba) said may God reward the Pakistani press for their just coverage of the incidents and may He always enable them to say the truth and not go back to the old ways.

Indeed after every trial our perception of sacrifice for God and attainment of His pleasure increases. People can neither harm us nor can they give us anything.

The Chief Justice of Pakistan takes notice of every small matter by going to press. Should he not take action against these mullahs who incite hatred? Is his standard of justice limited to his choice?

Pakistani Media and Justice

Our sorrow and grief is to God alone, we do not expect anything from him.
Hudhur (aba) said he was only pointing out his standards.

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In Pakistan, terrorism against Ahmadis is protected by law

Hudhur said indeed there is a lot of terrorism in Pakistan

- but when perpetrated against the Ahmadis, it has the protection of law.

The perpetrators of Mong [an atrocity committed in an Ahmadi mosque a few years ago]

- are roaming the street free.

Ahmadis do not expect anything from these people.

- Allah is our Lord and He alone is our Helper. He will continue to help us. We do not expect any good from them in future, therefore Ahmadis need to stay alert.

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"Friendship with Marzais [derogatory word for Ahmadis] is tantamount to rebellion against Huzoor (SAW) [Prophet Muhammad]"

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَجْعَلُكَ فِيهِمْ نُحُورَهُمْ وَنَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ شُرُورِهِمْ

*O Allah, we make You a shield
against the enemy and we seek Your
protection against their evil designs*

(Abu Dawud Kitabul Salat)

Hudhur said say many other prayers, pray for them to get their just deserts

رَبِّ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ خَادِمُكَ رَبِّ فَاحْفَظْنِي وَانصُرْنِي وَارْحَمْنِي

O my Lord everything serves You. So O my
Lord, protect me and help me and have
mercy on me.

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Reaction of Ahmadis

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- Following these atrocities an Ahmadi was martyred in Narowal district Pakistan while he slept in his house. His son was injured in the attack, may God grant him healing and elevate the station of the deceased, who leaves behind a widow, three daughters and three sons.
- The murderer belonged to the Tahafuz e Khatm e Nabuwat group and confessed that he had carried out the act in light of the statement of a mullah following the Lahore incidents

Someone wrote to Hudhur (aba) that the enemy has rolled our diamonds in dust.

Hudhur (aba) said this is incorrect.

The enemy has tried but God gathered these diamonds and embraced them.

Every single one of these diamonds has further strengthened the diamonds left behind and they are decorated on the horizon of Islam, Ahmadiyyat and they have created a new constellation and each of these stars is a guiding light for us.

Further Martyrdom; Incorrect reaction

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Hudhur (aba) said Ahmadi played a pivotal role in the creation of Pakistan more than those who are today posing as the care-takers of the country.

- Pray a lot for the country, that it is saved from the evil of those who create disorder, may Allah keep each Ahmadi safe from all evil.

- May God elevate the station of these martyrs and continue to grant us steadfastness.

- Hudhur prayed that may God keep each Ahmadi safe from every evil

- Hudhur said pray profusely; also pray for the injured that may God grant them perfect healing.