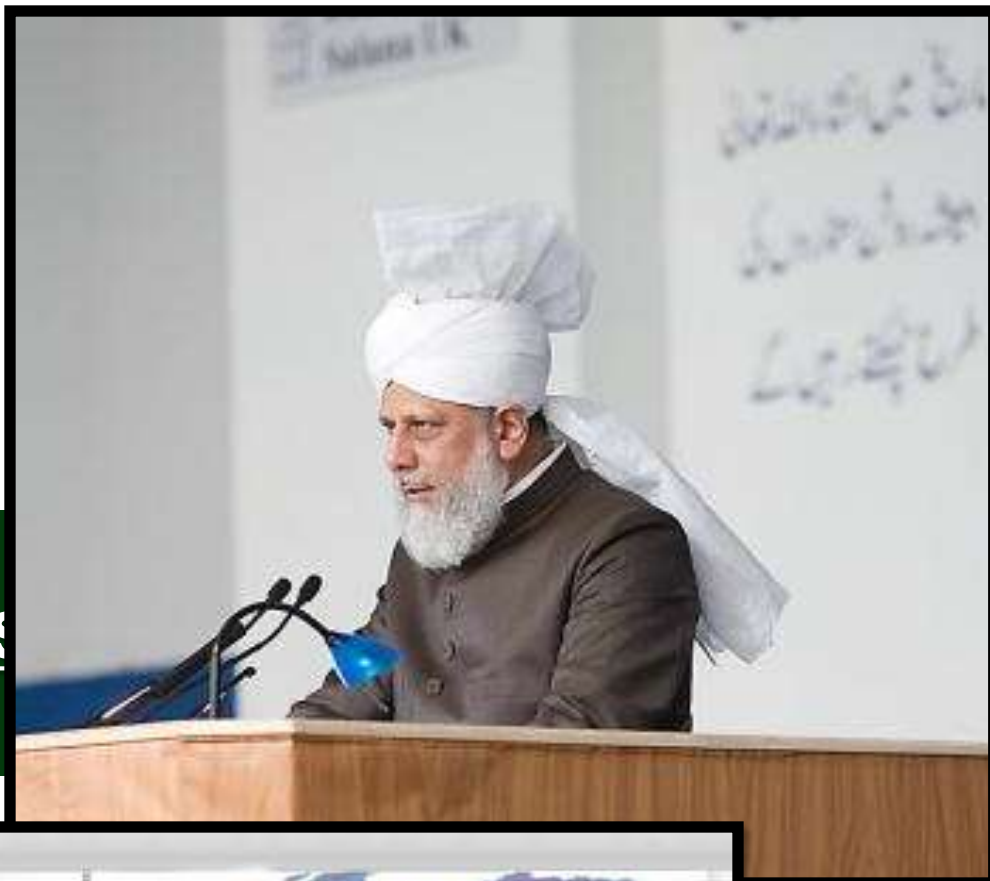


Friday Sermon Slides

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SUMMARY

Hudhur (aba) recited the verse 112 of chapter 9 of the Holy Quran explaining that

this verse applies to those believers who give precedence to their faith and conviction above all worldly affairs, and for such people are glad tidings from God Almighty.

Those who succeed in attending the Jalsa Salana are guests of the Promised Messiah (as) who leave behind worldly aims to gain spiritual benefits

The true objective of attending Jalsa Salana is to enhance and improve spiritual state in order to progress in the way of becoming a true Momin(believer)

Hudhur (aba) gave organisational instructions for during and after the Jalsa Salana

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They are the ones who turn to God in repentance, who worship Him, who praise Him, who go about in the land serving Him, who bow down to God, who prostrate themselves in prayer, who enjoin good and forbid evil, and who watch the limits set by Allah. And give glad tidings to those who believe.

التَّائِبُونَ الْعَبَدُونَ الْحَامِدُونَ
السَّائِحُونَ الرَّكَعُونَ
السَّجِدُونَ الْأَمْرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ
وَالنَّاهُونَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ
وَالْحَافِظُونَ لِحُدُودِ اللَّهِ وَبَشِّرِ
الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

Chapter 9, Verse 112

This verse of the Holy Quran applies to those believers who give precedence to their faith and conviction above all worldly affairs, and for such people are glad tidings from God Almighty.

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Hudhur (aba) explained the concept that those who attain the six qualities mentioned in this verse that is

They are repentant, they worship Allah, they praise Allah, they travel about in the land for Allah's sake and also bow down and prostrate to Allah

They are the reformed people who discard sin and their every action demonstrates a virtuous behaviour

These very people progress to the status of guardians of the limits set forth by Allah Almighty

These people are granted abilities to further progress in the acts of piety

Believers

May all the participants at the Jalsa Salana attain this virtuous status so that they may be counted among this blessed group of Believers

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Those who succeed in attending the Jalsa Salana are guests of the Promised Messiah (as) who leave behind worldly aims to gain spiritual benefits

Hudhur (aba) said that although organizational steps have been put in place for the service of all participants

However, those who come to Jalsa Salana with the intention of enriching their souls and are focused on higher spiritual purpose are not worried about physical comforts and luxuries

Do not consider yourself as any worldly tourist or traveller, if you have understood this point, then you will be able to overlook the shortcomings that may exist in organisational matters

Jalsa Salana; organisational matters

It must be remembered that organizers try their best to give great care and attention to all guests equally. However, there are occasions where some guests are given separate service, appropriate in certain circumstances.

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This is the aim of attending Jalsa Salana

The true
objective
of the
Jalsa

To enhance and improve
spiritual state in order to
progress in the way of
becoming a true
Momin(believer)

To gain knowledge, to
purify oneself and to
gain nearness to God
Almighty

The real
objectives of
Jalsa Salana

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It is a sign of the truth of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) that he was successful in forming a Jama'at without borders, which is one big brotherhood that displays a unique bond of brotherhood and unity to become one nation.

- Families and friends come together during Jalsa Salana which in one of its purposes. However, Hudhur (aba) pointed out that those who get carried away with family reunions and sit in gatherings all night forgetting the real purpose of Jalsa should rectify their actions.

Hudhur (aba) directed the attention of the Jalsa participants towards the proper use of their time

Hudhur (aba) said that there is no harm in spending time with relatives, but one should also remain mindful of the prayers and the actual purpose of attending Jalsa Salana

The Holy Prophet (saw) has also advised that Muslims should not waste their time in idle talk

It is the distinction of a Momin to create a balance in his life

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Hudhur (aba) explained conflict resolution

Hudhur (aba) said that at a time when tens of thousands of people are present in a confined space, it is natural that conflicts can arise

At times, conflict arise when guests complain or criticise the work of the duty holders and the duty holders react in an inappropriate manner

Hudhur (aba) advised that in such cases, both parties should keep the spiritual atmosphere of the gathering in mind

Guests should display patience and forbearance and the duty holders should control their emotions and passions. In such a way, difficult situations can be handled harmoniously

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Jalsa Salana and Security

Additional security measures can cause delay

- Hudhur (aba) said that he had received reports from the ladies marquee that there was a long delay at the security point

The organizers are trying their best to cope with the crowds of people

- Hudhur (aba) is urging all participants to display patience.

Instructions to the security team

- Younger members should have more solemn attitude. Security supervisors to be present at their posts to manage any difficulties in case they arise.
- Time should not be wasted in engaging in conversations with the guests at the entrance.

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Huzoor (aba) reminded that all guests are here to attain righteous objectives and that can only be attained if they practice love and show affection and tenderness towards one another.

Try to overlook the minor weaknesses and pay attention to the larger objective which is the worship of God,

Similarly, each guest is an ambassador of Jama'at Ahmadiyya.

make this a journey which has been undertaken merely for the sake of gaining nearness to Allah.

Hudhur (aba) said that all duty holders are in a way engaged in silent Tabligh (propagation of Islam).

The best virtues must always be on display, so that you become the heirs of the prayers of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace)

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Overseas guests

Hudhur (aba) said that each year, guests from overseas are reminded that they should not overstay their welcome at their hosts' residents or at Jama'at accommodation.

Extended stay

If guests need to stay beyond the allotted time, they must make their own arrangements elsewhere, and in case they decide to stay with friends or relatives, you must obtain their permission first

Host and guests

A Believer does not give trouble to his host, but becomes a source of blessing for him. The host and the guest should form a pleasant and blessed relationship with one another, do prayers and cultivate an atmosphere of peace and harmony

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) has said that one must not overstay his welcome and should not force their hosts to serve him. Such an act is equivalent to robbing a house.

If we fail to utilize this opportunity to reap blessings, then we will be among the unfortunate ones.

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The Holy Prophet (saw) promoted harmony and seized every occasion to spread the message of goodness

Meal invitational and additional guest

Once a companion by the name of Abu Shaikh (rz) made arrangements for a meal for 5 people including the Holy Prophet (saw), after observing signs of hunger on their faces. By the time meal was prepared, another companion had also joined the party.

At this, the Holy Prophet (saw) sought permission from the host to add another companion to his party. When the host gave his permission to bring the extra person along, only then they all partook of the meal.

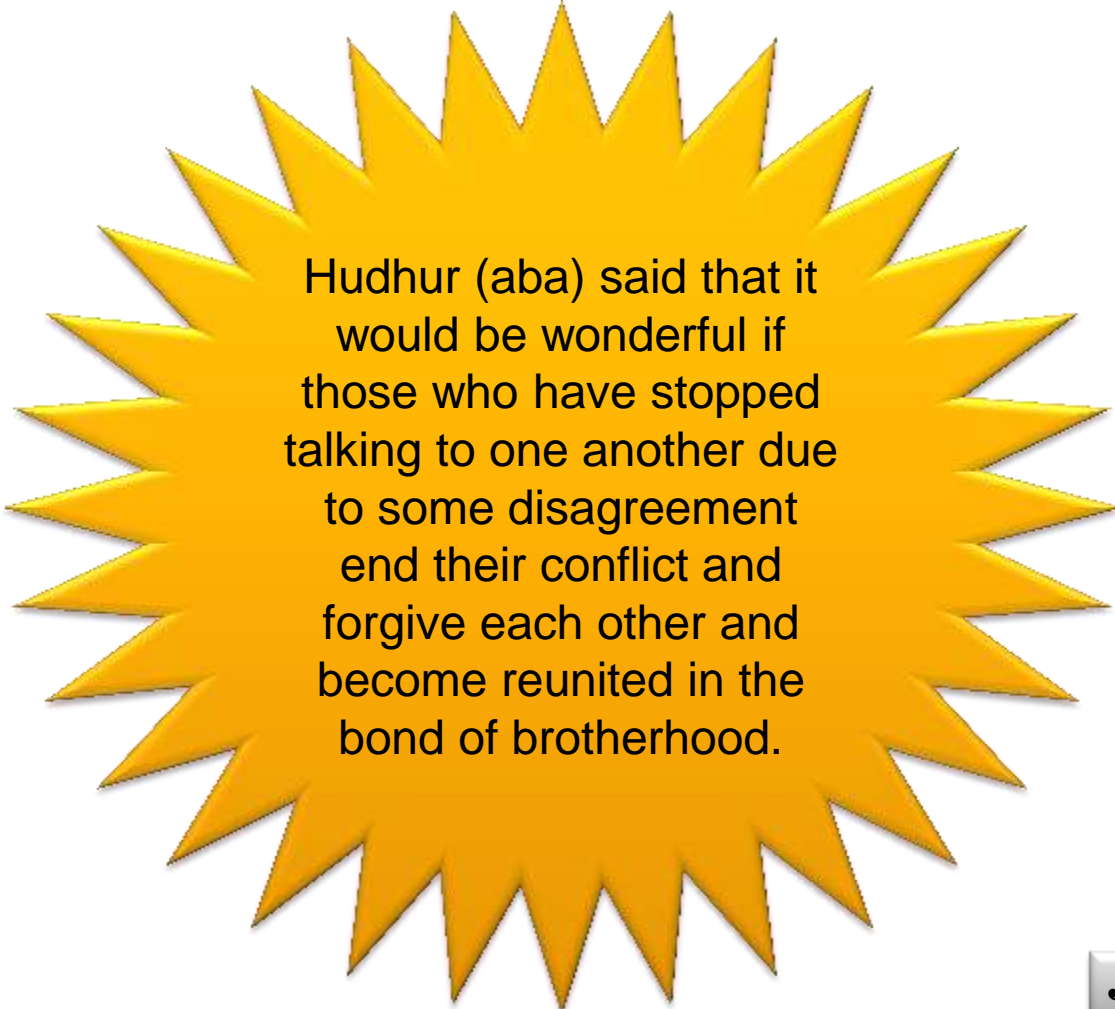
Permission of host

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The Holy Prophet (saw) also said that if you visit someone, always greet them first, and if you do not hear a reply, return from that house without thinking ill of the residents. There is no benefit in complaining or pumping your ego.

Hudhur (aba) also stated that this is an auspicious occasion to promote love and brotherhood amongst one another and to promote the Islamic tradition of greeting each other with the Islamic salutation of Assalam-o-Alaikum.


Hudhur (aba) urged all the participants of Jalsa to greet one another, whether you know each other or not in order to create an atmosphere of a truly Islamic society.




Hudhur (aba) said that it would be wonderful if those who have stopped talking to one another due to some disagreement end their conflict and forgive each other and become reunited in the bond of brotherhood.

The Islamic greeting is an excellent way to spread peace and love


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- At one occasion, the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) was in Amritsar in 1893, engaged in Jang-e-Muqaddas (the Holy War –a dialogue that took place between Christians and Muslims in which the Promised Messiah (as) was representing the Muslims successfully establishing the superiority of Islam).



- One day, the organizers somehow forgot to serve the meal to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace). After waiting for a long time, when the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) inquired about the meal, and the organizers, began to panic



- At this, the Promised Messiah (as) relieved them by saying that there is no need to panic; there must be some leftovers in the kitchen, which will suffice. The Promised Messiah (as) was thus served the some scraps of bread, which he ate without any complaints.

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For the followers of the Promised Messiah (as) there is a message that we must practice such patience and forbearance even when things may not be going according to your own comfort.
If a shortcoming is observed, try to recall the purpose of your visit here.

Hudhur (aba) reminded that it is the duty of every participant of Jalsa to keep an eye around him. If you feel there is any type of suspicious activity, please bring it to the attention of the duty holders

Hudhur (aba) also reminded that it is again the duty of all participants to maintain cleanliness

All participants should engage in supplication through the days of Jalsa Salana



Hudhur (aba) prayed May Allah Almighty keep every Ahmadi in His protection,
Ameen.

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