

Practice truth in all aspects of your life



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# SUMMARY

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Hudhur (aba) gave details of persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan, which includes one martyrdom and two attempted murders

Hudhur asked for prayers that may God keep all Ahmadis in Pakistan in His protection

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However, truth is not always adhered to



Wherever the opportunity arises, truthfulness is compromised for personal gains



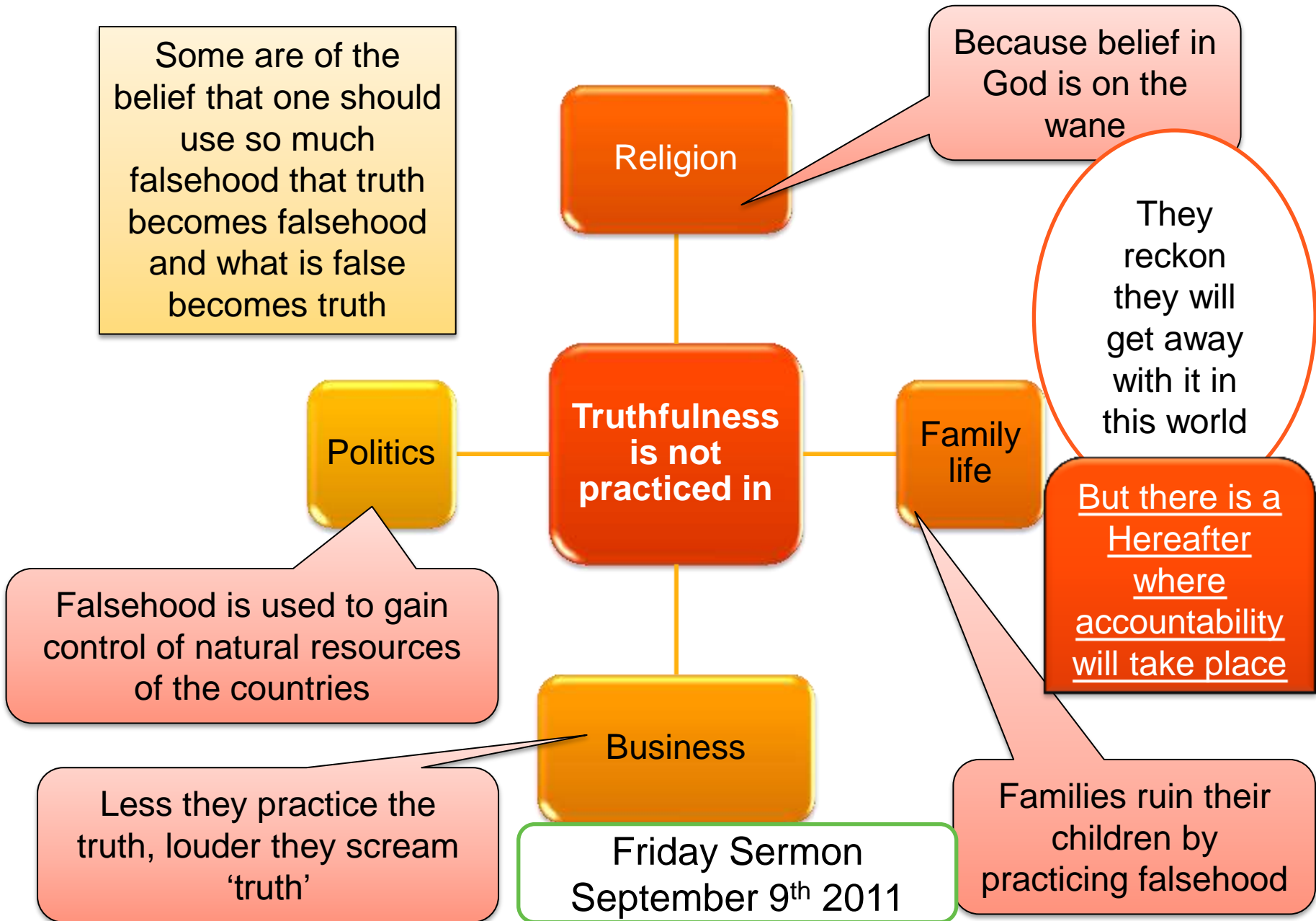
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## Truthfulness

A large majority of people use falsehood in business, social as well as political matters.

In today's world, truth is trampled on

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# In international politics, Muslim and non-Muslim countries both perpetrate falsehood

Iraq was destroyed and devastated in order to depose Saddam Hussein

Once the Iraqi natural resources were under their control, it was said that a mistake had been made. That the information they had received about WMDs and persecution of his people were exaggerated

Libya was targeted and now it is being said that the persecution there was not as intense as first reported

First, they employ false propaganda and later use their own media to say that they were mistaken. This 'truth' is also used to conceal falsehood

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When falsehood and disorder reaches its height and truth all but vanishes, God sends His people to establish truth and they propagate the truth in spite of opposition

Allah the Exalted guides the pious minded people about the truthfulness of those commissioned by Him. The truth attracts the attention of the people in the first place later when they observe progress of faith and the practices of those who follow faith, they are further guided

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# Truthfulness of the Holy Prophet ( pbuh)

The Holy Prophet (pbuh) was known as al Sadiq (the truthful) and al Amin (the trustworthy).

Once, the Prophet (pbuh) gathered his clan at the foot of a mount and said, 'If I tell you that a big army is in wait for you behind this hill, would you believe me?' They all said, 'Yes, because you have always spoken the truth.'

Thus, prophets of God convince people of their message through their truthfulness.

The Holy Qur'an states: '**...I have indeed lived among you a *whole* lifetime before this. Will you not then understand?**' (10:17) and thus was the response of the Holy (pbuh)

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Hudhur said recently he gave a discourse on incidents relating to new converts where the truthfulness of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) was verified by people who sincerely and earnestly prayed to God for guidance



Prophets of God bring truth with them and it is truth that we have to make evident to the world



It is the task of followers of prophets of God to inform the world about this and bring it to the path of guidance

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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) received a revelation from God:

‘I have lived a whole life among you before this, then do you not understand? [Tadhkirah, p. 303]

He later wrote that God informed him through this revelation that no opponent will ever be able to lay any blame on his life-history. He said he had almost reached the age of 65 at the time and outsiders had only ever verified the purity of his life and his truthfulness.

Truthfulness is indeed a great weapon of prophets of God, all aspects of their life has luminosity of truth



It is a fact that Muslims require reformation and the advent of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) took place for the purpose of their reformation.

To emphasise this need for reformation, the Holy Prophet (pbuh) instructed to greet the Messiah even if one had to cross over glaciers to reach him

Hudhur said we Ahmadis claim to be in the Community of the true and ardent devotees of the Prophet (pbuh) and we have to take the message of truth to the world. How can we go about it?

**First of all, we have to prove ourselves to be truthful as the prophets of God proved their truthfulness**

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We are commanded to practice the blessed model of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) and we try to do this.

**For this we have to adopt the quality of truthfulness, only then will we be able to fulfil the mission of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and successfully take the message of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) to the world**

Hudhur said that people defrauding government by falsely claiming benefits or not paying taxes in full, tarnish the name of the Community when they are caught

Our efforts & our words will only be blessed on each and every level when we adopt truth in every aspect of life and every moment of life

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If we use falsehood for trivial financial gains, our words will be ineffectual



There is a great need for personal reformation



When falsehood is caught, not only does it put one in personal difficulty it also brings Islam into disrepute

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Other immoral activities, youngsters keeping bad company, marital discord where police is involved, all this leaves a very bad impression. Conversely, if one lies habitually, it is also used in Jama'at matters and thus the lack of blessing spirals.

# There is a great need for each Ahmadi to think about this

We raise the slogans that Ahmadiyyat is true Islam as well as 'love for all hatred for none'

But this practice starts with our family and our dealings with the Jama'at.

If our family life and our interactions with physical and spiritual neighbours are fraught with difficulties, then our slogans will be hollow

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said:

'your co-religionist brother is your neighbour.' Thus, if we are truthful, our mutual connections should be strong, otherwise our Tabligh will be without blessing

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The Qur'an states: **'O ye who believe! why do you say what you do not do?'** (61:3)

Hudhur said this leads to lack of blessing, he said faith should not be discredited with disparity between word and deed.

We have connected ourselves to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) but our connection will only be genuine when no one can point a finger of falsehood at us

**Otherwise we will also be putting the truthfulness of one whom we are declaring to be truthful in doubt!**

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There is no doubt that the Qur'an is the truth, the teaching of Islam is truth and this teaching will last till the end

If we wish to be part of the triumph of Islam which was promised to the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) then **we need to self-reflect and self-analyse** by the minute and see how truthful we are in our family life and in our business dealings

We should rid our practices of falsehood, because falsehood is tantamount to *shirk*.

Ahmadis are making sacrifices against *shirk* in some parts of the world. In light of these sacrifices, it is the responsibility of those of us living in the West to raise the standard of our truth to such an extent that falsehood becomes extinct.

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We have taken the pledge of *Bai'at* that we will establish truth and will eradicate falsehood and *shirk*. Today, it is our task to put this in practice. If we do not present a model of truthfulness, we will not be able to establish Unity/Oneness of God

# Truthfulness

It is an immense favour of God that the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) formed a Jama'at to facilitate removal of corruption from 'land and sea'. God has given us hope to establish truth by establishing Khilafat on the precepts of Prophethood

It is now the task of each Ahmadi who considers him or herself associated/connected to the Jama'at to eradicate disorder and falsehood from families, from neighbourhoods, from cities and from the world

May the light of the truth of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) which is a reflection of the light of God continue to spread in the world and may the world gather under the banner of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him)

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# Martyrs of Ahmadiyyat

**Naseem  
Ahmad  
Butt sahib**

On 4 September unknown assailants broke into his house and shot him.

He held himself together after being shot and continued to counsel his wife to remain calm and patient

In the past there had been other martyrdoms in the family of Shaheed.

Naseem Butt sahib was 54 years old and worked in a factory. He was a man of high character and was keenly involved in Jama'at work and offered his Friday Prayers regularly in spite of being at a long distance from the mosque

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He had a very sympathetic nature and helped the needy. He leaves behind a widow, three married daughters and one younger daughter and a son. He had lost one older son last year to an illness.

May God elevate his station and grant steadfastness to the bereaved family.

Hudhur said in a separate incident one of our secretaries Amoor e Am'ah in Faisalabad was fired at. He sustained four bullet wounds and is currently in hospital. His condition was critical until yesterday but with the grace of God is better today. Hudhur asked for prayer for his complete healing.

In yet another separate incident in Lahore yesterday, an Ahmadi's car was stopped and attempts were made to fire at him.

Animosity against Ahmadis has intensified in Pakistan, Hudhur asked for prayers that may God keep all Ahmadis in Pakistan in His protection.

## Persecution of Ahmadis

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