

RENAISSANCE OF ISLAM AND PERSECUTION

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SUMMARY

Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih recited the verses 2-12 of Surah Al Buruj, at the start of the Friday sermon today

These verses also prepare members of the community to be ready to face opposition which could be long-lasting

The very same people who have been waiting for a reformer will join forces with the opponents to oppose the Promised One and will bitterly oppose him

Never before has our Jama'at given sacrifice of lives on this scale

However, these sacrifices herald triumphs and God has informed us of the triumphs to come

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Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih recited the following verses at
the start of the Friday sermon today:

**‘By the heaven having mansions *of stars*,
And *by* the Promised Day
By the testifier and the one who is testified
Cursed be the people of the trenches –
The fire *fed* with fuel –
As they sat by it,
And they witnessed what they did to the believer’s.
And they hated them not but because they believed
in Allah, the Almighty, the Praiseworthy,
To Whom belongs the kingdom of the heavens and
the earth; and Allah is Witness over all things.
Those who persecute the believing men and the
believing women and then repent not, for them is
surely the punishment of Hell, and for them is the
punishment of burning.
But those who believe and do good works, for them
are Gardens through which streams flow. That is the
great triumph.’**

(Surah Al Buruj, verses 2 – 12)

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Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih explained that these verses speak of the teaching of Islam in every era, they speak of the second phase of Islam and the coming of the Promised Messiah, they also speak of enemies of the Promised Messiah and his community

These verses also prepare members of the community to be ready to face opposition which could be long-lasting

However, God would not remain silent at this opposition. A day will come when those who persecute believers will be punished and those who create fire for Ahmadi Muslims will burn in a greater fire

The Jama'at has been given the glad-tiding of triumph in this world and every believer is given the glad-tiding of Paradise. Thus is the summary of these verses.

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Reflecting on these verses while being mindful of the current state of affairs regarding our Jama'at, one's belief in the truthfulness of the Holy Qur'an and the Holy Prophet (pbuh) is increased

It assures that
Islam would
prosper
through the
ages albeit in
specific areas



It gives the
glad-tiding of
a Promised
One to come
who would
take the
message of
the Holy
Prophet
(peace and
blessings of
Allah be on
him) to the
entire world



For this a
community
would be
established in
every country
of the world

All this makes the truthfulness of the community of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) as clear as the day

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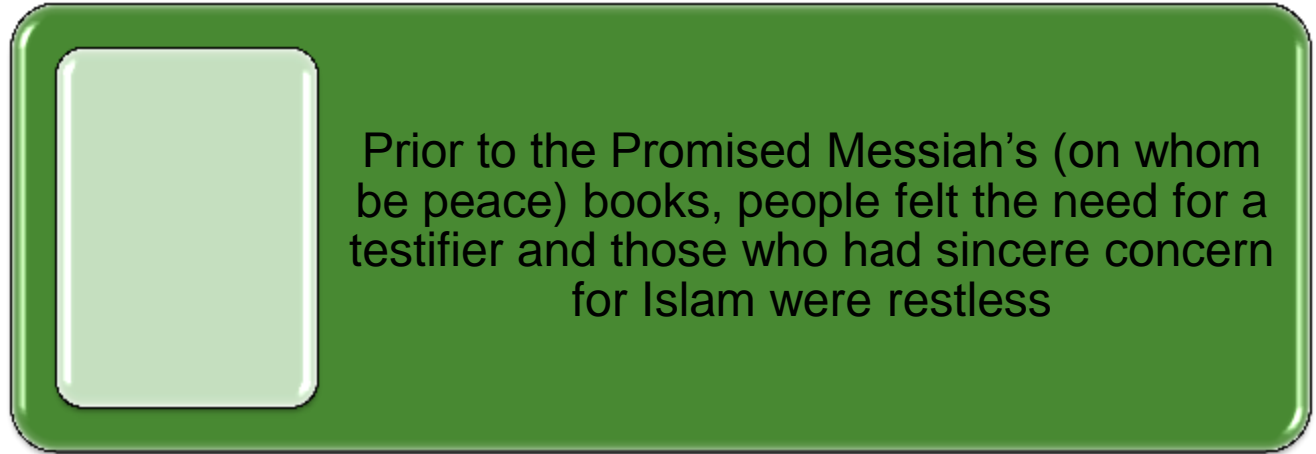
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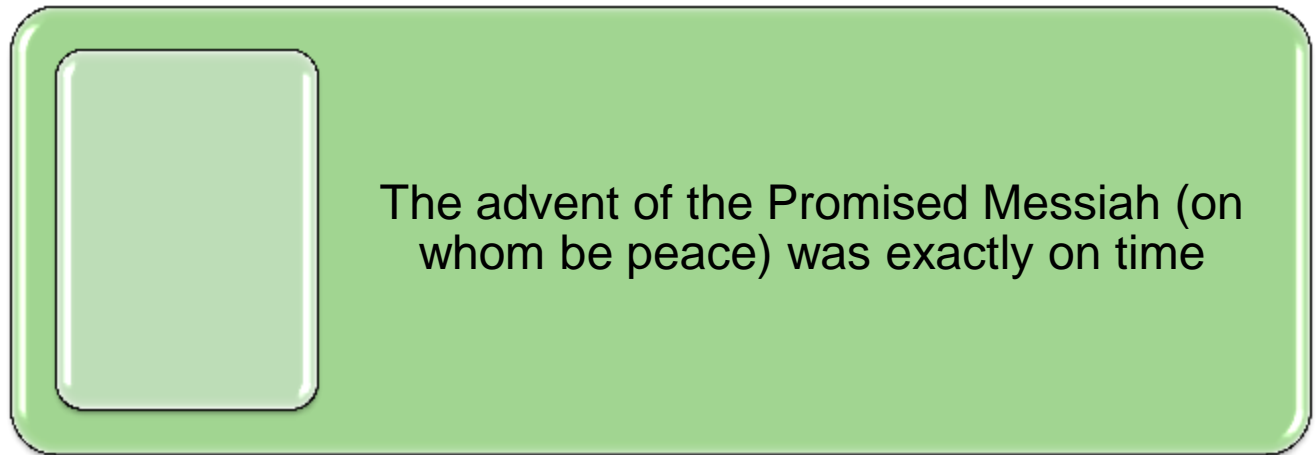
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Prior to the Promised Messiah's (on whom be peace) books, people felt the need for a testifier and those who had sincere concern for Islam were restless



The advent of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) was exactly on time

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Every Ahmadi knows very well that the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) was sent by God for the second phase of Islam

People outside our community who are decent and fair-minded also acknowledge that it is the Ahmadiyya community alone which is fulfilling the dues of Islam

Indeed the reaction of an Ahmadi to any effrontery is to highlight the blessed life of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) to the world and to present the teaching of Islam to the world and tell the world that the way to salvation is now only through the Holy Prophet (pbuh) and the teaching of Islam alone shows the way to God

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The aforementioned verses prophesised; when God will send the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) to embed the truthfulness of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) in hearts of people and to impart the beautiful teaching of the Holy Qur'an to people, he and his community will have to face hazardous difficulties

The very same people who had waited for such a reformer/testifier and the opponents will join forces to oppose the Promised One and will bitterly oppose him

The persecution faced by the Jama'at in many countries, especially in Pakistan where among other harassments now our students are being maltreated and some are expelled from universities on the basis of their faith, was foretold by God. It was stated that different types of fires will be kindled against us

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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace)
said,

‘But all those who remain steadfast till the end—they will be shaken with quakes of calamities, and battered with storms of misfortune, ridiculed and mocked by people, and hated and reviled by the world—shall at last come out victorious. And doors of Blessings shall be thrown open for them. God addressed me and said that I should inform my *Jama‘at* that those who believe and their belief is not adulterated with worldly considerations and is free from hypocrisy and cowardice and is not found wanting at any stage of obedience, such people are the favourites of God. And God says that indeed these are the ones whose station is that of Truth.’

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Truth will prevail. A new bright day will dawn again for Islam. Same as it did before. The sun of Islam will rise in full bloom, same as it did before. But this will not be at once. Imperative it is that this should not happen until we have proved our worth by devoted hard work, by offering our life-blood, by sacrificing our rest and peace, by accepting all indignities for the dignity of Islam

The new Life of Islam demands a great Sacrifice from us. What is this Sacrifice? It is our lives: on this Sacrifice depends now the Life of Islam, the Life of Mussalmans, the Manifestation of God in our time.'

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Indeed, the final triumph will be ours but we have to make endeavours for it

Our attention has been drawn that in order to safeguard our faith we should be prepared to burn in fire

Such fires are kindled in Pakistan time and again and in particular in the last two years the situation has worsened on an unparalleled scale

Never before has our Jama'at given sacrifice of live on this scale

However, these sacrifices herald triumphs and God has informed us of the triumphs to come

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Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih said that the Jama'at needs to fully appreciate this even today. In the last two years the Jama'at has given unprecedented sacrifice of life



At the martyrdom of a young Ahmadi someone went to pay condolences to the family. A close female relative, either the mother or the sister of the martyr told them that they should be given felicitations that their family was granted martyrdom



InshaAllah, Ahmadis understand this and will continue to understand and are ready to give any kind of sacrifice for the second phase of Islam requires sacrifices.

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Be it the martyrdoms of
Lahore, or Mandi
Bahauddin or Karachi
or Ghatyalian, the spirit
of sacrifice is evident
everywhere



O' enemies of
Ahmadiyyat, you could
not move any Ahmadi
from their faith after
dozens of martyrdoms
of Lahore, you will not
be able to shake the
faith of the Ahmadis of
Karachi. InshaAllah

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In the recent martyrdom attacks in Karachi a few Ahmadis were also injured, a couple of the injured are in critical condition. Yet, the situation has not shaken the family's faith

The enemy is kindling fire and watching over, thus creating a situation of '**As they sat by it**'. An example of this is that when recently a family was attacked, the mullah or his accomplices even showed up at the hospital with the demand that the Ahmadis should not be treated

Such is their state of affairs and they do all this in the name of one who was '**Mercy for all the worlds**'

Indeed this is the crux of their cruelty that to cover their misdeeds they say they do it in his name; they will certainly be punished by God, Who states: '**...for them is surely the punishment of Hell, and for them is the punishment of burning.**'

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Believers should rejoice, for them will be
Paradise, shady gardens with flowing streams

Ahmadis
mostly
demonstrate
resolve in the
face of
adversity but
at times
some feel
anxious

They should
not be
anxious.

Their
sacrifices
were
accepted
1500 earlier,
when the
Holy Qur'an
was revealed
and this is
not an
ordinary
honour.

A couple of days ago they published a wicked pamphlet filled with abuse which also had a photograph of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace), people stamped on it, in their presumption countering supposed effrontery. However, their own effrontery will make them destined to the torment of Hell

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May God elevate their station and may every drop of the blood of each Ahmadi martyr increase our advancement million-fold.

The prayer is that may in acceptance of their sacrifice God soon show us triumph

Martyrs of Ahmadiyyat

Prayers should be made for perfect healing of those who were injured in these attacks.



He was martyred on 19 October. Born in Karachi in 1986, he had studied electronic engineering

He was married just a few days before his martyrdom

On 19 October he was travelling home after Friday Prayers on his motorbike while his family travelled in a car. Two masked motorbike riders opened fire on him. He was critically wounded.

The assailants then opened fire on the family car and injured most of those in the car. His father continued to drive whilst severely injured, when he saw his son he stopped and carried his son to the car and drove to the hospital.

Saad shaheed passed away at the hospital

**Saad
Farooq
sahib
shaheed**

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He had a most loving relationship with his parents and fulfilled all the dues of parental respect. He was very fond of donating blood. His widow has said that after their Nikah when they talked on the telephone (she is from USA) he would often wish to be granted martyrdom



He was martyred in Karachi on 23 October

- He was sitting in his shop in the evening when two motorbike riders fired at him. He was rushed to hospital but was martyred on his way there

**Bashir
Ahmad
Bhatti
sahib**

Bashir sahib was 67 years old and worked hard

- He had brought up his children very well and leaves behind two sons and three daughters. May God be their Protector

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**Dr Raja
Abdul
Hameed
Khan
sahib**

He accepted Ahmadiyyat in 1994

- He was martyred in his clinic by two gunmen who shot Dr sahib with a hand gun and Dr sahib was martyred on the spot

He was a courteous and compassionate person who served the Jama'at

- Due to the recent troubles a few Ahmadi families moved houses but Dr. sahib said he was not afraid and said he wished for martyrdom.

He asked his wife if she was frightened and she replied that she was not and desired martyrdom for her husband and for herself

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His widow writes that she has three daughters
May God be their Protector.



Riaz Ahmad shaheed was martyred in Ghatyalian on 18 October

due to his services to the Jama'at many people were against him

**Riaz
Ahmad
shaheed**

He was returning home after Isha when unknown persons fired at him and he was martyred

He had a sense of honour for the Jama'at, may God elevate his station.

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