

MUSLEH MAUD: THE PROPHECY AND THE MAN



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Summary

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Huzoor read out the glorious words of the prophecy and explained the aspect of the prophecy, '**He ...will be filled with secular and spiritual knowledge**'

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In this prophecy, the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) foretold the birth of a son; ...

... who would be pious and righteous and would have many other qualities.

This is a magnificent sign by the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) which is above and beyond human power.

If this prophecy is seen with deep and fair insight, there remains no doubt in it being a Divine sign.



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The purpose of his advent was to prove the truth of Islam and to establish the greatness of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him), the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said

‘Here it should be observed most clearly that this is not just a prophecy but is also a magnificent heavenly sign.’

‘Allah the Exalted has manifested this sign to demonstrate the truthfulness and greatness of the Holy Prophet (pbuh).’

He said: ‘O people! ..Can you stop the sun from rising near the hour of Fajr? Similarly, you cannot harm the sun of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) and his truthfulness. May God Almighty remove your malice and rancour!’

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As we know, in accordance with the prophecy, the Promised son was born in March 1889 and went on to accomplish great achievements which will be remembered till the end of time.



Before citing the tremendous triumphs of Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) Huzoor read out the glorious words of the prophecy:



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[Urdu] I confer upon you a Sign of My mercy according to what you begged of me. So I have heard your entreaties and have honoured your prayers with My acceptance through My mercy and made your journey a source of blessings for you. Therefore, a Sign of power, mercy, nearness is bestowed on you, a Sign of grace and beneficence is awarded to you and you are granted the key of success and victory.

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Peace on you, O victorious one. Thus did God speak so that those who desire life may be rescued from the grip of death and those who are buried in the graves may come out of them and so that the superiority of Islam and the dignity of God's Word may become manifest unto the people and so that truth may arrive with all its blessings and falsehood may flee with all its ills, and so that people may understand that I am the Lord of Power, I do whatever I will, and so that they may believe that I am with you, and so that those who do not believe in God and deny and reject His religion and His Book and His Holy Messenger Muhammad, the Chosen One^{sa} may be confronted with a clear Sign and the way of the guilty ones may become manifest.

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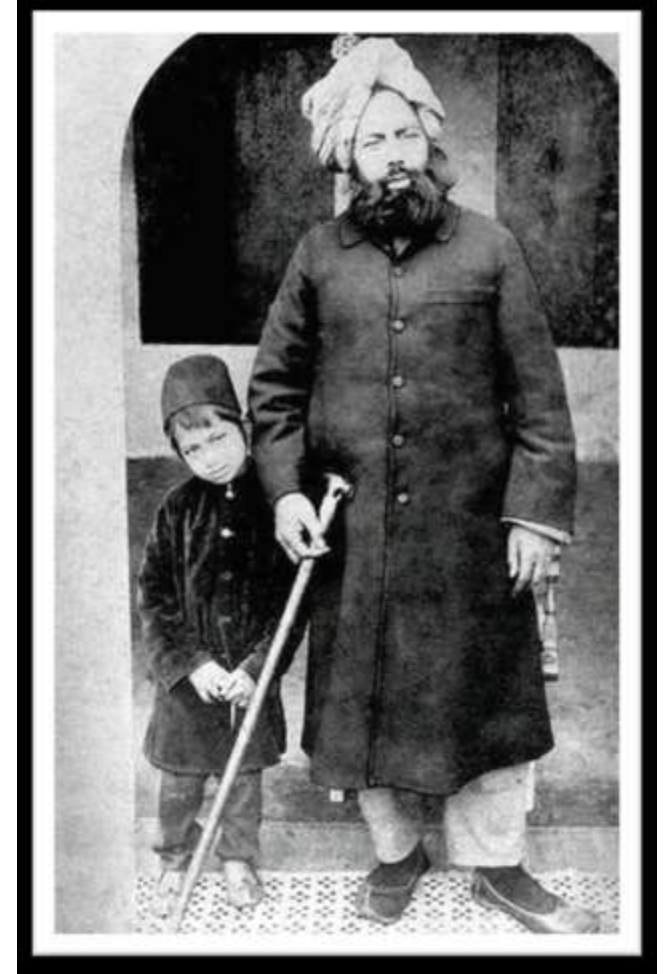
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Rejoice, therefore, that a handsome and pure boy will be bestowed on you; you will receive an unblemished youth who will be of your seed and will be of your progeny. A handsome and pure boy is coming as your guest. His name is Emmanuel and also Bashir. He has been invested with a spirit of holiness, and he is free from all impurity. He is the light of Allah. Blessed is he who comes from heaven. He will be accompanied by grace which shall arrive with him.



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He will be characterised with grandeur, greatness and wealth. He will come into the world and will heal many of their disorders through his Messianic qualities and through the blessings of the spirit of holiness. He is the Word of Allah for Allah’s mercy and honour have equipped him with the Word of Majesty. He will be extremely intelligent and perceptive and will be meek of heart and will be filled with secular and spiritual knowledge. He will convert three into four. It is Monday a blessed Monday. [Persian] [*Son, delight of the heart, high ranking, noble.*] [Arabic] [*A manifestation of the First and the Last, a manifestation of the True and the High; as if Allah has descended from heaven.*] [Urdu] His advent will be greatly blessed and will be a source of manifestation of Divine Majesty.

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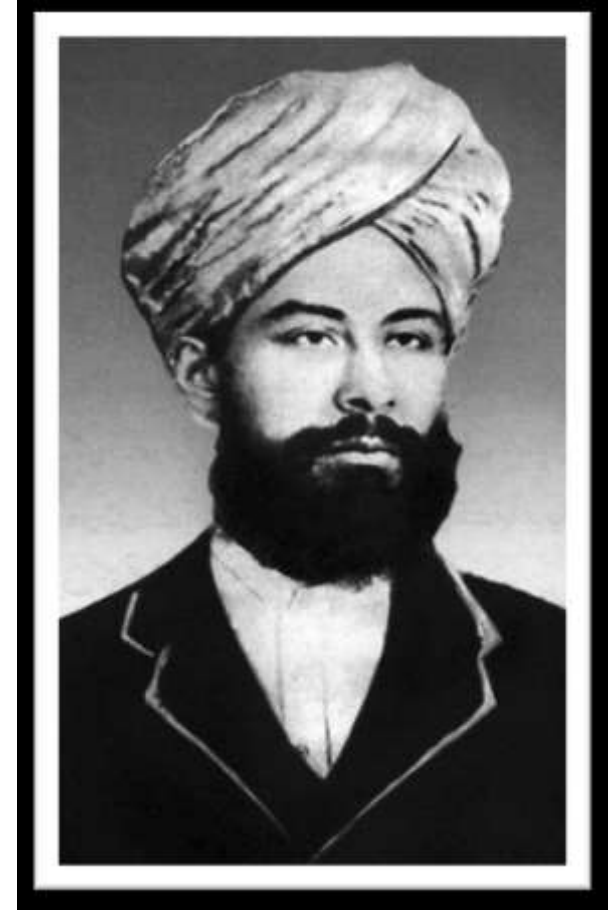
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Behold a light comes, anointed by God with the perfume of His pleasure. We shall pour Our Spirit into him and he will be sheltered under the shadow of God. He will grow rapidly in stature and will be the means of procuring the release of those held in bondage. His fame will spread to the ends of the earth and peoples will be blessed through him. He will then be raised to his spiritual station in heaven. [Arabic] [*This is a matter decreed.*']



These were the qualities the son was to have.

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Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) graced the office of Khilafat for 52 years

It is not possible to encompass his life and achievements in sermons and speeches.

Despite all the speeches and discourses on this subject, it cannot be said that the life of Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) and the prophecy has been covered or everyone has understood it.

Today Huzoor presented one aspect of the prophecy as well as gave an insight on the impact it had on people of the Jama'at as well those outside the Jama'at.

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First Huzoor gave an overview of his books and lectures.

At the time of Hazrat Musleh Maud there was no proper recording arrangement and people used to transcribe his discourses in real time.

Fazl e Umer Foundation has published 24 of the expected 32 volumes of his works entitled 'Anwarul Uloom'

Anwarul Uloom has so far covered 633 of the 850 lectures and books.

Similarly, his Fridays, Eids and Nikahs sermons have been collated in 28 volumes of Khutbaat e Mahmood including 1602 sermons

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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih III (may Allah be pleased with him) said that even if just one aspect of the grand prophecy of 20 February is taken,



for example '**He ...will be filled with secular and spiritual knowledge**' it is so extensive that one could not encompass it

One example of this is 'Tafseer e Kabir' [his translation/commentary of the Holy Qur'an], which is such a wondrous commentary.

Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) wrote much else on the Holy Qur'an. He has probably written 10,000 to 12,000 pages only on the Holy Qur'an!

This is a mere outline of his academic works. Each piece that he wrote is full of pearls of wisdom, knowledge and spiritual insight.

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Next Huzoor presented some comments and reviews of people outside the Jama'at about Hazrat Musleh Maud (ra) in light of his commentary of the Holy Quran.

Allamah Niaz Fateh Puri Sahib, Akhtar Sahib of Patna University, Syed Jaffer Hussain Sahib and academic A J Arberry all paid tributes in the most glorious possible words about the academic abilities and spiritual insight of Hazrat Musleh Maud (ra).

Huzoor gave some illustrations of the impact of Hazrat Musleh Maud's (may Allah be pleased with him) lectures on others.

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Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) delivered two lectures on the request of Literary League.

The first lecture was on the status of Arabic among world languages. It was given on 31 May 1934 at YMCA Hall on the Mall Road, Lahore.

'The Economic System of Islam and Communism' was another external lecture of Hazrat Musleh Maud (ra).

Its English translation is also available which should be read by English-speaking people and should be given to those who are interested in matters of economy.

Next Huzoor announced that he would lead funeral Prayer in absentia of Sahibzada Mirza Hanif Ahmad, a son of Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) who passed away on 17 February at Tahir Heart Institute at the age of 82. He was Huzoor's maternal uncle.

He was born in 1932 and like all his other sons, Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) dedicated his life in childhood. His education was in line with this dedication. He received his religious education from Madrassa Ahmadiyya and Jamia Ahmadiyya, Qadian. He passed his matric exam privately and gained further education. He attained LLB with the condition that he would not practice [law]. In 1962 he went abroad to serve the Community and served as principal of secondary school in Sierra Leone till 1969.

He was a learned person. After twenty years of hard work he compiled a book containing the Promised Messiah's (on whom be peace) valuable pronouncements and poetic verses in Urdu, Persian and Arabic and his revelations. The book was published in 2004. He had another book published which consisted the Promised Messiah's (on whom be peace) Urdu, Persian and Arabic poetry. This book is a masterpiece.

He was married in 1959 to Tahira Begum Sahiba and they had four children. Salman Ahmad Sahib, Amtul Momin Hina Sahiba, Meena Mubarakah Sahiba and Amtul Samee Sahiba.

His wife relates that when in Sierra Leone he had the first ever science block built in an Ahmadiyya school in Bo City. He personally supervised the construction of the block. People of Sierra Leone remember Sahibzada Sahib to this day.

He cared for orphans and helped them confidentially. He cared for his friends, when one of his close friends passed away he looked after his family and arranged for the marriages of his children and fulfilled his friendship very well.

Among the offspring of Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) he had the greatest proficiency in Persian and was very well-read in terms of books of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace). His wife relates that he told her he had read the books, or most of them, twenty to twenty five times.

He had extraordinary love for Qadian and in spite of bad health had been going there regularly for the past few years. He had great belief in prayer and counselled his children to pray for him after he had departed from the world.

May Allah enable his offspring to stay firm on the virtues that Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) prayed for his progeny and the Jama'at, may they become fulfilment of those prayers; his children, other members of the family of the Promised Messiah as well as members of the Jama'at.

The prayer of Hazrat Musleh (on whom be peace) to God was: 'May their children and the children of their children be eternally in Your trust which Satan cannot breach'.

May God have mercy on Sahibzada Hanif Ahmad and forgive him and elevate his station and may his children truly pay the dues of the bloodline that they are associated with.

Huzoor said Sahibzada Sahib had a great connection with Huzoor, from earlier on as well, but since Khilafat the love and affection had increased although with an intense affirmation of humility, sincerity and loyalty, intensely so!

May God continue to elevate his station and also enable his children to have a special connection with Khilafat!