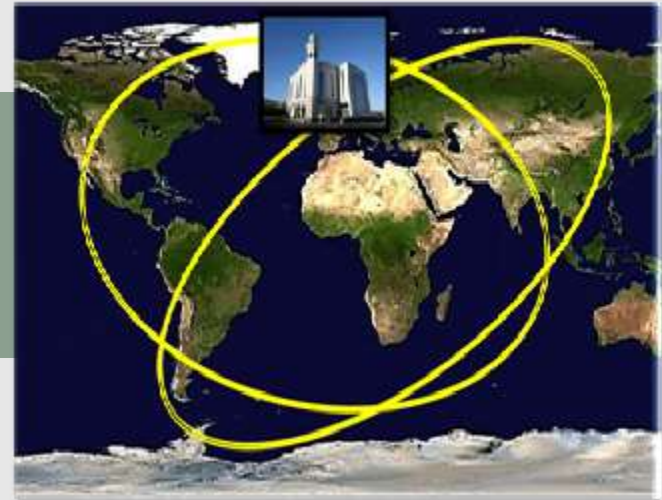


# SIGNS OF TRUTH: THE PROMISED MESSIAH AND MAHDI



SERMON DELIVERED BY HADHRAT  
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# Summary

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) has explained that self-reformation is rooted in recognising true God and attaining Divine love.

Huzoor related several signs of the truthfulness of the Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup> proving that he was the Reformer of the age.

It is our prayer that may God give our opponents sense and they accept the Imam of the age, the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace).

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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said, 'God has appointed knowledge and understanding as the principal means of obtaining a true concept of Islam. Though there are other means for obtaining such knowledge, like fasting, Prayer, supplication and carrying out all the Divine commandments, the number of which exceeds six hundred, yet the knowledge of the Greatness of God and of His Unity and of His attributes of Glory and Beauty is basic for everything. He who has .. no understanding of the Divine, cannot obtain the strength to observe the fast, perform Prayer, make supplication, or occupy himself with doing good.'

'All righteous action is incited by understanding of the Divine and all the other means proceed from it...'

Huzoor said this extract is very significant and this is why he wanted to explain it so that everyone could understand.

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The reality of Islam can only be understood by those who make a concerted and focussed effort to gain an in-depth knowledge of fundamental principles of Islam.



There are many sources to attain an understanding of Islam; such as Salat, fasting, prayers and following more than 600 Divine commandments given in the Holy Qur'an



However, the true-reality of these acts of worship can not be attained without the knowledge and understanding of the Oneness and greatness of God.



One needs to have a good perception of the majestic and glorious attributes of God, in order to attain the ability to follow Divine commandment.

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Thus, the reality of Islam, the philosophy of worship of God and the importance of following the Divine commandments can only be understood, if one truly appreciates the Unity, Power, Majesty and Beauty of God.

It is knowledge and understanding of God that inspires one to do good works.

As one's understanding of God increases, it improves one's appreciation of the spirit of worship and good works, which further improves one's perception of God.

This enhanced perception of God is explained in the Holy Quran '*...Every day He reveals Himself in a different state.*' (55:30).

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Even if one does not have complete insight and perception, one should make effort to understand God's attributes.

This will help us to carry out His worship and follow His commandments

Certainly, in the beginning, understanding of God is granted by virtue of His quality of *Rahmaniyyat* (being Gracious) to pious natured people.

This understanding is then enhanced by beauty of faith and doing of good works.

This promotes man to that station where he truly comprehends the reality of Islam and is enlightened with knowledge of God.

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After this explanation Huzoor said that in two days InshaAllah the Jama'at will commemorate Masih e Maud Day on 23 March.

On this occasion, this year a three-day programme will be broadcast live from Qadian. This programme will be in Arabic.

It is hoped InshaAllah that Huzoor will also give a message to the occasion on Sunday. Huzoor said people should try and seek benefit from this programme.



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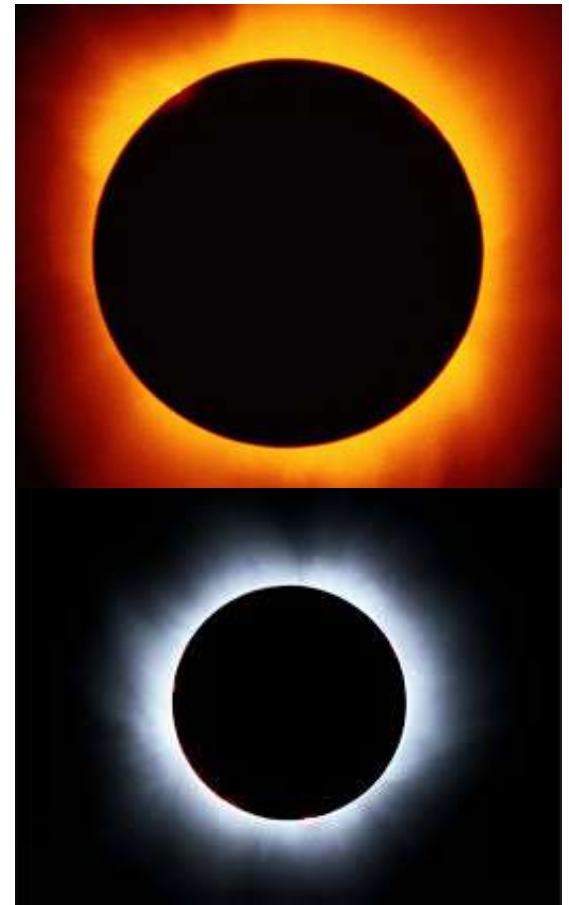
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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote:  
'The following Hadith related by Imam Muhammad Baqir is recorded in *Sahih Dar-Qutni*: There are two signs for our Mahdi, and ever since God created the heavens and earth, these two signs have never appeared at the time of any other Appointed One or Messenger of God. One of them is that, in the time of the Promised Mahdi, during the month of Ramadan, the lunar eclipse will take place on the first night, i.e., on the thirteenth; while the solar eclipse will take place on the middle of its days, i.e., on the twenty-eighth day of the month of Ramadan.'





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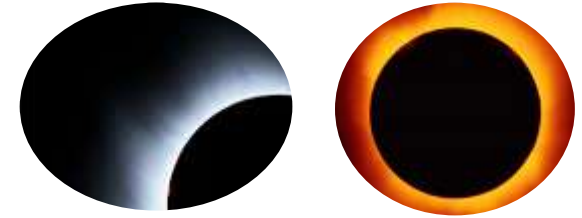
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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) further said: 'Just as another Hadith relates the eclipse took place twice in the month of Ramadan. First in this country and the second time in America and it came to pass both times during the dates the Hadith refers to. Since at the time these eclipses took place, no one in the world except me claimed to be the Mahdi and Messiah and no one declared the eclipse to be a sign of him being the Mahdi like I did publishing hundreds of posters and pamphlets in Urdu, Persian and Arabic around the world, therefore this heavenly sign is designated to me.'



The other proof of this is that Allah the Exalted informed me that the sign will come to pass twelve years prior to its manifestation. This was published in Barahin e Ahamdiyya and distributed among hundreds of thousands of people before the appearance of the sign.

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The following is regarding the Promised Messiah's (on whom be peace) connection with God even before he made his claim. He wrote: 'I was informed that my father would pass away after sunset. Owing to the human condition I was aggrieved by this as my source of income was mostly associated with his person. He received a pension from the British government as well as a large stipend which would last as long as he lived. Therefore the thought crossed my mind as to what will happen after his death and I was concerned that perhaps I will face hardship and adversity.'

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This entire thought came and went like lightening, lasting less than a second. Just then I was overcome by slight slumber and received this revelation: '**Is Allah not sufficient for His servant?**' (39: 37).

This Divine revelation strengthened my heart like a most painful wound is suddenly healed by an ointment.

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I wrote down the revelation and .. have [the revelation] inscribed on a gem stone .. and have it set in a ring. I chose this Hindu for this task so that he would be a witness to this magnificent prophecy and Maulwi Muhammad Sharif may also be a witness. The ring was prepared via Maulwi Sahib at the cost of Rupee 5 and I received it and have still got it.

...This revelation came at a time when all my expenses and comforts were dependent on my father's small income ... I was an unknown person living a life of anonymity in the isolated village of Qadian. Later, in accordance with this prophecy God inclined a world to me and provided financial help with such constant success that I do not have the words to express gratitude.

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Now this Langar of the Promised Messiah is established all over the world and is operational here permanently because of Khilafat. It is an important branch of the mission of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace).

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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote about progress of the Jama'at: 'There is a prophecy in Barahin e Ahmadiyya about this Jama'at: First it will be a seed that will send forth its sprout, it will then become strong and thick, and then stand firm on its stem. This was a great prophecy made twenty five years ago which foretold flourishing of the Jama'at even before it was created. At that time neither was there a Jama'at nor was there anyone connected to me as regards Bai'at.

... with the grace of God Almighty this Jama'at was created which is now more than 300,000 strong. I was like a seedling that was planted by God's hand. I remained hidden for a long time and later my advent took place and I had many branches. Thus this prophecy was fulfilled merely through the grace of God Almighty.'

Today with the grace of God we number in tens of millions and the Promised Messiah's (on whom be peace) message reaches the ends of the earth via MTA.

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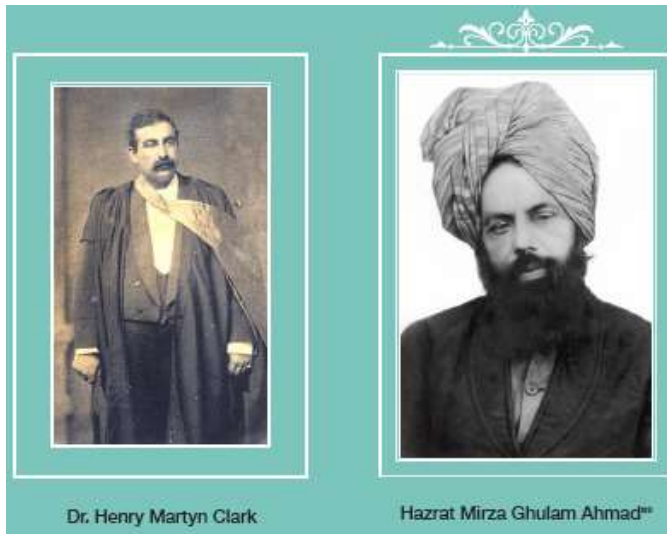
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Dr. Henry Martyn Clark

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad<sup>ra</sup>

'There is another prophecy also recorded in *Barahin-e-Ahmadiyya*: i.e., Allah will shield you from all calamities, even though people do not wish to see you saved from them.

'This prophecy goes back to the time when I lived in obscurity, ... Subsequently, when I claimed to be the Promised Messiah, all the Maulavis and their ilk flared up like fire. In those days a clergyman, by the name of Dr. Martyn Clark, instituted a case Extraordinary Renown and Divine Succour of murder against me, ...'

Muslims, Christian, Hindus all joined forces against the Promised Messiah and did their best to get him imprisoned.

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..I was protected by the One Who had promised me twenty-five years ago that though my nation will not protect me and will even try to destroy me, He shall protect me.

It was also in accordance with what God had foretold twenty-five years ago and what had been recorded in *Barahin-e-Ahmadiyya*, i.e., God cleared him of the charge brought against him, and he has a high standing with Allah.!



Huzoor said this sign was fulfilled yet again when recently the great grandson of Martyn Clark accepted that the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) was right while his ancestor was in the wrong.

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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote: 'Maulwi Ghulam Dastgir of Kasur published a booklet 'Fateh Rahmani' in my opposition...in it he invoke a malediction upon me in the way of a Mubahla (prayer duel).... In the footnote of page 26 of the said book, Maulwi wrote regarding me: he and his followers be ruined.

With the grace of God Almighty I am alive and my followers have doubled in number since that time. Obviously Maulwi Ghulam Dastgir had left the decisiveness of my truthfulness or falsehood on the verse: '**So the very roots of the people who did wrong were cut off**' ... Thus it was essential that the cruel person was destroyed ... As Ghulam Dastgir was cruel in the sight of God Almighty he did not even get the respite to see the publication of his book and died ..a few days after making this prayer.



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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote: 'There is a prophecy in Barahin e Ahmadiyya: You will be granted eloquence in Arabic language which no one will be able to equal. Thus no one has yet been able to equal...A revelation was received from God Almighty in this regard: Your discourse has been made eloquent by the Noble Lord. Below is the detail of the Arabic books I have written thus far. Some of these are prose books and others poetry books and none of the scholars among our detractors can match them:

Page 73 to 282 of Anjaam Aatham, pages of A'ina Kamalat Islam, Karamat-us-Sadiqeen, Hamamatul Bushra, Seeratul Abdal, Nurul Haq, Part I and II, Tuhfa Bughdad, Ijazul Masih, Ittemamul Hujjat,, Hujjatullah, Sirrul Khalafa, Muwahibur Rahman, Ijaz e Ahmadi, Khutbah Illhamiyya, Al Huda...Tadhkiratush Shahadatain and books which have been written in Arabic but have not yet been printed are: Targhibul Momineen, Lujjatun Noor, Najmul Hud

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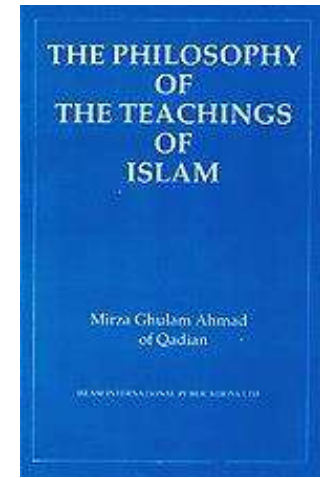
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When invited to address a Conference of Religions, the Promised Messiah says, 'I prayed to God that He may reveal to me a discourse that may triumph over all the speeches that would be made in that Conference. After this supplication, I found that a certain power had been breathed into me, ...My friends who were present at the time know that I did not write any preliminary draft of this paper. Whatever I wrote, I wrote extemporaneously. .... When I finished writing the paper, I received this Revelation from God Almighty, "**This paper is declared supreme**"



After the Conference, the paper was declared supreme by many newspapers. 'Thus with the testimony of every sect, as well as of the English newspapers, my prophecy, "**This paper is declared supreme**" was fulfilled.

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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote: "You can see that despite your fierce opposition and your prayers against me, God has not forsaken me, and has defended me in every field. He protected me with His own hand from every stone that was hurled at me. Every arrow that was shot at me was returned by Him to the enemy. ... God kept His promise and caused hundreds of thousands of people to turn towards me, and gave me such financial support as was beyond anyone's imagination."

O, my opponents! May God have mercy on you, and may He open your eyes. Just think, can all this be a result of human trickery? These promises had been made at the time when I wrote *Barahin-e-Ahmadiyya*, and it was ridiculous even to speak of these things at that time, and my own worth was no more than that of a mustard seed.

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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote: 'God has demonstrated more than 300,000 signs of my truthfulness and there was lunar and solar eclipse in Ramadan.

Indeed, these signs continue to be manifested today and thousands come into the fold of Ahmadiyyat after experiencing them and take Bai'at of the true and ardent devotee of the Holy Prophet (pbuh).

Yes, Ahmadis are facing difficulties in some places but the time will come when they will be removed and this will increase us in faith and understanding of God.

A person who does not believe the word of God and His Messenger, denies the Holy Qur'an, practically dismisses signs of Allah the Exalted and in spite of hundreds of signs considers me a slanderer, how can he be a believer?

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The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said: 'For God's sake the audience should reflect a little at this juncture so that God rewards them for it. God is not finished with His Signs and His help and I swear by Him that He will not stop them unless my truthfulness is made evident to the world. O' all those people who hear me! Fear God and do not exceed limits. Had this been a man-made operation God would have ruined me and there would have been nothing left of this movement. .. O' creation of God, think a little, is this how God Almighty deals with liars?'

Today 125 years have elapsed and the Jama'at is moving onwards and upwards. Will these people not have sense? Will our opponents not desist from their opposition? It is our prayer that may God give them sense and they accept the Imam of the age, the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace). Because when God's chastisement comes it seizes no matter how powerful one may be, it blows like dust and turns into cinders! May they understand and recognise the truth.

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Huzoor asked for special prayers for Ahmadis in Syria, Pakistan and Egypt who face some difficulties.

May God remove all their troubles and may we also witness signs in this regard so that Ahmadis have freedom to practice their faith and further turn to God.

May God remove all the restrictions everywhere!



Next Huzoor announced that he would lead funeral Prayer in absentia of Sister Latifa Ilyas of Baltimore, USA who passed away on 9 March at the age of 76. She was an African American lady who accepted Ahmadiyyat more than fifty years ago. She was a simple, righteous Ahmadi who had ardent love for Khilafat. Her son Jamal Ilyas is also a sincere Ahmadi.

Her Sadr Jama'at writes that in spite of her limited resources Sister Latifa used to bring cleaning materials from home and spent hours cleaning the mosque. And as she cleaned she praised and glorified God. During Ramadan she always came to the mosque ahead of Iftar to clean the kitchen and never complained about people leaving the mosque messy.

She was a personification of considering service of Jama'at as a grace of God. She used to walk to the mosque and if someone offered her lift out of courtesy she would decline saying every step walked to the mosque earns reward.

She used to give security duty and had also served as secretary for finance and social welfare. She never had any personal ill will with anyone and had great affection for children.

She was very particular about listening to Huzoor's Friday sermon and always motivated others regarding it. When her son changed jobs he could not take time off for Jummah for some time. She advised him not to miss Jummah.

Her principles have had an impact on her son who says if he is driving he makes sure to listen to the Friday sermon on MTA. Someone writes that Sister Latifa was a beautiful sign of the truthfulness of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and was devoted to Khilafat.

May God forgive her! May Allah enable everyone to do so and may He elevate the station of the deceased and keep her son firm on virtue.

May those who do not pay attention to MTA be also drawn to watch it! If every Ahmadi starts watching MTA and is attentive with the grace of God the standard of our Tarbiyyat can become considerably high.

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