

THERE IS NO GOD BUT ALLAH



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Summary

Our services to humanity and preaching efforts have the sole aim of promoting love and eradicating hatred.

Thus, '**love for all hatred for none**' is not our ultimate objective; rather, it is a means to end.

As Ahmadis, we should develop real insight of 'love for all hatred for none' which is rooted in the concept of Unity of God.

However, in Islam it is not correct to choose any one objective as a motto.

There is no teaching in the Holy Qur'an that cannot be made a motto; Our motto is the entire Holy Qur'an

Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) said that God has given us another motto' it is: **There is none worthy of worship except Allah and Muhammad is His Messenger.**

We need to ever focus on our real objective and motto so that we may be the recipients of worldly as well as spiritual blessings. May God enable us all to understand this!

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This is the slogan of the Ahmadiyya
Muslim Community.

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efforts have the sole aim of promoting
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We do so because this is what our master, the Holy Prophet
(peace and blessings of Allah be on him) taught us.

The Holy Prophet (pbuh) agonised in his nightly worship
praying compassionately for mankind. So much so that it is
stated in the Holy Qur'an : '**So haply thou wilt grieve thyself
to death with sorrow after them if they believe not in this
discourse.**' (18:7). The Holy Prophet (pbuh) prayed for the right
path of belief in Unity of God for every human being.

So as Ahmadis, we should develop real insight of 'love for all
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The Holy Prophet (pbuh) invited people to believe in the Unity of God by practical efforts and prayers.

In response, some tribes responded with aggression, even then the Holy Prophet (pbuh) prayed for their guidance.

A preaching visit to Taif was met with extreme aggression resulting in physical injuries, even then the Holy Prophet (pbuh) prayed for their guidance and not destruction.

When he was asked to pray against the Tribe of Dos who had exceeded all bounds in their persecution and oppression, he prayed to God, 'O God, guide the tribe of Dos.'

Today a large majority of humanity does not believe in the existence of God, we need to adopt the teaching of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) in order to establish God's Unity in this world.

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Our humanitarian works, efforts to promote mutual love and our rejection of hatred are all underpinned by the desire to attain God's love and to establish Unity of God.



Our love for worldly people is not borne out of any worldly motive, we do not seek anything from them and we do what we do to seek the love of God and to uphold Unity of God.



Therefore, we should not raise slogans merely to be liked by others but should do so to attain our objectives.

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We are fortunate that the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) chose us in this age to seek God's love and to seek compassion for humanity and gave us the teaching to attain these.

'There are two perfect parts of faith; one is to love God and the other is to love mankind to such an extent that one considers its difficulties one's own difficulties and to pray for it.'

He also said: 'It is not a good way to inflict pain on someone merely on the basis on religious differences.'

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said: 'My faith is to not even be too harsh with the enemy. I say truthfully, do not consider anyone your personal enemy and completely give up the practice of holding rancour.'

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The Promised
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has explained it
to us that we
should not
consider anyone
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among those who
hold enmity
against us on
religious grounds.

**We can not
reform people if
we hold the
feelings of enmity
and rancour
against them.**

The Promised
Messiah (on
whom be peace)
said: 'Compassion
and sympathy
with humanity is
a great form of
worship and is a
tremendous
source to gain
pleasure of Allah
the Exalted.'

He also said: 'Allah
the Exalted states,
be sympathetic to
people regardless of
faith and ethnicity.
Feed the poor, free
slaves, and relieve
those in debt and
support those under
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The Promised Messiah (on whom
be peace) said: 'I do not like the
words of those who limit their
compassion to their own
ethnicity. I advise you again and
again to never ever restrict your
sphere of compassion.'

He also said: 'You should extend
compassion to God's creation as if
you are their blood relative, just
like mothers are with their
children. One who does good
with natural passion like that of
a mother can never be
ostentatious.'

These are the standards of
love and compassion for
others as commanded by God
and His Prophet (pbuh) as
stated in the Holy Qur'an.

This beautiful teaching about
love for God's creation is
absolutely unique to Islam.

Thus, '**love for all hatred for
none**' is not our ultimate
objective; rather, it is a means
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This is our tool to aspire to
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Humanity First

Our charitable
organisation "Humanity First"
carries out
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activities with
an objective to
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pleasure.



We serve
humanity
because it is
God's
commandment
to pay the dues
of mankind.



With these
humanitarian
activities, we
need to
safeguard our
worship to
attain the full
benefit.

The work of Humanity First will be blessed, when it is based on a strong bond with God, is carried out with the aim of seeking God's blessings and is started with prayers.

Without this none of our works can be blessed no matter how cleverly we plan this!

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About the slogan 'love for all hatred for none, indeed serving Allah's creations with compassion and promoting love is a great virtue, but this slogan is not the sole objective of our life.

Our objective is to develop true comprehension about Unity of God and to try and practice all of God's commandments.

All kinds of high morals and virtues can be attained by following the blessed model of the Holy Prophet (pbuh).

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A scholarly written
debate took place in
the Newspaper
Alfazl about the
motto of the
Jama'at.

- There were two eminent individuals one of whom proposed that our motto should be '**...vie, then, with one another in good works...**' (2:149) while the other said our motto should be '**I shall give precedence to faith over worldly matters.**'

While recognising
the value of a motto

- Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) said that sometimes people restrict their spiritual progress to one motto only.

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However, in Islam it is not correct to choose only one objective as a motto.

No doubt, '**...vie, then, with one another in good works...**' (2:149) is a fine motto and similarly '**I shall give precedence to faith over worldly matters**' is also fine, it is also referred to in the Holy Qur'an as: '**But you prefer the life of this world. Whereas the Hereafter is better and more lasting.**' (87:17-18).

However, there is no teaching in the Holy Qur'an that cannot be made a motto; all teachings are highly attractive.

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At times some Ahmadis forget the substance of our faith but raise the slogan of 'love for all hatred for none' simply to show-off.

Indeed, this is a great slogan to promote the teaching of Islam with sincerity but it is not our only objective.

Huzoor said our objectives are most extensive.

Our Holy book, the Holy Quran has everything in it; from personal matters to matters of international significance and their resolutions.

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At the time of the advent of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) all sorts of immoral acts and deeds prevail.

True faith has left people's hearts so have high morals and true religious progress has ceased.

Therefore, to counter these immoralities, the power of religion is needed.

Hence, every verse of the Holy Qur'an should be our motto, as indeed it is.

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However, if another motto is required, Hazrat Musleh Maud (may Allah be pleased with him) said that God has given us another motto through the Holy Prophet (pbuh).

A belief in the unity of God is the essence of the entire Holy Qur'an.

Unity of God cannot be understood without the help of the Holy Prophet (pbuh).

It is: **There is none worthy of worship except Allah and Muhammad is His Messenger.**

In fact all teachings and all higher objectives can be accessed by believing in the Unity of God.

This is the reason '**and Muhammad is His Messenger**' is followed by **there is none worthy of worship except Allah**'.

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When someone loses sight of '**There is none worthy of worship except Allah**', one becomes spiritually weak because one's focus is taken away from God's greatness and His fear and all His attributes.

Those who do not understand Unity of God remain embroiled in shirk (associating partners with Allah) in spite of being intelligent.

Unless a person is completely devoted to the Holy Prophet (pbuh) he can not fully understand perfect Unity of God.

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By perfect devotion to the Holy Prophet (pbuh), the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) was granted the true insight of Unity of God.

With this complete devotion, the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) found that Hazrat Isa (on whom be peace) had died a natural death and it was shirk to consider him alive.

Similarly there are many other things which the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) informed us through his complete devotion to the Holy Prophet (pbuh), by assimilating his light and removed shirk from us.

Thus, all Quranic commandments are excellent and beneficial in their own right but **There is none worthy of worship except Allah**' is over-arches all of them.

This is the real motto which we need to remain focussed all the time; we need to reflect over the need for Unity of God and its establishment.

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The Holy Prophet (pbuh) used to profess Unity of God all the time.

Unity of God necessitates that man only depends on God.

Whenever a person puts his faith in some worldly means, he commits shirk.

The very meaning of Unity of God is that man looks up to the One God alone in everything, be it spiritual or physical.

There is no doubt that all good phrases are good mottoes, but in order to be a perfect believer in Unity of God, the central theme should be Unity of God.

Thus, the real motto is **There is none worthy of worship except Allah and Muhammad is His Messenger.**

It has all virtues and it also gives the resolutions to any problem in understanding Unity of God.

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Through abiding by Unity of God high morals, knowledge, culture, politics and excellence in other arts are instilled in man.

Thus, our motto which is appointed by God is 'There is none worthy of worship except Allah'.

Dajjal is evident in full force in this age and his objective is to give precedence to worldly matters over faith, therefore it is our task to raise the slogan of giving precedence to faith over worldly matters in response.

This is why the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) has included this proviso in his conditions of Bai'at. This means that we will abide by the teaching of faith and will uphold **There is none worthy of worship except Allah and Muhammad is His Messenger.** We have taken the Bai'at of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) in this age for attaining this purpose.



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A revelation of
the Promised
Messiah (on
whom be peace)
said: 'Hold fast to
Unity, hold fast to
Unity, O sons of
Persia.'
(Tadhkirah, p. 64,
2009 edition).

Sons of Persia does not only mean or
signify his family, in fact the entire
Jama'at is included in it in spiritual
terms and thus this instruction is for
the entire Jama'at.

It is a matter of principle that in times
of trouble man holds onto something
special. It is stated here that hold
onto Unity of God in times of troubles.

Today shirk and atheism is spreading fast and we cannot enhance
our life in this world and the Hereafter by restricting ourselves to one
motto.

We cannot also abandon our worship and Salat in our presumption
to serve humanity. Whoever does this has nothing to do with the
Promised Messiah.

We need to ever focus on our real objective and motto so that we
may be the recipients of worldly as well as spiritual blessings. May
God enable us all to understand this!

Next Huzoor announced that he would lead funeral Prayer of Sadeeq Akbar Rahman Sahib, son of Faizur Rahman Sahib. He passed away after long illness of cancer on 7 May 2014 at the age of 40. Although he did not serve the Jama'at as an office-holder he was always a very keen worker.

He had a strong bond with Khilafat and had great belief in God and prayers. He endured his long illness with great patience.

May God forgive him and grant him high station in Paradise. May God grant steadfastness to his mother and widow! He leaves behind a small child. May God be their Helper and Protector!