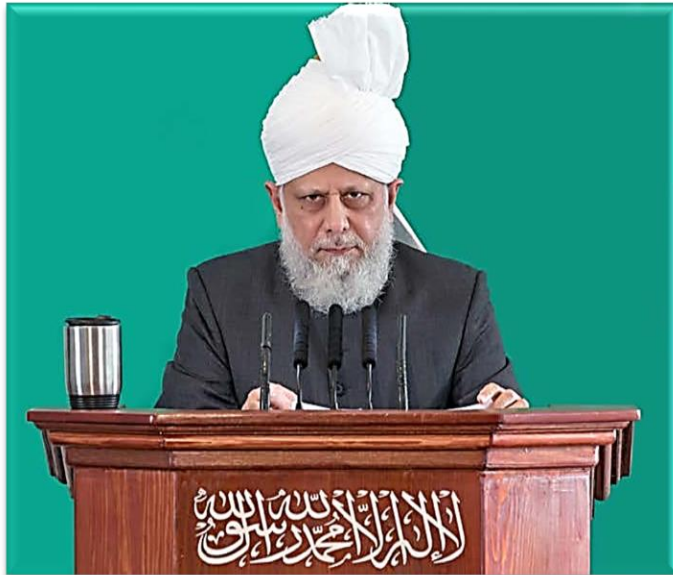
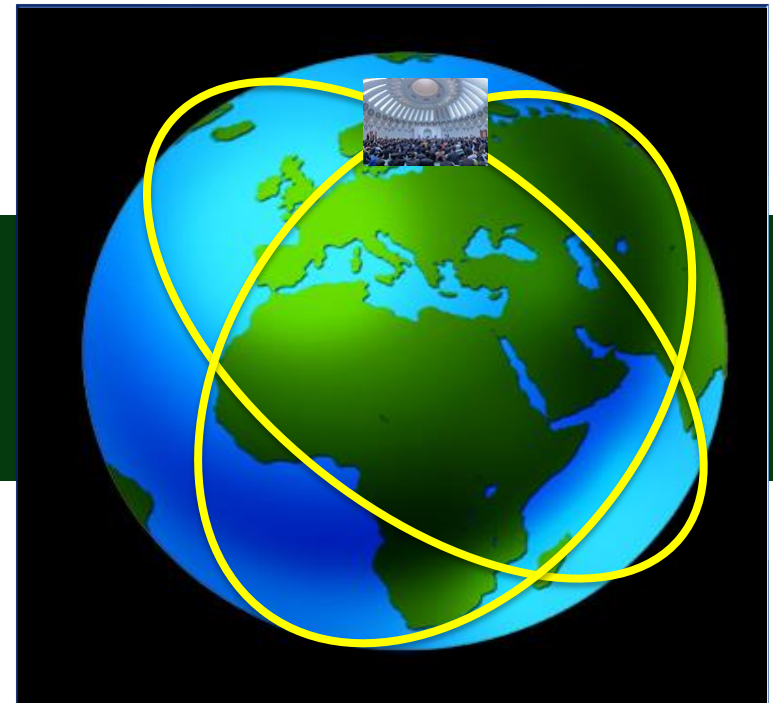


Musleh Maud: The Prophecy and The Man



**Sermon Delivered by Hadhrat
Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba);
Head of the Ahmadiyya
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Summary

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In March 1907, when he was only 18 years old, he wrote a treatise on the topic of the love for God, and at Annual Convention of 1916, two years after becoming the Caliph, he delivered a speech on the remembrance of God.

Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) wrote a book titled 'Ahmadiyyat: The True Islam.' A summary of which was read out at the Wembley Conference in 1924.

These examples were just a glimpse into the life of Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) in his youth. Though he did not have any formal education, according to the divine promise, he was filled with both secular and spiritual knowledge.

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Prophecy of the Promised Son – He Will be Filled With Secular & Spiritual Knowledge

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Hazoor (aba)) said that in today's sermon, he would focus on one aspect of the prophecy, which is that 'he would be filled with secular and spiritual knowledge.'

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'He Will Be Filled With Secular and Spiritual Knowledge'

Hazoor (aba) said that as far as the formal education of Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) is concerned, it was not very extensive as he only studied up until the primary level.

However, his academic achievements are such that an entire series of sermons would be required to cover them to some degree.

Hazoor (aba) that though these achievements cannot be covered in a single sermon, he would present an introduction to the fulfilment of this aspect of the prophecy.

Hazoor (aba) said that he has taken examples of the various speeches, writings and works of Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) from the time of his youth, during which time he began showing extraordinary academic capabilities.

Comprehension of the Love for God

In March 1907, when he was only 18 years old, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) wrote a treatise on the topic of the love for God. Hazoor (aba) said that this shows that God Almighty had instilled this awareness in him from a very young age.

He compared the various concepts of God across various religions, and in doing so showed that the God presented by other religions was incomplete, whereas the view of God presented by Islam is the only view that is complete and encompassing, thus enabling one to truly love God. He said that it is only the God presented by Islam, Who still guides humanity through revelation to this day. After one supplicates to God, He does not respond straight away, rather He puts the supplicant through a trial, after which God opens the door of divine communion for the supplicant. It is then that the supplicant enjoys the beauty of prayer.

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Knowledge With Regards to Attaining True Success

In December of 1908, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra), at the age of 19, presented a speech at the Annual Convention in Qadian on the topic of attaining true success.

He said that one must realise that there is an everlasting life in the hereafter. He posed the question, that when people take every precaution in this world for a life which is temporary, but should they not also prepare more so for a life which is to last forever? He said that everyone strives for success in this world through their work or business, but there is another sort of trade, which may not bear fruit in this world, but will surely bear fruit in the hereafter.

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Knowledge With Regards to Attaining True Success - cont'd

In order to be successful in this sort of trade, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) laid out some important principles which must be followed:

1) To always seek forgiveness for one's sins

2) always pay attention to worship

3) always be thankful to God

4) enjoin good

5) be mindful of the boundaries established by God. Following these steps he said, can lead one to true success.

Understanding of the Remembrance of God

The Annual Convention of 1916, two years after becoming the Caliph, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) delivered a speech on the remembrance of God.

He said there are four kinds of remembrance:

1) Offering prayer

2) reciting the Holy Qur'an

3) to proclaim and explain the attributes of God to others

4) to ponder over the attributes of God in solitude.

He presented over a dozen ways in which one can become regular in offering supererogatory prayers, twenty ways in which one can become regular in prayers, and a dozen benefits for the remembrance of God.

Awareness of the Attributes of God

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In October 1919, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) delivered a speech in Patiala, the topic of which was the attribute of God, 'Lord of all the Worlds' also known as the general grace of God which applies to all things and all people. In this speech, he explained how God Almighty has established means for the betterment and progress of the soul and one's spirituality.

He explained that it was under this general grace, that the Holy Prophet (sa) was sent to enlighten the world, and then later, the Promised Messiah (as) was sent to revive that very same message.

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Awareness of the Attributes of God – Cont'd

Another lecture delivered in 1919 was 'The Outset of Dissension in Islam.' In this lecture, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) said that the dissension which arose in Islam after about fifteen years after the demise of the Holy Prophet (sa) is often cited by the opponents of Islam as a blight against the religion Islam.

Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) said that he wished to dispel such false notions, and thus presented a detailed explanation of all events and their background, clearing up misconceptions such as the fact that the dissension arose as a result of some senior Companions of the Holy Prophet (sa). He thoroughly explained the events that occurred and the primary proponents to the rise of dissension such as Abdullah bin Saba and other opponents and hypocrites. However, no matter the opposition, Hazrat Uthman (ra) and other senior companions remained steadfast upon the teachings of Islam and showed the utmost kindness, even to the dissidents

Hazoor (aba) presented comments of some non-Ahmadi scholars and historians after hearing this lecture or reading its published version. A renowned historian said that he has never seen such a detailed and well-researched dissertation on Islamic history.

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Insight into Divine Decree

Another speech delivered in 1919 was on the subject of '*Divine Decree.*' Hazoor (aba) said that this, no doubt, is a difficult subject to tackle, however Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) presented it in a most eloquent manner.

Regarding this, the Fourth Caliph (rh) said that to deliver such a speech at the Annual Convention, where both learned and educated people were listening, as well as those who were not educated, and to present it in such a manner that both could understand is indeed a great feat. He dispelled many misconceptions regarding divine decree and explained the subject with extensive proofs and explanations

Hazoor (aba) said that this is something about which many questions arise and so people should read this book.

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Advice to Muslim Nations

Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Ahmad (ra) delivered another lecture on the topic of *'The Treaty of Turkey and the Future Conduct of Muslims'*.

After the first world, war, the deals made with Muslim countries were very crippling and unfair. Thus, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) gave sound advice and guidance as to how Muslims countries such as Turkey should proceed in the future. He highlighted the negative aspects of the treaty signed by Turkey, and suggested how Muslims could avoid its ill effects. He further elucidated how Muslims could prosper in the world.

In 1920 Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) delivered a speech spanning two days on the subject of *'The Angels of Allah.'*

He explained the existence of Angels; their purpose, their work, the various types, and in the end also presented various means through which one could establish a connection with Angels.

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The Need for Religion

In March 1921, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) delivered a speech on the topic of 'The Need for Religion.'

He addressed topics, such as the fact that some say that there is no longer any need for religion, that there are those in other religions who make prophecies, and that the success of the Promised Messiah (as) is not indicative of his truth as Lenin in Russia was also successful.

He answered all of the points with great proficiency stating that the need for religion is based upon the existence of God and His converse with people, and in this age, no one has had more converse with God than the Promised Messiah (as).

Another treatise by Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) was 'The Existence of God.' He explained in great detail the concept of God; he presented the concept of God in various other religions in history and soundly proved the existence of God.

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Inviting the World to the True Islam

Hazrat Mirza Bashirudding Mahmud Ahmad (ra) wrote a book titled 'Ahmadiyyat: The True Islam.'

A summary of this book was read out at the Wembley Conference in 1924. In this book, he stated and clarified that Ahmadiyyat and the true Islam are one and the same.

He clarified the misconception that Muslims must abandon all worldly means. He said that true Muslims should use all the means available to them, and then after expending their God-given abilities, they should leave the rest to God Almighty.

He further proved that the teachings of Islam regarding the establishment of high morals are unmatched by any other teaching.

He also mentioned how people should interact with each other in a society, and also expounded upon how global tensions between countries should be settled by presenting teachings from the Holy Qur'an.

In the end, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) invited the world to accept Ahmadiyyat.

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Hazoor (aba) said that these examples were just a glimpse into the life of Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) when he was still in his youth. Though he did not have any formal education, according to the divine promise, he was filled with both secular and spiritual knowledge.

Hazoor (aba) said that this does not even cover a hundredth of what Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) did and accomplished.

Hazoor (aba) prayed that may Allah continue to elevate his station in paradise.

Hazoor (aba) again made an appeal for prayers for the Ahmadis residing in Pakistan. He prayed that may Allah swiftly foil the plots of all the opponents.