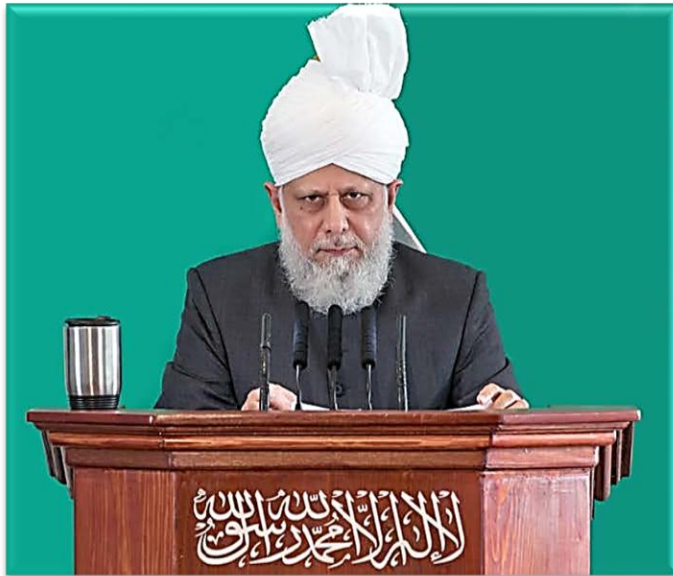
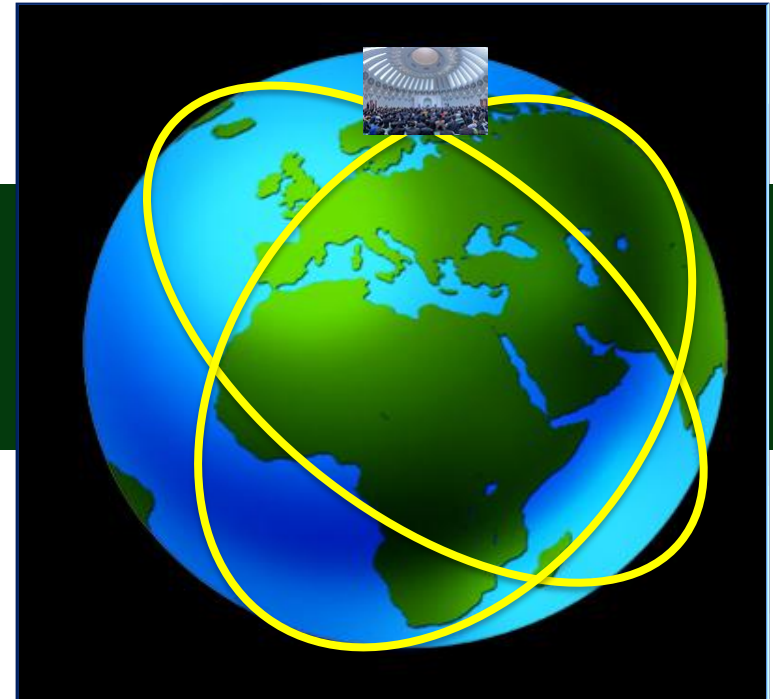


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**Sermon Delivered by Hadhrat  
Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba);  
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## Summary

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The Expedition of Abu Qatadah(ra) to Khadirah. This took place in Sha'ban 8 AH. A branch of the Banu Ghatafan resided there, which was bent upon causing harm to Islam. This expedition lasted for 15 days, and the Muslims attained 200 camels, 1,000 goats and many prisoners.

The Expedition of Abu Qatadah(ra) to Idam in Ramadan 8 AH. When the Holy Prophet(sa) had intended to set out towards Makkah for the Conquest of Makkah, he sent Hazrat Abu Qatadah(ra) towards Idam so that people might think that the Holy Prophet(sa) was going to Idam instead of Makkah. Hazrat Abu Qatadah(ra) was accompanied by eight companions.

His Holiness(aba) that he would commence mention of the Conquest of Makkah in the future.

His Holiness(aba) said that he would now make mention of an elder of the Community, who was a scholar, devoted to Khilafat and an unmatched servant of the faith who recently passed away, along with another Ahmadi who died whilst being held captive. As such, he attained the rank of martyrdom.

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### **The Expedition of Abu Qatadah(ra) to Khadirah**

This took place in Sha'ban 8 AH. A branch of the Banu Ghatafan resided there, which was bent upon causing harm to Islam. One of the Muslims who had recently gotten married did not have enough money to pay his dowry, and he explained his situation to the Holy Prophet(sa). Upon this, the Holy Prophet(sa) told him that he was about to dispatch a contingent under the leadership of Hazrat Abu Qatadah(ra) and he if he wished he could join him, for he trusted that he would attain the amount he needed for his dowry from the spoils of this expedition.

16 Muslims were sent under the leadership of Hazrat Abu Qatadah(ra) towards the Banu Ghatafan. Upon arriving, Hazrat Abu Qatadah(ra) addressed his men, and grouped them in pairs, saying that they should not leave each other's sides and follow his lead in attacking the enemy. The Muslims encircled the army, drew their swords, and waged a sudden attack. It is recorded that this expedition lasted for 15 days, and the Muslims attained 200 camels, 1,000 goats and many prisoners.

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## The Expedition of Abu Qatadah(ra) to Idam

The Expedition of Abu Qatadah towards Idam in Ramadan 8 AH. Idam was a valley in Najd where a branch of the Banu Ghatafan resided. When the Holy Prophet(sa) had intended to set out towards Makkah for the Conquest of Makkah, he sent Hazrat Abu Qatadah(ra) towards Idam so that people might think that the Holy Prophet(sa) was going to Idam instead of Makkah. Hazrat Abu Qatadah(ra) was accompanied by eight companions.

Along the way, a man named Amir greeted the contingent with the Islamic greeting, and so they did not think to attack him. However, one of the companions had crossed paths with him before and knew who he was and so he attacked and killed him. There was no other battle during this expedition, as their primary purpose was to serve as a diversion.

Along the way, they received word that the Holy Prophet(sa) had set out for Makkah; therefore, they turned around and joined the Holy Prophet(sa). When they informed the Holy Prophet(sa) about the incident with Amir, it is recorded that the following Qur'anic verse was revealed to the Holy Prophet(sa):

'O ye who believe! When you go forth in the cause of Allah, make proper investigation and say not to anyone who greets you with the greeting of peace, 'Thou art not a believer.' You seek the goods of this life, but with Allah are good things in plenty. Such were you before this, but Allah conferred His special favour on you; so do make proper investigation. Surely, Allah is well aware of what you do.'

(The Holy Qur'an, 4:95)

This verse would have been initially revealed before this time, the Holy Prophet(sa) may have recited this verse as a way of expressing his displeasure.

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## Funeral prayers

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1. **Syed Mir Mahmood Ahmad Nasir Sahib** - *son of Hazrat Syed Mir Muhammad Ishaq(ra). He was the nephew of Hazrat Nusrat Jahan Begum(ra), and the son-in-law of Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad(ra), Second Caliph of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.*
2. **Dr Tahir Mahmood Sahib** - *passed away recently while being held in prison. He was charged and arrested by the police for offering the Friday prayer.*

Inna lillahi wa inna ilaihi raji'un

[Surely To Allah do we belong and to Him do we return].