بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

The Amīr/ National President Jamā'at Ahmadiyya,

Dear Brother.

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركابة

On 12<sup>th</sup> February 2010, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V ايمواللبتعالى delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

Huḍūr اليوالشتال related some spiritually uplifting events from the lives of the Companions of the Promised Messiah عليه السال , which shed light on their perfect faith, their trust in God and their love for Him; and how God, in return, showed extraordinary signs for their sake.

In passing, Ḥuḍūr المواللة also said that these days some so-called scholars are claiming that the Qur'ānic injunction regarding purdah was only meant for the wives of the Holy Prophet مسلى الشعلية مناه and not for all Muslim women. Ḥuḍūr المواللة said: This is a fallacy. In Sūrah Al-Aḥzāb the Holy Qur'ān has clearly enjoined purdah not only upon the wives of the Holy Prophet مناه الشعلية على but upon all believing women. It says:

"O Prophet! Tell your wives and your daughters, and the women of the believers, that they should pull down upon them of their outer cloaks *from their heads over their faces*." (33:60)

Huḍūr المواشرة related a number of episodes from the lives of the companions of the Promised Messiah ما بالمام, which reveal their outstanding knowledge and wisdom, their victory in every theological contest and their supremacy in the field of Da'wat Ilallāh and the religious debates, in keeping with the God's promises. In short, God was with them at every step. Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ I محالية تعالى says, "God has always been my 'treasurer', for I have always put my trust in Him and the All-Powerful One has come to my aid every time."

The Promised Messiah عيالات says, "The Holy Qur'ān has given us a teaching through which, and by acting upon which, it becomes possible for man to behold the Almighty in this very world. Man should, therefore, perform such good deeds as are free from every blemish. That is to say, one's actions should not be for the sake of ostentation, they should not cause one to become haughty or arrogant, they should not be flawed or incomplete, and they should not indicate anything that is contrary to personal love for the Almighty. Man's every action should be full of sincerity and fidelity."

The Promised Messiah عليه also says, "Shun every form of *shirk* and do not value the provisions of this world so much as to make them partners with God. And do not take pride in your own efforts, for it is one of the many kinds of *shirk*. Having done everything in your power, you should consider it of no consequence and should not take pride in your knowledge or accomplishments. Consider yourself,

instead, to be truly ignorant and unworthy, and your soul should always lie prostrate at God's doorstep."

Again the Promised Messiah ("Draw God's bounties with prayers and become like a thirsty and helpless person before whom a fountain of pure sweet water sprouts, and he drags himself towards it with all his effort and, having reached it, places his lips upon it and does not part until he has been satiated."

Ḥuḍūr إليوالله said: May Allāh enable all Aḥmadīs to adopt humility and may He strengthen their trust and faith in Him and grant them excellence in knowledge and deeds, and enable them to keep away from pride and worldliness. May Allāh enable us to do good deeds so that we too may merit the bounties He bestowed upon the Companions of the Promised Messiah المياليان, and may we always drink from this fountain. Āmīn.

Please convey these guidelines given by Ḥuḍūr ايدهاللتخالى to the members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh. Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah) Wakīl A'lā, Tahrīk Jadīd Anjuman Aḥmadiyya Pakistan, Dated: 24 May. 10