

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/ National President

Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 17th December 2010, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V ایده اللہ تعالیٰ delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūḥ Mosque, London.

Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: Allāh says in the Holy Qur'ān that the believers are those who love Allāh more than everything else and this love gradually leads them to love those whom Allāh loves. It is written in the Traditions that on the Day of Judgement, when there will be no Refuge other than the Refuge which Allāh provides, Allāh will take under His shelter those two people who love one another for His sake. If loving an ordinary Muslim for the sake of Allāh merits such reward, you can imagine how immeasurable will be the reward of those who love Allāh's chosen servants. These are the strange ways of love and fidelity that Culminate in Allāh's presence. How fortunate are those who experience the time of God's Messengers and are able to fully demonstrate their love and devotion. Such were the Companions رضی اللہ عنہم of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام who experienced his blessed company and enjoyed his love and kindness first hand.

Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ related some accounts told by some of the Companions رضی اللہ عنہم of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام, such as Ḥaḍrat Wali Dād Khan Ṣāḥib of Marārah, Nārowāl; Ḥaḍrat Madad Khan Ṣāḥib of Yariपुरa, Kashmir; Ḥaḍrat Master Muḥammad Pervaiz Ṣāḥib of Kamal Derah, Sindh; Ḥaḍrat Chaudhary Abdul Hakīm Ṣāḥib of Wazirabad; Hadrat Hamid Hussain Ṣāḥib of Murādabad; Ḥaḍrat Mistrī Allāh Ditta Bhāmbari Ṣāḥib of Gurdaspur; Hadrat Miān Bakhsh Ṣāḥib of Gujranwala; Ḥaḍrat Master Khalil-ur-Rahman Ṣāḥib of Jammu; Ḥaḍrat Ghulām Rasool Ṣāḥib of Changrian, Sialkot; Ḥaḍrat Rahmatullah Ṣāḥib Aḥmadī of Sangroor; Ḥaḍrat Maulawī Fateh Ali Ṣāḥib of Dulmial, Jehlum; and Ḥaḍrat Bahāwal Shah Ṣāḥib of Ambala. In their accounts they have described their feelings when they first set their eyes on the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام, the circumstances of their Bai'at and other experiences of love and nearness to the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام.

Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: The descendants of these Companions رضی اللہ عنہم should remember that they owe a debt of deep gratitude to their ancestors. Had it not been for their courage, some Aḥmadīs today might not have had the strength to accept the truth as fearlessly as their forefathers did. We should pray for these elders and try to follow their examples.

Ḥuḍūr أيده الله تعالى said: Some of these Companions رضي الله عنهم were not even educated, but they did have a spiritual and intellectual thirst which they were able to satisfy in the company of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام. They proved themselves to be true lovers and thus they attained the nearness of Allāh. We should pray for these noble people and try to carry on their example, their spirit of love and fidelity in the way of Allāh. May Allāh enable us to do so. *Amīn*.

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

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

Taḥrīk Jadīd Anjuman Aḥmadiyyah Pakistan,

Dated: 22 Dec. 10