

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/ National President
Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 29th April 2011, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V ایده اللہ تعالیٰ delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūḥ Mosque, London.

Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: The Promised Messiah's علیہ السلام advice to those in search of the truth was that they should seek Allāh's guidance through prayer. If they pray to Him with a clear and unprejudiced mind, Allāh will surely guide them. In his book *Nishān-e-Asmānī*, or *The Heavenly Sign*, the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام has outlined the manner in which such an *Istikharāh* should be performed. He says that a seeker after truth should first of all sincerely repent of his sins and then offer two *rak'ah* of prayer at night. In the first *rak'ah* he should recite Sūrah *Yā-Sīn*, and in the second he should recite Sūrah *Al-Ikhlāṣ* 21 times, then send down *Durūd* (upon the Holy Prophet صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم) 300 times and offer *Istighfār* 300 times. He should then beseech Allāh, who is the Knower of all hidden things, to show him the right path. The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام also says that if one's heart is full of prejudice and ill-will, it will remain under the influence of satan and his search for truth will not bear fruit.

Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: There are many fortunate people who have sought Allāh's guidance and have been duly guided by Him. Even today Allāh is showing signs of the truth of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام in order to guide, towards him, the true seekers of truth. Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ related faith-inspiring experiences of several fortunate people from around the world who prayed for guidance and for their hearts to be opened to the truth, and how Allāh revealed to them the right path through their dreams and they eventually entered the fold of Aḥmadiyyat. The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام says, "I can see, and so can you, that Allāh has kept me alive to this day and has increased my Jamā'at." Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: These words of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام are as true today as they were in his lifetime, because even though the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام is not physically among us, his Jamā'at is still growing and he continues to appear in people's dreams testifying to the truth of his claim.

The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام says, "The time has now come for the glory of Islām to be manifested. This is the purpose of my coming. People must value the blessings that are descending from heaven and be grateful for this timely help in an age of turmoil. But if they do not value God's gift, He will cease to care about them and He will certainly accomplish His mission."

Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: May Allāh open people's hearts so that they seek guidance from Allāh. And may Allāh cause our own faith to grow stronger every day. *Amīn*.

At the end of the Sermon, Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ informed the Jamā'at of the sad martyrdom of two Syrian Aḥmadīs, Tāmīr Al-Rashīd Ṣāhib and Muḥammad Mustafa Ra'ad Ṣāhib. Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ also spoke about the sad demise of Ahmad Baqīr Ṣāhib of Syria and Lutfur Rahman Shakri Ṣāhib, son of Maulana Abdur Rahman Anwar Ṣāhib, who served for a long time as a pharmacist at Fadl-e-Omar Hospital Rabwah and was now living in Germany. Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ led their *Namāz Janāzah Ghā'ib* after the Jumu'a prayer.

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

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

Taḥrīk Jadīd Anjuman Aḥmadiyya Pakistan,

Dated: 17 May. 11