

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/National President
Jamā'at Ahmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 20th January, 2012, Hadrat Khalīfatul Masīh V ایده اللہ تعالیٰ delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

After reciting verses 115 and 116 of *Surah Al-e-'Imran*, which are translated as follows:

“They believe in Allāh and the Last Day, and enjoin what is good and forbid evil, and hasten, vying with one another, in good works. And these are among the righteous.

And whatever good they do, they shall not be denied its due reward; and Allāh well knows the God-fearing.” (3:115-116)

Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: Before we can enjoin others to do good deeds or forbid them from evil, we must first demonstrate the same qualities in ourselves. Having accepted the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام, it is essential that our words and deeds should be such as to cultivate goodness and stop evil. Self-reformation should, therefore, be our foremost concern. The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام says: God has told me that, till the day of Judgement, He shall grant superiority to those who believe in you over those who oppose you. The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام says: No one can become true follower just by pledging Bai'at to me, unless he demonstrates full obedience.

Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: It is only by acting according to the spirit of these exhortations of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام that we will deserve to be called believers. The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام has said that in this age it is our duty to spread the message of Islām in the whole world. And we cannot do this by mere words. Our actions should be such that they attract others towards us. Become righteous and do not do injustice to others if you wish to succeed. Your words should not be at odds with your actions. Purify yourself, both physically and spiritually. Those who fear God live their lives in humility and meekness and avoid anger, fury and arrogance. Do not give degrading names to others and do not look down upon your brothers. Honour does not come from the world; only he is worthy of honour in the eyes of God who fears Him most.

The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام has also urged us to acquire modern knowledge and to advance in modern sciences and research, because these also help in *Da'wat Ilallāh* and promoting goodness. But these forms of knowledge can also lead one astray, it is therefore necessary to acquire knowledge of the Holy Qur'ān as well, so that one does not stray

from the right path. Remember, only he who possesses heavenly light can serve the faith. In this age this light has come to us from the Promised Messiah عليه السلام. In order to understand the Holy Qur'ān, we must read his books and commentaries on the Holy Qur'ān. The faith shall always be supreme and science will remain subservient to it.

The Promised Messiah عليه السلام says that the true man of valour is he who is able to transform his character. People of my Jama'at should tread the path of *Taqwa* so that they experience the acceptance of their prayers and their faith is strengthened. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام says: Many a time God has revealed to me that if we be *muttaqi* and walk the straight path of *Taqwa*, He will be with us. Until a Jama'at becomes *muttaqi* in the eyes of God, His help cannot be forthcoming in its support. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام says: Repentance is a thing of great value which brings peace and true happiness in both worlds.

Hudūr ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ said: The words *rabbana* (O our Lord) remind us that we should leave all false gods and turn to the One God who sustains us. Each of us should become God's grateful servant and try to walk the path of righteousness.

At the end of the sermon, Hudūr ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ informed the Jamā'at of the sad demise of Sheikh Muhammad Naeem Sahib, Murabbī Silsila, son of Sheikh Muhammad Aslam Sahib of Rabwah; Ahsan Kamal Sahib, son of Zafar Iqbal Sahib, President of Jama'at Ahmadiyya Sadr, Karachi; and Irfan Ahmad Sahib of Hafizabad, Pakisan. Hudūr ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ led the *Namaz Janazah Gha'ib* of the deceased after the Jumu'a prayer.

Please convey these guidelines given by Hudūr ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ to members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

Tahrīk Jadīd Anjuman Ahmadiyya Pakistan,

Dated: 25 January 2012