

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/National President
Jamā‘at Ahmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 23rd March 2012, Hadrat Khalīfatul Masīh V ایده اللہ تعالیٰ delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

Hudūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ referred to the *Ten Conditions of Bai‘at* and explained them in detail in light of certain extracts from the writings of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام and advised the Jamā‘at to follow the principles the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام has laid down for them.

Elaborating on the words of the Promised Messiah ایده اللہ تعالیٰ, Hudūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said that we need to shun idol worship, refrain from falsehood and always speak the truth. We should never give false testimony and be fair and just in our dealings. Only those among the believers who shall adhere to the truth will be awarded high spiritual stations. We must, therefore, be on our guard lest we indulge in adultery or cast lustful glances at others. It would be advisable to avoid visiting such places as might lead us to these evils, for they hinder one’s path to Divine pleasure. Men and women both have been commanded by God to observe *purdah*. Hence, we should strive to act righteously in order to set an example for others.

Hudūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said that we should observe patience and fortitude and tread not the paths of mischief, deception, and transgression. We ought to be steadfast in offering prayer and invoking blessings upon the Holy Prophet صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم, peace and blessings of Allāh be upon him and offering the *Tahajjud* prayer. We need to be constant in seeking forgiveness from God and sincerely follow the paths of piety and righteousness. We should observe the fast of Ramadān and remember that heaven shows mercy to those who are steadfast in offering their Prayers. Piety and righteousness form the root of every good. Acts which are rooted in true piety never go waste.

Hudūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said that seeking forgiveness from God for one’s sins protects one against further sinfulness, necessary consequences of evil, and Divine chastisement, for light repels darkness. Therefore, treat God’s creation with love and kindness, be not arrogant towards others, and avoid being unfair, proud, and malevolent. Compassion, love and clemency ought to be practiced. Fear lest you become a target of Divine wrath.

Hudūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said that we find people afraid of worldly governments, their laws and punishments, but heedless of Divine wrath. Therefore, one should make sure that one acts righteously, adopts noble habits and shows humility. Also, one should do charitable works, engage in prayers to the Almighty and seek repentance from Him. Charity makes one worthy of Divine reward. Those who

deprive themselves of their selfish desires for the sake of God become worthy of God's special grace and mercy. Be sincere in your love for Him and shatter your selves for His sake. Shun evil customs and innovations and opt for the path that leads to Him. For perfect obedience to the Holy Prophet ﷺ and God Almighty opens for one the doors of Divine grace and blessings. Eschew vanity and pride. For vanity, pretence, remissness and conceit are never approved by God. Be faithful to your pledge of allegiance to the Promised Messiah عليه السلام to the extent that he becomes dearer to you than all your kith and kin. The revival of Islām demands a great sacrifice: to annihilate yourselves in this very path.

Hudūr ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ said that those who will follow the teachings of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام will rid themselves of the anxieties of both the worlds. Those who turn to him are like those who, in a stormy sea, are secure inside a solid ship. They are within a fortified castle which cannot be penetrated by thieves and robbers. Indeed, the Promised Messiah عليه السلام expects much from us: he wants us to follow his teachings and bring about a reformation of our attitudes and morals.

In the end, Hudūr ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ cited a few quotations from newspapers and books published in the press with reference to March 23rd, Pakistan Day, and explained that the Ahmadiyya Jamā'at had a great role to play in the creation of Pakistan, and that the services of the Ahmadiyya Jamā'at in this regard were unforgettable. Hudūr ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ also urged the Ahmadīs around the world to remember Pakistan in their prayers, so that it remains safe and secure from every hardship and calamity.

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: 28 March 2012