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The Amīr/National President
Jamā'at Ahmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 17th August 2012, Hadrat Khalifatul Masih V ایده اللہ تعالیٰ delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

After reciting verse 22 of surah Al-Ahzab and verse 32 of surah Al-e-Imran, which are translated as follows:

“Verily you have in the Prophet of Allāh an excellent model, for him who fears Allāh and the Last Day and who remembers Allāh much.”
(33:22)

“Say, ‘If you love Allah, follow me: then will Allah love you and forgive you your faults. And Allah is Most Forgiving, Merciful’ ”
(3:32)

Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: Allāh commands us that, if we wish to partake of His blessings, we must become His true servants and follow His commandments. He has made the Holy Prophet صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم a model for us in respect of all the commandments of the Holy Qur’ān. Being the perfect example of His commandments, the Holy Prophet صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم became God’s perfect servant. In the above verses Allāh commands us that, in order to perfect our own faith and to attain nearness to God, we must follow the example of the Holy Prophet صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم.

The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام says: Those who become the servants of the Holy Prophet صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم with all their heart and soul will be blessed with the light of faith and love, such that it will estrange them from everything other than God and free them from sin. They will be given a new life in this very world and rescued from the dark and narrow abyss of selfish passions.

The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام says: It is clear from the Holy Qur’ān that there are six hundreds injunctions which God wishes man to follow, and similarly the wings of Gabriel are also six hundred. This means that until man takes it upon himself to follow the six hundred commandments and finds shelter under the wings of Gabriel, he cannot completely absorb himself in God. The human soul has been bestowed six hundred potentials. Therefore you should try to implement these six hundred injunctions. Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said that a sinner can have his sins forgiven and can become God’s true servant if he strives to follow in the footsteps of the Holy Prophet صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم.

In the light of Ahādīth, Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ spoke about the example of the Holy Prophet صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم in respect of his love and gratitude towards God and the

manner and quality of his prayer and worship. Hudur ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ also shed light on the Holy Prophet's صلى اللہ علیہ وسلم forbearance, justice, kindness towards the enemy, caring for the feelings of others, serving God's creatures and compassion towards women, children, neighbours, etc. He was the perfect servant of God who presented his example in every matter and thus brought about a revolution that turned ignorant people into godly ones. For a believer to make the best use of his abilities is also a form of worship. If we wish to avail the blessings that are linked with the Holy Prophet صلى اللہ علیہ وسلم, we must strive to follow in his footsteps.

Hudur ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ said: Let us pray during the remaining days of Ramadān that God may make us true believers and enable us to follow the example of the Holy Prophet صلى اللہ علیہ وسلم. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام says that man cannot truly love God unless he adopts the morals, manners and character of the Holy Prophet صلى اللہ علیہ وسلم. May Allāh enable us to understand this secret in this Ramadān so that we may forever continue to walk the Holy Prophet's صلى اللہ علیہ وسلم footsteps. *Āmīn*.

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

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

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