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Dear Brother

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On 2nd August 2013, Hazrat Khalīfatul-Masīh V (May Allāh be his Helper) delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) continued the exegesis of the following verses 152-154 of surah Al-An'am.

"Say, 'Come, I will rehearse to you what your Lord has made inviolable for you: that you may not associate anything with Him as a partner and that you must treat parents with exceeding kindness, and that you kill not your children for *fear of* poverty — it is We Who provide for you and for them — and that you approach not foul deeds, whether open or secret; and that you kill not the life which Allāh has made sacred, save by right. That is what He has enjoined upon you, that you may understand.

'And approach not the property of the orphan, except in a way which is best, till he attains his maturity. And give full measure and weight with equity. We task not any soul except according to its capacity. And when you speak, observe justice, even if the concerned person be a relative, and fulfil the covenant of Allāh. That is what He enjoins upon you, that you may remember.'

And say, 'This is My path *leading* straight. So follow it; and follow to other ways, lest they lead you away from His way. That is what He enjoins upon you, that you *may become able to* guard *against evils.*" (6:152-154)

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The Holy Qur'ān commands us not venture near obscenity whether it be apparent or hidden. It is a social evil that gives rise to immorality and leads to the breakup of families. It destroys the morals and leads to infanticide. God has prescribed severe punishment for obscenity and immorality.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Today some governments are backing obscenity and even some religious leaders are supporting them. Ahmadīs should strive to put an end to such immorality. We should do some introspection and avoid all the mediums that spread such behaviours, such as TV, internet, Facebook, Skype, etc.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Just as God punished people of the past for the crimes of immorality, so will He do in this age. AIDS is just such a chastisement from God. We should also avoid the company where such conversation or talk takes place. So as to be safe from their poisonous

influence. However, if someone has indulged in this sin, the door of repentance is always open for him. 'And those who, when they commit a foul deed or wrong themselves, remember Allāh and implore forgiveness for their sins — and who can forgive sins except Allāh?' Therefore, always remember God so as to be saved from His chastisement.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Another commandment is not to kill the life which Allāh has made sacred. This also alludes to preserving the rights of relatives, neighbours, friends and all others with whom we come into contact. It doesn't allude only to the murder of the body, but also to the murder of people's feelings and honour, and it even alludes to spiritual murder. God has ordained a punishment for the taking of one's life, but it is not for every individual to take the law into his own hands, rather it is only the right of the law to punish with a view to reformation. The punishment should not be another injustice, rather it should result in reformation.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The next commandment is, 'And approach not the property of the orphan, except in *a way* which is best.' The Qur'ān does not forbid the utilization of their property in any way, rather it permits that it be employed in an adequate manner, without any dishonesty, and to return it to them once they come of age. But you should only utilize it if you are sure that you can fulfil the norms of justice and honesty. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said it is also important to give the orphans the proper upbringing and education so that they may succeed in life.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The next commandant is, "Give full measure and weight with equity." This commandment relates to faith, honesty and integrity in our businesses and transactions. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that truth and sincerity bring great blessings with them. The Holy Prophet مسلم المنافعة has praised an honest trader.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) prayed, may Allāh enable us to meet these high standards, may we live our lives in conformity with Divine commandments, may we fulfil our obligations and shun all evil, and may we progress in piety in this month of Ramadān. $\bar{A}m\bar{i}n$.

Please convey these guidelines given by Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) to members of your Jama'at.

Jazākumullāh. Wassalām,

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