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The Amīr/National President
Jamā‘at Ahmadiyya,
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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 4 July 2014, Hazrat Khalīfatul-Masīh V (May Allāh be his Helper) delivered the Friday Sermon at the Baitul Futūh Mosque, Morden, London.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) recited verse 184 of Sūrah *Al-Baqarah* along with its translation which is as follows:

“O ye who believe! Fasting is prescribed for you, as it was prescribed for those before you, so that you may become righteous.” (2:184)

And said: God almighty has granted us the opportunity to experience another Ramadān in our lives. God says that fasting in this month has been prescribed for us as it was prescribed for the people before us. God has prescribed for us fasting in this month not to make us undergo hunger, but to enable us to adopt righteousness, which will, in turn, enable us to be recipients of His countless blessings.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: One who fasts during Ramadān, should engage himself in the remembrance of Allāh so that God enables him to discard worldly desires and pursuits and obtain closeness to Him.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) quoted extracts from the writings of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام on the importance of fasting in the month of Ramadān and said: It is incumbent upon a believer to praise and glorify Allāh, humble himself before the Almighty God, and try to raise the standards of his worship, so that he is able to attain closeness to his Lord. The Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said that the keeping of the fast makes one worthy of Divine aegis only when one performs all his deeds for the sake of God alone, follows the path of righteousness and ever engages himself in the remembrance of God.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The most honourable in the sight of Allāh is he who is the most righteous. God Almighty draws near to His sincere servants during the month of Ramadān, therefore one should strive to obtain as much of Divine mercy as possible during this blessed month. Righteous acts performed for the sake of God during the month of Ramadān bear greater reward as compared to the pious acts performed in other months. Therefore, rise up and adorn your worship and good deeds by making further sacrifices for the sake of Allah. Try to gain true insight into how one can truly give preference to faith over worldly pursuits. God says that one should not give preference to the worldly life to the commandments He has issued for our spiritual progress. If we follow the Sharī‘ah and act upon Allāh’s commandments, Allāh will become our friend and ally.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The righteous will have the genuine end. Those bent upon worldly pursuits cannot attain this goal. Those who persevere in face of the persecution at the hands of the worldly people and do not bow before the impressive worldly power of the persecutors will ultimately emerge victorious in the world and will prosper.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) urged the Ahmadīs facing various kinds of persecution and oppression in Pakistan and other countries of the world to remain steadfast and bow down before the Almighty God alone for help.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: We will have to make sacrifices, for only then will we witness success. It is our sacrifices which will raise the standards of our worship and grant us the glad tiding that والعاقبة للمتقين (7:129) (The end is for the God-fearing). Therefore, we should be happy that God is with us and is bestowing upon us the glad tiding of a good end.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: By the grace of Allāh, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamā‘at is working for the ultimate victory of Islam over all other faiths and is ever ready to defend the Faith in every situation across the world. Wherever Islām is ridiculed and oppressed, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamā‘at defends it comprehensively and strives to propagate the true teachings of the religion with ever increasing zeal and passion.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The enemies of Islām have recently made another film against Islām and the Holy Prophet (May Allāh be his Helper). Those who make such films will surely be punished by God for their heinous acts. The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamā‘at will continue to raise its voice against such indecent assaults on Islām and the Holy Prophet ﷺ.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Those who make such films think that, God forbid, they can undermine the dignity and honour of the Holy Prophet ﷺ by poking fun at him. In fact, they need to realise that soon they will see their own lives destroyed both in this world and in the hereafter.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Ahmadīs truly revere the Holy Prophet ﷺ and proclaim his honour by reciting Durud and invoking God’s blessings upon him. Every Ahmadī in the world should occupy himself with the recitation of Durud as that is the most befitting answer to the hostile attacks launched against the honour of the Holy Prophet ﷺ.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: God commands us to seek lawful means of earning a living in this world. This is a blessing granted only to the righteous.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: During Ramadān we should try to obtain such level of righteousness that our worldly pleasures and desires are reduced to a degree approved by God Almighty. Those who are well-off should spend their wealth to earn the pleasure of the Almighty God. This will, God willing, enable us to obtain such blessings from fasting during Ramadān as will make piety and righteousness part and parcel of our lives. We should also

pray that Allāh may safeguard us from the machinations of the enemies during Ramadān. May the Almighty God safeguard Ahmadīs against every kind of persecution. May God the Almighty grant us the true righteousness during this Ramadān and transform us for ever.
Āmīn

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

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

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