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The Amīr/National President
Jamā‘at Ahmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السَّلَامُ عَلَیْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

Allāh protects the progeny of those who remain steadfast in righteousness, provided that the progeny also does the same and establish a relationship with God.

Prayer in congregation is not only of personal benefit but also of communal benefit in serving to create solidarity.

The work of preserving the relics of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام is going on in Rabwah and Qādiān and has been completed to a large extent.

On 15th January 2016, Hazrat Khalīfatul-Masīh V (May Allāh be his Helper) delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that God protects and blesses His true servants and those of their progeny who also continue to persevere in virtue. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام on one occasion told the story of a godly person who was traveling on a ship when it was overtaken by a storm. The ship was about to sink but it was saved on account of his prayers, and God told him through revelation that He had saved all the people for his sake. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that such things do not come about through mere verbal proclamations, rather one has to work hard and establish a relationship with God and continue the good deeds of one’s ancestors. Hence being the progeny of saints and sages cannot avail us unless we ourselves are established on those virtues and have a personal relationship with God.

Citing some aspects of the life of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام as related by Hazrat Musleh Mau‘ūd رضي الله عنه, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that prayer, or Salāt, was so dear to the Promised Messiah عليه السلام that if in case he was unable to come to the mosque due to illness or some other cause, he would pray at home in congregation along with his wife and children.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) spoke about the importance of prayer in congregation and said that while it has personal benefits, it also has communal benefits, for it fosters unity and solidarity. The command to stand close together while praying is that spiritual light from those who have more of it might permeate into the weaker members and strengthen them, and so that mutual introduction and relationships might be fostered. With these facts in mind we should watch over our prayers. Satan only lets go of a person when that person finds a way to break free from him. So in every situation we should frustrate Satan’s designs and seek to win Allāh’s pleasure to the best of our ability.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that sometimes people hastily draw conclusions without going into the depth of the matter and people of weak faith at times falter because of this. After relating an incident to illustrate this point, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that it is such hasty conclusions that also give birth to wrong innovations. People sometimes interpret a situation in a wrong way and draw wrong conclusions. A believer should be wary of this.

Hazrat Musleh Mau‘ūd رضی اللہ عنہ said that in whatever one does, one should leave room for God to take care of some things. No one ever reaches a stage where he can say there is no flaw and that everything has been perfected. But, at the same time, it is naïve to ignore the physical means. While on the one hand we should employ all the possible means, on the other hand our faith in God should also be firm, only thus are we blessed with Divine help.

Commenting on revelation of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام, “Kings shall seek blessings from thy garments,” Hazrat Musleh Mau‘ūd رضی اللہ عنہ said that when that time comes and kings seek blessings from his garments, blessing shall also be sought from his Companions and others after them according to their spiritual status. So while you celebrate the fulfilment of this prophecy, you should also seek forgiveness and pray for yourself and for others. Hazrat Musleh Mau‘ūd رضی اللہ عنہ said that people will only come to seek blessings from the garments of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام when you start seeking blessings from his words, which means to read them and gain knowledge from them.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that there was no proper way of preserving the relics of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام. Now, by the grace of Allāh, work is being done to this end in Rabwah and Qādiān, and to a large extent it has been completed.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) also cited Hazrat Musleh Mau‘ūd’s رضی اللہ عنہ description of the way The Promised Messiah’s علیہ السلام books were published and how he was concerned about high quality publications.

At the end of the sermon, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) informed the Jamā‘at of the sad demise of Chaudhary Abdul Aziz Dogar and Naseem Azmat Butt of UK and led their funeral prayer after the Friday prayers. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) also led the funeral prayer in absentia of Siddiqa Sahiba, wife of Qureshi Muhammad Shafi Abid, Derwesh of Qādiān.

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

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Hameedullah)

Wakīl A‘lā,

Tahrīk Jadīd Anjuman Ahmadiyya Pakistan,

Dated: 21 January 2016