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The Amīr/National President
Jamā‘at Ahmadīyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfa-tul-Masīh V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 03rd June 2022 at Mubarak Mosque Islāmabad, Tilford, UK

Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīh V (May Allāh be his Helper) continued with the series of sermons regarding Ḥaḍrat *Abu Bakr* (May Allāh be pleased with him).

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: In the context of Khilāfat of Ḥaḍrat *Abu Bakr* (May Allāh be pleased with him), I previously spoke about the expeditions that took place against the hypocrites and Ḥaḍrat *Khalid bin Walīd's* (May Allāh be pleased with him) battle against *Musailimah Kazzāb*. In this battle, the flag of *Ansār* was carried by Ḥaḍrat *Thabit bin Qais* (May Allāh be pleased with him) and the flag of *Muhājirīn* was held by Ḥaḍrat *Zaid bin Khaṭṭāb* (May Allāh be pleased with him). Ḥaḍrat *Zaid bin Khaṭṭāb* urged the people to fight the enemy resolutely and swore by Allāh that he would not speak to anyone until Allāh defeated the enemy or he embraced martyrdom. He was the half-brother of Ḥaḍrat *‘Umar* (May Allāh be pleased with him) and one of the early converts to Islām. He participated in the Battle of *Badr* alongside the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s blessings be upon him), as well as in the later battles. After the migration to Medina, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s blessings be upon him) established a bond of brotherhood between Ḥaḍrat *Zaid* and *Ma’an bin ‘Adiy*, (May Allāh be pleased with them) both of whom embraced martyrdom in the battle of *Yamamah*.

After the martyrdom of Ḥaḍrat *Zaid bin Khaṭṭāb* (May Allāh be pleased with him), the Muslim flag was held by *Maula Abi Hudhaifa* (May Allāh be pleased with him). When Ḥaḍrat *‘Umar* (May Allāh be pleased with him) received the news of the martyrdom of Ḥaḍrat *Zaid*, he said: “*Zaid* surpassed me in two virtues: He accepted Islām before me, and he embraced martyrdom before me.” Ḥaḍrat *‘Umar* (May Allāh be pleased with him) often said that he was reminded of *Zaid* whenever he felt the fragrance of the morning breeze.

During the battle of *Yamamah*, Ḥaḍrat *Khalid bin Walīd* (May Allāh be pleased with him) realized that the battle would not end as long as *Musailimah* was still alive. Ḥaḍrat *Khalid* challenged the enemy to one-on-one combat and killed everyone who came forward. He then challenged *Musailimah* who initially accepted the challenge but then fled along with his companions. *Banu Hanifa* were ordered by their commander *Muhkam bin Tufail* to take refuge in a nearby garden. In this battle, the Muslims showed great perseverance and fought with tremendous valour. When *Banu Hanifa* closed the door of the garden, Ḥaḍrat *Bara’ bin Mālīk* (May Allāh be pleased with him) said, "Help me climb the wall and I will open the door from within." At first, the Muslims did not accept this but, at his insistence,

helped him to jump into the garden. Fighting with great passion, he managed to open the door and the Muslims were able to enter. According to one account, Ḥaḍrat *Bara' bin Mālik* was accompanied by other Muslims who also scaled the wall and helped to open the door. *Musailimah* was standing by the wall, trying somehow to climb it and escape, and he was mad with rage. *Wahshi bin Harb*, who had martyred Ḥaḍrat *Hamza* in the battle of *Uhud*, threw his spear which hit *Musailimah* and came out from the other side. Then, *Abu Dujānah Simāk bin Kharasha* stabbed *Musailimah* with a sword. There are varying accounts as to who actually killed *Musailimah*. In a detailed account, *Wahshi bin Harb* described how he murdered Ḥaḍrat *Hamza*, fled to *Ta'if* after the conquest of Mecca and finally converted to Islām and killed *Musailimah Kazzāb*. He says, "Allāh knows best who killed *Musailimah*, but if I killed him, then I did not only kill the best person after the Messenger of Allāh, but also the worst."

The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) once said to *Wahshi bin Harb*, "Is it possible for you not to appear before me?" In his commentary, Ḥaḍrat *Syed Zain-ul-Abidīn Waliullah Shah Sahib* writes that these words of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) reflected the height of his morals because he did not say this in a dictatorial tone but almost as a request. It shows the love that was in his heart for Ḥaḍrat *Hamza* (May Allāh be pleased with him).

The details of the battle of *Yamamah*, speak of the courage and bravery of the Muslims. When a fierce battle broke out between the two armies, many Muslims were martyred, including a number of those who had memorised the Holy Qur'ān. When most of the army had dispersed, *Salim Maula Abi Hudhaifah* and *Thabit razi* dug themselves into the ground up to half of their legs and remained firm holding the flags until they were martyred. During the battle, the Muslims lost their footing three times, but the fourth time they stood their ground and braved the onslaught. Ḥaḍrat *'Ammār bin Yasir* climbed on a rock and continued to shout encouragements to the Muslims. *Wahshi* says that on that day he wielded the sword so much that it was filled with blood up to the hilt. When a group of *Banu Hanifah* attacked Ḥaḍrat *Abu Dujānah*, he valiantly fought with his sword on all sides. When the enemy took refuge in the garden, *Abu Dujānah* said, "Give me a shield and help me climb over the garden wall." The narrator says that when they later entered the garden, they found him martyred.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) then said that he would continue these accounts in future.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) urged prayers for Pakistan, especially for Pakistani Aḥmadīs. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that the general situation in Pakistan is deteriorating and, at the same time, the opposition to Aḥmadīs in Pakistan is growing. The opponents do not even hesitate to desecrate old Aḥmadī graves. They are very unfortunate people, may God bring them to account. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) also appealed for prayers for Aḥmadīs in Algeria who are facing a lot of persecution, as well as in Afghanistan. May Allāh have mercy on all. *Āmīn*

In the second part of the sermon, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) spoke about the following members of the Jamā'at who passed away recently and announced to lead their funeral prayer in absentia after the Friday prayer.

1. *Maulana Naseem Mehdi Sahib*, son of *Maulana Ahmad Khan Naseem sahib*, passed away recently at the age of 69 years. After graduating from Jāmi‘a Aḥmadiyya Rabwah in 1976, he served in Islāh-o-Irshād Muqāmi. In 1983, he was appointed as a missionary in Switzerland. In 1984, he was appointed Nā‘ib Wakīl-ut-Tabshīr. For some time he also worked as acting Wakīl-ut-Tabshīr. In December 1984, he served as Private Secretary in London. He left for Canada in 1985 and served as a missionary and later as Missionary-in-Charge until 2008. He also served as Amīr of Canada. From 2009 to 2016, he was Missionary-in-Charge of the United States. He then became ill and took an indefinite leave.

He had the honour of building mosques, establishing Jāmi‘a Aḥmadiyya Canada and the Peace Village, setting up MTA North America Station, and structuring the system of the Jamā‘at on modern lines. He was full of human sympathy, obedient to the Khilāfat, hospitable, ever vigilant for the honour of the Jamā‘at, and prayerful. He recited Durūd Sharīf very often. He had the ability to establish connections with people and make use of them for the benefit of the Jamā‘at. In 2009, he received the Order of Ontario Medal, the province's most prestigious award.

He had the opportunity to visit many USA states. He was also able to make use of events that were held in the context of the 9/11 attacks as an effective means of spreading the teachings of Islām. Similarly, he rendered significant services in establishing the mission house in Mexico. He is survived by his wife, four sons and two daughters.

2. *Muhammad Ahmad Sharim* of Rabwah passed away at the age of 16 years. He was devoted to Khilāfat, good-humoured and loved by everyone. He eagerly participated in financial sacrifices and attended the Jamā‘at’s meetings regularly. He was a Mūṣī by the grace of Allāh. He is survived by his parents and two sisters.

3. *Ms Saleema Qamar Sahiba*, wife of the late *Mr Rashid Ahmed Sahib*, passed away on 16th May. Her father *Chaudhary Muhammad Siddique Sahib* served as In-charge of the Khilāfat Library in Rabwah for many years. She did her MA in Arabic and had the opportunity to serve as the General Secretary of *Lajna Imāillāh* Rabwah from 1972 to 1982. From 1982 to 1987, she served as the librarian at the *Amatul-Hai’y* Library. From 1987 to 2018, she served as editor of the magazine 'Misbah'. She was a very virtuous, devout, prayerful, and simple woman.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) prayed that Allāh may forgive all the deceased and grant them a lofty station in heaven. *Āmīn*

Jazākumullāh

Wassalām,

Abdul Majid Tahir

Additional Wakīlut Tabshīr

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