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Dear Brother,

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 02nd January 2026 at Mubārak Mosque Islāmabād, Tilford, UK

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: In the previous sermon, I spoke about the Holy Prophet’s love for Allāh. In this age, the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), the truthful servant of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s blessings be upon him), established the highest standards of divine love by following in the footsteps of his Master. As a result, Allāh’s grace descended upon him, and his love for Allāh was also perceived by others. Today, I will recount a few incidents in this context.

Before that, I will quote the words of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) himself on this subject. He says, “I am unable to specify which of my actions resulted in this divine favour being bestowed upon me. I only feel within myself that by nature my heart is drawn towards Allāh with a loyalty that cannot be restrained by anything. This is only by His grace.”

At another place, he said, “My home is the mosques, the righteous are my brothers, remembrance of Allāh is my wealth, and His creation is my family.”

He further said, “I love everything solely for Allāh. Be it wife, children, or friends, my connection with them is for Allāh alone. The truthful remain steadfast even during trials, knowing that ultimately Allāh will be their Protector. And I, though thankful for such perfect friends, firmly believe that even if not a single person remains with me and all abandon me, I will fear nothing. I know Allāh is with me. Even if I am crushed, humbled, or reduced to dust, even if I face abuse, insults, and curses from all sides, I will ultimately be victorious.”

He also said, “Nothing can sever my bond with Allāh, and I swear by His honour and majesty that nothing in this world or the hereafter is dearer to me than that the greatness of His religion be manifested, that His glory shine, and that His word prevail.”

The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says, “If anyone does not wish to follow my path, let them depart. Who knows what dangerous forests and thorny deserts lie ahead that I must traverse? Those with delicate feet should not bear trials with me. Those who are truly mine cannot be separated from me, not even by hardships, the curses of people, or heavenly trials. Those who are not mine may claim friendship in vain, for soon they will be separated, and their future will be worse than before. Can we fear earthquakes? Can we be terrified by trials in the way of Allāh? Can we be separated from our beloved God through any test? Certainly not.”

Ḥaḍrat Mirza Bashīr Aḥmad (May Allāh be pleased with him) relates that Ḥaḍrat Mūlawī Sarwar Shah Ṣāḥib recounted the following incident about the Gurdaspur case involving Karam Dīn: Two days before the hearing, the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) sent me from Qādiān to Gurdaspur to prepare references. There, Dr Muḥammad Ismā‘īl Khān Ṣāḥib informed me that Muḥammad Ḥussein Munshī, a court clerk and opponent of the Jamā‘at, had brought alarming news. At an Arya gathering, someone had told the magistrate, “This person (the Promised Messiah) is our bitter enemy and the murderer of our leader, Lekh Rām. If you let this prey escape, you will be an enemy of the nation.” The magistrate had pledged to arrest the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) at the first hearing. Muḥammad Ḥussein, despite being an opponent, could not bear to see a respectable person humiliated by Hindus and advised that the case should either be transferred or that the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) not appear before the court.

We immediately informed the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), who responded with remarkable calm, “Very well, let us go to Batala.” The attempts by our lawyers to transfer the case failed, so the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) travelled to Batala that same day. There, he summoned

me to recount the matter in detail. He listened quietly until I reached the word ‘prey’, at which point he sat upright, with his eyes sparkling and face reddening, and he said, “I am not his prey. I am a lion—and a lion of Allāh at that. How can he lay his hands on the lion of Allāh?” His voice became so loud that people outside were startled. He then said, “I have told Allāh that I am ready to wear chains in His path, but He says, ‘No, I shall save you from humiliation and acquit you with honour.’” He then spoke on the subject of the love of Allāh for approximately half an hour.

A similar incident occurred when the Superintendent of Police suddenly came to Qādiān with policemen on suspicion regarding the murder of Lekh Rām. When Ḥaḍrat Mīr Nāsir Nawāb Ṣāhib received the news, he went to the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) in a state of great anxiety and submitted, “The Superintendent has brought handcuffs with him.” The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) was writing his book ‘Nurul Qur’ān’ at the time. He raised his head and calmly said, “Come, Mīr Ṣāhib! People wear gold and silver bangles in times of joy; we shall consider that we have worn iron bangles in the path of Allāh.” Then, after a brief pause, he added, “But this will never happen, because the government of God Almighty has its own ways of wisdom; God does not allow His divinely commissioned vicegerents to be humiliated.”

Ḥaḍrat Munshī ‘Abdul Karīm Ṣāhib (May Allāh be pleased with him) relates that once the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) said, “During trials, we are concerned about some in our Jamā‘at who are weak of faith. My condition is such that even if I receive a clear voice saying, ‘You are forsaken, and We shall not fulfil any of your desires,’ I swear by Allāh that due to this divine love and passion for serving the faith, there shall be no decrease whatsoever.”

Ḥaḍrat Nawāb Mubāraka Begum (May Allāh be pleased with her) says: The love for God which was present in every particle of the Promised Messiah’s inner soul was evident at all times in every word and deed. Even besides the prescribed prayer times, I have heard him calling upon his gracious Lord with great yearning in supplication.

A Sikh landlord recounts that he once said to the Promised Messiah’s father, “You have another son whom we have never seen.” He smiled and said, “Yes, I do have a younger son, but he appears as rarely as a newlywed bride. If you wish to see him, go and look in some corner of the mosque. He virtually lives in the mosque.”

Ḥaḍrat Muṣṭaḥ Mau‘ūd (May Allāh be pleased with him) says: There was a man here who later joined the Jamā‘at and had a close relationship with the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him). However, before this person became an Aḥmadī, the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) remained displeased with him for twenty years. The reason was that when his son died, the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) went with his brother to express condolences, and words slipped from the man’s mouth: “Allāh has greatly wronged me.” Upon hearing this, the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) developed such disgust for him that he did not even want to see his face. Eventually, Allāh gave him the opportunity to take the pledge of allegiance, and he emerged from his ignorance.

Ḥaḍrat Mirza Bashīr Aḥmad (May Allāh be pleased with him) relates: The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) suffered from vertigo, and a physician renowned for treating this condition was summoned from afar. After his examination, the physician confidently announced, “I shall cure you within two days.” The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) immediately withdrew and wrote to Ḥaḍrat Mūlawī Noor-ud-Deen (May Allāh be pleased with him), “I do not wish his treatment. Does he claim to be God? This is a divine claim.” The physician was paid and sent away. Who but Allāh can truly heal? He alone is the true Healer.

Ḥaḍrat Sheikh Ya‘qūb ‘Ali Irfāni (May Allāh be pleased with him) narrates that the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) would say, “When I had the opportunity to visit Dalhousie, upon seeing the verdant parts of the mountains and the flowing waters, a passion for praising Allāh would spontaneously arise from within me, and I would experience a delight in worship.”

When Ḥaḍrat Munshī Aḥmad Jān (May Allāh be pleased with him) of Ludhiana was going to perform Hajj, the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) wrote to him the following note: Please remember this humble request of mine, that when you are blessed with the opportunity to visit the House of Allāh, then

on behalf of this most humble servant of Allāh, please present this supplication in these words at that blessed place, “O Most Merciful of those who show mercy! A humble, useless, sinful and unworthy servant of Yours, Aḥmad, who lives in India, has this submission: O Most Merciful of those who show mercy! Be pleased with me and forgive my mistakes and sins, for You are Most Forgiving and Merciful. And do with me that which makes You most pleased. Create the distance between me and my ego as exists between East and West, and make my life and death and every power I possess solely for Your path. Keep me alive in Your love alone, cause me to die in Your love alone, and raise me amongst Your perfect ones.”

The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says, ‘I declare that even if I were convinced that loving Allāh and obeying Him would bring the severest punishment, I swear that my nature is such that it would willingly endure those afflictions and trials with delight and with the fervent passion of love.’

He further says, “How unfortunate is the man, who even now, is unaware that there is a God who has power over all things. Our paradise lies in our God. Our highest delight is in our God for we have seen Him and found every beauty in Him. This wealth is worth procuring though one might have to lay down one’s life to procure it. This ruby is worth purchasing though one may have to lose oneself to acquire it. O ye, who are deprived! Hasten to this fountain as it will satiate you. It is this fountain of life that will save you. What am I to do? How shall I impress the hearts with this good news? What sort of a drum am I to beat in the streets in order to make the announcement that this is your God, so that people might hear? What remedy shall I apply to the ears of the people so that they should listen? ”

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that the new year began yesterday; may this new year be one of immense blessings. May Allāh frustrate the plots and ploys of the opponents and grant the Jamā‘at continued success. At such times of celebration, it is also important to remember our brothers who are falsely imprisoned. They are wearing iron bangles for the sake of God. May Allah create the means for their freedom.

At the end of the sermon, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) spoke about the following recently deceased members of the Jamā‘at and announced to lead their funeral prayer in absentia after the Friday prayer. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) also prayed for their lofty station in Jannah:

- Reḥāna Bāsmā Ṣāḥiba wife of Syed Aḥmad Nāsir Ṣāḥib. She was the great-granddaughter of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him). She spent time in Kenya, where her husband was stationed. There, she served the Lajnah Imā‘illāh in various capacities. Two of her sons, Syed Tāhir Aḥmad Ṣāḥib and Syed Mudassar Aḥmad Ṣāḥib, are life devotees serving the Jamā‘at. She had profound love for the Holy Qur’ān, and she developed the same love in her children. She always supported others and also encouraged her children to offer financial contributions. She was regular in offering Tahajjud and five daily prayers.
- ‘Iffat Ḥalīm Ṣāḥiba former National President of the Aḥmadiyya Women’s Auxiliary Organisation in Liberia, wife of Dr ‘Abdul Haleem Ṣāḥib. She was regular in offering prayers, fasting, and reciting the Holy Qur’ān. She had a profound love for Khilāfat. She fulfilled her duties with great responsibility. She is survived by her husband and two adopted children.
- ‘Abdul ‘Alīm Al-Barbari Ṣāḥib of Egypt. He was a virtuous, sincere and devoted Aḥmadi. He loved Allāh to the extent that it seemed as though he was created only to remember Allāh. His wife attests that he was an excellent husband. He accepted Aḥmadiyyat along with his daughter in 2008 upon watching MTA. Initially, his wife opposed him a great deal; however, she too eventually accepted Aḥmadiyyat. Many non-Ahmadis participated in his funeral prayer.

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