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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 12 June 2026 at Mubārak Mosque Islāmabād, Tilford, UK

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) recited the following versus:

الَّذِينَ يُنْفِقُونَ أَمْوَالَهُمْ بِاللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ سِرًّا وَعَلَانِيَةً فَلَهُمْ أَجْرُهُمْ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ ۖ وَلَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ ﴿٢٧٥﴾

‘Those who spend their wealth in the cause of Allāh by night and day, secretly and openly, have their reward with their Lord; on them shall come no fear, nor shall they grieve.’ (2:275)

وَفِي أَمْوَالِهِمْ حَقٌّ لِّلسَّائِلِ وَالْمَحْرُومِ ﴿٥١﴾

‘And in their wealth was a share for one who asked for help and for one who could not.’ (51:20)

Today, I will relate some accounts concerning the generosity and benevolence of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him). These narrations reveal not only his own practice, but also how repeatedly he drew the attention of believers towards this important virtue. In the Holy Qur’ān, Allāh has placed great emphasis on fulfilling the needs of those in hardship and need. Hence, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) emphasized this not only through his teachings but also through his own personal example.

Ḥaḍrat Anas (May Allāh be pleased with him) relates that the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) would supplicate with these words:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْبُخْلِ وَالْكَسَلِ، وَأَزْدِلِ الْعُصْرِ، وَعَذَابِ الْقَبْرِ وَفِتْنَةِ الْمَحْيَا وَالْمَمَاتِ

“O Allāh, I seek Your protection from miserliness, laziness, decrepit old age, the punishment of the grave, and the trials of life and death.”

Regarding spending in the way of Allāh, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh’s Blessings be upon him) taught: “Do not keep the mouth of your purse tightly closed, lest provision be withheld from you. Do not keep counting your wealth, lest Allāh also give to you in measured amounts.”

He also said: “The generous person is close to Allāh, close to Paradise, close to people, and far from the Fire. Whereas the miser is far from Allāh, far from Paradise, far from people, but close to the Fire.”

He further said: “A deceiver, a miser, and one who reminds others of his favours will not enter Paradise.”

On one occasion, he said: “O son of Adam! Spending your surplus wealth is better for you. Hoarding it is harmful for you. You will not be blamed for retaining what is sufficient for your needs. Begin with those whose care is your responsibility. The upper hand is better than the lower hand.”

Once, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) came to Ḥaḍrat Bilāl (May Allāh be pleased with him) and noticed a heap of dates that he had stored for the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) and his guests. Addressing Ḥaḍrat Bilāl, he said: “Do you not fear that the heat of Hell may reach this store?” He then said: “O Bilāl! Keep spending, and do not fear poverty while the Lord of the Throne is your Provider.”

On another occasion, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) said: “I am only a distributor; it is Allāh Who gives.”

Generosity was evident in him even before his prophethood, as testified by Ḥaḍrat Khadijah (May Allāh be pleased with her) at the time of the first revelation. She said: “There is no need to fear. Allāh

will never disgrace you. You maintain ties of kinship, bear the burdens of the weak, revive virtues that have disappeared, honour your guests, and assist those afflicted by genuine hardships.”

The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) said: “Two qualities cannot be found in a believer: miserliness and ill temper.”

He also said: “Avoid injustice, and avoid miserliness and greed. Indeed, miserliness destroyed those who came before you.”

He further said: “Faith, greed, and miserliness cannot coexist in the heart of a person.”

Ḥaḍrat Anas relates: “The Messenger of Allāh was the most handsome of people, the most generous of people, and the bravest of people.”

The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) said: “Allāh is more generous than all who are generous, and I am the most generous among the children of Adam.”

It is recorded in the narrations that during Ramaḍān, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) was especially generous, and in doing good he became swifter than a fast-blowing wind.

He used to say: “If I possessed gold equal to the mountains of Tihāmah, I would distribute all of it among you, and you would not find me to be either a liar or a miser.”

He also said: “I would not like to possess gold equal to Mount Uhud and then have three nights pass while even a single dinar remained with me, except that which I had set aside to repay a debt.”

He further stated: “Those who possess great wealth but do not spend upon the needy will be the most deprived on the Day of Judgment.”

On one occasion, a man asked the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) for all the sheep that were grazing between two mountains. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) gave him all of them. The man returned to his people and said: “O my people! Accept Islām. By Allāh, Muḥammad gives so generously that one no longer fears poverty.”

Sometimes a person would accept Islām merely for worldly reasons, but eventually Islām would become dearer to him than all that the world contains.

The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) never stored anything for the following day. Once, after leading the ‘Aṣr prayer, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) quickly went home and then returned. When asked about it, he replied: “I had left a piece of gold from the charity funds at home. I did not like that it should remain with me overnight, so I distributed it.”

The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says that such was the condition of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) that whatever came into his possession, he would spend generously. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) was exceedingly modest and reserved. Whenever anyone asked him for something, he would give it. In generosity, he surpassed all people.

On one occasion, seventy thousand dirhams were brought to him. The money was placed upon a mat, and the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) stood to distribute it. No petitioner came to him without receiving something, until the entire amount had been distributed.

Wassalām,

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