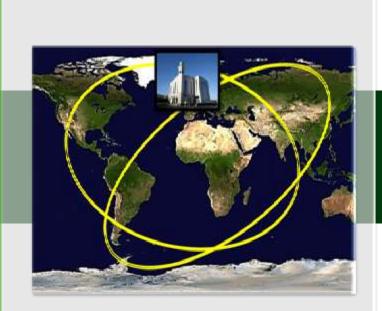
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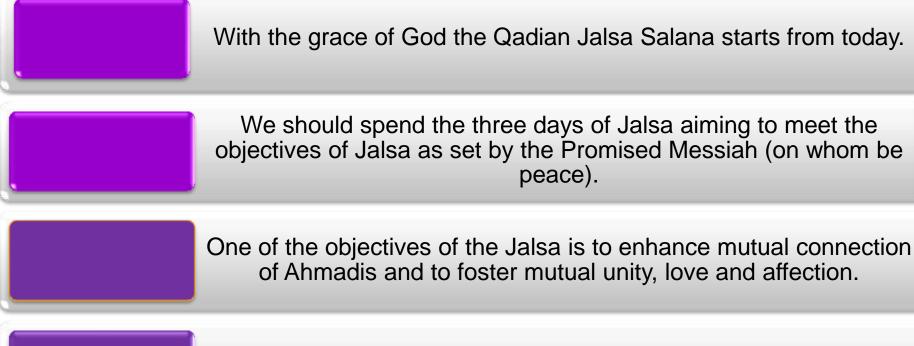
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<u>Summary</u>



Today, the Reformer of the age, the true and ardent devotee of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) calls us to reform ourselves.

May God enable all of us to understand the deep anguish that the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) felt to reform his followers and may enable us to reform ourselves.



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Qadian has a great status as it is the home town of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace).

From Qadian, the message of the Messiah of the time spread all over the world.

Qadian is the centre of the second phase of Islam and Qadian Jalsa Salana is an major international event.

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The atmosphere of Jalsa Salana anywhere in the world has a spiritual effect on its attendees, but the Jalsa in Qadian is particularly important in this regard.



Every sincere Ahmadi should feel motivated by the memories of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and should aspire to enhance in spirituality during the days of Jalsa Qadian.



The advice given in the atmosphere of Qadian Jalsa has a powerful impact, therefore all the attendees of the Jalsa should focus to benefit from this.



We should aim to achieve the objectives of Jalsa Salana as set out by the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace).



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One of the objectives of the Jalsa as explained by the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) is to enhance mutual connection of Ahmadis and to foster mutual unity, love and affection



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Today the means of travels have increased

Thus brining an opportunity for the inhabitants of Qadian to meet Ahmadis from other parts of the world.

These meetings should promote the spirit of unity among true believers.

Those who do not promote the bond of brotherhood because of arrogance and conceit, deprive themselves of the benefit of the spiritual atmosphere of Qadian Jalsa.



In this atmosphere all differences in social standing should be eliminated and personal grievances should be removed as if they never existed.



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Inhabitants of Qadian should also self-reflect that God has given them the chance to live in the town of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace).

Thus, they need to focus on their actions and behaviour.

Their conduct should be in accordance to the wishes of the Imam of the age.

They should avail the excellent opportunity of attending Jalsa to enhance in Tarbiyyat (moral training).

They should develop the love of God as opposed to love of the world.



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The people of Qadian should keep in view the subject of: ...and let every soul look to what it sends forth for the morrow...' (59:19)

They should remain focussed on the pleasure of God and good in the Hereafter.

They should be mindful to keep temperance and Taqwa in view and not worldliness.

The days of Jalsa make one receptive to spiritual enhancement, therefore every effort should be made to gather good deeds for the Hereafter.



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Observance of Tahajjud creates a very special ambience at Qadian Jalsa, this Jalsa also enables people to pray in places where the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) once prayed to God

Each Ahmadi should fully avail this three-day camp and every inhabitant of Qadian should make these three days an excellent source of reformation.

This should be followed by maximum effort to make the positive changes of seeking and enhancing religious knowledge and heightened moral behaviour as a permanent feature of life.

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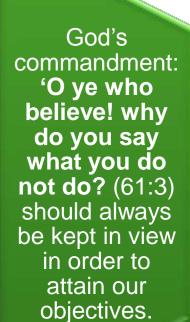
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This shall
happen when
we keep a
realistic eye on
our
weaknesses
and correct
them and...

...when we submit to the commandments of God and the Holy Prophet (pbuh) with total commitment.

We can attain these standard when we give preference to the teachings of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) over all our wishes.





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The Promised Messiah expected of us to reform ourselves to the highest standard. He said,

'Always keep your word and deed correct and harmonious. Just as the Companions (may Allah be pleased with them) showed in their life time, you too should follow their foot-steps and exhibit models of honesty and sincerity. Always keep the model of Hazrat Abu Bakr Sadeeq (may Allah be pleased with him) before you.'





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The **Promised** Messiah (on whom be peace) mentioned the character of Hazrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him) as an amazing model of honesty and sincerity.

When the Holy Prophet (pbuh) declared that he was a Prophet of God, Hazrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him) accepted him without delay.

When the Holy Prophet (pbuh) decided to pursue reconciliation at a highly charged time of the truce of Hudaibiyya, Hazrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him) agreed without delay.

When the Holy Prophet (pbuh) announced that he was commanded to fight back the pagans (after years of persecution), Hazrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him) prepared himself for fight at once.

When the Holy Prophet said that people should contribute towards religious needs, Hazrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him) brought everything he had at his home for the cause of Allah.

In order to attain the standard that the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) expected of us, we need to develop this spirit of commitment in us.



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In order to bring about spiritual revolution we need the passion which the Companions displayed at the Battle of Hunayn.

In the Battle of Hunayn the Muslim army outnumbered the enemy but inexperienced and relatively new Muslim could not stand the attack of the enemy and dispersed. The Holy Prophet (pbuh), surrounded by only 12 companions, refused to retreat saying that a Prophet of God does not retreat from the battlefield.

The Holy Prophet (pbuh) told Hazrat Abbas to call in a loud voice, "The Ansar (inhabitants of Medina), the Prophet of God is calling you".

When the voice of Hazrat Abbas' voice reached the Ansar, it had an electric effect on them; Ansar just ran back to the Holy Prophet (pbuh) and presented themselves. This is the very spirit which we need to understand today.

Today, the Reformer of the day, appointed by God, the true and ardent devotee of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) calls us to reform ourselves.

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Today the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) is calling us to the reformation of our practices. It is our duty to do so.

Today, we are being called for Jihad of the self. It is time to overcome the rebellious temptations of our nafs (self).

We need to show a living example of sacrificing our life, property and honour for Tabligh

Thus, the three days of Qadian
Jalsa should be spent in Taqwa and
remembrance of God and these
three days should be made a source
of permanent nearness to God

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Jalsa is also taking place in the West Coast of USA, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal and in Ivory Coast; attendees of all these Jalsa should try to seek special beneficence from these days.



Next Huzur read out a few extracts of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) which expounded the expectations he had from his followers.

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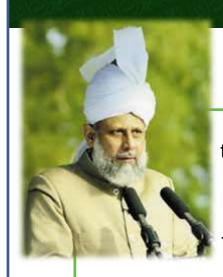
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May God enable all of us to understand the pain the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) felt to reform his followers and may we be drawn to it.

It should be remembered that today's sermon was not only aimed at people attending Jalsa Salana.

In fact, attention of every Ahmadi was drawn to engage in remembrance of God during these days.

Ahmadis all over the world should pray for persecuted Ahmadis, especially in Pakistan, Indonesia, Syria and a few other countries. May God make things easy for them and free them. It is a significant prayer as regards to the requisites of unity and brotherhood; may God enable us to pay the dues of unity and brotherhood!





