

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/National President
Jamā‘at Ahmadiyya,

.....

Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 9th August 2013, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masīh V (May Allāh be his Helper) delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

Continuing with the subject of the last two sermons, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) presented an exegesis on the Qur’ānic injunctions pertaining to the obligations of society, ending evil and mischief, spreading peace and harmony, establishing justice and fair play, observing Divine injunctions, and fulfilling of pledges.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that the people who criticise Islām today are often those who do not even believe in God. It is, therefore, our duty to show the necessity for faith and demonstrate the existence of the Living God.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) cited the Divine injunctions regarding justice and fairness contained in verses 152-153 of Sūrah Al-An’am, and verse 136 of surah *Al-Nisa*, which is translated as follows:

“O ye who believe! be strict in observing justice, being witnesses for the sake of Allāh, even though it be against yourselves or against parents and kindred.” (5:136)

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said the sin of wrong decisions that are made on account of false testimonies lies upon those who give such testimonies. This verse also relates to matters of matrimony. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) cited the verses that are recited on occasion of Nikah according to the *sunnah* of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, which emphasise the need for *Taqwa* in matrimony. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) also advised against the use of falsehood and false testimony in cases where it is not possible to continue the matrimonial relationship and divorce is sought.

Likewise, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that those who resort to falsehood and false testimony in order to acquire wealth and property are in fact acquiring a piece of hellfire for themselves. May Allāh have mercy on such people. If we abide by truth and justice in every aspect of life, we can create paradise on earth.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Another verse in surah *Al-Nisa* stresses the need for fulfilling our trusts and ruling with justice. I have already given a detailed sermon regarding this. This is the year for electing office-bearers in the Jama‘at. The elections have already been held, it is now up to

the office-bearers to seek Allāh's forgiveness for their sins, and fulfil their obligations in keeping with the norms of justice.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that Allāh commands us to fulfil our pledges. The primary pledge of an Ahmadī is the pledge of Bai'at. If we understand this pledge and try to abide by it, Ahmadī society can be rid of all social evils.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that another important pledge is to love the country we live in and to abide by its laws. Breaking the laws and failing to pay taxes is a breach of this pledge to our country and is an act of sin in the eyes of God. Another evil is breaking our pledge to God in cases of divorce. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that it is a grave sin to cast aspersions on one another after divorce. Even if such assertions are factual, the matter should be left in the hands of God.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that the contract of matrimony or Nikah is another pledge made between man and wife. In case of divorce all such pledges have to be kept, and if one has given the other something as a gift, he or she has no right to demand its return.

The Promised Messiah عليه السلام says that true believers always watch over and scrutinize the promises and pledges they have made. May Allāh enable us to abide by His injunctions and to fulfil all our pledges. May we persevere on all the virtues that we have acquired during this month of Ramadān. May this Ramadān leave us with immense blessings and a greater understanding of the Holy Qur'ān. *Amīn*.

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

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

Tahrīk Jadīd Anjuman Ahmadiyya Pakistan,

Dated: 16 Aug. 2013