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Dear Brother,

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Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 09th August 2024 at Mubārak Mosque Islāmabād, Tilford, UK

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: In the Friday Sermons prior to the Jalsa Sālāna UK, I was speaking about the Battle of Muraiysī‘. I had mentioned that ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai bin Salūl had spoken a few contemptible words about the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) and displayed hypocrisy.

Ḥaḍrat Mirza Bashīr Aḥmad (May Allāh be pleased with him) has given the following details of this incident in his book, Sīrat Khātamun Nabiyyīn: After the battle ended, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) stayed in Muraiysī‘ for a few days. During this stay, the hypocrites created a very unpleasant situation whereby the Muslims who were weaker of faith might have got involved in conflict with their own brethren. However, the wisdom and the magnetic holy influence of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) saved them from such an eventuality.

The actual incident that took place was that Jahjāh, a servant of Ḥaḍrat ‘Umar (May Allāh be pleased with him), went to fetch water from a well of the Muraiysī‘ tribe. Coincidentally, another person whose name was Sinān and who was a member of one of the allied tribes of the Anṣār also arrived at the well to take water. The two men were uncultured and illiterate. They began to quarrel with each other. Jahjāh hit Sinān; hence Sinān began to cry loudly and shouted: ‘O Anṣār! Come to my help! When Jahjāh saw this, he also called the Muhājirīn for help. The Anṣār and Muhājirīn who heard their voices rushed to the well with swords in their hands. So much so that a large crowd gathered there and it was possible that a clash between the two sides had erupted when some sagacious people from among the Muhājirīn and Anṣār separated Jahjāh and Sinān from each other and made them reconcile with each other. When the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) came to know of this incident, he called the quarrel an act of ignorance and expressed his disapproval.

When the chief of hypocrites, ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai Bin Salūl, came to know of the incident, he sought to reignite the quarrel. He incited his cohorts against the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) and the Muslims and went so far as to say: ‘When we reach Medina, the honourable one, (or the honourable ones), would expel the mean one (or the mean ones) from Medina’. At that time, a sincere and devoted Muslim boy, Ḥaḍrat Zaid Bin Arqam (May Allāh be pleased with him), was also present there. When he heard these words of ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai Bin Salūl, he immediately conveyed them through an uncle of his to the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him). When Ḥaḍrat ‘Umar (May Allāh be pleased with him) heard the words said by ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai Bin Salūl, he became angry and asked the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) to permit him to kill ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai Bin Salūl. But, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) told him to calm down and sent for ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai and his accomplices. When they came, they all said under oath that they had not uttered any such words.

Immediately after this, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) commanded the Muslims to depart for Medina. Ḥaḍrat Usaid Bin Ḥuḍair (May Allāh be pleased with him), a companion of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him), asked him why he had ordered for an untimely departure. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) said: ‘Haven’t you heard what ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai Bin Salūl has said?’ Ḥaḍrat Usaid replied he had heard what ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai bin Salūl had said and submitted to the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) that if he wished, he could expel ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai Bin Salūl from Medina after the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) had arrived in Medina.

When the son of ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai Bin Salūl came to know of what his father had said, he submitted to the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him): ‘If you command me, I will forthwith present to you the head of ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai Bin Salūl.’ The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) replied: ‘I do not intend to kill him, neither have I told anyone to do so. I would surely treat him leniently’.

While the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) was enroute to Medina, he received a revelation from Allāh which testified to the truth of Ḥaḍrat Zaid Bin Arqam’s statement. Ḥaḍrat Muṣleḥ Mau‘ūd (May Allāh be pleased with him), after having narrated this incident, said: ‘When the Muslim army approached Medina, the son of ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai came up to him, blocked his way and said to him: ‘I will not let you enter Medina unless you take back the words you have spoken about the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him). You will have to speak the words, ‘The Prophet is honourable and I am mean, with the same tongue with which you had said, ‘The Prophet of Allāh is mean and I am honourable’. This astonished ‘Abdullah Bin Ubai Bin Salūl and he became terrified. He replied to his son: ‘My son! I agree with you that Muḥammad is honourable and I am mean’. After hearing this, ‘Abdullah let his father go.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: During this journey, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) lost one of his camels. A person from among the hypocrites began to mention happily and celebrate the loss of the camel and said in one gathering that the Prophet receives many news of the unseen. Why was he unable to know the whereabouts of his camel? Those present there heard his hypocritical remarks and told him to go away. He ran away and went to sit with the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him). When he reached there, the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) said: ‘A man is happily speaking about this incident. However, Allāh alone possesses the knowledge of the unseen and He has informed me about the whereabouts of the camel. It is in the valley in front of you’. This left the hypocrite utterly shocked and astonished. He felt greatly ashamed of himself. He went back to his friends and said that he had doubts about the Holy Prophet’s claim to prophethood, but that all his doubts were removed that day, as if he had become a Muslim on that very day.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: I will, God willing, give more details of these events in the future. I now wish to say a few words about the situation in Bangladesh. The agitation there was actually against the government. Although the government has been dissolved, the disorder remains. Slight improvement has been witnessed in the situation since yesterday, however anti-Aḥmadī element took advantage of the disturbance and harmed the houses of the Aḥmadīs. Our mosques were vandalised and burned. Jāmi‘a Aḥmadīyya and other Jamā‘at’s buildings were also damaged and vandalised and the equipment there was burned. Many Aḥmadīs were injured in these incidents and houses of a number of Aḥmadīs were burned and vandalised. There are reports that some houses have been completely burned. Lawlessness is rife at the moment. Aḥmadīs have suffered losses in this area twice during their Jalsa, but their faith was not shaken in the least. By the grace of Allāh, the Aḥmadīs there are firm in their faith and they have said that they are ready to bear all hardships for the sake of Allāh. May Allāh shower His grace and mercy on them and keep them in His protection and hold their enemies to account.

Likewise, pray for the Pakistani Aḥmadīs as well. They are once again going through difficult times. May Allāh safeguard them against every evil. Nowadays, the clerics and those who have vested interests have again become very active against the Jamā‘at. Cruelties are being committed against the Jamā‘at by these people in the name of Allāh and the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him). May Allāh soon apprehend such people.

Also pray for the Palestinian Muslims. May Allāh apprehend the wrong-doers, so that their tyranny comes to an end. In general, keep all Muslims in your prayers. May the injustices that they are committing against one other also come to an end so that they are able to establish a true relationship with Allāh and believe in the Imām of the age. This is the only path which can lead them to survival and salvation.

Towards the end of the sermon, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) spoke about the following two deceased Aḥmadīs and said that he would lead their funeral prayer in absentia.

- 1- Dr Zakaur Raḥmān Ṣāḥib son of Chaudhry ‘Abdur Raḥmān Ṣāḥib of Lala Musa, District Gujrat. He was martyred recently when the Jalsa Salana UK was in process. He was 53. Dr Zakaur Raḥmān was always at the forefront of financial sacrifices, had a passion to serve humanity, and treated the poor without charging any fee. He is survived by his wife, one son and three daughters.
- 2- Sa‘īda Bashīr Ṣāḥiba wife of Malik Bashīr Aḥmad Ṣāḥib. She passed away a few days ago at the age of 83. She was mother of Malik Ghulām Aḥmad Ṣāḥib who is serving as a missionary of the Jamā‘at in Ghana. He has not been able to attend his mother’s funeral due to his duties. Sa‘īda Bashīr Ṣāḥiba was a Mūṣiya. She is survived by a son and two daughters. She regularly offered Tahajjud prayer and punctually offered the five daily prayers. She was devoted to Khilāfat and remained engaged in prayers. She was always pleased with Allāh’s will and was a pious and righteous woman.

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