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Jamā‘at Aḥmadīyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة الله وبرکاته

### **Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 23<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at Mubārak Mosque Islāmabād, Tilford, UK**

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: By the grace of Allāh, Jalsa Sālāna Germany is starting today. The German Jamā‘at had hoped for me to attend the Jalsa in person, but human limitations, such as health, are a part of life. Due to these factors and on the advice of my doctors, I had to postpone my trip to Germany at the last moment. It has been decided that I will participate in the Jalsa programs and address the attendees from here instead. This, too, will only be possible by the grace of Allāh. Please pray that Allāh grants me the ability to do so. It is also a blessing from Allāh that He has provided us with these means of communication through the advancements of this age. For those who had wished to meet me, there will be another opportunity in the future, Inshā’ Allāh.

This time, instead of holding the Jalsa in pre-built halls, it has been arranged in an open space. Due to this, the administration will need to work harder to prepare the site, and both the guests and the administration may face some challenges. However, meeting these challenges and fulfilling the purpose of attending the Jalsa should be the goal for both the attendees and the administration. The arrangements will gradually improve. In the beginning, even in the UK there were many difficulties, and although some challenges remain, the arrangements have significantly improved over time.

I would like to remind all the workers on duty to serve the guests with the utmost dedication and to maintain a cordial demeanour. Every worker in every department should greet guests with a smile. Perform your duties while praying, with the understanding that you are serving guests who have come at the invitation of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him). Regardless of the circumstances, uphold high moral standards and continue to serve. Guests should also remember the purpose of the Jalsa and bear any discomfort with this goal in mind. Always keep in mind that this gathering is a great blessing from Allāh, bestowed upon us through the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him). It allows us to come together once a year to facilitate our moral and spiritual progress. Spend these days with the intention of achieving high moral standards and fulfilling the rights of others. Strive to foster love, affection, and stronger connections with each other. Resolve any grievances and focus on attaining Allāh's pleasure. We must protect ourselves from all forms of frivolity. These are the expectations that the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) had from us, and this is what Allāh desires. This is why He created us as humans and the best of creation.

Every Aḥmadī attending the Jalsa should keep these principles in mind. If there is no effort to increase in love for Allāh, to practice high morals, to fulfil the rights of others, and to strive for piety, then the purpose of attending the Jalsa is not being fulfilled. The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says that he did not wish to gather his followers merely to display the strength of his following, as is done by the leaders of other spiritual movements. Rather, his ultimate goal was the reformation of mankind. Every Aḥmadī should keep in mind that only by striving to achieve this purpose will the true aim of attending the Jalsa be fulfilled. The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) expressed great displeasure with participants who, despite attending the Jalsa, fail to establish a connection with Allāh or show any improvement in their morals. The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) said that the purpose of Bai‘at is to overcome the love of the world and to fill the heart with the love of Allāh and the beloved Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him), and to create such a state of detachment that the journey to the hereafter does not seem unpleasant. Always remember that the blessings of this world should not divert an Aḥmadī from his faith.

The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says: "The reason why Allāh wanted to establish this Jamā'at is that the true recognition of Allāh, which had disappeared from the world, and the true piety and purity, which were absent in this age, be re-established." He added, "O all you people who count yourselves among my Jamā'at! You will be counted among my Jamā'at in the heaven only when you walk on the paths of piety." He also said, "Instil the greatness of Allāh in your hearts, and affirm His Oneness not only with your tongue but in practice, so that Allāh may also practically show His grace and favour upon you." You should always keep these sayings of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) in mind. This is the purpose of attending the Jalsa. Your every action should be aimed at attaining the pleasure of Allāh. Always remember that Allāh is aware of your every action.

Ḥaḍrat Muṣleḥ Mau'ūd (May Allāh be pleased with him) says that this Jalsa is considered one of the signs of Allāh. As the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) indicated, its purpose includes fostering spiritual growth. Worship and the remembrance of Allāh are key to this growth. Allāh has promised that if you remember Him, He will remember you. Fortunate is the person who is remembered by the Master, Lord, and Creator.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: In this regard, I would like to make an appeal. Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ III (May Allāh shower His mercy upon him) had a vision in which an elder told him that if every adult member of the Jamā'at recites this Durood Sharif 200 times daily;

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ الْعَظِيمِ اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

And those who are 15-25 years of age recites it at least 100 times, and children recites it 33 times, and if parents encourage their small children to recite it three to four times, and similarly, recite Istighfār 100 times, then you will enter a secure fortress where Satan can never penetrate. I would add that you should also recite 100 times;

رَبِّ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَخَادِمِكَ رَبِّ فَاحْفَظْنِي وَانصُرْنِي وَانصُرْ أُمَّتِي

Secondly, during these days of the Jalsa, there will be many speeches for intellectual, moral, and spiritual improvement, so listen to them attentively. While listening, make a pledge before Allāh and seek His help, saying, "O Allāh! We have come here with good intentions at the invitation of Your Messiah, but we cannot achieve this reformation by our own strength; we need Your help. If You do not help us, we cannot attain the standard of Your worship."

The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says that you should become meek of heart. Show compassion to mankind at large while you preach to them to bring them to heaven. Fulfil divine obligations with heartfelt fear, knowing that you will be questioned about them. Pray much in your prayers so that Allāh may draw you to Himself and purify your hearts. Until a person receives strength from Allāh, he cannot get rid of any evil. These are the standards set by the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), and we should strive to cultivate them within ourselves. If your morals are good, the guests who come here will also leave with a favourable impression. This display of good morals will serve as a silent form of preaching.

I present to you an example of the anguish and fervour with which the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) prayed for his Jamā'at. He said: "I pray, and as long as there is breath in me, I will continue to pray, and the prayer is that Allāh purify the hearts of my Jamā'at and, extending His mercy, turn their hearts towards Himself, remove all malice and hatred from their hearts, and grant them mutual love."

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: During the days of the Jalsa, every worker and every attendee should keep a watchful eye on their surroundings. Considering the current circumstances, some malicious elements could try to take advantage of the situation. May Allāh shower all blessings upon this Jalsa. Pray for the world situation as well. Pray a lot for your own country. When we sincerely follow the commandments of Allāh, the teachings of Islām, the teachings of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him), and the sayings of the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him), then surely Allāh will listen to our prayers, and we will become a source of guidance for the world. May Allāh keep all of you under His protection during these three days and thereafter.

Some exhibitions will be held during the days of the Jalsa; make sure to visit them and try to benefit from them so that you can see how Allah's blessings are being bestowed upon the Jamaat. May Allāh shower His blessings upon us in every way. Āmīn

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