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Khuddam from Sydney Australia have Honour of Virtual Meeting with World Head of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

“Have certainty that Allah the Almighty exists and that He accepts your prayers.” – Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad

On 26 June 2022, the *World Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, the Fifth Khalifa (Caliph)*, His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad held a virtual online meeting with members of *Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya* (*Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Auxiliary*) from Sydney Australia.

His Holiness presided the meeting from MTA Studios in Islamabad, Tilford, whilst the Khuddam joined the meeting virtually from the *Bait ul Huda Mosque*, in Sydney.

Following a formal session which began with the recitation of the Holy Quran, members of Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya had the opportunity to ask His Holiness a range of questions regarding their faith and contemporary issues.



One of the Khuddam asked His Holiness how to overcome a state of despair which may arise from any failures a person may encounter in their life.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

"Take hold of the weapon of prayer of Allah the Almighty. Have certainty that Allah the Almighty exists and that He accepts your prayers. Know that the situation you are going through could be a short and temporary trial from God and it is a test you must pass and after that He will grant you success. At the same time, a person should always be praying to Allah the Almighty and should be certain that He accepts the prayers. Feeling down is a natural emotion a person goes through – although it can lead to becoming a lasting psychological issue – but it is wrong to become completely desperate and one should not leave everything aside and sit at home or alone in one's room and become depressed. At that point you must act with the strength of resolve and will power. If mental state becomes severely affected then you should go to the doctor for treatment because at that point this natural state turns into an illness. So treat it like an illness and take medication so that you may phase out from the depression."

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad further stated:

"Bow down before Allah the Almighty, pray to Him, make an effort and be resolute that you are going to come out of this phase of depression. Allah the Almighty states in the Holy Quran, 'Aye! It is in the remembrance of Allah that hearts can find comfort.' You have to make an effort towards this and you must utilise your will power and face the reality head on. You must become strong. There is no other solution to this. Adopting will power, prayer, effort and resolve are the means to overcome this. If a person is weaker in one thing and does not attain success in it, it is possible that they will attain success in something else. Sometimes a person does not attain success for a long time and has to go through hardships. But, there is also no alternative to which a person can turn to other than God. There is the example of that person who was mentally unwell and used to sit and proclaim that, 'O Allah, I do not like your world'. Hazrat Khalifatul Masih I (ra) would also pass by him and see him making these proclamations. One day he noticed that he was very quiet with his head down. He asked him why he was not making the regular proclamations of, 'O Allah, I do not like your world'. He replied that Allah has responded to him and told him to find a world that he does like and go there. So, at the end of the day, this is the world that we are living in and we have to get by. So, we will have to live with firm resolve and inner strength."



Another Khadim asked His Holiness how to bridge the cultural gap between those Khuddam who were raised in Australia and those who immigrated from the subcontinent.

“Parents should try to train their children from childhood. Tell them who are they, what is the importance of religion, why they are Ahmadi Muslims and why should they offer five daily prayers, why should we read the Holy Quran. Also find out the commandments given in the Holy Quran. [Find out] why should we practise those commandments and injunctions. In this way, the children would know what are our duties and who we are. Then, if they are brought up even in this culture, in this society, they will be able to differentiate between good and bad... This is the duty of the parents and this is the duty of Khuddamul Ahmadiyya and Atfal-ul-Ahmadiyya to tell them that these are the good things, these are the bad things; these are the things which Allah the Almighty does not like, these are the things which have been taught to us that we should refrain from.”

His Holiness stressed that it is important for all auxiliaries of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community and the parents to work together towards tackling the issue of the moral upbringing of children.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“It needs some hard work. Not only by Khuddamul Ahmadiyya, but the parents should also be involved in it. And they should be educated by Majlis Ansarullah, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya and Lajna Imaillah, that how can they train their children in their homes. It is quite a difficult task, but you will have to face this challenge. You will have to work hard... Nowadays, in the name of freedom, some immoral things are coming into the minds of the children. They cannot even differentiate between good and bad. So, we shall have to tell them what is good and what is bad and what shall be the bad effects of these things in future in their life and if they believe in Allah the Almighty [then tell them] how Allah the Almighty will treat them if they are not following [the Islamic teachings]. So from the very childhood we have to infuse this into the minds of the children that we shall have to follow the teaching of Islam and we shall have to learn the morals which have been taught by Allah the Almighty in Islamic teaching.”

Another Khadim asked His Holiness how he could prove to his non-Ahmadi friends that the Caliphs of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community are chosen by God Almighty.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad stated:

"You see, Allah the Almighty utilises human beings and Allah the Almighty puts it in the hearts of the people (who to appoint as the Khalifa) ...I was not known to everybody [in the electoral college for the election of the Khalifa]. I think not more than 5% people had knowledge about me, and there were some Arabs and some foreigners or Africans too. They say suddenly something happened that Allah the Almighty put it in their hearts that, 'You should try to raise your hands in favour of this person.' So, although people choose the person, but it is Allah the Almighty who puts it in their hearts. There are quite a good number of narrations of different people, those who have expressed how did they feel during the election and what happened and if you increase your knowledge first, read that, then you can satisfy your non-Ahmadi friends or even your own fellow Khuddam members."

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad further stated:

"Even in the Quran, it is said that there are different ways; sometimes Allah the Almighty Himself appoints somebody, as prophets. Sometimes, it is through some people, and that is what we see in the history of Islam. Who chose Hazrat Abu Bakr? There was a conflict between Ansar and Muhajirs. They wanted to choose their Khalifa from their own tribes, from their own nation. Ansar were saying that we shall choose our Khalifa from among Ansar. Muhajireen were saying no, we shall choose our Khalifa from among Muhajireen. Then, Hazrat Umar spoke or Hazrat Abu Bakr spoke on this issue, and later on they amicably came to the conclusion that, 'Okay, we shall do the Bai'at of Hazrat Abu Bakr.' The same thing happened during the election of Hazrat Umar. This is in Islamic history and that is being followed in our system. We have not adopted a new system. We are following the same old system."



Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad further stated:

“So, this is how Allah the Almighty’s decree works. It is the decree of Allah the Almighty, and He puts it in the hearts of the people.”

Another Khadim also asked about the situation of Muslims in India and what Muslims and particularly Ahmadi Muslims can do to improve the situation for them.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“What is happening nowadays in India is wrong... We Ahmadi Muslims are also responding to it (recent anti-Islamic remarks highly publicised in the media) in that we are writing to the newspapers, [writing] letters, [writing on] social media and through other [means] that these are the beauties of the Islamic teaching and at the same time [we are informing] that you speak ill of Hazrat Ayesha (ra) or the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) and it is absolutely wrong and explain our beliefs. On social media and in the newspapers and other platforms we are trying our best to explain to the people and also to remove the doubts of the non-Muslims. And quite a number of non-Muslims agree with our point of view and our stance, and they accept it. So, within the limit of the law of the land, we are trying and we have been trying for a long time and we shall continue trying. Otherwise, to have direct clash and conflict will further deteriorate the position and further deteriorate the situation of Muslims in that country because they are in minority. And if the Indian government or the provincial governments of those areas are against Muslims, then they may take certain types of actions which may further harm the Muslim community.”

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