

Message of Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih V for USA Jalsa Salana 2011

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Dear Members of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at, USA,

Assalamo Alaikum wa rahmatullah wa barakatuhu!

I am very pleased that you are holding your Annual Jalsa Salana on 1st, 2nd and 3rd July 2011.

May Allah bless your Jalsa with great success and may you all benefit greatly from the immense spiritual blessings of this blessed Gathering.

Remember, this is not an ordinary convention. The Promised Messiah, peace be upon him, has stated:

'The major aim of the gathering is that the sincere members of the Jama'at acquire more knowledge and advance in their relationship with Allah. One advantage is that by meeting various friends, the circle of brotherhood will broaden and it will strengthen their mutual ties.' (*Asmani Faisla*)

Therefore, you should develop brotherhood and love among yourselves and establish a true relationship with Allah the Almighty. Advising about mutual love and brotherhood, the Promised Messiah, peace be upon him, says:

"Develop brotherhood and love among yourselves and give up viciousness and dissension. Totally abstain from any kind of insult or ridicule because they distance you from the truth and lead you far away. Treat each other with respect. Everyone should give priority to the comfort of his brother. Create a sincere reconciliation with Allah the Almighty and come back into His obedience.....Get rid of every kind of dispute, hostility and animosity from among yourselves because the time has come that we should abstain from petty matters and become preoccupied with important and magnificent goals."
(*Malfoozat, vol 1 pp 266-268*)

With regard to attaining nearness to Allah, the Promised Messiah, peace be upon him, states:

"Our Jama'at should have a sincere relationship with Allah the Almighty, and the Jama'at members should be grateful that Allah the Almighty has not rejected them. Instead, He has shown hundreds of signs of His power to elevate their faith to the level of conviction. Is there anyone among you who can say that he

has not seen any sign? I do claim that there is not even one who has had the occasion to stay in my company and not seen a fresh sign from Allah with his own eyes.”

“This is what our Jama’at needs – that their faith be enhanced, that they should develop true conviction and understanding of Allah, that there should be no laziness or indifference about performing the righteous deeds.” (*Malfuzat, new edition Vol 2 pp 717-711*)

Therefore, during the period of the Jalsa, you should remain much engrossed in prayer and *Istighfar*, and listen attentively to the various speeches by scholars of the Jama’at, and thereby reap the blessings of this unique Gathering. You will also benefit from the fervent prayers of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) who has prayed specially for those people who attend these Jalsas.

The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) has prayed:

“I pray to Allah that He may be with all those who are coming to attend the Jalsa and that he may grant them great rewards and they He may show them mercy and His Grace. O Allah! O You Who are the greatest Benefactor, the Benevolent, the Merciful, and the Remover of hardships, do listen to all these prayers of mine and grant us victory over our opponents, with great Signs, for You have the power to whatever You will. Ameen.” (*Ishtihar 7 Dec 1891*)

May these heartfelt prayers of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) be with you all. May Allah bless your Jalsa with every success and may all of you be infused with a new spirit of faith and *Taqwa* (righteousness) to enable you to go forth and serve the Jama’at and the cause of Islam and humanity, with renewed energy and fervor. May Allah bless you all.

Yours sincerely,

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