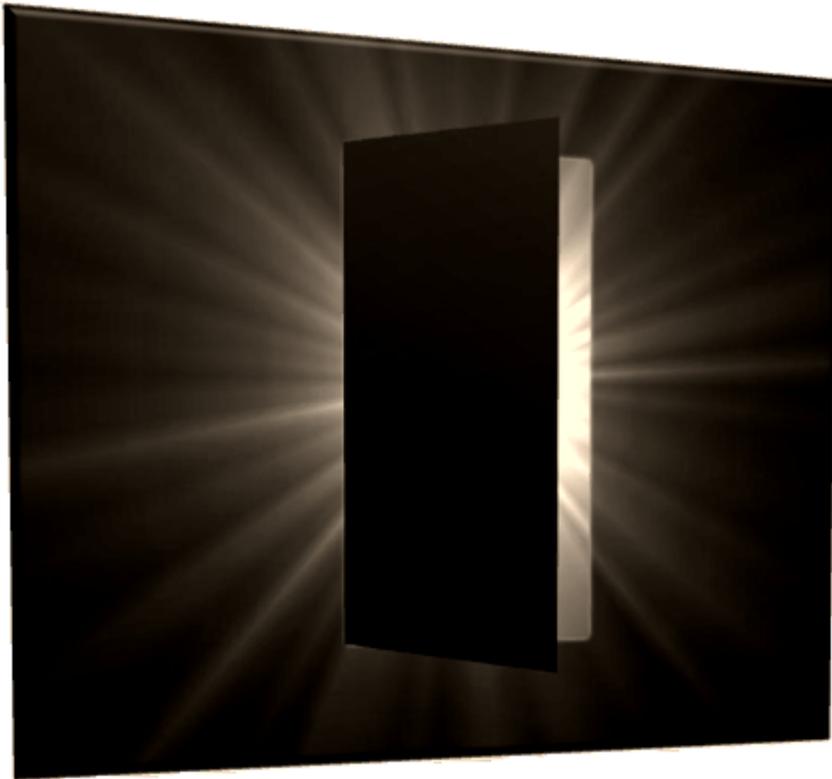


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The Finality of Prophethood: A Wrong Concept



Open the Door to the Light!

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PREFACE

People so wrongly judge the intention and missions of elects of Allah. Coming from Allah and being distinguished as a prophet of Allah does not always mean that such a divine elect is also bringer of new law-bearing books and instructions.

After the demise of the best of mankind, perfect and seal of all prophets Hazrat Muhammad^(sa), the Muslim world has turned a blind eye to the instructions and guidance found in the Holy Quran, the words of the Almighty who Himself never barred the coming of His elects for the safeguard of His religion, i.e. Islam.

This book is mainly a refutation to the World Islamic Mission who has published a book entitled: **“Aqueeda Khatme Nabuwwat”** by Mawlana Muhammad Aslam Sheikh (*Translated in French by: Abdus Saboor Mohamed Saleh & Idriss Bhugalee*). The gist of that book is the twisting and squeezing in all ways of the claims of the Promised Messiah, Mahdi and Mujaddid Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad^(as).

With the help of Allah, I have written this book so that it may act *Insha-Allah* as an eye-opener for those mind and faith eaters and also for the seekers of truth so that they may realise the truth and learn to respect all elects of Allah, and not to throw dirt on them without knowing the gist of their messages.

All Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds

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INTRODUCTION

From the time of Hazrat Adam till now, prophets have been nominated to govern humanity. When Satan was judged to be guilty of arrogance and stubbornness and was chased from the eyes of Allah, he asked for a delay till the Day of Judgement mainly to deviate all the servants of Allah.

Allah granted him this delay and allowed him to apply all his wits in this direction, but at the same time He predicted emphatically that the Satan will never succeed over His true servants. It was as from that time when Allah decreed inevitable punishment to Satan that the war began between the true servants of Allah and Satan. And this war will continue till the Day of Judgement.

As Satan is the leader of the sinners, the same happened on the side of the believers, the prophet of Allah is the leader of the servants of Allah. Whenever the majority of the people all over the world were trapped under the claws of Satan, Allah raised a prophet to guide them on the right path. A fierce war is waged when finally people from the satanic side lose control. On the other side, the prophet and his small group become bigger and bigger. At the end, Satan has to give away and surrenders to the man of God. This will continue till the Day of Judgement.

THE PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT OF PROPHETHOOD

The institution of prophethood has been permanently established. Those who think that prophets will never make their appearance in this world again are in complete error, be them Sunnis, Wahaabis, Shia, Ahmadis and other sects of Islam. Hence, why has Allah^(swt) ordained to Hazrat Muhammad^(sa) to address this message to all human beings living in this world:

يَبْنَىْ اَدَمَ اِمَّا يَأْتِيَنَّكُمْ رُسُلٌ مِّنْكُمْ يَقُصُّوْنَ عَلَيْكُمْ اٰيَاتِيْ لَّفَمِنَ اتَّقَىْ وَاَصْلَحَ فَلَا
خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُوْنَ ○

“O children of Adam, if there come to you messengers from among you relating to you My Signs, then whoever fears Allah and reforms – there will be no fear concerning them, nor will they grieve.” (7: 36)

If you believe that no prophet will come after Hazrat Muhammad^(sa), then how come that Allah has revealed this verse to Hazrat Muhammad^(sa), that other prophets will come? *God Forbid* – Did Allah^(swt) not know the meaning of this verse?

All commentators of the Quran unanimously accept that “Islam will be victorious over all religions” but this event will be realised in the time of the Promised Messiah. Consequently it is necessary that prophets prophesied about the coming of the one who would oppose the Dajjal as all prophets had already warned about the danger of *Fitna* (disorder) and the *Dajjal* (Anti-Christ).

When the valuable soldier of God would make his appearance in this world, each people would accept him and they would enrol themselves in his army to combat and exterminate the Dajjal.

That man would attract the attention of the whole world on God once more. May we remember that Hazrat Adam^(as) was a messenger and a prophet of Allah? The world was restricted in his time, means of communication were inexistent, but after Noah^(as), people were scattered and the population increased. Consequently, a prophet was sent to each people, separately.

But Allah^(swt) wanted to bring back each people of the world towards unity. Consequently when the necessary means were developed, allowing the inhabitants of the globe to communicate to each other easily, Allah^(swt) raised a unique prophet, Hazrat Muhammad^(sa) for all humanity, with a universal religion, Islam. Therefore, it is apparent that the promised prophet to combat the *Dajjal* in the last days could not come except in the Muhammadan Ummah.

My brothers! Whenever a divine reformer proclaimed himself in this world in conformity with the prophecies, people all over the world reacted negatively. It had become a custom to ridicule him, to insult him and to make him suffer. Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian^(as) also was never spared, but what Allah had designed cannot be forged by human beings. It is always the prophet of Allah who had triumphed.

In the Quran, it is stated clearly that man always disposed of means which God had created to bring him back to the objectives of his existence. It is stated also that among some people before the arrival of Hazrat Muhammad^(sa) certain conceptions born in the mind of man had taken the form of faith. Certain people refused to accept prophets under the pretext that man could not hear the voice of God and hence he could not become a prophet.

For these people, Allah said in the Quran:

وَمَا قَدَرُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ قَدْرِهِ إِذْ قَالُوا مَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ عَلَى بَشَرٍ مِنْ شَيْءٍ ۗ قُلْ مَنْ أَنْزَلَ
الْكِتَابَ الَّذِي جَاءَ بِهِ مُوسَى نُورًا وَهُدًى لِلنَّاسِ تَجْعَلُونَهُ قَرَاطِيسَ تُبْدُونَهَا وَ
تُخْفُونَ كَثِيرًا ۗ وَعِلْمِمْ مَا لَمْ تَعْلَمُوا أَنْتُمْ وَلَا آبَاؤُكُمْ ۗ قُلِ اللَّهُ ۗ ثُمَّ ذَرْهُمْ فِي
خَوْضِهِمْ يَلْعَبُونَ ۝

“And they did not appraise Allah with true appraisal when they said, “Allah did not reveal to a human being anything.” Say, “Who revealed the Scripture that Moses brought as light and guidance to the people? You (Jews) make it into pages, disclosing (some of) it and concealing much. And you were taught that which you knew not – neither you nor your fathers.” Say, “Allah (revealed it).” Then leave them in their (empty) discourse, amusing themselves.” (6: 92)

As if these people did not at all believe in the revelations of Allah. There are also others who had already accepted some prophets who had come before but they refused to accept others who came, after stating that prophets are no more necessary.

وَلَمَّا جَاءَهُمْ رَسُولٌ مِنْ عِنْدِ اللَّهِ مُصَدِّقٌ لِمَا مَعَهُمْ نَبَذَ فَرِيقٌ مِنَ الَّذِينَ أُوتُوا
الْكِتَابَ الْكِتَابَ وَرَاءَ ظُهُورِهِمْ كَانُوا لَا يَعْلَمُونَ ۝

“And when a messenger from Allah came to them confirming that which was with them, a party of those who had been given the Scripture threw the Scripture of Allah behind their backs as if they did not know (what it contained).” (2: 102)

وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ تَعَالَوْا إِلَىٰ مَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ وَإِلَىٰ الرَّسُولِ قَالُوا حَسْبُنَا مَا وَجَدْنَا عَلَيْهِ
أَبَاءَنَا ۗ أَوْ لَوْ كَانَ آبَاؤُهُمْ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ شَيْئًا وَلَا يَهْتَدُونَ ۝

“And when it is said to them, “Come to what Allah has revealed and to the Messenger,” they say, “Sufficient for us is that upon which we found our fathers.” Even though their fathers knew nothing, nor were they guided?” (5: 105)

The Hindu belief has this basic argument. They said that God had revealed the Vedas for the *Rishis* (messengers), after which He had ceased to send more teachings others than the Vedas. Some people admit that revelations were sent down in the past, long time ago but nowadays Allah does not sent any. Allah stated in the Quran for this kind of people:

وَلَقَدْ جَاءَكُمْ يُوسُفُ مِنْ قَبْلُ بِالْبَيِّنَاتِ فَمَا زِلْتُمْ فِي شَكٍّ مِمَّا جَاءَكُمْ بِهِ ۗ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا
هَلَكَ قُلْتُمْ لَنْ يَبْعَثَ اللَّهُ مِنْ بَعْدِهِ رَسُولًا ۚ كَذَلِكَ يُضِلُّ اللَّهُ مَنْ هُوَ مُسْرِفٌ مُرْتَابٌ ۝

“And Joseph had already come to you before with clear proofs, but you remained in doubt of that which he brought to you, until when he died, you said, ‘Never will Allah send a messenger after him.’ Thus does Allah leave astray he who is a transgressor and skeptic.” (40: 35)

We learn from the Holy Quran that even after Hazrat Musa^(as) people believed that no prophet will come. We read also in Surah Al-Jinn that Jinns came to listen to Hazrat Muhammad^(sa). When they returned back to their dwelling place, they told their people:

وَأَنَّهُمْ ظَنُّوا كَمَا ظَنَنْتُمْ أَن لَّنْ يَبْعَثَ اللَّهُ أَحَدًا ۗ

“And they believed also like you that Allah will never send His prophets”. (72: 8)

قَالُوا يَقَوْمَنَا إِنَّا سَمِعْنَا كِتَابًا أُنزِلَ مِنْ بَعْدِ مُوسَى مُصَدِّقًا لِمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ يَهْدِي
إِلَى الْحَقِّ وَالْإِطْرَاقِ الْمُسْتَقِيمِ ۝

“They said, “O our people, indeed we have heard a (recited) Book revealed after Moses confirming what was before it which guides to the truth and to a straight path.” (46: 31)

From the above-mentioned verses, we learn that even the Jinns believed in Musa^(as). Hence, this verse means that prophets will come after Musa^(as), and not the contrary like the people nowadays seem to think. After Jesus Christ, son of Mary, the Christians also believed that no other prophets would come after him except that Jesus Christ will personally descend from the heavens later for the second time.

From these theories, we come to conclude that according to Islam, all people of the whole world had been created to progress in spirituality and to attain to God’s proximity that will provide for them the means to come closer and closer to Him.

Allah^(swt) blames and qualifies as liars those who say that these means have ceased. But Allah^(swt) has also said that one day Islam will be weakened, the religious conduct of the Muslims will decline considerably to the worst.

Then, to revive the teachings of Islam, Allah will send a prophet. Those who will come after the Holy Prophet^(sa) when all people have gone astray, deviated from the true teachings of the Holy Quran. The special elects would re-stabilise Islam and would spread it worldwide.

We, the Muslims of Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam and also the Ahmadis say that this Promised Envoy would be a member of the *Muhammadan Ummah* (Muslim Community) who will attain to the degree of prophethood when following the examples of Hazrat Muhammad^(sa) and no other people will come outside the *Muhammadan Ummah*.

The other sects of Islam believe that the prophet who has to come is that same Jesus Christ, son of Mary, who has already made his appearance among the people of Israel before the coming of Hazrat Muhammad^(sa). They state that Jesus did not die on the cross but was sent to heavens with his physical body – in flesh and bones and in the last days he will descend from the heavens.

Hence the Muslims of Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam, even the Ahmadis in general and the non-Ahmadis have a difference of belief except about the personality of the man who has to come and not about the question of *Nabuwwat* as the one who has to come will be anyway a prophet of God.

It is clear that all Muslims, Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam, Ahmadis and non-Ahmadis do agree on the fact that for the safeguard of the religion of Islam, to maintain it alive till the Day of Judgement, Allah^(swt) has already made the necessary arrangement. One of these arrangements is prophethood.

Hence, why not maintain it as it constitutes the surest means to attain the objectives of man's creation? This is a great favour from Allah^(swt) to His creatures. How can it be that Allah increases mundane favours and that He decreases spiritual favours as the latter lead to the real goal of life? Satanic forces deviate man from the right path and lure him to the luxuries of this temporal world, thus pulling him away from good deeds. Whenever the influences of satanic forces prevail, man is misguided and to reset him on the right track, Allah had proclaimed this divine law, that the right path (direction) will always be revealed, when He declared that whenever man is misguided, He shall send guidance, prophets, messengers or reformers from Him to man so that they may come back to the right path.

قُلْنَا اهْبِطُوا مِنْهَا جَمِيعًا فَإِمَّا يَأْتِيَنَّكُمْ مِنِّي هُدًى فَمَنْ تَبِعَ هُدَايَ فَلَا خَوْفٌ

عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ ○

“We said: ‘Go forth from this (state) all; so surely there will come to you guidance from Me, then whoever follows My guidance, no fear shall come upon them, nor shall they grieve.’” (2: 39)

Consequently to this same law (*that messenger will always come from Allah whenever misguidance is spread on earth*), it is said in the Holy Quran:

وَلَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا فِيهِمْ مُنْذِرِينَ ۖ فَانظُرْ كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الْمُنْذَرِينَ ۝

“And We had already sent among them Warners. Then look how was the end of those who were warned (but not heeded).” (37: 73-74)

Why had this divine law (Divine Warning) been promulgated? The main reason is to bar the route towards infidelity, disbelief and misguidance. Allah does not want His creatures to be misguided and going astray, and thus when those who had enjoyed divine blessings but had been ungrateful afterwards, therefore after being warned, become deserving of divine punishment. Thus, Allah is Clement and Most Merciful, and before He sends His severe punishment, He sends his Warner to His creatures.

Allah says in the Holy Quran:

ذٰلِكَ اَنْ لَّمْ يَكُنْ رَبُّكَ مُهْلِكَ الْقُرٰى بِظُلْمٍ وَّاَهْلَهَا غٰفِلُوْنَ ۝

“That is because your Lord would not destroy the cities for wrongdoing while their people were unaware.” (6: 132)

Prophets are sent from time to time to revalue the laws of Allah to mankind, to make the people recall their lessons which they have completely forgotten, to convince them that one day they will have to account for all their actions in front of Allah, so as they correct or reform themselves and fear Allah. If however, they insist in their errors, so then they become liable to punishment.

Pondering over the Holy Quran, we can see that whenever the spiritual leaders are corrupted, they become deviating instruments for the people from right path.

For example, it is said in the Holy Quran:

وَكَذَلِكَ جَعَلْنَا فِي كُلِّ قَرْيَةٍ أَكْبَرًا مُجْرِمِيهَا لِيَمْكُرُوا فِيهَا وَمَا يَكْتُرُونَ إِلَّا
بِأَنْفُسِهِمْ وَمَا يَشْعُرُونَ ○

“Thus have We placed leaders in every town, its wicked men, to plot (and burrow) therein: but they only plot against their own souls, and they perceive it not.” (6: 124)

اتَّخَذُوا أَحْبَارَهُمْ وَرُهَبَانَهُمْ أَرْبَابًا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ وَالْمَسِيحَ ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا
لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَهًا وَاحِدًا لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ سُبْحَانَهُ عَمَّا يُشْرِكُونَ ○

“They have taken their scholars and monks as lords besides Allah, and (also) the Messiah, the son of Mary. And they were not commanded except to worship one God; there is no deity except Him. Exalted is He above whatever they associate with Him.” (9: 32)

Many people give the status of god to their leaders and to their *Pirs* (spiritual leaders) in the time of darkness, that is, they react according to the directives of their spiritual leaders, *Pirs* or *Ulema* when they do not follow the *Shariah* properly, twisting it to suit their desires.

Thus, these *Ulema* and *Pirs* lead people in the wrong path to satisfy their passion and desires. Verily the true direction cannot be found without the help of divine revelation which is the only way to true knowledge.

Allah says:

وَلَنْ تَرْضَىٰ عَنْكَ الْيَهُودُ وَلَا النَّصَارَىٰ حَتَّىٰ تَتَّبِعَ مِلَّتَهُمْ قُلْ إِنَّ هُدَىٰ اللَّهِ هُوَ
الْهُدَىٰ وَلَئِنِ اتَّبَعْتَ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ بَعْدَ الَّذِي جَاءَكَ مِنَ الْعِلْمِ مَا لَكَ مِنَ اللَّهِ مِن وَلِيٍّ وَلَا
نَصِيرٍ ○

“And never will the Jews or the Christians approve of you until you follow their religion. Say, “Indeed, the guidance of Allah is the (only) guidance.” If you were to follow their desires after what has come to you of knowledge, you would have against Allah no protector or helper.” (2: 121)

Through the intermediary of Hazrat Muhammad^(sa), Allah^(swt) has proclaimed that He shall guide the people in the right path. If despite all these they follow the mischievous, there would be no difference between these mischievous people and them. As they have no love for Allah in their heart, similarly Allah will abandon them also. Sins will increase instead of decreasing.

Read the following Hadiths carefully and ponder over them; see how Hazrat Muhammad^(sa) had predicted the bitterest declination of Islam:

Hazrat Ali ibn Abu Talib^(ra) narrated that the Messenger of Allah ^(sa) said: *“There will come a time upon the people when nothing will remain of Islam except its name and nothing will remain of the Quran except its words. Their mosques will be splendidly furnished but destitute of guidance (and worshippers). Their divines will be the worst people under the Heaven; strife (fitna) will issue from them and avert to them.”* (Mishkat)

May you ponder over it again and again! If this will be the state of these *Ulema* (Muslim divines and scholars) so then what will become of the state of the *Muhammadan Ummah* (the Community of Muhammad^(sa))? The truth is that error will vastly spread when these *Ulema* are corrupted.

These days Muslims know very well the state of these *Ulema*. They are only propagating infidelity, creating disorders or *fitna* and disputes, teaching people to worship tombs (*Darga*) and saints (*Pirs*), and to practise other types of *Shirk* (association of other creatures to Allah).

The Holy Quran has slipped out of the hands of the Muslims; only *Bidat* (innovations) are left. These kinds of *Ulema* are responsible for the actual state of affairs. Now it has become incumbent that a prophet of God makes his appearance to remedy or mend the road leading to Allah^(swt). He comes to revive the *Shariah* (Islamic laws), to deliver people from these *Ulema* and to be loyal towards Allah and His beloved prophet^(sa). Instead of trading with *ta'wiz* (talismans), attributes of Allah etc., Muslims should rather prostrate in the mosques and implore Allah for their basic necessities. If *ta'wiz* were not commercialised today, the Muslims would not have stooped so low today, lower than animals and reduce to constraints.

The so-called Mullahs and *Ulema* think that doing commerce with the words of the Quran and Attributes of Allah in the wrong way is better for them and that it represents a facility for them to sit at home and command all their needs, people being at their beck and call. May you ponder over these thoughts again!

Generally we accept only four books of divine laws in this world: The Torah (*Tawraat*), The Psalms (*Zabur*), the Gospels (*Injeel*) and the Holy Quran; in addition to all these, we also have the *Suhuf* (pages) of Ibrahim^(as).

But is it not strange that more than 124,000 prophets appeared on earth? Is it not evident that the *Shariah* obeys to a certain rule, and that there is another rule giving rise to the advent of prophets? These prophets appear only when the *majority* are led into darkness; but not all of them were bearers of *Shariah*, otherwise, we would have more than 124,000 holy books from all these prophets! This shows that prophethood is a blessing and a favour from Allah.

Sometimes Allah sends a prophet just to manifest His blessings like in the time of Moses, Aaron who were also raised as prophets. Both should have accomplished the same mission. When people were deviated and were spread everywhere, as they put total trust in the theologians of these days, but unfortunately the latter deformed the *Shariah* and lead people towards uncertainly, misguidance and innovations (*bidat*).

The prophet of Allah comes to re-establish the true faith. Hazrat Muhammad^(sa) had also prophesised that Islam will witness declination to such an extent and that his enemies would be reinforced. From the time of Noah till now, all prophets who had come had already warned their own people of this catastrophic event. (*Musnad Ahmad Bin Hambal, Vol. 1 pg. 195*).

He said that faith would become so staggering that “*man will wake up in the morning as a believer but he will turn into a disbeliever at night*”; the one who will be a believer at night he will be a disbeliever when he will wake up in the morning. Facing such perspectives, has Allah not taken necessary provision or other measures to protect Islam?

In the past He always sent prophets to the own people of these prophets whenever they went astray; won't He now descend His blessings to safeguard Islam? Surely, He will protect it as mentioned in the Holy Quran. Allah says:

الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتِمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيْتُ لَكُمْ

الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا ۖ فَمَنِ اضْطُرَّ فِي مَخْمَصَةٍ غَيْرَ مُتَجَانِفٍ لِإِثْمِهِ ۗ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ ۝

“This day I have perfected for you your religion and completed My favour upon you and have approved for you Islam as religion. But whoever is forced by severe hunger with no inclination to sin - then indeed, Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.” (5: 4)

To perfect a religion, the *Shariah* must be perfect. Necessary measures must be taken into great consideration to protect it from corruption. This is why Hazrat Muhammad^(sa) has said: “Surely Allah will send reformer(s) to reform the religion (Islam) at the head of each century.” Allah has already said: “I have completed my favours upon you”. What is the meaning of these words “completed His favours”?

In the Holy Quran, it is said that when Hazrat Yusuf^(as) related his dream to his father, Hazrat Yaqub^(as); the latter interpreted the dream in this way:

وَكَذَلِكَ يَجْتَبِيكَ رَبُّكَ وَيُعَلِّمُكَ مِنْ تَأْوِيلِ الْأَحَادِيثِ وَيُتِمُّ نِعْمَتَهُ عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَىٰ آلِ
يَعْقُوبَ كَمَا أَتَّهَمَ عَلَىٰ آبَائِكَ مِنْ قَبْلُ ۚ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ عَلِيمٌ حَكِيمٌ ۝

“And thus will your Lord choose you and teach you the interpretation of narratives and complete His favour upon you and upon the family of Jacob, as He completed it upon your fathers before, Abraham and Isaac. Indeed, your Lord is Knowing and Wise.” (12: 7)

When Allah completed His favours upon somebody this means, “Royalty” in ordinary terms and “*Nabuwwat*” (prophethood) in spiritual terms. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph were all prophets; they all receive divine favours in the form of prophethood. Hence in “*Atmantu Alaikum Ni’mati*” (I have completed My favours upon you), Allah promises prophethood to the Muslims. Hazrat Muhammad^(sa) was called the “*Khataman Nabiyyin*” and “*alaykum*” means Muslims, hence, prophethood should be awaited at any time.

The “*Khataman Nabiyyin*” itself attracts our attention upon the accomplishment of divine favours in these terms: “*What will be your situation when Jesus, son of Mary will come among you and who will be an Immaam amongst yourselves, after having been Hakim (Arbitrator) and Adl (judge)?*”

If there was not the promised Nabuwwat, divine favours, we would never have the promise of the coming of the Promised Messiah, son of Mary, a reformer at the head of each century and when darkness has spread alarmingly widely throughout the whole world, the prophecy of the coming of a prophet: this is the real meaning of the accomplishment of divine favours. Glory to Allah!

According to this inviolable law of prophethood, Allah says:

اللَّهُ يَصْطَفِي مِنَ الْمَلَائِكَةِ رُسُلًا وَمِنَ النَّاسِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ سَمِيعٌ بَصِيرٌ ۝

“Allah chooses from the angels messengers and from the people. Indeed, Allah is Hearing and Seeing.” (22: 76)

May all Muslims ponder over this! Allah never changes His laws. He has created man to be His worshipper and to be saved from the pangs of the Satan, that same Satan who asked Allah for a respite so as to better deviate man from his Creator till the Day of Judgement. Allah had granted him that respite while at the same time He warned him that he could never touch His sincere servants and believers.

That’s why Allah sends His prophets from time to time along with his angels. He wants to safeguard man from the evils of the cunning ones. Satan and his army have numerous tricks in their sleeves are so as to deviate man from Allah. One of his goals is to instil hatred, and discord in the hearts of the people towards the prophets.

Whenever a prophet is raised by Allah, Satan excites all people to go against him. But what power does the evil spirit has on a Messenger of God? Eventually it’s Satan who faces deception and failure as people who are sincere and faithful always accept the messenger of Allah in large numbers. But Satan never ceases to find other means of deviation for the people from the right path. Gradually he brings them to forget all the good spiritual lessons learnt by the prophet of Allah. Hence, the weak believers start losing their sight on the goal, losing faith in the truth; their faith wobble.

So Satan celebrates his victory over the believers, thinking that he is victorious, succeeding in deviating the disciples of the prophet towards evil spirits, and developing negative attitudes.

Therefore, he prepares his army in advance as he knows perfectly that each time he succeeds in his evil plans, Allah will definitely send His Caliph (*Khalifatullah*) or prophet to crush his head. Therefore, going ahead even long before the arrival of a new prophet, Satan teaches man that the prophet who has just passed away was really a man of God but it was not necessary to have another one, neither now or tomorrow. He inculcates this dark idea in their head so that they can oppose the future prophet of God whenever he makes his proclamation.

God says in the Holy Quran:

وَلَقَدْ جَاءَكُمْ يُوسُفُ مِنْ قَبْلُ بِالْبَيِّنَاتِ فَمَا زِلْتُمْ فِي شَكٍّ مِمَّا جَاءَكُمْ بِهِ ۗ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا هَلَكَ قُلُوبُكُمْ لَنْ يَبْعَثَ اللَّهُ مِنْ بَعْدِهِ رَسُولًا ۚ كَذَلِكَ يُضِلُّ اللَّهُ مَنْ هُوَ مُسْرِفٌ مُرْتَابٌ ۝

“And Joseph had already come to you before with clear proofs, but you remained in doubt of that which he brought to you, until when he died, you said, ‘Never will Allah send a messenger after him.’ Thus does Allah leave astray he who is a transgressor and skeptic.” (40: 35)

This verse shows clearly that the supposition that there will be no prophets is absolutely false. Only the transgressors and those who have doubts in the coming of other prophets hold this point of view. These people doubt the blessing of God and refuse to believe in spiritual favours. Moreover, the transgressors and those who “doubt” are those who always dispute about the signs and manifestations of Allah without any solid argument; their hearts are corrupted.

THE NIKAH OF AHMAD (AS) WITH MUHAMMADI BEGUM

Great discussions are being raised by the Mullahs around the Nikah of Hazrat Ahmad (as) with Muhammadi Begum. Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad(as) made a prophecy that he would marry Muhammadi Begum, but the marriage did not take place because the prophecy was based upon a condition. To prove that the prophecy was not being accomplished, the Mullahs pretend to state some reference from the book, *“Haqiqatul Wahi”* (pg.187) written by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad(as), as follows:

“O lady! Ask for repentance; ask for repentance because your daughter and her grandmother will face a great difficulty”.

This is a falsified citation adapted to his sensational story. Here is the true version: ***“O lady, ask for repentance, ask for repentance as a great difficulty will fall upon your daughter and upon the daughter of your daughter”.***

The original version is very different from the falsified one. The Mullahs have distorted the true sense of this sentence of the prophecy of Hazrat Ahmad (as). To understand this piece, it is necessary to consider his book *“Anjam-e-Athim”* and *“Aina Kamalat-e-Islam”*, and not to distort the sense of sentence and thus falsifying the meaning.

The fabrications of these Mullahs are enough to nullify the validity of his objectives. When Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad(as) wrote that Allah would certainly bring Muhammadi Begum, it was still conditional. If ever her family insisted to be in rebellion against Allah after the death of Mirza Ahmad Beg, the husband of Muhammadi Begum would also pass away. In this eventuality, the repentance of the family after a second death would bring them to inclination, establishing the alliance with Hazrat Ahmad(as). Even we should precise that the prophecy related in *Aina Kamalat-e-Islam* does not mention that Allah definitely and unconditionally had decreed the marriage of Muhammadi Begum with Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad(as).

But it was the interpretation of the prophecy by Hazrat Ahmad^(as) according to the logic that “if” the family would repent before or after the two deaths; but the family repented after the first death. In this case, her marriage with Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad^(as) is nullified as the husband of Muhammadi Begum would not be punished through death.

In his book “*Izala-Auham*” (pg.296), Hazrat Ahmad ^(as) had stated that Muhammadi Begum would come “*like a virgin or a widow*”. He never stated “*liked a divorcee*”. Hence, for sincere and honest people, no plausible objection had been made on the proposition of Ahmad ^(as) to contract this Nikah or on the accomplishment of his prophecy.

VARIOUS ATTACKS ON HAZRAT MIRZA GHULAM AHMAD (AS) BY THE ULEMA

The Ulemas attacked Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad^(as) with bullets of *Fatwas of excommunication*, accusing him of heresy, and they declared him to be a 'Murtad' (a non-believer) or an apostate, and thus, according to them, he should be put to death. They excited the whole India against him, to such a point that life had become very difficult for the Ahmadi Muslims. Many were killed. Plots had been organised to kill Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad^(as), but see the strange power of Allah. Most of the time whenever someone was delegated to kill him, the 'killer' converted to 'Ahmadiyya'!

Some foolish people stated that he was being protected by the British rulers. What a silly argument! They have to think over this: Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad^(as) came regularly, five times daily, in the mosque to pray and he used to come and go to do his daily work without neither protection nor bodyguard, everybody without exception became his enemy, so then who had protected him if not Allah^(swt)?

Allah promised that He would protect Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad^(as), the Promised Messiah; the latter knew that he did not have anything to fear. The whole India was violently furious and hostile towards him and his life was in great danger but he did not have the least fright in his heart as he was 100% sure that Allah would protect him from all kinds of evil plots and attacks of his enemies. So he surrendered himself totally to his divine mission, communities, sitting in assemblies, going regularly to the mosque to offer his five daily prayers.

Friends and enemies came to pay him regular visits but what was strange with him, he always received them all with a smile on his face and without fear. And hence, who protected him if not Allah^(swt)? Yes, surely Allah alone possesses the power of protecting His servants against all attacks of their enemies. He never gives a dishonoured, disgraceful and humiliating death to His true prophets. When He (Allah) promises to protect His servants He does it and thus it is through this that the difference between truth and falsehood can be identified.

FIVE SOLID PROOFS TO SHOW THAT HAZRAT MIRZA GHULAM AHMAD (AS) IS NOT A LIAR

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad ^(as) proclaimed to be an Envoy of God.

1. If he was a liar and manipulating everybody, surely the hands of God would have seized him, and according to the laws of Allah He would have taken the severest actions against such liars.
2. There was no materiel means to favour his progress and no prevailing conditions were favourable to him.
3. All societies and communities were against him. When he proclaimed himself as a messenger of God, there wasn't any community which he could rely upon to spread his mission.
4. He had succeeded to make the whole world accept many of his arguments in favour of Islam despite their full hostility and divergence of opinions.
5. Despite all these attacks, victory crowned his efforts. He succeeded to establish a community to evaluate his opinions. The attacks of his enemies produced no effect upon him as he got his total support from Allah ^(swt).

These five proofs cannot be seen within a liar. If ever, each time one of these five proofs is to be seen within someone, no doubt, this man comes from Allah ^(swt), he is absolutely honest otherwise we can never have proof of integrity of people.

THE VERACITY OF HAZRAT MIRZA GHULAM AHMAD (AS)

The veracity of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) resides in the fact that Allah often revealed hidden events of the future to him. We conclude that he was an envoy of God. Allah says in the Holy Quran:

○ عَلِيمُ الْغَيْبِ فَلَا يُظْهِرُ عَلَىٰ غَيْبِهِ أَحَدًا ۗ

○ إِلَّا مَن ارْتَضَىٰ مِن رَّسُولٍ فَإِنَّهُ يَسْلُكُ مِن بَيْنِ يَدَيْهِ وَمِنْ خَلْفِهِ رَصَدًا ۗ

“(Allah is) Knower of the unseen and He does not disclose His (knowledge of the) unseen to anyone; Except whom He has approved of messengers, and indeed, He sends before each messenger and behind him observers...” (72: 27-28)

“*Azhara alayhi*” means: “*He has given him abundant knowledge on this topic*”. Hence, the one who receives revelations of hidden secrets, revelations crystal-clear and pure from all types of dirt, who receives manifest signs and is constantly informed about important future events, is surely an envoy of Allah. The one who does not recognise such person means that he rejects the law of the Holy Quran, that is, he does not recognise all the prophets who had always put this argument forward as a proof of their veracity.

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF

In all times, no prophet has been spared. The behaviour of these Mullahs is not new or extraordinary. The Holy Quran says:

يَحْسِرَةٌ عَلَى الْعِبَادِ مَا يَأْتِيهِمْ مِنْ رَسُولٍ إِلَّا كَانُوا بِهِ يَسْتَهْزِءُونَ ○

“How regretful for the servants. There did not come to them any messenger except that they used to ridicule him.” (36: 31).

And again:

تَتَّبَلُونَ فِي أَمْوَالِكُمْ وَأَنْفُسِكُمْ وَلَتَسْمَعَنَّ مِنَ الَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْكِتَابَ مِنْ
قَبْلِكُمْ وَمِنَ الَّذِينَ أَشْرَكُوا أَذًى كَثِيرًا وَإِنْ تَصْبِرُوا وَتَتَّقُوا فَإِنَّ ذَلِكَ مِنْ عَزْمِ
الْأُمُورِ ○

“You will surely be tested in your possessions and in yourselves. And you will surely hear from those who were given the Scripture before you and from those who associate others with Allah much abuse. But if you are patient and fear Allah - indeed, that is of the matters (worthy) of determination.” (3: 187)

See also the following verses of the Quran:

وَلَقَدْ كَذَّبْتَ رَسُولٌ مِّنْ قَبْلِكَ فَصَبْرُوا عَلَىٰ مَا كُذِّبُوا وَأَوْذُوا حَتَّىٰ أَتَاهُمْ نَصْرُنَا وَلَا
مُبَدَّلَ لِكَلِمَاتِ اللَّهِ ۗ وَلَقَدْ جَاءَكَ مِنْ نَّبِيِّ الْمُرْسَلِينَ ○

“And certainly were messengers denied before you, but they were patient over (the effects of) denial, and they were harmed until Our victory came to them. And none can alter the words of Allah. And there has certainly come to you some information about the (previous) messengers.” (6: 35)

إِنَّا كَفَيْنَاكَ الْمُسْتَهْزِئِينَ ﴿٩٥﴾ الَّذِينَ يَجْعَلُونَ مَعَ اللَّهِ إِلَهًا آخَرَ فَسَوْفَ

يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٩٦﴾ وَلَقَدْ نَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ يَضِيقُ صَدْرُكَ بِمَا يَقُولُونَ ﴿٩٧﴾

“Indeed, We are sufficient for you against the mockers, Who make (equal) with Allah another deity. But they are going to know. And We already know that your breast is constrained by what they say.” (15: 96-98)

يُمُوسَى لَا تَخَفْ ۗ إِنِّي لَا يَخَافُ لَدَى الْمُرْسَلُونَ ﴿١٠٧﴾

“... ‘O Moses, fear not. Indeed, in My presence the messengers do not fear’.” (27: 11)

فَلَا يَحْزُنُكَ قَوْلُهُمْ ۗ إِنَّا نَعْلَمُ مَا يُسِرُّونَ وَمَا يُعْلِنُونَ ﴿٧٧﴾

“So let not their speech grieve you. Indeed, We know what they conceal and what they declare.” (36: 77)

Allah (swt), in His great wisdom recommends patience against insults to His chosen servants. He says:

○ مَا يُقَالُ لَكَ إِلَّا مَا قَدْ قِيلَ لِلرُّسُلِ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ ۗ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ لَذُو مَغْفِرَةٍ وَذُو عِقَابٍ أَلِيمٍ

“Nothing is said to you, except what was already said to the messengers before you. Indeed, your Lord is a possessor of forgiveness and a possessor of painful penalty.” (41: 44)

Speaking about the *Kalimas*, non-Ahmadi Mullahs wrote: *“a Muslim rejecting one of the Kalimas is considered to be unanimously by the Islamic authority, a “Kafir” (infidel) and still according to the Islamic authority, the Kafireen (infidels) deserve only one thing: DEATH!”*

If someone contradicts only one teaching of Islam, this means that he is rejecting the perfection of Allah (swt) Himself. All Muslims believe firmly that the messages brought by Hazrat Muhammad (sa) are messages of God to all humanity. The one who rejects one word of the Holy Prophet (sa) does not belong to the Islamic community.

I am in perfect accordance with these Mullahs. Still I want to ask them the following question. “Are the seven *Kalimas* of the Muslims as exist now the ones taught by the Holy Prophet (sa)? Are they the original texts? Or were they being recited by the companions of the Holy Prophet (sa) as they were before? If yes, Oh Mullahs, can you prove to me through the verses of the Holy Quran or through the *Sahih Sitta* (the six authentic books of Hadith)?

The non-Ahmadi Mullahs wrote again that *“Here are the Kalimas (articles of faith) of the Ahmadiyya Movement according to the book teachings of Ahmad, written by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) himself, pg. 413-418).”*

Firstly, out of 86 books written by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) there is not one under the title of *“the teachings of Ahmad”*. Hence, unlike what the so-called Muslim divines insinuate, it is absolutely false to say that the *Kalimas* (articles of faith) which the Ahmadi Muslims recite are out the pale of Islam.

To be noted also, this sentence from the citation of the non-Ahmadi Mullahs: *“No one but him (instead of me) is the Messiah”*. This sentence proves that the so-called book *“the teachings of Ahmad”* was written by another person instead of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad ^(as).

Secondly, it is absolutely false to accuse the Ahmadiyya Movement to recite *Kalimas* which are not of Islamic origin. The Mullahs professed and insinuated that unislamic teachings come from Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad ^(as), and this is completely false for the very coming of the Promised Messiah ^(as) at that time was for the revival of Islam. *“And I teach my community”*, wrote Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad ^(as), *“to bear faith with all their heart on the Kalima Tayyiba”, that is, “Laa Ilaaha Illallah Muhammadur-Rassulullah” and to die with.*” (Ayya Mussullah p. 96) and again: *“I have faith and absolute certitude that the Holy Quran is the final divine book, and nobody could ever change a comma, a full stop or its laws and commandments. No one would neither be able to change nor to add nor to remove whatever is in the Holy Quran and moreover no revelation will descend to abolish or even to correct the commandments it already contains. If someone has inculcated this in his dirty mind, accordingly he is an outlaw, an unIslamic individual and is a “Kafir”.*” (Izala Auham p. 60-61).

I regret to see the incompetency of these so-called mullahs who cannot differentiate between *Kalimas* and articles of faith. To explain the word “KALIMA”, these so-called Mullahs have put “articles of faith” between brackets just after the word. However, in Islam there is what are called *Arkane Islam* and *Arkane Iman* and these two are different from each other.

Arkane Islam: is the five pillars of Islam (the Kalima/Shahada, the Namaz/Salat, the Roza/Sawm, the Zakat and the Hajj); while,

Arkane Iman: are the articles of faith, i.e., belief in one God (Allah), in His angels, revealed books, prophets and messengers, belief in the Day of Judgment and Allah’s Divine Decree.

I hope that these mullahs will take these explanations with a good heart and mind and shall never in future make confusions over the meanings of these two *Arkane*; **Arkane Islam** (The five pillars of Islam) and **Arkane Iman** (articles of faith).

MIRACLES

Let us see now the question of miracles. There is absolutely no contraction between the belief of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) and those of Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad (ra). It is regretful to see these so-called Mullahs judgement about the writings of Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad on miracles in “The Introduction of the Holy Quran” pg. 133. They have taken only a part of it which is quite senseless. While doing so, these so-called Mullahs have shown the wrong side of the diamond, i.e., their faith.

The public is not that foolish. It can draw its own conclusions. I would like to advice all these so-called Mullahs to read that Introduction of the Holy Quran. Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad, replying to an objection from the Christians, has begun his article like this: *“The Christian authors had affirmed that the Holy Quran, except for its pretention to be unique in its language and its philosophy had not put forward any claim concerning miracles. It is necessary to explain in a few words, the attitude of the Holy Quran towards the miracles. The Holy Quran contains two fundamental teachings to be known: firstly, that there are certain divine laws that cannot be changed”*.

Then the Holy Quran states that no dead person will ever come back in this world. (23: 100-101; 21: 96-97) and it continues:

وَالَّذِينَ يَدْعُونَ مِن دُونِ اللَّهِ لَا يَخْلُقُونَ شَيْئًا وَهُمْ يُخْلَقُونَ ۖ أَمْوَاتٌ غَيْرُ

أَحْيَاءٍ ۗ وَمَا يَشْعُرُونَ ۗ أَيَّانَ يُبْعَثُونَ ۗ

“And those they invoke other than Allah create nothing, and they (themselves) are created. They are, (in fact), dead, not alive, and they do not perceive when they will be resurrected.” (16: 21-22)

Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad ^(ra) wanted to show clearly that according to the Holy Quran that someone who had already tasted death cannot be created again. Hence he wanted to prove the theory upon which the Christian stated that Jesus, son of Mary is more superior than our master Hazrat Muhammad ^(sa) when the former, that is, Jesus ^(as) had revived the dead.

This theory does not stand upright according to the Holy Quran. From another place, on the subject of miracles, he has written the following: “Men reject the signs demonstrated by the ancient prophets, and yet many signs had been manifested in accordance to hold high the prophets of Allah who will come in the near future after the demise of the Holy Prophet ^(sa) of Islam. Hence, he had not shown any reasons for these signs not being manifested to support Hazrat Muhammad ^(sa), the prophet of Islam (The Introduction of the Holy Quran pg. 135).

Besides prophecies, the Holy Quran undoubtedly proclaims the miracles of the Holy Prophet ^(sa) and mentions some. On the other hand, it uncovers the stupidity of such like the resurrection of dead bodies, the stopping of the evolution of the sun and the moon, the stopping of the flow of the rivers or the walking steps of mountains.

These writings are only fables for the distraction of children. The Holy Quran neither attributes such foolishness of fabricated events to Hazrat Muhammad ^(sa) nor to any other prophets who came since the creation of this world. Instead, the Holy Quran states the explanation of some past Holy Scriptures from which the literal lecture had effectively led people to believe such foolishness. The Holy Quran explains, that these scriptures were written in metaphorical language and cannot be translated literally. (Introduction of the Holy Quran, pg.136). For further details, please read pg. 133-136 of the introduction. Therein is the answer made to the Christians and at the same time to the so-called mullahs who give misinterpretations of the Holy Quran.

Hence, the question about *Ahmadis* on *Bashiris* is out of subject now, as there is no difference between the belief of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad ^(as) and that of Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad ^(as).

Now, I want to ask these Mullahs, who have prohibited Muslims ladies to enter the mosque to perform Namaz in congregation, especially Jummah prayers, Eid-ul-fitr and Eid-ul-Adha prayers and the five daily prayers. According to them Hazrat Umar ^(ra) had forbidden ladies to go to the mosque, while Hazrat Muhammad ^(sa) had formerly ordained ladies to go regularly to the mosque. What do you think about this verse of the Holy Quran?

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِذَا نُودِيَ لِلصَّلَاةِ مِنْ يَوْمِ الْجُمُعَةِ فَاسْعَوْا إِلَى ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَذَرُوا
الْبَيْعَ ۗ ذِكُّكُمْ خَيْرٌ لَكُمْ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٩﴾

“O you who believe! When the call is proclaimed to prayer on Friday (Jummah prayer), hasten earnestly to the Remembrance of Allah, and leave off business (and traffic): That is best for you if only you knew!”
(62: 10)

Are only men among those “who believe”? Are women not counted among humankind, mankind, and those who believe? Don’t women have a duty also to attend to their spiritual commitments towards their Creator who has made the tenets and pillars of Islam obligatory for them also, as He did for their male counterparts? Not only for Jummah prayers, but the Holy Prophet Muhammad ^(sa) in several Hadiths even gave the instructions to the men to allow their women (wives and daughters under their care) to go to the mosque, even at night like the following Hadith states:

Narrated by Abdullah Ibn Umar ^(ra) that the Prophet ^(sa) has said: *“If your women ask permission to go to the mosque at night, allow them.”* (Bukhari)

Moreover, Umm Salama (the wife of the Holy Prophet ^(sa)) stated: “*In the lifetime of the Messenger of Allah ^(sa) the women used to get up when they finished their compulsory prayers with Taslim. The Prophet ^(sa) and the men would stay on at their places as long as Allah will. When the Prophet got up, the men would then get up.*” (Bukhari)

The Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam, the sincere followers of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad ^(as) are used to these foolish sayings of the so-called Mullahs about our beliefs. Such foolishness encourage us more to go further and deeper in our mission to bring people altogether under the banner of *Ummati Waheeda* in the very near future. *Insha-Allah.*

This is being proved and will prove furthermore the supremacy of Islam throughout the whole world. Yet, this had been decreed and I have the firm conviction that *Insha-Allah* it will be realised. All people who will take much pain to read the introduction they will be convinced where the truth is and at the same time they will know how these so-called Mullahs use silly and foolish arguments to deviate people from the rapid progress of the Jamaat of Allah.

Finally, Oh the so-called Mullahs, science without the *Ruhil Qoudouss* (Holy Spirit) is only empty. Without divine light, the wise cannot continue his way and he dies crushed down under the heavy weight of his own imagination. Without divine light, life is only suffering, and religion is only tyranny.

SOME ADVICES FROM ALI (ra), THE FOURTH KHALIFA OF ISLAM

Hazrat Ali (ra), the fourth successor of Hazrat Muhammad (sa), who passed most of his life in Iraq, said in one of his sermons:

“The Imam of this era will bring all Muslims towards the orders and Sunnah of the Holy Prophet (sa). The society will be destroyed completely through violent and destructive wars... The Imam who will establish worldwide Islamic law and order will punish the dominant nations for their crimes against society. He will bring great help to humanity. It is as if I am seeing this with my own eyes now (Antichrist-Dajjal or other calamity). He reveals his identity in Syria and rapidly extends his domain in the region of Kufa (Persian Gulf), and then he spreads over this domain with the strength as a wild ferocious animal and fills it with dead bodies... At the beginning the Mehdi will be like a poor stranger, unknown and abandoned. Islam will be in a pitiful and desperate state like a tired camel which has laid its head on the sand and is wagging its tail. With such strength, he will establish the empire of God on earth.” (Nahjul Balagha – pg. 244, 263, 272, 332, 334; published by the World Shiah Muslims Organisation USA, 1978)

A PROPHECY OF HAZRAT MUHAMMAD (sa)

From a long prophecy, the Holy Prophet (sa) mentioned between other important events, that in the last era, Gog and Magog will have the upper hand worldwide. During this time, the Messiah and his disciples will combat with great vigour and force against them.

Then Allah will say to the Messiah, ‘We have not given to anyone the power to combat these two groups, that is, Gog and Magog and neither to you also shall I give this power. But there will be only one solution. You take refuge on the mountain and you make supplication. Supplication will be the sharpest weapon which will bring victory against these two groups.’

WARNING AGAINST THE DAJJAL

More than fourteen centuries ago, Holy Prophet (sa) had already warned humanity and particularly the Muslims against phenomenon never happened before in the history of mankind. He said: *“From the creation of Adam till the Day of Judgement there will never exist such danger as the Dajjal.”* (Muslim).

“I warn you against the Dajjal. Be careful; there is not a single prophet who had not warned his people about this great danger.” (Muslim).

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DAJJAL

Hazrat Muhammad (sa) described the *Dajjal* as follow: He is like a colossal one-eyed infidel and liar accompanied by 70,000 Jews. He will travel on the back of a gigantic ass and will possess miraculous powers. (Musnad Ahmad, Kanz-ul Ummal, Bukhari, Muslim)

A DIVINE PROMISE

The Holy Quran contains a divine promise reporting the ultimate victory of Islam. (9: 33) and the Holy Prophet (sa) had sworn that Allah will send the Messiah Jesus, son of Mary who will have to come and he is none but the imam Mehdi (the guided one). (Ibn Majah, Bukhari, Muslim)

Hazrat Muhammad (sa) ordained the Muslims:

“When you will see and meet the Mehdi, take the oath of allegiance from his hand, even if you have to creep on your knees, on ice as he is the Mehdi, the Khalifatullah.” (Ibn Majah)

يُدَبِّرُ الْأَمْرَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ ثُمَّ يَعْرُجُ إِلَيْهِ فِي يَوْمٍ كَانَ مِقْدَارُهُ أَلْفَ سَنَةٍ مِمَّا

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“He will plan his ordinance from the heaven unto the earth, then will it go up to Him in a day the duration of which is a thousand years according as you reckon.” (32: 6)

Hazrat Muhammad ^(sa) had predicted that this decline would happen three hundred years after his demise.

“The best century is the one in which I live, then the next century, then the century after that. Then there will spread falsehood at the hands of people who will take pride in their wealth and riches and will grow fat on the earnings of others.” (Mishkat – Kitabul Ilm, *Tirmidhi & Bukhari, Kitab Al-Shahadat*)

Another version also precise that: *truth will disappear; cruelty, excess, differences and divergences will make their appearance.*

So, the last straw of deviation, misguidance would be 1300 years after the arrival of Hazrat Muhammad ^(sa), more precisely, 1300 years from Hijra, the Islamic calendar. The expiration of one thousand years of declination should also mark the beginning of the promised reform of Islam through the coming of the Messiah.

THE FIXED TIME OF THE COMING OF THE MESSIAH (IN ISLAMIC LITERATURE)

In the book *An-Najmus-Saquib* of Nawab Siddiq Hassan Khan of Bhopal, a Hadith of the Holy Prophet ^(sa) was narrated:

“When one thousand and two hundred and forty (1240) years will pass, Allah will raise the Mehdi.” (*An Najmus Saquib*; Vol. 2, pg. 209)

In the book *“Hujajul Kiraman”* written in the year 1291 AH, the author commented:

“And at the head of the fourteenth century to which there are still ten more years to go, if the advent of Mehdi and the descent of the Christ takes place, they will be the Mujaddid and Mujtahid.” (*Hujajul Kiraman*, pp. 135-139)

Nawab Nurul Hasan, the son of Nawab Siddiq Hasan Khan, wrote in the year 1300 AH:

“In accordance with this calculation the Mehdi should have appeared in the 13th century, but the century elapsed and the Mehdi has not come. Now we are almost in the 14th century and even six months have passed of it since this book was written. Probably Allah will favour us with His Grace, Equity, Mercy and Generosity; and the Mehdi may appear within four to six years.” (Iqtarabus Sa’at pg. 221)

Late Khawaja Hasan Nizami, after having paid visit to some Islamic countries wrote: *“All the divines and saintly people whom I have met during my tour of the Islamic countries were waiting anxiously for the apparition of the Imam Mehdi. A Khalifa of Sheik Sanossi even said that the Imam Mehdi will make his proclamation this year, that is, 1331 AH.”* (Newspaper: Ahle-Hadith January 26, 1912)

THE MESSIAH MAKES HIS PROCLAMATION

Hazrat Ahmad ^(as) was born in the year 1250 AH (1835 AD). In the year 1305 AH (1882 AD), He declared: *“When the 13th century would come to its end and the 14th century would rise, Allah the Most Powerful informed me through revelation that I was the Mujjadid for the 14th century”.*

SIGNS AT THE ADVENT OF THE MESSIAH

To close this analytic summary, let me mention some specific signs of the Promised Messiah.

1. The Messiah will make his appearance in the East. (Ibn Majah)
2. He will be from Persian descent (Bukhari 65: 62, 2)
3. He will suffer from two kinds of diseases, one in the upper part of the body and the other in the lower part. (Tirmidhi Vol. 2 pg. 38)
4. The Messiah and the Mehdi would be the same person. (Ibn Majah, Vol. 2, pg. 257)
5. The second coming of Jesus would be an imam from among the Muslims. (Bukhari Vol. 2, pg. 490)
6. The Promised Messiah will be “*a prophet of Allah*” (Nabiullah). (Muslim Vol. 2, pg. 515)
7. The Messiah will kill pigs and will break the cross. (Bukhari; Vol. 2, pg.159)

This means that he would safeguard the Muslims from misguidance and would expose the erred beliefs of Christianity.

The following Hadith of the Holy Prophet (sa) is more explicit:

8. Our Mehdi will possess two important signs: Never had it happened before. The first one being the eclipse of the moon at the beginning of the month of Ramadan and the second one, the eclipse of the sun in the middle part of the same month of Ramadan. (Dar Qutni, Vol. 8, pg.188)

THE NATURAL DEATH OF JESUS, SON OF MARY & THE COMING OF ANOTHER MESSIAH

إِذْ قَالَ اللَّهُ يَٰعِيسَى ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ ارْفَعْكَ نَحْنُ وَرَافِعُكَ إِلَىٰ وَمُطَهِّرُكَ مِنَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَجَاعِلُ الَّذِينَ اتَّبَعُوكَ فَوْقَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا إِلَىٰ يَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ ثُمَّ إِلَيَّ مَرْجِعُكُمْ فَأَحْكُمُ بَيْنَكُمْ فِيمَا كُنتُمْ فِيهِ تَخْتَلِفُونَ ۝

“When Allah said, ‘O Jesus, I will cause you to die (a natural death) and will exalt you to Myself, and will clear you from (the charges of) those who disbelieve, and will place those who follow you above those who disbelieve, until the Day of Resurrection; then to Me shall be your return, and I will judge between you concerning that wherein you differ.’ (3: 56)

“This is one of the verses which bring about many controversies in Islam, especially between the majority of Muslims and the minority Ahmadi Muslims who believe firmly that Jesus never was raised up bodily to the Heavens after his crucifixion and death attempt. The Ulamas of the various Muslim sects support the Christian view that Jesus is bodily alive besides God in the Heavens and that when the last days would be nearing, he would descend along with angels to return back the glory of Islam and to fight evil and false dogmas.

Thus, in order to support their view of the descent of the original flesh and blood Jesus; the Muslim divines have wrongly misinterpreted the present verse to suit their view. In the aftermath of putting a wrong interpretation to this verse, with the free mixing of Muslims and Christians, the latter have converted to Islam due to the fact that the former hold the same view on Jesus as them.

Thus, altogether, not just this verse which got misinterpreted but also the prophecy about the second coming of Jesus which they all thought to be literal, until in the late 1800’s, Allah revealed the true meaning of “second coming of Jesus” to His Chosen Servant (Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad^(as)) and told him that Jesus has already died.

Indeed, the Quran is a true witness to this fact for 30 verses therein stand as solid proofs of his natural death and that he was in no way alive physically (with his temporal body) in the Heavens.

In the Jewish tradition, death upon crucifixion is considered to be an accursed death. The Jews of Jesus' time wanted to bring upon him such a death for then they would have enough ground to depict him as a false prophet (Deut. 21:22-23), a liar, a sorcerer (due to his miracles), an illegitimate child and to level on him other false charges so as to finish both him and his growing mission. But God's plan is better, and their scheming was rendered void.

Moreover, in the verse under comment, Allah informs humanity at large that the four promises made therein has already been fulfilled in all glory and divine manifestation.

These four promises are: (1) Jesus being saved from an accursed death on the cross and afterwards went to accomplish his mission to the lost tribes of Israel, and thereafter dying a natural death, (2) his exaltation in Allah's presence, (3) proofs of his innocence and purity, (4) the supremacy of his followers over his rejecters." (Commentary of the Holy Quran, Al-Azim Tafsir'ul Quran by Hazrat Khalifatullah Munir Ahmad Azim (atba))

MEANING OF MUTTAWAFFIQA

Ibn Abbas, a cousin of Hazrat Muhammad ^(sa) and who is a great wise man from a noble family translated "*Muttawaffiqa*" which means "*I shall give you death (Mumittu)*".

Zamakhshari, world famous Arabic linguist described "*Muttawaffiqa*" as follows:

"I shall protect you against the criminal act of your people and I shall give you life which has been decreed for you, and you will be caused to die a natural death, non-violent one" (Kashshaf)

THE WORD “RAFI’UKA”

“Rafaa’u” means he will raise him; to lift him, to exalt him, to honour him, etc. “Rafaa” is the contrary of “Wazaa”, he cast him down, humiliate him.

Hazrat Muhammad (sa) said: “By this Holy Quran, Allah will exalt certain people” (Mishkat)

From the Holy Quran, Chapter Al-Wakia (56: 4) “Ghafizaton Raafi’a” – He will humiliate some and **will raise** others.

I had already stated in my Commentary of the Holy Quran, the following:

وَمَا مُحَمَّدٌ إِلَّا رَسُولٌ قَدْ خَلَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِهِ الرُّسُلُ أَفَإِنْ مَاتَ أَوْ قُتِلَ انْقَلَبْتُمْ عَلَى

أَعْقَابِكُمْ وَمَنْ يَنْقَلِبْ عَلَى عَقْبَيْهِ فَلَنْ يَضُرَّ اللَّهَ شَيْئًا وَسَيَجْزِي اللَّهُ الشَّاكِرِينَ

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And Muhammad is but a Messenger. Verily, (all) Messengers have passed away before him; if then he dies or is killed will you turn back on your heels? And whosoever turns back on his heels, he shall not harm Allah in the least and Allah shall surely reward the grateful. (3: 145)

“The essence of religion is to believe in an ever-living God while being absolutely convinced in the life and eventual death of all humans. The Prophets of Allah are not exceptions to this rule. Thus, this verse is a solid proof of the death of Jesus whom the Christians and the majority of Muslims in their beliefs elevated to the heavens. Jesus (as) came before the Holy Prophet of Islam (peace be upon him) and the circumstances in which this special verse has been revealed should have been an eye-opener for them on the death of Jesus.

The real question which comes to mind is: How can Jesus be alive when Muhammad (peace be upon him) died?

The present verse was revealed due to an incident during the battle of Uhud where the news spread like fire that the Holy Prophet of Islam (peace be upon him) had died. This news affected terribly the Muslim army and was in fact a forewarning from Allah that the Muslims should in no circumstance think of the Prophet as immortal. The latter came only to accomplish his mission (to re-establish the worship of One God) and afterwards like all humans, like all prophets of God he would have to return back to his Creator.

This fact is confirmed through the following incident which happened seven years later when the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) actually died. Upon getting the news of his death, Umar ibn Al-Khattab ^(ra) went a little mad in his grief and he became so adamant and ferocious that he forbade the people to say that the Prophet of Allah was dead. If ever they were to pronounce such words again, he was ready with his sword to cut them to pieces. He said to all those who were looking at him with fear that they should instead say that he, that is, the prophet, had gone like Prophet Musa ^(as) to meet his Lord and would return back and punish the hypocrites. (Al-Tabari)

It was with the arrival of Abu Bakr As-Siddiq ^(ra) that Umar was made to acknowledge his error of judgement about this matter. Abu Bakr As-Siddiq ^(ra) told the assembly of Muslims and also for the benefit of Umar ibn Al-Khattab ^(ra), that if they used to worship Muhammad (peace be upon him), then let it be known that Muhammad (peace be upon him) is dead whereas those who worship Allah, then Allah is Alive, and shall never die. Afterwards, Abu Bakr As-Siddiq read the present verse about the mortal nature of the Holy Prophet of Islam (peace be upon him).

Umar ibn Al-Khattab is reported to have said: "By Allah, when I heard Abu Bakr reciting it, my legs could not support me and I fell down at the very moment of hearing him reciting it, declaring that the Prophet had died." (Bukhari)

Umar ibn Al-Khattab ^(ra) could not deny the truth which Abu Bakr As-Siddiq ^(ra) uttered for he knew that the latter was perfectly right, and he later on rectified his error after the election of Abu Bakr as the first Caliph after the demise of the Holy Prophet of Islam (peace be upon him).

He is reported to have said on this occasion:

“O ye men of faith! Yesterday I had said to you ‘Who says that the Holy Prophet is dead’. I am afraid what I said was not correct. In the Holy Book of God there is nothing to indicate that the Holy Prophet was to live forever. The Holy Prophet himself never gave an indication to the effect that he was to live forever. I was of the impression that the Holy Prophet was to live in our midst and guide us. But this impression was not correct. The Holy Quran itself provides that the Holy Prophet was a mortal liable to death. The Holy Prophet had come from God, and to God he has returned. He has returned after fulfilling the mission entrusted to him. God has perfected our religion. God has given us a Book through which He guided His Messenger, and through which He will continue to guide the faithful. Our task is to hold steadfast to the Book of God, and to follow His injunctions. We miss the Holy Prophet. But the Holy Prophet was a messenger. He has delivered the message, and after fulfilling his role returned to his Master. The message remains with us in the form of the Holy Book. Those who worship Allah let them know that Allah lives and is not subject to death. The Holy Prophet was a mortal and has gone to His Master. We must follow in the footsteps of the Holy Prophet, and get used to life without his physical presence...”

All these sayings directs our attention to the fact that all humans are mortal, be him a common man or prophet, and they clearly indicate the impossibility of Jesus ^(as) being alive in the heavens while it is clearly mentioned in this present verse that all prophets before the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) died. Moreover, this verse as pronounced by Abu Bakr As-Siddiq on the death of Muhammad (peace be upon him) is to make sure that all Muslims understand that the existence of Islam does not rely completely on the presence of the Holy Prophet, but that it relies completely on the unity and immortality of the Lord of Muhammad (peace be upon him). Thus, if one rejects faith after the demise of the Prophet of Islam (peace be upon him), then he is to know that this does not affect Allah in the least but the truth is that he harms his own soul when he rejects faith, and thus in the hereafter his chastisement shall be grievous.

Allah shall reward handsomely those who are grateful, that is, those who have sincere and solid faith in Him and His Prophet. The grateful believer accepts the fact that Allah sends a Messenger to guide him to the right path. He puts his trust in Allah and recognises this favour of Allah, and does everything in his power to help the cause of Allah through his devotion to Islam and the chosen Messenger of Allah, each time Allah sends one to earth as a legal representative of Allah and that of the Prophet of Islam, Muhammad (peace be upon him).” (Al-Azim-Tafsir-ul-Quran, Al-Imran (3: 145))

Moreover, in the incident of grief expressed by Hazrat Umar ibn Al-Khattab ^(ra), after coming to his senses when Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddiq ^(ra) recalled him the revelation of this present verse, Hazrat Umar ^(ra) and the other companions did not revolted to prove Hazrat Abu Bakr ^(ra) wrong. When the dear companions including Umar ^(ra) heard the recitation of this verse, they were fully convinced of the death of the prophet. They did not object to say, ‘No, the prophet can be alive because the possibility is there because Jesus also did not die.’ During his expression of grief and denial of the death of the Holy Prophet of Islam ^(sa), instead of using the argument of the “living status” of Jesus, he used the analogy of Moses ^(as) going to meet his Lord, and we all know that he meant that Prophet Moses ^(as) went to meet his Lord for divine communications, and came back alive to share the revelations with his people, and not in the sense of dying and coming back to life, physically.

مَا الْمَسِيحُ ابْنُ مَرْيَمَ إِلَّا رَسُولٌ قَدْ خَلَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِهِ الرُّسُلُ وَأُمُّهُ صِدِّيقَةٌ كَانَا يَأْكُلِنَ الطَّعَامَ أَنْظُرْ كَيْفَ نُبَيِّنُ لَهُمُ الْآيَاتِ ثُمَّ أَنْظُرْ أَنَّى يُؤْفَكُونَ ۝

The Messiah, son of Mary, was only a Messenger; surely (other) messengers have passed away before him. And his mother was a truthful woman. They both used to eat food. Look how We explain the Signs for their own good, and see how they are deluded. (5: 76)

“The Quran comes not only to straighten a misconception but also provide the key truths amidst the falsehoods that the Christians (and also the Jews) have invented throughout centuries. Both Mary (ra) and her son were humans and thus regulated by human needs. God, the True One is unaffected by these needs. Therefore how can they (the Christians) take both mother and son as gods? Jesus (as) was a Messenger with a mission just like the other messengers before him. His mother spoke the truth about his miracle birth (to which the Jews have great doubts), but if the birth was a miracle one, but this does not give people the right to take a miracle of God as God Himself. No! A miracle of God is from God and not God. With a strayed mind, they forgot the essence of faith and fabricated a faith (a false one) other than the faith of Jesus (as).” (Al-Azim-Tafsir-ul-Quran, Al-Imran (5: 76))

Thus, these verses and the context it was used by Allah, the Prophet (sa) and Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) to prove the death of Muhammad (sa), the Seal of all prophets proves without any doubt that all prophets before Muhammad (sa) died, including Jesus (as), and thus the Jesus, son of Mary whom the Holy Prophet (sa) often talked about for the safeguard of Islam cannot be the same Israelite prophet, but another prophet and messiah who shall be raised from among his own people, the Muslims to preserve and strengthen Islam in the last days.

As the last days are days which man cannot precisely count, the sayings of the Holy Prophet (sa) opens the scopes of the coming of many such messiahs and prophets, who are the saviours and reformers of Islam, each in their era of divine appointment up till the Day of Judgement.

CONCLUSION

To conclude, I need to say that all darts thrown on the person of the Promised Messiah Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad ^(as) are pointless and are bound to be blown away by the force of the wind coming from Allah^(swt), His Protector. Allah chooses to raise His elects every time Islam and the Muslims are threatened by all kinds of evil and thus surrounded by danger. Islam is a living religion, and it is the nest of life, the haven of peace which the prophets have the mission to safeguard come what may.

Those who are enemies of the envoys of God are bound to taste defeat in every way. In the time of the Promised Messiah Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad ^(as), the Muslim divines of his time tried to prove him a liar for they interpreted the Quran and Sunnah (way of life) of the Holy Prophet ^(sa) in a way which is against the *Sunnat Allah* (the way of Allah).

Prophets can come in the Ummah of the Holy Prophet Muhammad ^(sa), such prophets who shall be exclusively his spiritual heirs and believers. The Promised Messiah Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad ^(as) came to give the Holy Prophet of Islam ^(sa) his honour and value and not to diminish him in any way, yet the reviver became the target of all sorts of accusations, of heresy and madness just because of his affinity with Allah and the best of mankind ^(sa). Such is verily the fate of the Islamic prophets-reformers just like their brethren, the prophets of yore. There is no denying the excellent arguments brought forward by the Messiah to counter all attacks on Islam, in defence of Allah the Supreme Creator and His excellent prophet, the Holy Prophet Muhammad ^(sa).

The evil-minded shall always seek to degrade him and all those like him who come from Allah and this is something which shall continue till the Day of Judgement, the ultimate day, the time limit given by Allah before He seizes those kinds of evil-minded people with His wrath and chastisement. Being "Muslims" shall not save you Oh Muslims unless you act and think like true Muslims, endowed with the true knowledge of the Quran and Sunnah. Verily, like the Quran states, only the "*Ulul-al-Bab*" (people of understanding) shall understand. May Allah have mercy on your souls. *Ameen*.