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Summary of Speech of the Khalifatullah Hazrat Munir A. Azim (atba)

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After an analysis and some concluding words on the life, deeds and great works of the first Rightly-Guided Khalifa, Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddiq (ra), Allah's Messenger (atba) said:

Each of you must be guardian over your own faith. Nobody is to consider himself or herself superior to others, be it in the inner circle of the believers or others. Nobody has the right to judge the faith of these other people. Remember what happened to that pious woman who was ever attached to *Salat* and acts of *Ibaadah*, but one great weakness she had; she used to spy on her neighbours and each time a visitor came to them, she kept a stone to record the to and fro of these people. In the end, all her good deeds went in vain, where she finally found herself in the fire of Hell.

Huzur moreover exposed on the fact that, we, Muslims who have believed in the advent of Islam and the truthfulness of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh), we must not walk haughtily on earth and consider everything with arrogance, to such an extent that we consider ourselves superior to others. We must not think that we exclusively deserve the favours of Allah, and no other person can surpass us, be it in mundane affairs or spiritual matters.

Only Allah has the right to judge the faith of His servants. Nobody has the right to say that he or she has faith, is sure of it, because Allah has made it clear in the Quran that (commentary): 'O believers, say that you have accepted Islam and not to have obtained faith.' Today you can have faith, and tomorrow you can easily lose it. This is what happened to some people who were with us. They showed their superiority and then turned their backs to the favours of Allah when He sent His Messenger to them.

Therefore, each of you should be guardian over your own deeds, and not look at what your fellow brothers or sisters are doing. Even if Allah has blessed you with many favours, then become like that charged fruit tree which curb in humility when Allah made so many favours upon it. Take the example of the Holy Prophet (pbuh), who after being victorious, remained humble and kind. Do not be arrogant and think the world of you, to such an extent that you think that the dreams and visions you are having is the absolute reality. It may be that Allah tries you through it to test your mettle and to see how to react to such messages. Bear in mind the evil consequences of Samiri when he thought himself superior to Hazrat Musa (as) and told his people while Hazrat Musa (as) went on Mount Sinai, that he (Samiri) has seen the Messenger (the Archangel *Jibreel* (as)) and that it is the angel who has commanded him to throw dust on the golden calf to enable it to make a sound etc.

Therefore, never build up hatred and prevent it from manifesting in all sorts of ways. Curb it and instil in your hearts humility and be strong together as one body. Do not wish bad for others; it may be that the group or individual you are mocking becomes better than you in the sight of Allah. The days of victory are coming, when a spiritual revolution shall take place. Take care of your faith lest, you who are now at the front of the Divine Manifestation see yourselves at the back, when those pure people shall come as the great waves of the sea, and behold lest you found that that wave has brought you at the back!

You may be few (compared to others – other groups) but make it be that despite you are few, but you are pure, by following and attaching yourselves firmly to a spiritual chief, someone who comes from Allah. If you detach you from the Divine Manifestation, from the Messenger of Allah and show yourself to be arrogant and haughty – and not obeying the divine messages (and the Messenger of Allah), therefore you shall be seriously fall on your face; not only that, you shall be destroyed. That is why, there is this saying that faith is very hard to get, but very easy to lose...

Huzur (atba) in addition cited the example of Hazrat Adam (as), how after having just got fresh instructions from Allah, lent an ear to the whispering of Ibliss. Therefore all these must act as an eye-opener for us, that we, in turn do not repeat the same mistakes, to take ourselves as more superior to others. Let us ponder all these. Allah may have raised you today – Hazrat Khalifatullah then cited the example of how Hazrat Musa (as) prayed to Allah to raise his brother Harun (as) as his helping hand... I have come as a Messenger of Allah and I have to give the message. Hazrat Muhammad (pbuh) has said that if you have successfully brought one person into the fold of Islam, it is better than more than 1000 red camels.

The Khalifatullah (atba) then explained on the use and great value of red camels, back then in the times of the Holy Prophet of Islam (pbuh).

Therefore be satisfied with what you have got with you. Only you are benefiting this favour (of being around the Messenger of Allah and listening to his words). Therefore, that which you have, be happy for these. Satisfy yourself with what you have got. Even if you do not obtain the goods of this world, let it not affect you; indeed the favours (boons) of the Hereafter are better and everlasting.

May Allah keep you in the right path and enable you to understand this message. Insha-Allah, Ameen.