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(Summary of Speech)

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After greeting all his disciples (and all Muslims) worldwide with the greeting of peace Hadhrat Khalifatullah (atba) read the Tashahhud, Ta'uz, Surah Al Fatiha, and then talked about "Hazrat Massih Ma'ud Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as)"

Ahmadiyyat is the renaissance of Islam. It was established in 1889 when its founder claimed to be the Messiah and Mahdi for whom the whole world was waiting. The chief object which the Jamaat of the Promised Messiah Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) has set before itself is the regeneration of mankind through a renewal and reanimation of faith in God.

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) was born in Qadian in India on the 13th February 1835. He belonged to a noble family and from his childhood became devoted to spiritual values. A deep study of the Holy Quran, a passionate devotion to the Holy Prophet of Islam Hazrat Muhammad (pbuh) and a constant preoccupation with divine worship and prayer became the pattern of his life. He was much distressed at observing the indifference of the Muslims towards the moral and spiritual standards set by the Holy Quran and was deeply hurt by the attacks of non-Muslim propagandists against the doctrines and teachings of Islam.

After deep and prolonged reflection, he undertook the vindication of Islam from every point of view in the shape of his grand publication entitled "Braheen-e-Ahmadiyya". This grand epoch-making publication became endeared in the hearts of many Muslims who previously lost hope in the defence of Islam against all sorts of attacks. The publication of the very first part of the book thus endeared him to the hearts of all sincere Muslims as an outstanding champion of Islam.

By the time he had become a recipient of revelation and it became obvious to his admirers that he was destined to be a great force in Islam. In 1889, he laid the foundation of the Ahmadiyya Movement and sent forth a call for the righteous to render their allegiance to him.

Under divine direction Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) claimed to be the Messiah and the Mahdi whose advent had been foretold by the Holy Prophet of Islam (pbuh) and whose coming had been expected by the followers of the other great religions. In his advent was fulfilled the second coming of Jesus and in his advent lay the only solution for humanity and its problem. Islam, he said, is a living faith, by following which man can establish contact with his Maker and enter inter direct communion with Him.

Allah (God Almighty) conferred upon him the title of prophet and this did not contradict the concept of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) being "Khataman-Nabiyyine" (Seal of all Prophets). No law-giving prophet would ever be required again but any follower of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) by inculcating a deep love for the Holy Prophet (pbuh) and for Islam could be awarded the status of prophethood within the finality of the teachings of the Holy Prophet (pbuh), of Islam and the Quran. Indeed, all subsequent Muslim prophet-followers of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) come to reinforce the dignity, value and authenticity of Islam, and their teachings are mere commentaries of the grand and perfect book of revelations, the Holy Quran.

Thus, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) came as the first kind of prophet-follower in the Ummah of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh). He wrote roughly 80 books along with other pamphlets and publications primarily in his native tongue, Urdu, but he did also wrote in other languages also, such as: Arabic and Persian. He died on 26th May 1908 in Lahore and was buried in Qadian, in the *Bahisti Maqbara* Cemetery.

MAJOR EVENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH (AS)

First Initiation into the Association at Ludhiana on 23rd March. 1889 1890 Claim of being the Messiah. 1891 Claim of being the Mahdi; First Annual Gathering on 27th December at Qadian. 1892 First Mubahila issued on 10th December. The Promised Messiah (as) is taught 40000 roots of Arabic in one night 1893 by Allah: Announcement of prophecy about Lekh Ram on 20th December. Eclipse of the sun and the moon during Ramadan takes place as 1894 prophesised by the Holy Prophet (pbuh); Jang-e-Muqaddas Public Debate with Christians led by Abdullah Athim in Amritsar. 1895 Library and the Zia-ul-Islam press established at Qadian; The Promised Messiah (as) visits Dera Baba Nanak and saw the relic of alleged founder of Sikhism. Great Conference of Religious, an address later published under the 1896 title "Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam". 1897 First Newspaper issued under the title *Al-Hakam*; Fulfilment of the prophecy about Lekh Ram. 1898 Foundation of *Talim-ul-Islam* School. Compilation of the book Jesus in India. 1899 Name Ahmadiyya first appropriated on 4th November. 1900 1901 First Ahmadi Maulvi Abdur Rahman martyred in Afghanistan. 1902 Publication of the first English Magazine "Review of Religions". Martyrdom of Sahibzada Abdul-Latif on 14th July; 1903 Spread of plague in the Punjab as prophesised. 1904 Claim of fulfilling the second coming of Krishna. 'Al-Wassiyat' (The Will) published, introducing the concept of a 1905 heavenly graveyard "Bahisti Maqbara". 1906 Formation of the Sadr Anjuman on 29th January; Publication of the Tasheezul-Azhan on 1st March. Death of Alexander Dowie in accordance with the prophecy of the 1907 Promised Messiah on 9th March; Formal scheme started of enrolling members for the dedication of their lives in the cause of Ahmadiyyat. The Promised Messiah (as) passed away on 26th May & Hazrat Maulvi 1908 Nuruddin became the first successor to the Promised Messiah.

Before I end my speech, I very humbly want to draw your attention to the writings of the Promised Messiah (as):

"Truth will prevail and the days of freshness and light will come on Islam as it came in the early days. And the sun will rise with full glory as it rose in the past. But it is not so now. Assuredly the sky will prevent it from raising unless we struggle and strive hardly with our sweat and blood, and give up all our comforts and rests for its appearance and accept every type of insult and disgrace for the dignity and honour of Islam. For the revival of Islam a ransom is required from us. What is it? To die in this way! This is the death on which the life of Islam, the life of the Ummat-e-Muslimah (pbuh) and the Manifestation of the Living God depends. And this is the real Islam. It is the revival of this Islam that Allah requires now." (Fateh Islam).

May Allah be with you and may He enable each one of you to be a soldier of Islam, always prepared to struggle for His cause. *Ameen*.