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Summary of Friday sermon(26/02/2021)

Speaking about Hazrat Usman (ra), Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (aa) stated:

- Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (aa) stated that today I am going to narrate about the incidents and different wars that were fought in the era of Hazrat Usman (ra). Tabaristan was conquered in the 30th year after Hijrah. History records that when Muslims defeated the French and the Barbers, they gathered in front of the emperor Constantine and raised such a massive army against Muslims which had never been seen before. This army also consisted of 500 ships. By the grace of Allah, Muslims were able to overpower this army in the leadership of Hazrat Ameer Muawiya (ra).

- Armenia and Khorasan were conquered in the 31st year after Hijrah. Various areas of modern-day Afghanistan were overtaken in the 32nd year. Similarly, some areas of the subcontinent in Sindh and Baluchistan came under Islamic rule in the time of Hazrat Usman.

- Hazrat Aisha (ra) narrates that the Holy Prophet (sa) once said to Hazrat Usman (ra) that it is possible that Allah will provide you a shirt to wear. If people try to take it away from you, do not let them do so. This prophecy was about his Khilafat and the opposition he will face.

- History records that many trials and tribulations for Muslims took root during the Khilafat of Hazrat Usman (ra). Hazrat Musleh Maud (ra) has explained these incidents in detail. He has explained that both of these righteous individuals, Hazrat Usman and Hazrat Ali, are among the earliest followers of Islam. To question their honesty, integrity and Taqwa is equivalent to raising allegations upon Islam. These righteous individuals and their close confidants are blameless and free from all such wrong accusations.

- Moreover, Hazrat Musleh Maud (ra) has explained that some claim that the reason of these tribulations and infighting was Hazrat Usman's innovations. Others claim that Hazrat Ali was plotting to get his hands on the seat of Khilafat. These accusations are far from truth. In reality, there were other causes and other plotters. Hazrat Usman was such a pure individual and had served Islam so much that the Holy Prophet (sa) had stated that he can do whatever he pleases, and Allah will not call him to account. This meant that he had become so pious that none of his actions can be against the will of God. Similar was the case of Hazrat Ali that none of his actions was against Allah's will.

- Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (aa) mentioned the plans and plots that were devised against Islam and the companions of the Holy Prophet (sa) in this era. These were done by some Jews who were against Islam and were aided by Muslims of weak faith. Similarly, Huzoor (aa) answered in detail the

allegations that are levelled against Hazrat Usman (ra). The center of these plotters was Kufa. However, certain incidents also took place in Medina which shows the depth of their influence.

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih mentioned some individuals who have recently passed away. 1. Abdul Qadir sahib of Peshawar, Pakistan: He was martyred by gunshots while gathered with members of Jama'at for Zuhr prayers. He loved Khilafat-e-Ahmadiyya dearly and was very fond of Tabligh which often resulted in his opposition. 2. Akbar Ali sahib: He was a prisoner in the way of Allah. He passed away in Sheikhpura jail on Feb 16 due to heart attack. He was a brave, pious individual. 3. Khalid Bhatti sahib: He was serving as Naib Sadr Ansarullah and served in different departments of Tehrik-e-Jadid. He was ever ready to serve Jama'at and was very kind to his children. 4. Mubarak Ahmad Tahir sahib: He dedicated his life in 1970 and served Jama'at for over 50 years in different capacities. Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (aa) narrated his many pious qualities and attributes.