

Summary Friday Sermon 7 May 2021

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After Tashahhud, Ta'awwaz and the recitation of Surah Al-Fatehah, Huzur-e-Anwar said:

We were speaking of Hazrat Umar (ra). Hazrat Musleh Maoud (ra) has narrated the event of Hazrat Umar's (ra) acceptance of Islam with these words, "Before accepting Islam, Hazrat Umar (ra) was constantly opposing Islam and one day he just considered, why not simply kill the person who started this new religion? That would solve the problem. With this intention Hazrat Umar (ra) went out, but on the way he met a person who told Hazrat Umar (ra) about his own sister and brother-in-law who had accepted Islam. After which, the event which has been discussed took place in the house of his sister, where Hazrat Umar's (ra) sister had eventually presented some verses of the Holy Quran in front of him. After reading these verses Hazrat Umar (ra) accepted Islam.

Hazrat Umar (ra) then presented himself in front of the Holy Prophet (pbuh). While he was there the Holy Prophet (pbuh) asked him, "Oh Umar, until when are you going to oppose me?" To which Hazrat Umar (ra) replied, "Today I have not come to oppose you, today I have come to become your slave." Later on, when it was time for prayers, Hazrat Umar (ra) suggested to the Holy prophet that they should pray in the house of God, Khana-e-Kaaba. After which all Muslims openly prayed in the house of God, Khana-e-Kaaba, under the protection of Hazrat Umar (ra) and Hazrat Hamza (ra).

Hazrat Musleh Maoud (ra) further states, in the early days of Islam there were two people that were considered very brave and they were Hazrat Umar (ra) and Hazrat Amir Hamza (ra). When Hazrat Umar (ra) accepted Islam, the Holy Prophet (pbuh) put his hand on Hazrat Umar's (ra) chest and prayed thrice, "Oh Allah rid this chest of all ill feelings and fill it with righteousness".

Huzur-e-Anwar said, today is the last jummah of Ramadan. We should not just consider this the last jummah of Ramadan but consider it the jummah that will open new goals and new ways for us. We should try to continue doing the good deeds that have been performed during Ramadan. In fact, we should try to excel in doing good deeds. Huzur said, during the last two Friday Sermons I drew

your attention to Durood and Istaghfar. That should not stay limited to Ramadan.

Huzur-e-Anwar said, this is a time when we are facing a lot of satanic and *dajjali* attacks. Our youth sometimes get affected by it. Our society is so full of bad habits and vice, there was never a time before that was filled so much with ill practices. These have entered our homes. Thus it is our duty to strengthen our relationship with Allah and increase the standard of our prayers. It is also our duty to make our children understand the presence of Allah Almighty and create the love of religion in their hearts in such a way that no other acts or habits of theirs would be against the will of Allah. They should be taught to fight against all ills of today's time so that they are not influenced by any bad habits, as they would not be able to repel these with their own logic. May Allah save us from all satanic and *dajjali* attacks, Ameen.

Huzur e Anwar said "Pray for the remaining duration of Ramadan that, may Allah protect the religion within us and may He grant us the ability to excel spiritually. May He elevate the level of our prayers. May He save us from the tactics of *dajjal*. Also pray to Allah Almighty that He may save us from this Corona epidemic. Pray for the Ahmadi's living in countries with maximum persecution. Pray for the Muslim Ummah, may Allah enable them to accept the Imam of this age and pray for humanity, may Allah enable them to follow in His ways, Ameen".