

Summary Friday Sermon 6 august 2021

Delivered by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih Al-Khamis (a.b.a.)

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

Jalsa Salana UK is starting from today. Please pray for the success of this Jalsa. May Allah keep the atmosphere of this Jalsa completely religious and may He increase the righteousness in the hearts of the attendees. Whichever way you may be participating in the Jalsa Salana, you should try to attend the programs of all three days and you should spend your time praying.

Hazrat Musleh Maoud (ra) once said with regards to this: I've realized that Allah Almighty has said to keep remembering Him during the days of the Jalsa. Allah Almighty says : [translation] when you keep remembering Allah, Allah will start to remember you. So, how much luckier can a person be who is remembered by Allah? Later on Huzur-e-Anwar gave instructions with regards to the administrative matters of the Jalsa Salana. Huzur said that some people have complained over not being allowed to participate. Since this is the first of its kind of Jalsa Salana, there might be shortcoming so please do not maintain any bad feelings over it.

Huzur-e-Anwar advised the hosts and the different duty-holders and said that you should not feel relaxed due to the conditions of the Jalsa, or because a smaller number of guests are attending the Jalsa. All your attention must be focused on being the best host towards every single person attending. It does not matter how many attendees there are. All who attend the Jalsa Salana are guests of Hazrat Masih-e-Maoud (as) and we should take care of them.

To be the host is a habit known to Prophets and their communities. During the life of the Holy Prophet (pbuh), when he would receive a lot of guests, he would transfer some of those guests to his Companions (Sahabba). When the Holy Prophet (pbuh) would ask those guests the next day how they were dealt with or treated, the guests would always reply, that we have never seen such nice hosts before. This is the way of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) and his disciples that are set as an example for us. The same way, Hazrat Masih-e-Maoud (as) has also set examples of hosting guests. At one point Hazrat Masih-e-Maoud (as) said, according to my rules, if a guest arrives and even if his demeanor is somewhat negative, you should bear with them and show hospitality.

After that Huzur-e-Anwar spoke of different events from the life of the Promised Messiah (as) in regards to topic. Similarly Huzur-e-Anwar advised the guests that while Islam has instructed the hosts to take care of guests, it also instructs the guests that when they go somewhere in that role, they should be attentive of the time, appointments and other duties of the hosts that must be performed. So if you go to visit someone's house, inform them first of your coming. Similarly this year, the instructions regarding masks and maintaining social distancing and how to eat must be followed completely. The guests should listen to the

instructions of those on duty. Huzur-e-Anwar prayed that may Allah enable all the attendees and listeners of the Jalsa to be able to excel in righteousness. Ameen.