Summary Friday Sermon 18 Feb 2022

Delivered by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (aba)

After reciting *Tashahhud*, *Ta'awwuz* and *Surah al-Fatihah*, His Holiness, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) said that every year, on the 20th of February, we commemorate the prophecy of Musleh Maud, foretelling the Promised Messiah (as) about the birth of a son, in response to those who said that Islam did not present any signs. Thus, the Promised Messiah (as) announced that one of the great signs which would manifest through him would be the birth of a son who would live a long life and render great services to the faith and would have 52 traits. The Promised Messiah (as) also gave a time frame within which these prophecies will be fulfilled, all of which came true.

His Holiness (aba) said that he would highlight aspects from the early life of Hazrat Musleh Maud (ra), his health, and the manner in which Allah the Almighty treated him.

His Holiness (aba) said that one of the prophecies regarding the promised son was that he would live a long life. However, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) described that in his childhood, his health was quite poor, to the point that at times it seemed as if he was wavering between life and death. It was thought that a child with such health could not live a long life. Furthermore, he also had an ailment of the eyes, to the extent that he was practically unable to see out of one eye. He was also diagnosed with various other ailments and illnesses. He struggled with his studies, and his teachers would complain to his father, the Promised Messiah (as) about his poor performance. But the Promised Messiah (as) told them not to push Hazrat Musleh Maud due to his poor health.

Harzat Musleh Maoud (ra) once said that although I do not have much worldly knowledge, Allah Almighty guided me to pen such books that the world is amazed at them and they are forced to acknowledge that nothing better can be written on Islam. Well known opponents have accepted that there has not been a better book written than Tafseer e Kabir, which elaborates on the explanatory text of the Holy Quran. Hazrat Musleh Maoud (ra) says that leaders from all sorts of sects have come to visit me. It has never happened that they went away unsatisfied with regards to the teachings of Islam after listening to my explanations. This is merely through the blessing of Allah, as I do not posses worldly knowledge. Allah Almighty has taught me Himself. Hazrat Musleh Maoud (ra) then spoke of a dream in which an angel taught him the meaning of

Surah Fatihah. He says that it was as if Allah was preparing me from my childhood to fulfill the prophecy of the Promised Messiah (as).

Huzur e Anwar said that this great Prophecy of the Promised Son was fulfilled by Hazrat Musleh Maoud (ra). The books written by him, which number in thousands, are a precious treasure. They are now being translated in English and other languages. We should try and take advantage of this. While referring to the prophecy as being for himself, Hazrat Musleh Maoud (ra) says, "by the grace of Allah Almighty, the prophecy which was being awaited since a long time to be fulfilled, Allah Almighty has told me that this prophecy has come true through me".

Hence, Allah has fulfilled this prophecy in front of the enemies of Islam and has made it clear to them that Islam is the true religion of God, The Holy Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) His true Prophet and Hazrat Masih e Maoud (as), as the Promised Messiah have all been appointed by him. Those who call Islam false are themselves liars. Those who call The Holy Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) false, are false themselves. Allah Almighty has presented the fulfilling of this prophecy as a proof of truth for Islam and The Holy Prophet Mohammad (PBUH), and has shown it to all.