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Today I have chosen to read to you extracts from the 5<sup>th</sup> volume of Buraheen Ahmadiyya which Hazrat Masih Maood (as) wrote around the year 1905, that is, more than twenty years after he had completed the first four volumes of Buraheen Ahmadiyya from 1880-1884.

By Allah's Grace I was able to read a good part of this book in Urdu around 1980 and it left an indelible impression upon my mind since then.

Now the whole book is available in English and can be read or downloaded from [www.alislam.org](http://www.alislam.org).

As I read these extracts, you might understand the power of their words. The Promised Messiah (as) said:

“Islam is such a blessed and God-revealing religion that if any person chooses to follow it truly and acts upon the teachings, guidance, and admonitions contained in the Holy Word of God Almighty—the Holy Quran—he would behold God in this very life.

For the recognition of that God, who is hidden from the sight of the world behind thousands of veils, there is no other means except the teaching of the Quran.

The Holy Quran guides towards God Almighty through reason and heavenly Signs in a very easy and simple manner.

It possesses a blessing and magnetic power which perpetually attracts a seeker of God towards God, bestowing light, peacefulness, and satisfaction.

And a true believer in the Holy Quran does not—like the philosophers—merely hold on to the conjecture that there ‘ought to be’ a Creator for this most ingenious universe rather, acquiring a personal insight and being honoured with a holy vision, he sees with the eye of certainty that that Creator ‘actually exists ...

Human nature is like a tree, the branches of a part of which are immersed in a pit full of filth and urine, while the branches of the other part lie in a pool that is full of fine fragrances like that of *keorha* (*Pandanus odoratissimus*, a plant

with a strong-scented flower that is native to South and South East Asia) and roses and the like.

When a wind blows from either side, it causes either the scent or the stench to spread as the case may be.

Similarly, the wind of carnal passions spreads the stench, while the breeze of divine grace gives form and manifestation to the hidden fragrance.

Thus, if the divine breeze—which descends from heaven—is obstructed, being battered from all directions by the fierce and forceful winds of human carnal passions, man becomes buried under their stench, and thus, turns his back on God Almighty, becoming the very embodiment of Satan, and is cast among the lowest of the low.

No virtue remains in him and he ultimately perishes due to the poisons of infidelity, disobedience, transgression, sinfulness, and all kinds of corruption.

The life of such a one is hellish and, at last, he plunges into Hell after death. But if the grace of God Almighty comes to one's aid and the divine breeze blows from heaven to purify and perfume him and—through special guidance—constantly grants light, vitality, and holy capacities to one's spirit, that person is drawn to such lofty heights by the power granted to him from on High, that he surpasses even the status of angels.

This proves that man has the propensity to both fall down as well as to rise up. In this regard someone has truly said:

*Human capacities encompass a union of two extremes—*

*He may choose to be a messiah or a donkey!*

However, the difficulty here is that it is easier and seemingly quite natural for man to descend, just as you observe that a stone goes up with great difficulty, requiring the effort of someone else, but when coming down it falls naturally, requiring no effort from anyone.

Then, surely man stands in need of a powerful hand if he is to ascend.

This very requirement proves the need for the succession of Prophets and the [revelation of the] Word of God.

Although worldly people have involved themselves in thousands of intricate debates in the process of evaluating the truth of a religion, they still have not reached any satisfactory conclusion.

However, the fact of the matter is that the true religion is, indeed, that religion which succeeds in curing man's spiritual blindness and bestowing upon him heavenly blessings to such a degree **that the evidence of their affirmation of the existence of God and sympathy for mankind is prominent in their practical lives.**

That alone is the true religion and that alone can carry its sincere devotee to the desired goal, the thirst for which has been ingrained in his soul.

Most people merely believe in the kind of imaginary 'God' whose powers did not march forward, but were left behind, and whose capability and power are only spoken of in the form of tales and fables.

It does not restrain them from sin; rather, by following such a religion their audacity and brazenness in sin and iniquity continue to increase as their prejudice continues to build up.

Their carnal passions surge like a river that breaks its embankment and floods the surrounding area, destroying many houses and fields of farmland.

The Living God who possesses the light of His Powerful Signs and continues to prove His existence through fresh and rejuvenating miracles and powers—it is He alone— finding and discovering who restrains one from sin; bestows true peace, contentment, and satisfaction; and grants steadfastness and true courage.

He becomes the Fire that burns sin and the Water that washes away worldly desires. This is exactly what is called 'religion'—to search for Him and experience heavenly ecstasy in that quest.

Bear in mind that mere dry disputation, abusiveness, harsh words, and vulgarity is perpetrated out of selfishness under the name of religion. Such failing to remove one's own inner evils; failing to develop a sincere bond with the True Beloved; one party attacking another party, not with civility, but rather like dogs; and displaying all kinds of evil of the ego in the guise of defending the Faith—all this filthy conduct which bone is merely [without flesh]—is not worthy of being called 'religion'.

Alas! Such people do not realize why we came into this world and what the true and main purpose of our brief lives is.

Rather—perpetually holding on to a blind and impure nature—they put the label of ‘religion’ upon their superstitious whims.

They flaunt their bad manners and rattle their loose tongues in defense of an imaginary ‘God’ for whose existence they have no proof whatsoever.

What is the worth of a religion which does not worship the Living God, but a ‘God’ who is the bier of a dead body that only moves with the support of others and falls to the ground if the support is removed.

If there is anything to be gained from such a religion, then it is only bigotry.

**True fear of God and sincere sympathy for humanity**—which are the best of virtues—absolutely disappear from their characters.

If they encounter opposition from any individual who is against their faith and creed, then, merely due to this opposition in their hearts, **they become the enemy of his life, property, and honour**; and if the affair of someone from any other people is entrusted to them, they seek to obliterate him altogether, abandoning [all sense of] justice and compassion.

**That mercy, justice, and sympathy—which is the sublime excellence of human nature— disappears entirely from their disposition, and they are filled with an unholy beastliness due to overzealous bigotry.**

They do not know the true purpose of religion. **The real ill-wishers of a faith and of a people are indeed those corrupt ones who have no regard for truth, divine cognition, or purity, and simply give the name ‘religion’ to selfish passions.**

They are ever engaged in idle quarrels, disputes, and vile talk, and the time which should be spent with God in solitude does not even occur in their dreams.

They remain ever busy denigrating and reviling holy people while they are themselves filled with filth as a septic tank is filled with excrement.....”  
(p43-47)

I will stop with the extracts here today. These are the true teachings of the Promised Messiah (as). The aim of our life should be to know Allah. Jamaat Ahmadiyya has been created for this purpose and nothing else.

Unfortunately for us members of Jamaat Ahmadiyya Al Mouslemeen, when Allah manifests Himself to us, which is what should have been expected by following the Holy Quran, the whole leadership of the Jamaat, starting with the caliph, ignored these teachings of the Promised Messiah (as) and tried to punish us by excluding us from the Jamaat.

According to their thinking, once a system of khilafat has taken root in the Jamaat, no *Mujaddid* or imam can come and everyone should be subservient to the caliph even if they receive revelations directly from Allah, which make them understand otherwise.

As you are all well aware, recently someone came as a delegate of the caliph to enquire into allegations of corruption among other things that have been wrecking the Mauritian mainstream Ahmadiyya Jamaat for the past twenty years.

It has been reported to me that many members of the Jamaat have gone to meet that man to explain their complaints against the administrators of the Jamaat and many are hopeful that the caliph will take measures which will solve their problems.

This hope has been kept alive by many Ahmadis for the past nineteen years.

But my experience with the main Jamaat is that there will be no solutions to their many complaints.

They will go to their grave with them and they will have to bear with bigoted, short-minded and ignorant leaders whose hearts are filled with hate despite all their declarations to the contrary and who expect nothing from them except obedience.

Reread the extract I have quoted above and you will easily understand what Hazrat Masih Maood (as) said about such people.

The air is not filled with the perfume of their purity as it should have been. Rather it is filled with the stench of their policies and actions that come from base desires, to put it mildly.

I am told that this delegate has told some people that social boycotts exist in Islam. Consequently, the 19-year old boycott established by the caliph that a majority of the members of the mainstream Jamaat follows with great zeal will be maintained.

To hear an Ahmadiyya Molvi saying that social boycotts are allowed in Islam does not surprise me because such a person repeats what he has heard from his ancestors or predecessors without critically examining what he was told.

I challenge any Ahmadi Molvi to show me a verse of the Holy Quran to justify a social boycott against any group, especially a group of Muslims.

But I know that they will find none despite whatever intellectual acoustics they might perform.

I know that they take the incident of Hazrat *Ka'ab* bin Malik (ra) to say that the Holy Prophet (saw) ordered his boycott and that of his two other companions. In that incident, the days of boycott did not extend for more than fifty or fifty-one days. But here it has become indefinite. It seems that the caliph has not had any instructions from Allah if he were expecting any as the Holy Prophet (saw) did. How can he when up till now, during his nearly 16 years of khilafat, we have not heard or read anything that he said he received from Allah?

Personally, my friends and I are not affected at all by this stupid unislamic boycott that only crassly ignorant people follow or impose.

Those who are afraid of Allah are not afraid of the persecutions of men and women who think Allah has to follow their dictates as far as to whom He vouches His Grace.

The Holy Quran tells us "*Innal fazla be yadillahe youtihe man yashaa*" meaning "All Grace is in the Hands of Allah. He gives to whomsoever He pleases".

However, it is quite unfortunate that a man who names himself as a successor of the Promised Messiah (as) and who roams the world to tell people that he would establish peace throughout the world continues to tell them that he has "love for all and hatred for none".

One should be ashamed to blatantly ignore Allah's instructions where He says "O ye who believe why do you say what you do not do. Very hateful it is in the sight of Allah that you say what you do not do". Hence their slogan "Love for all hatred for none" is but a slogan behind which they hide all the evil and hatred that is deep in their heart. This is not what Hazrat Masih Maood (as) expected from his followers. He expected them to uphold truth under all circumstances and to keep away from all sorts of falsehood. But this is not the

case with the mainstream Jamaat. They have been upholding falsehood for years and they do not care and do not show any remorse.

Fortunately for all of us, members of Jamaat Ahmadiyya Al Mouslemeen Allah has separated us from mainstream Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat and we are happy with this decision.

We might be few in number but this does not matter. We are content that we do our best not to harm anyone with either words or actions.

We are happy that we are engaged in a quest for truth and that we try our utmost to purify our own selves so that the best teachings of Islam become manifest through us, incha Allah.