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The last time I spoke about Malfuzaat Volume 4 was on 6th February this year. We stopped on page 133. As from today we will continue from where we left off insha Allah. Hazrat Masih Maood(as) was speaking about the fulfilment of the prophecy of the Holy Prophet (saw) concerning the combination of prayers in the time of the Holy Prophet Muhamad(saw). He continued:

“It has even been recorded in the hadith that one should endeavour to make true one’s dreams, let alone a prophecy of the Noble Messenger (saw). Anyone who has the opportunity but does not act to do so, and is not prepared to give practical expression to it, is an enemy of Islam. In fact, such a one, God forbid, seeks to portray the Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, as a liar, and desires to give his opponents an opportunity to raise allegations.

The companions believed that the fulfilment of the prophecies of the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, was a means of increasing their divine insight and faith. They were such ardent lovers that when the Holy Prophet (saw) went on a journey and said by way of prophecy that the Prayers would be combined upon reaching such and such stage of the journey, if they had the opportunity, no matter the circumstances, they would definitely combine the Prayers. Just look at the Holy Prophet (saw) and see how desirous he was to see divine prophecies fulfilled. Someone ought to tell me why the Holy Prophet (saw) went to Hudaibiyya...”

The reference to the treaty of Hudaibiyya was a great trial for the Muslims but it manifested the great insight of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw) in understanding what is right and what is wrong. It was in the 6th year of the Hijra. The Holy Prophet(saw) had seen in a dream that he was making the circuits of the Kaaba with his companions. Since they were in one of the sacred months in which fighting is prohibited according to Arab customs, he set out with about 1500 companions to go to perform Umra. But the Qoraish did not allow them to do it and asked them to come back the next year and they signed a peace agreement. The Muslims had put on their garb for the Umra and they had garlanded their animals for slaughter but the Holy Prophet(saw) had accepted to sign a peace treaty and they

slaughtered their animals at Hudaibiyya and returned back to Medina. On the way back the Holy Prophet (saw) received the beginning of Sura 48(Al Fath). Insha Allah some other time we might talk about this great event in detail. So Hazrat Masih Maood (as) said in his Malfuzaat:

“Was he informed by God of a certain time or some period for the fulfilment of the prophecy? What then was the reason? The wisdom is as I have just mentioned, in that the Holy Prophet(saw) desired for a prophecy given by God Almighty to be fulfilled. This is a subtle secret and a most intricate point of divine insight. All people cannot understand why Prophets and the godly possess such an extraordinary inclination and desire in their hearts for the fulfilment of divine prophecies.

The Light of Heart Possessed by the Saintly in Order to Fulfil the Signs of God Almighty
All of the Prophets, peace be upon them, or the saintly who have passed, were instilled with an inherent inclination to remain fully engaged to meet the requirements necessary for the fulfilment of God’s signs. In his own person, how actively did the Messiah (Hazrat Isa a.s) endeavour and strive for the prophecy regarding the re-establishment of the throne of David (as). He even commanded his disciples that those who do not own swords or weapons ought to sell their clothes and purchase weapons.

Now if Jesus (as) did not possess an innate desire and yearning to see this prophecy fulfilled—and all the Prophets, peace be upon them, do—someone ought to tell me why he gave this instruction? Similarly, if our Noble Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, did not possess this natural fervour, why did he set off for Hudaibiyya, when no specific period or time for the fulfilment of the prophecy had been disclosed to him?

The fact of the matter is that this class of people regard the signs of God Almighty as sacred and worthy of reverence. Moreover, since the fulfilment of these signs elevates the people in their divine insight and certainty, and since they are an expression of the power of God Almighty, they want these signs to be fulfilled. It is for this reason that when a sign was fulfilled, the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, would prostrate before God. **Until the hearts are cleansed and until the veils and rust that cover one’s faith, layer upon layer, are removed, one cannot attain to true Islam and true Unity of God, which are the basis of salvation.**

The signs of God Almighty serve as the tool to cleanse the heart and remove the veils of darkness. These signs foster firm faith in the existence of God Almighty and in the institution of prophethood. So, until one inculcates true faith, one’s actions are no more **than mere customs and superficial expressions.**

So, when this (joining the prayers) was foretold by God Almighty, how could the light of my heart allow me to act against this? Therefore, it was my desire for this to be fulfilled so that the prophecy of our Noble Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, would

prove true. It was possible for such circumstances to not have arisen at all, but now that they have and as a result, since it became absolutely necessary for me to remain engaged in my current work with full attention, the time for the fulfilment of the said prophecy arrived. So, the prophecy was fulfilled just as God Almighty had willed. All praise belongs to Allah for this blessing.

My decision to combine the Prayers, as I have already said, was by direction, indication and inspiration from Allah the Exalted. As far as the opponents are concerned, they combine the Prayers even when there is no justifiable reason, and they do not even go to the mosque. They will combine the Prayers at home. Just ask Maulvi Muhammad Husain on oath, as to whether he has ever combined the Prayers when he is going to meet a government official. Then why should one raise an objection against a magnificent sign of God Almighty? If one possesses righteousness and fear of God, before raising allegations, a person ought to reflect over his own statements first, and consider the influence and effect he will have and on whom.”

Explaining further on the same topic Hazrat Masih Maood(as) said:

“In the course of my reasoning, I did consider the possibility of finishing the work that became the cause and reason for the fulfilment of this prophecy in ten days or so. However, it was the will of Allah Almighty that when, for their own personal reasons, these people take the liberty of combining the Prayers for even two months on end, the fulfilment of this prophecy required a period of time that could be deemed matchless in comparison. As such, this is how the events transpired. Even though all the various forms of wisdom in this are yet to be disclosed, Allah the Exalted knows full well; and I trust that in due course the reasons will definitely become clear. You see, I often suffer from headaches. On certain occasions, I reach a state that is near death. Many of you have seen me when I am in this state. Moreover, for quite some time I have been suffering from the condition of frequent urination as well. In other words, I have been clothed in two yellow mantles, as it were: one over the upper body and one on the lower body. Due to these illnesses, I am rarely able to find a moment of relief. However, during these days, God Almighty blessed me with His special grace, in that I remained in good health and I was able to continue working. I am saddened and astonished that these people cry over my combining the Prayers, whereas many conjunctions were destined for the Messiah. The solar and lunar eclipses were brought together, and this too was a sign in my support. Then, Allah the Exalted states:

وَ إِذَا الْفُؤُوسُ رُوِّجَتْ

And when people are brought together.

This too is reserved for me. Furthermore, there is the following:

وَ آخِرِينَ مِنْهُمْ لَمَّا يَلْحَقُوا بِهِمْ

And among others from among them who have not yet joined them.

This is also a coming together, because the former and the latter have been joined. Indeed, this is a magnificent conjunction, which is an argument and testimony in favour of the life of the Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, which is replete with blessings and grace. Another form of gathering is that God Almighty has brought together all the various means to propagate the Faith. For example, through the facilities of the printing press, ample supply of paper, post offices, telegram, the railway, and steam powered vessels, the world has become a global village. Then, unique and novel inventions are strengthening this link because means for preaching are being brought together. Now, we can even benefit from the phonograph to propagate the message, and this device can be put to use in the most wondrous ways. Furthermore, there is the establishment of newspapers and periodicals. In short, so many provisions for the propagation of the Faith have gathered in this age that no parallel can be found in any previous era. As a matter of fact, one objective for which the Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, was raised is to perfect the religion, to which an indication is made in the following words:

الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَ أَتُ مَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي

This day have I perfected your religion for you

and completed My favour upon you.

We will stop here for today. Incha Allah we will read more next time. May Allah perfect His favours upon all of us and that we make great spiritual progress throughout our life. Ameen. What we can share in a khutbah is nothing compared to what one can learn by getting interested in our religion in our Jamaat specially the writings of Hazrat Masih Maood(as). May Allah help all to be keen to read his writings. Ameen!