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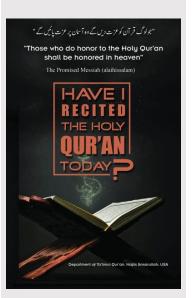


You must have heard about the pain people go through just to catch a glimpse of their beloved in old tales and books. Despite all the troubles, individuals still take extreme measures just to grasp a glimpse. This is a phenomenon understood only by those who have fallen in love and directly experienced the peace and comfort a mere glimpse of their beloved can bring, even at the cost of numerous hardships.

This is such a powerful emotional experience, but it is rare in real life. Two weeks ago, when I was in Zion, I witnessed this phenomenon repeated many times. People were gathered on every inch of the Fath-e-Azeem Mosque just to see a glimpse of their beloved Khalifa. There were hundreds of devotees, men and women, who stood in lines for hours to welcome their beloved Khalifa, to wave their hands and comfort their souls. There were many who stood in lines outside the mosque in the cold for hours to offer prayer behind the Khalifa. As respected Murabbi Dibba Sahib eloquently tweeted:

"In Zion I saw Ahmadis line up out in the cold from 3 am to get in the mosque for Fajr prayer behind the Khalifa at 5:50am. Went to a new line for Jumu'ah from 6:15am to pray behind the Khalifa at 2pm. Came back in line at 4pm for the 8pm prayer. Even 10-year-old children."

I personally spoke to a few people who could not explain any other motivation beyond seeing their Khalifa with their own eyes and experiencing his physical proximity. A father proudly described to me the reaction of his 10-year-old after his once in a lifetime handshake experience with Huzur (aba). One evening, this 10-year-old was playing on the grass outside of Huzur's residence when he spotted beloved Huzur (aba) taking a stroll with Respected Ameer Sahib outside his residence. Before any security personnel could intercept, he walked up to Huzur (aba) and asked if he could shake Huzur's hand. Huzur (aba) shook the boy's hand, a beacon of love and graciousness. This young boy was delighted and shared this experience with his father, "Daddy, no one shook hands with Huzur (aba), but I did". Although these words cannot fully depict the state of mind and the height of delight experienced by this young boy, the father was able to partake in a share of this joy through the spark in his son's eyes and the tremor of his voice. Everyone who came to Fath-e-Azeem Mosque that week was seeking







this very same pleasure and serenity as their sole reward.

After Zion Huzur (aba) arrived at Baitul Ikram Mosque in Dallas where the weather and landscape may have been different, but the devotees and their devotion was exactly the same. They gathered from across the nation to achieve that same glimpse of their beloved Khalifa and feel the peace of that experience in their souls. Huzur's next and final stop of this blessed tour is Baitur Rahman Mosque in Maryland. I know many of you have either directly experienced this yourself or have lived it through the experiences of your friends and family. Still, some of you have not and I encourage you to try your best to visit with your families and experience the delight that is seeing Huzur (aba) and offering a Prayer behind him.

When you feel it yourself and see the spark in the eyes of your children, you will understand why so many tales speak of conquering countless trials for the sake of just one glimpse.

inshAllah I hope to see you there -

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