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Message from Şadr Majlis Anşārullāh, USA

Dear Anṣār: السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَ رَحْمَةُ الله وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

'Īd Mubārak!

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'Īd-ul-Adhiyyah is an occasion on which Muslims everywhere are encouraged to make every kind of sacrifice for the spiritual, moral, social, and economic uplift of mankind, and not forgetting their own. If they make it a common cause to manifest in themselves the attributes of God in accordance with the teachings and guidance of the Holy Qur'ān and teachings of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) then, indeed, the significance of 'Īd-ul-Adhiyyah will manifest itself in their lives.

To achieve righteousness, a believer must offer sacrifices out of what he loves best, whether it is time, wealth, property, or possessions. Allāh has also promised believers that their sacrifices are rewarded in this life also, for He says in the Holy Qur'ān:

قُلُ لِّعِبَادِى الَّذِيْنَ امَنُوا يُقِيمُوا الصَّلُوةَ وَيُنْفِقُوا مِمَّارَزَقُنْهُمُ سِرَّا قَعَلَانِيَةً مِّنْ قَبُلَانُ يَّأْتِي يَوْمُ لَلَّابَيْعُ فِيْدِولَلا خِلْلُ ﴿

"Say to My servants who have believed, that they should observe Prayer and spend out of what We have given them, secretly and openly, before there comes a day wherein there will be neither bargaining nor friendship." (The

Holy Qur'ān, 14 [Ibrāhīm]:32)

The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) writes: "Thus Allāh rewards those who work in His cause; their wealth and their children are never wasted and the Lord Himself always recompenses one who expends one's life in His way. The sacrifices that the people now make by slaughtering the animals are not the kernel; they are the shell. They are not the soul; they are the body (flesh and bones). In this age of comfort and ease, the 'Īd is celebrated with great joy and happiness, and luxury. The women wear their jewelry (all that they have) and men put on their best clothes and arrange for the best available food. This day is considered to be a day of enjoyment and comfort; even the poorest person takes meat on this day. ... In short, 'Id has come to mean a day of making fun and indulging in all sorts of sports. Alas the people do not pay heed to the real significance of this day." (Malfūzāt, Vol. II, pp. 31 and 32)

The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) also writes: "Perfect understanding is the root of fear, love, and appreciation. Whoever is given the prefect knowledge is given the perfection of fear and love as well. Whoever is given perfect fear and love is given freedom from every sin that originates from recklessness. For this salvation, we are not dependent on any blood, we are not in need of any cross, and we do not need any penance. Instead, we only need one

Sadr's message (continued)

sacrifice, the sacrifice of the 'self.' Its need is felt by our conscience, and this sacrifice is named Islām. Islām entails putting out your own neck for sacrifice. It means to put your soul on the threshold of God with total willingness. This charming name is the soul of all revealed laws and the crux of all commandments. To put out one's neck to be sacrificed with real pleasure and contentment requires perfect love and perfect devotion. Perfect love requires perfect understanding. Thus, the word Islām points to the fact that true sacrifice needs perfect understanding and perfect love. And it needs nothing else. (Lecture Lahore, Rūḥānī Khazā'in, vol. 20, pp. 151–152)

May Allāh the Almighty grant us the ability to act upon all these exhortations. We should resolve to truly become a model for other people, both spiritually and morally, so that we can fulfill the desires of the Imām and the Messiah of this age. May Allāh enable all of us to do our utmost in this regard, $\bar{A}m\bar{i}n$.

Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa Sadr

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Ta'līmul Qur'ān: Assigned Verses for Memorization

As prescribed in Ta'līmul Qur'ān syllabus of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, Ruku' 1 and 20 of Sūrah Āl 'Imrān (Chapter 3) are to be memorized with split meaning during the year 2012. The following three verses are assigned to be memorized with split meaning during the month of October.

[3:197] Let not the moving about of the disbelievers in the land deceive thee.

[3:198] It is a small and brief advantage, then Hell shall be their abode. What an evil place of rest!

[3:199] But those who fear their Lord shall have Gardens through which streams flow; therein shall they abide—an entertainment from Allāh. And that which is with Allāh is still better for the righteous.

Activities in Various Majālis



Anṣār of Chicago West Majlis at their local Ijtimā' held on April 15, 2012 at Baet-ul-Jaamay Mosque

Anṣār at regional Ijtimā' of Southeast Region held on May 5-6, 2012 at Laura S. Walker State Park in Georgia



Nasim Ahmad, Za'īm of Minnesota Majlis, receiving Chief's Certificate of Commendation from the Police Chief of the City of Brooklyn Park



Anṣār of Boston Majlis at their local Ijtimā'



Anṣār at regional Ijtimā' of Midwest Region held on May 5, 2012 at Baet-ul-Jaamay Mosque



Anṣār at regional Ijtimā' of Central East Region held on May 6, 2012 at Al-Nasr Mosque in Willingboro, NJ

Request for Prayers

- Iftikhar Ahmad Malik, father of Dr. Mansoor Malik and Mashkoor Malik of Silver Spring Majlis, passed away on September 21, 2012, *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn*.
- Dr. Amatus Salam, wife of Mubashar Ahmad Nasir of Philadelphia Majlis, passed away on Friday, September 21, 2012 after prolonged illness at the age of 74, *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn*.

May Allāh grant peace to the souls of the deceased and grant patience and steadfastness to their families, $\bar{A}m\bar{n}n$. Ansār are requested to remember the deceased and their families in their prayers.

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