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Born in 1835 in Qadian (India), Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad remained devoted to the study of the Holy Quran, and to a life of prayer and exertion. Finding Islam the target of foul attacks from all directions, the fortunes of Muslims at a low ebb, faith yielding to doubt and religion only skin-deep, he undertook a vindication and exposition of Islam, first in his epoch-making *Barahin-i-Ahmadiyya*, issued in four volumes. Islam, he said, was a living faith, by following which man could establish contact with his Maker and enter into communion with Him. The teachings contained in the Holy Quran and the Law promulgated by Islam were designed to raise man to moral, intellectual and spiritual perfection. He announced that God had appointed him the Messiah mentioned in the prophecies of the Bible and the Holy Quran. In 1889 he began to enrol for his Movement now established in centres and mosques for the preaching of Islam all over the world. His 80 books were written mostly in Urdu, but some in Arabic and Persian. After his death in 1908 he was succeeded by Hazrat Maulawi Nuruddin, his first Khalifa. On the death of Hazrat Maulawi Nuruddin in 1914, he was succeeded by his second Khalifa, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad, who was also his promised son. Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad died in 1965 and was succeeded by Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, a grandson of the founder.

## Glory of God, his only aim

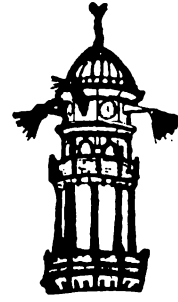
(By the Promised Messiah)

God will grant victory to His servant in every battie-field. I am with Him and He is with me. Nothing can break our connexion and I swear by His honor and glory that nothing is dearer to me here and in the here-after than that the supremacy of His Faith be established and His majesty shine forth and His word be magnified.

By His very grace I am not overawed by any kind of trial, not one but even millions of trials, for, I have been granted strength in the jungle of tribulations.

Therefore one who does not care to tread in my footsteps, he had better disassociate himself from me. I know not how many terrifying and thorn-strewn wildernesses I have yet to go through. Those who are soft-footed need not therefore suffer hard times in my association. Those who are mine, however, will never seek to part company with me, neither on account of sufferings nor because of public calumny and contumely, nor because of ordeals and tribulations".

(Anwar-ul-Islam)



## THE SOUL IS AN EMANATION FROM THE BODY

Another argument bearing upon the subject in hand is that the body itself is the mother of the soul. The soul does not come from some place in the heavens and enter the body in the womb of the mother but is as it were a light or an essence that lies concealed in the seed and grows with the growth of the body. The Holy Word of God gives us to understand that the soul grows from the body while it is developed in the womb of the mother. Thus it says:

ثُمَّ أَنشَأَهُ خَلْقًا آخَرَ فَتَبَرَّكَ اللَّهُ أَحْسَنُ الْخَالِقِينَ

Then we bring the body (which has been prepared in the womb) into another form and manifest another creation out of it (which is called the soul), and blessed is God the most excellent Creator who has no equal.<sup>6</sup>

There is a deep secret in the words, "We manifest another creation out of the body." It throws light on the nature of the soul and indicates the strong and mysterious tie between it and the body. The indication which the Word of God has here given us as to the nature of the connection between the body and the soul leads us to other important conclusions. It teaches us that the words which a man speaks and the deeds which he does, if said or done for the sake of God and to manifest His glory, and if regulated by His Commandments, are subject to the same Divine law, viz., that in all the sincere outward actions there is a soul hidden as in the seed of man, and as the body of these actions is gradually developed, the hidden soul appears in it. When the complete embodiment of the actions takes place, the soul flashes of a sudden in perfect brightness and glory, and shows itself so far as the spirit can be seen and there appears a plain movement of life. The full development of the body of actions is followed by a blazing of the light within just like a flash of lightning. This stage is allegorically described in the Holy Quran in the following words:

وَإِذَا سَوَّيْتُهُ وَنَفَخْتُ فِيهِ مِنْ رُوحِي  
فَسَعَّوْا لَهُ نُجُودًا

When I have formed the body of it, and set right all the manifestations of glory and breathed into it My soul, prostrate yourself (in obedience) before it.<sup>7</sup>

This verse also suggests the same idea, viz., that on the complete embodiment of good actions, the spirit within lights up. This Almighty God describes as His Own soul, thus indicating that it partakes of a Divine nature. For the body is fully developed only after the extinction of the physical desires and, therefore, the Divine light, which before was dim, shines out in full lustre and thus makes it incumbent upon every body to bow down before the manifestation of this glory. Every one is naturally attracted towards it and falls down upon his face before it, except the spirit of evil which loves darkness.

FROM "THE TEACHINGS OF ISLAM".

NEWS FROM RABWAH. The latest report from 'ALFAZL' regarding health of Hazrat Ameerul Mominin Khalifatul Masih III is that with grace of Allah he is feeling well. All members are requested to kindly continue praying for health and long life of our beloved Hazrat Ameerul Mominin.

LOCAL NEWS. At the request of Jamaat Ahmadiyyah Canada, Brother Sharif Ahmad Bajwa Missionary Incharge U.S.A. and Canada Missions, paid us a visit during week ending June 10/73. He was accompanied by Brothers Mian Mohammad Ibrahim, Missionary based at Dayton (USA) Mosque; Mohammad Amin Amir Washington Jamaat and Chaudhry Aazam Ali ( Retired Session Judge ) who, presently, is on Waqf-e-Jadid.

It was first visit of Brother Bajwa as Missionary Incharge. He addressed a meeting of Toronto Jamaat. This was attended by many of our brothers from out of town. In his speech Brother Bajwa stressed on the members to organise and unite to form a strong religious community. Here in this materialistic society, he continued, there is need for love and affection for each other. While addressing our Lajna, he asked them to take special interest to educate our younger generation on principals of Islam and Ahmadiyyat. Chaudhry Aazam Ali also addressed meeting of Toronto Jamaat. At the end of meeting Brother Bajwa and his colleagues met members of Jamaat individually. Many of our members have been students of Brother Mian Mohammad Ibrahim when he was a teacher and later Headmaster at Talim-ul-Islam High School at Qadian and Rabwah. It was a happy occasion to revive old memories.

Next evening Brothers Bajwa and Mian Mohammad Ibrahim attended a joint meeting of Majaalis-e-Aamla Jamaat Ahmadiyya Toronto and Jamaat Ahmadiyya Canada in which some important matters concerning our community were discussed. Brother Bajwa has promised that he or one of his colleagues will visit us again and we look forward to this.

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS Brother Rafiq Zia ( younger brother of brother M.M.Siddiq, Secretary Treasurer ) was operated upon for a complication of nose and throat. Due to excessive bleeding later on, he was re-admitted in hospital where, after treatment, he is recovering. Members are requested to kindly pray for health and speedy recovery of brother Rafiq.

MONTHLY MEETING. In view of long week end falling on Jul.1/73 when many of our members go out of town, our next monthly meeting and that of Lajna will now be held on Sunday July 8/73.

Date - Sunday July 8/1973.

Time - 2 p.m.

Place - Central Y.M.C.A., College Street,  
Toronto

Members are requested to attend punctually.



