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أَيُّهَا الْقَائِمُ الْمُنْتَظَرُ الْمَهْدِيُّ

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا
الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥١﴾
Allahumma swale-'ala...

Allah-humma Kun-le-waliyyokal Hujjat-ibnal-Hasan...

Du'a-e-Imam-e-'Asr

*In the Name of Allah (swt),
The Most Beneficent, The Most Merciful
O Allah, send blessings on Muhammad and his progeny*

*O Allah, become, now and always,
the Guardian, Sheild, Leader,
Helper, Guide, and Protector
of Your wali (representative),
Al-Hujjat-Ibn-Al-Hasan
(Your blessings be on him and his forefathers),
so that he may become firmly established on Your earth
and govern for a long time.*

Allahumma swale-'ala...

YA: "O people!...whatever message Allah had commanded me to propagate, I have delivered that message. Now,...it is obligatory on every father, until the Day of Judgment, to deliver this message to his children."

Salamun Alaikum;

This command of Rasool-Allah (SAW) at Ghadeer-e-Khum has strongly motivated us to propagate this message to as many people as possible and to the best of our ability. The result of our efforts is the following report covering the event at Ghadeer-e-Khum.

This report is presented as a newscast that took place the evening of the 18th Zilhijjah, 10th year after Hijri. The characters portrayed by the students of Abu-Talib Learning Center are fictitious. The events, Qura'nic Aayaat, Quotes from Rasool-Allah (SAW) and others are all authentic.

Also, we have chosen to present this report on video, one of the most effective media, to reach the widest audience, surpassing the boundaries of place and time.

Since Rasool-Allah's Khutba-e-Ghadeer is over 3 hours long, we have attempted to present at least the gist of the Khutba within the time allotted

without losing the heart and essence of the vital message. Hopefully this production will encourage you to obtain and study the entire khutba. Now sit back, relax, and enjoy the program.

Voice: 18th Zilhijjah, 10th year after Hijri.
From Abu-Talib Learning Center,
this is SHABLINE.
Reporting from Houston,
Mohammad Abbas.

MA: What began as a simple journey home, turned out to be the most significant event in Islamic History.

Today, Rasoolallah firmly established the institution of Imamah to protect Tauheed, Adal, and Nabuwat until the Day of Qayamat. Upon reaching this final milestone, Allah awarded His Certificate of Perfection to Islam, completed His blessings on us, and gave His Seal of Approval for Islam as the only religion to be followed.

Rasoolallah was returning from his first pilgrimage to Makka. He informed us this would also be his last pilgrimage, Hajjatul-Wida. An unprecedented number of Muslims gathered in the presence of the Prophet.

Tonight, we have a special report, live, from Ghadeer-e-Khum.

Let us go to our senior Correspondent, **Sohail Hassan**.

Salamun Alaikum, **Sohail**.

SH: Walaykum Assalam, **Mohammad**.

MA: **Sohail**, where are you are in relation to today's events?

SH: **Mohammad**, I am standing just a few feet away from the location of the makeshift mimbar from which the Holy Prophet gave his speech. Here with me is **Ali Reza Abedi** with an eyewitness account of the events.

Ali Reza, what went on here?

AR: Well, we were returning home from Makka after performing Hajj with the Prophet. As we arrived at this place called Ghadeer-e-Khum, Rasoolallah unexpectedly ordered the entire caravan to stop. He later explained that Allah commanded him in these words:

﴿يَتَأْتِيهَا الرُّسُولُ بِبَلَاغٍ مَّا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْكَ مِنْ رَبِّكَ وَإِنْ لَمْ تَفْعَلْ فَمَا بَلَغْتَ رِسَالَتَهُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْصِمُكَ مِنَ النَّاسِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الْكَافِرِينَ﴾⁽¹⁷⁾

“O Rasool! Deliver what has been revealed to you (before) from your Lord; and if you do not do it, then (it will be as if) you have not delivered His Risalat (at all); and Allah will protect you from the (mischievous) people, verily Allah does not guide the Kafirun.” (Holy Quraan 5:67)

Rasoolallah said that this command from Allah had come down for the third time, and now he must deliver the message.

SH: Before we go into detail about Rasoolallah's message, can you explain the significance of this location? Why deliver this message at Ghadeer-e-Khum?

AR: Let me show you where Ghadeer-e-Khum is situated, then its significance will become clear.

[show map and explain]

As we can see the route from Makka to Madina passes through Ghadeer-e-Khum, which is an important crossroads. Anyone traveling from Makka can find a path to various other places there. Ghadeer would be the place where all the

caravans disperse to their respective routes, making this the last opportunity for Rasoolallah to address the largest crowd of people and deliver this important and final message.

SH: The reason for the Prophet stopping here is indeed clear. What happened next?

AR: Upon reaching this place, the Prophet told a few people to call back the caravans that had gone ahead and waited for those behind him to catch up. He told a few other people to clear up dry shrubs from the ground so that the haajjis could assemble there. Then he had four camel saddles piled on top of a mound of sand, so everyone could see him. He then asked his companion Bilal to give adhan. There was something unique about today's adhan. We heard the phrase: "Haya ala kharil amal" for the first time.

Once all the people gathered, he began his speech. The message itself took about three hours, but the whole event lasted more than five hours. It took a lot of time to prepare for and collect the crowd of more than one hundred and twenty-four thousand haajjis.

The harsh climate made this time seem even longer. Ghadeer-e-Khum's grounds are the hottest in Arabia. At noontime, the sun was scorching, and

with Rasoolallah's order for everyone to take off their footwear and turbans, it was unbearable! Zaid ibne Arqam exclaimed that it was so hot, people had their feet wrapped up in robes. Many were complaining to the Prophet for choosing such an unpleasant place to deliver his message. The people were even forbidden from taking shade under the few small trees nearby. It is clear Rasoolallah wanted no one to forget this event.

SH: Thank you, **Ali Reza**, for setting the scene in which this extraordinary message was delivered.

MA: Indeed, **Sohail**, Ali Reza's description was so vivid that we are feeling hot here in the newsroom! Now we are eager to know at least the essence of this extraordinary message.

SH: **Mohammad, Mujtaba Hasan**, a historian, has diligently recorded the Holy Prophet's entire speech. **Mujtaba**, can you please share some of the highlights with us?

MU: Certainly. Rasoolallah began with the most eloquent and lengthy praise of Allah, in which he stated: "All praise belongs to Allah. We ask Him for help, we believe in Him, and in Him we trust. We seek His refuge from the evil of our souls and the sins of our deeds. Verily no one can guide the one whom Allah leaves astray, and no one can mislead

the one whom Allah guides."

Then he said that soon Allah would summon him, and that he would answer that call; the time had come for him to depart from the people. On hearing this, people wept and asked Rasoolallah:

EX: "Who will lead and guide us after you?"
"Who will take your place?"
"What will become of us?"
"What will become of Islam without you?"

MU: Rasoolallah quickly brought order and asked: "Do I not have more right over you than you have over yourselves?"

EX: "Yes, O Rasoolallah."

MU: Then Rasoolallah said: "O People! Surely Allah is my Master, and I am the Master of all the believers." After saying this, Rasoolallah lifted Ali ibne Abi-Talib so high that his feet were at the level of Rasoolallah's knees and announced:

"O People! This Ali is my brother and my wasi and the guardian of my knowledge and my Khalifa upon my ummah. He calls towards Allah; he performs his deeds according to the will of Allah; he executes jihad against the enemies of Allah; he cooperates in obeying Allah; he stops people from

disobeying Allah; he is my Successor, Ameer, Imam, and Hadi of the mo'mineen; he executes jihad with the people who break their bai'ath, who are unjust, and who abandon Islam. Whatever I am saying, I am saying by the command of Allah; my statements cannot change. O Allah! Befriend Ali's friend, and consider Ali's enemy Your enemy; curse those who deny him; and send Your wrath upon those who usurp his right.

"O people! Allah has perfected the Deen with Ali's Imamate and has announced that whoever searches for any Deen other than Islam, that Deen will not be accepted. Therefore, anyone who denies the Imamate of Ali and my progeny through his descendants, all of his deeds will be ruined. He will stay in Hell forever."

After this, Rasoolallah praised Imam Ali immensely, quoting numerous verses of the Holy Quraan.

SH: **Mujtaba**, Please give us just a brief overview of Imam Ali's praise in the Holy Quraan that Rasoolallah mentioned.

MU: Rasoolallah stated: "O People! Ali ibne Abi Talib's praise is from Allah. Allah has stated his praise in the Holy Quraan, but there is so much that I cannot say it all in one sitting, therefore, when anyone tells you about or brings to your attention any praise, you

should believe them. Remember! Those who obey Allah, me, Ali, and the A'imma who were mentioned will be successful.

"O people! This Ali is my biggest helper, and is the closest and dearest to me among all of you. Allah and I are extremely pleased with Ali and every verse regarding Allah's pleasure refers only to him, and every verse beginning with 'Ya -Ayyo-hal-Lazina-Amanu' is addressed to Ali first. The glad tidings of Heaven in Surah-e-Dehr are for him and the whole Surah is exclusively in his praise. All of Surah-e-Asr is regarding Imam Ali, and the entire Surah-e-Fathiha is regarding me and my Ahlul-Bayth."

SH: Thank you, **Mujtaba**, for such a thorough account.

Well, **Mohammad**, Rasoolallah made it absolutely clear for everyone that Allah guarantees the survival of Islam through Ali ibne Abi Talib^(AS) and the A'imma after him as the guides and protectors of Islamic Law. And he did this in such an unforgettable situation that the event would be remembered forever.

MA: I am certain that our viewers will not forget it either. **Sohail**, we have also heard that people will be pledging their allegiance to Imam Ali^(AS). What

details about this event can you share with our audience?

SH: We are fortunate to have with us **Ahmed Mukhtar**, who was near the mimbar during Rasoolallah's speech and has already pledged his allegiance to the Commander of the Faithful, Ali ibne Abi-Talib.

Ahmed, please tell us about the process of pledging allegiance. Why the camping?

AM: Towards the end of Rasoolallah's speech, he said: "O People! I have explained everything to you. Now, after me, Ali will explain it to you. Beware! I invite you at the end of this khutba to first promise your allegiance to Ali on my hand, and then immediately pledge allegiance to Ali on his hand. Whoever pledges allegiance to Ali, it is as if he has pledged allegiance to Allah; Allah's hand is on their hand. And whoever breaks this allegiance will put themselves at a great loss."

After his speech, Rasoolallah immediately prayed two Rakats to commemorate the historic occasion. When he finished his prayers, he quickly called Imam Ali to follow him into the tent where Rasoolallah instructed everyone to personally make an oath of allegiance to Imam Ali in his presence. The people were specifically told to address Imam Ali as Ameer-ul-Mo'mineen. Regarding this title,

Rasoolallah stated in his speech: "Bear witness that Ameer-ul-Mo'mineen is none other than this brother of mine and besides him this position is forbidden for anyone."

As you can see, a long line has formed and people are giving their Oath of Allegiance to Imam Ali with Holy Prophet as a witness to the occasion.

SH: **Ahmed**, how are the women pledging their oath?

AM: A small screen is hung in front of Imam Ali with a large bowl of water on the other side. Imam Ali passes his right hand under the screen and places it in the bowl of water. Then each woman places her right hand in the same bowl of water, thus pledging her Oath of Allegiance to Imam Ali.

SH: Have any of Rasoolallah's popular sahaba, such as Abu-Bakr, pledged their allegiance yet?

AM: Yes, except I have been informed that Umar and Abu-Bakr first asked for reassurance from Rasoolallah that this was indeed Allah's command. Only after Rasoolallah's reconfirmation did they congratulate Imam Ali on being their maula and the maula of all the mo'mineen and mo'minaath. Then they addressed Imam Ali saying: "Asalamu-alaika, Ya Ameer-ul-Mo'mineen."

Insha-allah, this allegiance process will go on for the next three days.

SH: Are three days sufficient for a hundred and twenty-four thousand people to pledge their allegiance to Imam Ali?

AM: Rasoolallah knew it wouldn't be. So, as a contingency, he ordered: "O People! There are so many of you in number that you cannot pledge allegiance on my hand one by one. Therefore, Allah has ordered me to collectively take your verbal allegiance as well; that Ali is Ameer-ul-Mo'mineen and that after him the A'imma, who are my progeny through his descendants, are all Imams."

SH: Thank you for your time, **Ahmed Mukhtar**.

As we can see, **Mohammad**, the Prophet's message was both important and clear, it was heard by thousands, and, more importantly, it is formally being accepted by them. That's all for the report from Ghadeer -- back to you, **Mohammad**.

MA: Thanks, **Sohail**, for your up to date report. Joining us now in the studio we have two of the nations most respected scholars, **Mohammad Husain Abedi**, and **Ahmad Abbas**. **Mr. Abedi**, **Mr. Abbas**, thank you for joining us tonight. I would like to start by

getting a general opinion about the situation from each of you, beginning with **Mr. Abedi**.

MH: Thank you, **Mohammad**. The idea of Imam Ali's succession is the earliest and most repeated by Rasoolallah. The concept came about for the very first time at the event of Da'wat-e-Zhulashira, which was the first gathering Rasoolallah held with his relatives. Rasoolallah informed them that he was starting a mission and promised that whoever helped him in his mission would be appointed his successor. After receiving only Ali ibne Abi-Talib's commitment, Rasoolallah firmly announced that Ali ibne Abi-Talib would be his Khalifa and successor.

And today, **Mohammad**, by the command of Allah, Rasoolallah has fulfilled his promise, declaring Imam Ali as the leader and commander of the whole ummah after him, in front of the largest crowd, including all his companions, all his wives, all the dignitaries of Arabia, and his entire Ahlul-Bayth.

AA: Yes! But allow me go a step further. Today Rasoolallah firmly established the final, Usool-e-Deen: IMAMAT! Please listen carefully to the exact words of the Pledge of Allegiance that Rasoolallah took from everyone; and I quote:

"We are your followers, your obedient, we agree with you, and we bow down our heads in front of the command that Allah has given regarding Ali and his children. We are pledging allegiance to this command whole-heartedly, with our tongue and hands. We will live and die by this allegiance, and we will rise again (on the Day of Judgment) upon this allegiance. Neither will we change or alter this, nor will we doubt it. Neither will we turn away from this allegiance, nor will we break this promise:

we will obey Allah **اشهد ان لا اله الا الله**

we will obey you **اشهد ان محمدا رسول الله**

and we will obey Ali, **اشهد ان امير المؤمنين**

Ameer-ul-Mo'mineen **و امام المتقين علياً ولى الله**

and his children, **و وصى رسول الله و خليفته بلا فصل**

who are **و اولاده المعصومين حجج الله**

in your **و اولاده المعصومين حجج الله**

progeny. **و اولاده المعصومين حجج الله**

In this matter we have obeyed Allah, we have obeyed you, and we have pledged allegiance

whole-heartedly with our tongue and hands to Ali, Hasan, Husain, and all the A'imma you mentioned.

Neither will we like any alternate to this, nor will we create any alternate ourselves. Allah is our witness,

and He is a sufficient witness. You are also our witness, as are all the visible and hidden, angels

and human beings. Allah is the greatest of all witnesses."

Unquote.

MA: **Mr. Abbas** — In the Allegiance, Rasoolallah told the people to pledge their Allegiance to Ali, Hasan, Husain, and all the A'imma he mentioned. This raises an important question: Who exactly are these A'imma, besides Ali and his two sons?

AA: A very good question. Rasoolallah not only made the people pledge their allegiance to Ali, but to those descendants of Ali who are not even among us yet! He specifically informed the people that the Imam would continue in his progeny through Ali's descendants, and said that the last one among them would be known as Mehdi. Rasoolallah said in his khutba:

“Remember! That the last Imam is none other than our Qayem Mehdi, whose arrival has been prophesized in the past. He is the one who will dominate all religions and take revenge from all the oppressors. He will avenge the blood of every awliya-allah. He is the helper of the religion of Allah and the one who will provide us benefits from the vast ocean of Imamah. He is the one who will identify all the ignorant and knowledgeable. Beware! He is appointed and favored by Allah. He is the heir and guardian of all knowledge, entrusted with Allah's divine laws, rightfully guided, and on

Siraat-e-Mustaqeem. He is the one who will inform the people of Allah's message and he is the one who reforms people towards Allah's beliefs. He will be the only remaining witness and after him, there is no witness. Nobody can overcome him. He is Allah's representative on earth and hakim over all creation. He is Allah's trustee on every issue.”

MA: In other words, you're saying that, with the establishment of the Principle of Imamah after him, Rasoolallah provided complete security for the Islamic Laws, until the Day of Judgment.

MH: Exactly! That is why it is only after the establishment of Imamah that Allah announced:

الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتَمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيْتُ لَكُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا

“...This day I have perfected for you your religion, and have completed My Blessings on you, and have chosen for you Islam (as your) religion...”
(Holy Quraan 5:3)

Now that Allah has provided His Seal of Approval for Islam, He will not tolerate any objection or opposition. Let me share a recent example of opposition with your viewers:

We have just gotten news that when a man named

Harith ibne Noaman, refused to accept the wilayah of Imam Ali, Allah sent down a stone from the sky which struck him fatally on his head and passed through his body.

This azab is exactly like the one that came upon Abraha and his army in Makka, -- the incident is covered in Sura-e-Feel in the Holy Quraan.

MA: **Mr. Abedi**, was there any Quraanic revelation to document Harith ibne Noaman's incident as well?

MH: Of course! Allah does not leave any ground uncovered – These ayaat were revealed immediately after the fatal punishment to Harith. In fact, this is the very last revelation of the Quraan:

سَأَلَ سَائِلٌ بِعَذَابٍ وَاقِعٍ ﴿١﴾ لِلْكَافِرِينَ لَيْسَ لَهُ دَافِعٌ ﴿٢﴾ مِنَ اللَّهِ ذِي الْمَعَارِجِ ﴿٣﴾

"A demander demanded the chastisement that is to befall. The disbelievers – which none shall be able to repeal – From Allah, the Lord of the ways of the ascent..." (Holy Quraan 70:1-3)

AA: While we are on the subject of Quraanic verses, let me bring our attention to Ayah-e-Baligh (Holy Quraan 5:67):

"...O Rasool! Deliver what had been revealed to you before..."

The word "before"; is worth pondering!

Let me take you back in time to Meraj-e-Rasool. Rasoolallah was not taken to the heavens just to be shown the expanse of the universe. Remember, everything was created in front of him and for his sake, as we hear in Hadees-e-Kisa. In fact, he was Allah's only witness to his own creation.

The entire religion was delivered to Rasoolallah through Angel Jibraeel with the exception of this command; the immediate succession of Imamah after his Prophethood. This command was so important that Allah gave it to Rasoolallah directly; **Bila-fasel!** That was the real purpose of Meraj-e-Rasool.

MA: What you have just said **Mr. Abbas**, raises the importance of Imam Ali^(AS)'s wilayah to new heights. In effect, this is Meraj-e-Imamat.

Referring back to Ayah-e-Baligh, why did Allah have to send this command to Rasoolallah^(SAW) several times?

AA: The answer is in Rasoolallah's khutba. He states: "Jibraeel had come to me repeatedly with this command of Allah that I stop right here and inform every soul, that Ali ibne Abi-Talib is my brother, wasi, successor, and the Imam after me. His position to

me is same as Haroon's position to Musa. The only difference is that there is no prophet after me. After Allah and Rasoolallah, Ali is your master, and Allah has proclaimed this in His Holy Book”:

إِنَّمَا وَلِيُّكُمُ اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا الَّذِينَ يُتِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ

وَيُؤْتُونَ الزَّكَاةَ وَهُمْ رَاكِعُونَ ﴿٥٥﴾

“Verily Verily, your guardian is Allah, His Rasool, and those believers who establish namaz and give zakat while in the state of rukoo” (Holy Quraan 5:55)

Rasoolallah continued: “Verily, Ali ibne Abi-Talib has established prayers, and paid zakat in the state of rukoo. He is definitely the seeker of Allah’s pleasure.”

Rasoolallah went on to say: “I requested Allah through Jibraeel that I be spared of delivering this command at this time, because the munafiqeen, who constantly insult Islam, are in great majority and far outnumber the muttaqeen. Therefore, there is great danger from the mischief-makers and those of bad character, who have repeatedly given me distress. In spite of all this, Allah’s order is that I propagate His command, NOW!”

Allah, the All-Knowing, recognized Rasoolallah’s concern and guaranteed his safety in these words:

“...and Allah will protect you from the (mischievous) people.”

MA: It is amazing that in the crowd of 124,000 brand new haajis, Rasoolallah declared that the majority were munafiqeen!

MH: Not only did Rasoolallah state that the munafiqeen were in great numbers, he even instructed us to stay away from them (that is tabarra) and defined them in these words:

“O people! Iblees got trapped in jealousy for Adam’s position. Beware, do not be envious of Ali, for all your good deeds will be destroyed.

“Beware! Ali’s enemies will be burned in the fire of Hell ... every group entering in Hell will curse each other.

“O People! Accept the exalted position of Ali. After me, he is greater than all men and women. Allah says: ‘My curse and wrath are upon those who keep animosity with Ali, and do not accept him.’”

MA: What about the characteristics of the muttaqeen; Ali’s friends?

AA: While prescribing tabarra, the holy prophet also defined tawalla by describing the character of the

muttaqeen in these words:

“Beware! Ali’s friends will enter into Heaven, safe and sound, and the angels will greet them with salaams and these remarks, ‘You are pure, therefore enter Heaven forever and ever.’

“O People! Verily Allah has appointed Ali to be your Imam and ruler. Obedience to him is obligatory for all Muhajireen and Ansar, those who follow them in virtue, the dwellers of the cities and the nomads, the Arabs and the non-Arabs, the freemen and the slaves, the young and the old, the great and the small, and the white and the black.

“O people! Fear Allah ... and remember, do not leave this world until you have become completely obedient to Ali.”

MA: **Mr. Abedi**, why has Rasoolallah^(SAW) put so much emphasis on his Ahlul-Bayth along with the Holy Quraan?

MH: As Rasoolallah stated: “O people! Ponder on the Quraan, understand its verses, pay attention to the clear verses and do not run after the ambiguous ones. By Allah, nobody will be able to explain the commandments in the Quraan and clarify its tafseer, except this person (Ali) whose hand is in my hands and whose arm I have held up high.

“O People! This is the last time that I shall stand in this assembly. Therefore, listen to me and obey and submit to the command of Allah. Verily, Allah is your Lord and Master. After Him, His prophet, Muhammad who is addressing you, is your master. Then, after me, this Ali is your master and your Imam according to Allah's command. Then, after him, leadership will continue through selected individuals in my descendants until the day you meet Allah and His Prophet.

“O People! Allah has informed me of all the halal and all the haraam and I have passed on the entire knowledge to this Ali. Remember that halal and haraam are so many that it is not feasible to list every one of them. Therefore, by demanding your pledge of allegiance to Ali, I am fulfilling the responsibility of inviting you towards halal and keeping you away from haraam. And take your promise that you agree to whatever message I have brought from Allah to you regarding Ali and the A'imma after him. Ali and the A'imma are from me and, from them, one nation will rise with Mehdi, who is going to perform justice until the Day of Judgment.”

MA: **Mr. Abedi**, you have just brought to light some new interesting information from Rasoolallah^(SAW)'s

khutba. Do you have any comments to sum up this information before we go?

MH: Yes, I just wanted to point out Rasoolallah's explanation of amarbilmarroof and nahianilmunkar, which is summed up with the following words of Rasoolallah:

"Remember! That the essence of amarbilmarroof and nahianilmunkar is to get to the roots of my message. Deliver this to those who are not present, order them to accept this message, and stop its opposition because these are Allah's orders as well as my orders. No man can truly perform amarbilmarroof and nahianilmunkar without the guidance of the infallible Imam."

MA: **Mr. Abbas**, would you like to make some closing remarks?

AA: Along those same lines, **Mohammad**, Rasoolallah said in his khutba:

"O people! ... remember, I am leaving this world with entrusting Imamah until the Day of Judgment to my progeny; and whatever message Allah had commanded me to propagate, I have delivered that message. Now, it is the responsibility of everyone who is present to deliver this message to all those who are absent, and it is obligatory on

every father, until the Day of Judgment, to deliver this message to his children."

MA: Thank you, **Mohammad Abedi** and **Ahmad Abbas**, for your time.

All said and done, it is clear that we must recognize the tremendous value of today's message from at least two perspectives.

One, the establishment of the institution of Imamah provided the soul (i.e. Rooh) for the body of Islam, securing its life, until the Day of Judgment. Thus, Allah awarded His Certificate of Perfection to Islam. From here on, no Islamic deed (i.e. Froo-e-deen) will have any value until and unless it contains within it the Rooh of Islam (i.e. Imamah).

Secondly, after the acceptance of Tawheed and Risalat, receiving the blessing of Imamah means that we have received all blessings from Allah. In spite of Allah's blessings being infinite, the blessing of Imamah is so great, that Allah proclaimed it as the completion of His blessings on us.

These are the undeniable facts. Keeping these two perspectives in mind, we have no choice but to thank Allah and Rasoolallah for blessing us with a living Islam. No just-minded person will have any trouble following this 'living' Islam. Therefore, Allah

Himself has acknowledged Islam as the only religion to be followed.

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یہ بات سب کو بتانا بہت ضروری ہے

نماز روزہ و حج ضامن نجات نہیں
علی کو اپنا بتانا بہت ضروری ہے

That is our report for tonight. I'm Mohammad Abbas in Houston, for all of us here at Abu-Talib Learning Center, goodnight.

وَأَخِرُ دَعْوَانَا أَنْ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

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