

The Speech of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, the Eminent Scholar, Ata bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah

On the Centenary of the Destruction of the Khilafah (Caliphate) on 1342 AH - 1924 CE

(Translated)

Praise be to Allah, and prayers and peace be upon the Messenger of Allah, his family and companions, and those who follow him.

To the Islamic Ummah in general, and to the Dawah carriers, men and women, working to re-establish the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) in particular,

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barakatuh,

During these days a hundred years ago, at the end of Rajab 1342 AH corresponding to early March 1924 CE, the colonial kuffar led by Britain at the time, in cooperation with the traitors of the Arabs and the Turks, managed to abolish the Khilafah (Caliphate). The criminal of the century Mustafa Kemal declared the abolition of the Khilafah and the siege of the Caliph in Istanbul whom he expelled before dawn of that day. That was the price that the British had ordered him to present in return for his appointment as president of the feeble secular Turkish republic. Thus, it happened, and a horrific earthquake occurred in the Muslim lands with the elimination of the Khilafah, the source of their glory and the pleasure of their Lord.

This criminal declared open kufr by abolishing the Khilafah after it was in place. The duty upon the Ummah was to fight him with the sword as mentioned in the Hadith of the Messenger (saw) agreed upon on the authority of I'badah Ibn al-Samit (ra): «وَأَنْ لَا تُنَازِعَ الْأَمْرَ أَهْلَهُ إِلَّا أَنْ تَرَوْا كُفْرًا بَوَاحًا: "...and not to fight against the ruler unless we noticed him having open Kufr (disbelief) for which we would have a proof with us from Allah." However, his ruthless cruelty in the Ummah's bloodshed, especially of the scholars, where he executed scores of scholars, including Sheikh Saeed Biran, may Allah have mercy on him, and imprisoned others; all of this had an effect on the Ummah's shortcomings. The Ummah did not go into a furor to stop that traitor, and did not overthrow him and his followers. Rather, their response was weak and was insufficient to crush the traitor to Allah and His Messenger and the believers! Thus, the perpetrator of blatant kufr, through his heinous act, "escaped" from being plunged by the Ummah into an abysmal place!

After that, the influence of the colonial kuffar blanketed the Muslim lands, so they divided the lands, and tore them apart into pieces that reached about fifty-five fragments. This was as a result of the earthquake of the demolition of the Khilafah. Then another earthquake occurred by giving the Jews a state in the Blessed Land, the site of Isra' and Mi'raj of the Prophet (saw), and they sustained it with means to enable its survival. The first of these means is the protection of its security by the agent-client rulers surrounding it. Not only that, but these rulers were defeated by the Jews in every war that broke out, until they gave the Jewish state a magnitude above its size and an image other than its image. And they were not satisfied with that, but they made every effort to fight Allah and His Messenger to transfer the issue from uprooting the Jewish entity from Palestine to negotiating with a Jewish entity that may perhaps withdraw from a part of the land that it occupied in 1967!

Then they succumbed to even lower levels afterwards, and rushed towards normalization with the Jewish entity, even without its withdrawal from any part!! Some of them committed the crime of normalization from behind a curtain and some of them committed it publicly, day and night! After

the rulers of Egypt led this march of humiliation and disgrace, the Palestinian Liberation Organization followed it and then the rulers of each of Jordan, followed by Emirates, Bahrain, Sudan and Morocco. The Saudi rulers stand by the side of the road waving to those countries that they are walking behind them and not lagging behind, and so they all rush in committing the crime without bother of the humiliation that envelops them from head to toe. ﴿سَيُصِيبُ الَّذِينَ أَجْرَمُوا صَغَارٌ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ﴾ **“There will afflict those who committed crimes debasement before Allah and severe punishment for what they used to conspire”** [Al-An'am: 124].

It is not only Palestine that these rulers have betrayed, but they have also surrendered or handed over other pure parts of the land of Islam. Kashmir was annexed by the Hindu polytheists to their state, Russia annexed Crimea, South Sudan was seceded from its north, and East Timor was taken from Indonesia. Cyprus, what do you know about Cyprus, as it was a fortress of the Muslims for many years, now it is mostly controlled by Greece, and the Rohingya Muslims were slaughtered in Myanmar (Burma), and when they sought refuge in Bangladesh, the regime there subjected them to adversity and crammed them in the island of Basan Char that is a dangerous island prone to flooding and is unfit for human inhabitation! Then, East Turkestan, which China has oppressed and treated brutally, even monsters recoil from such treatment, making it a prison for the free men and women, so the massacres were magnified publicly, not secretly, before the hearing and sight of the existing countries in the Muslim lands, who remained silent like the graves, and when they do speak out they say that the oppression of Muslims by China is an internal matter! ﴿كَبُرَتْ كَلِمَةً تَخْرُجُ مِنْ أَفْوَاهِهِمْ إِنَّ يَقُولُونَ إِلَّا كَذِبًا﴾ **“Grave is the word that comes out of their mouths; they speak not except a lie”** [Al-Kahf: 5].

As for other the Muslim countries, they are ruled by the Ruwaibidha (ignorant) rulers, who revolve with the colonial kuffar wherever and however they turn, so they do not preserve the security of the country and do not truly care for the people, their wealth is plundered and deprived of their dignity neither here nor there. They have no weight to the colonial kuffar especially America, that calls its agents to that which gives them humiliation and dishonor; it dictates to them, "Without us, you would not have stayed on your crooked chairs for a few days, pay us as much money as you can, even more than what you can." Truly one who is humiliated, will be at ease facing humiliation.

O Muslims: This is your condition after the demise of the Khilafah, nations gather against you from all sides, so how was your situation under the shade of the Khilafah?

You were the best nation that was brought to humankind, the followers of Muhammad (saw), the Seal of the Prophets and the Imam of the Mujahideen. Your ancestors are the rightly guided caliphs, conquerors and leaders. You are the descendants of the victorious Salah ud-Din, the conqueror of the Crusaders, and the liberator of Al-Quds from their defilement in such a great month, Rajab 583 AH, the descendants of Qutuz and Baibars the conqueror of the Tatars, the descendants of Muhammad al-Fatih, the young Amir who was not over the age of twenty-three when he conquered Constantinople in 857 AH / 1453 CE, and Allah honoured him with the praise of the Messenger of Allah (saw) in the Hadith that Ahmad narrated on the authority of Bishr al-Khath'ami: «فَلْنَعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلْنَعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ» **“You will open Constantinople, its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army.”**

The descendants of Caliph Suleiman Al-Qanouni, where France sought his help to release its king from captivity in the sixteenth century (1525 CE), but today it forgot or wanted to forget this assistance from the caliph of the Muslims, so it transgressed and insulted Islam and the Messenger of Islam (saw) in the absence of any accountability because the shield of Islam is absent. You are the descendants of Caliph Selim III; during his reign, the United States of America paid an annual tax to allow American ships to pass safely from the Atlantic to the Mediterranean without being attacked by the Ottoman Navy in the Wilayah (state) of Algiers, and for the first time

America was forced to sign a treaty in a language other than its own, but rather in the language of another country (the Ottoman State) in the year 1210 AH / 1795 CE. America now controls the rulers of the Muslims, saying: "Pay, we are the ones who protect you". You are the descendants of Caliph Abdul Hamid, who was not tempted by the golden millions that the Jews offered to the State Treasury to allow them to settle in Palestine, and said his famous declaration: "The scalpel's work in my body is easier for me than seeing Palestine amputated from the caliphate", then he added "... let the Jews keep their millions ... and if the Khilafah is torn apart one day, they can then take Palestine without a price." And this is what happened! You are the descendants of those who invented the clock, and gifted one to Charlemagne, the greatest king of Europe at that time, and his entourage thought it was full of goblins and jinn! This is how we were with our enlightened thoughts, and how they were in their empty weak thoughts!

This is how you were, O Muslims, when the Caliphate shielded you, and this is how you became when the Caliphate's shade was removed, so take heed, O people of sight.

In conclusion, I turn to you, People of Power and Protection: O descendants of Khalid, Salah ud-Din and Muhammad al-Fatih

Only you are the ones who can heal the Ummah's chest from its enemies, the enemies of your Deen. Only you can break the humiliation that Muslims have reached in their lands, the lands of Islam, and you will have the honour to initiate and realize the Ummah's hope, and the whole Ummah will stand with you, and all its soldiers will stand at the forefront and behind you. You will not be alone, Allah willing, so do your duty, may Allah bless you, rise to our victory, to support Hizb ut Tahrir for the establishment of the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate), for it is not the path of victory only in terms of describing reality, but rather because of its utmost great obligation, by which rules are established and Hudood are implemented. Without it, rulings are not applied to people, and there are no Hudood implemented between them, and whoever does not work to establish the Khilafah and establish a caliph while he is able, his sin is great as if he died a death of a Jahiliyya to indicate the severity of the sin. «...وَمَنْ مَاتَ وَلَيْسَ فِي عُنُقِهِ بَيْعَةٌ، مَاتَ مِيتَةً جَاهِلِيَّةً» **“And whoever dies without the pledge of allegiance (to the ruler) upon his neck dies a death of jahiliyya.”** The Muslims gave the pledge of allegiance to the caliph before they prepared and buried the Messenger of Allah (saw), may Allah's prayers and peace be upon him, due to its importance and greatness, and all of this is due to the greatness and importance of the Khilafah.

O People of Power and Protection: O People of Nusra (victory): O Muslim Armies

Is there not a Mus'ab bin Umayr, As'ad bin Zurara, and Usayd bin Hudair, and Sa'ad bin Muadh among you? Those who have given victory to Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw), and they won in this world and the next. Even the throne of Ar-Rahman, Most Merciful, shook due to the death of Sa'ad bin Muadh for giving the support (Nusra) for Allah's Deen. Bukhari narrated on the authority of Jaber, may Allah be pleased with him, I heard the Prophet (saw) say: «اهْتَزَّ الْعَرْشُ» **“The throne shook because of the death of Sa'ad bin Muadh.”** Is there no wise man among you to support Allah (swt), His Messenger (saw), and the people of his (saw) call? The Ummah awaits you. It is waiting for your takbeer so that it can join you in takbeer and when the banner is raised high by your hands, they chant the tahleel for you, and this is the only way for the Ummah's revival; to establish the Khilafah Rashidah that implements Islam internally and carries it to the world by Dawah and Jihad, and Allah grants it victory: «إِنَّا لَنَنْصُرُ رُسُلَنَا وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَيَوْمَ يَقُومُ الْأَشْهَادُ» **“Indeed, We will support Our messengers and those who believe during the life of this world and on the Day when the witnesses will stand”** [Ghafir: 51].

O, Soldiers of Allah: We realize that no angels will come down from the heavens to establish the Khilafah for us and lead an army that strengthens Islam and the Muslims. Allah (swt) will send down angels to help us if we work hard with sincerity and loyalty to resume the Islamic way of life on earth and to establish the Khilafah. This is a true promise in the Book of Allah (swt) and the

Hadith of the Messenger (saw). This is not affected by the saying of those who say that establishing the Khilafah today is a figment of the imagination. Actually the one who claims that the establishment of the Khilafah is a fantasy is the one who seeks fantasy, while establishing the Khilafah is a reality that will happen, Allah willing, and is confirmed by four facts:

First: A promise from Allah: ﴿وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا مِنْكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ﴾ **“Allah has promised those who have believed among you and done righteous deeds that He will surely grant them succession [to authority] upon the earth just as He granted it to those before them”** [An-Nur: 55].

Second: A glad-tiding (Bushra) of the Messenger of Allah (saw) of the return of the Khilafah on the method of Prophethood after the forced rule, the Prophet (saw) said: «...ثُمَّ تَكُونُ مُلْكًا جَبْرِيَّةً فَتَكُونُ مَا شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَكُونَ ثُمَّ يَرْفَعُهَا إِذَا شَاءَ أَنْ يَرْفَعَهَا ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَىٰ مِنْهَاجِ النَّبُوءَةِ» ثُمَّ سَكَتَ ﷺ **“...then there will be a forced rule, it will last for as long as Allah wills, then He (swt) will remove it, then there will be Khilafah on the method of Prophethood”** and then he (saw) kept silent. [Extracted by Ahmad on the authority of Hudhaifa].

Third: A vital interactive Ummah, the best nation brought to humankind: ﴿كُنْتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ﴾ **“You are the best nation produced [as an example] for mankind. You enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong and believe in Allah.”** [Al-i-Imran: 110]. If it were to abate establishing the Khilafah one day, it is only like the lion’s respite before it attacks.

Fourth: A party that is sincere to Allah (swt), Allah willing, truthful with His Messenger (saw) hastening, and working day and night to achieve the promise of the glad tiding, as if it is the confirmation to the Hadith: «لَا تَزَالُ طَائِفَةٌ مِنْ أُمَّتِي ظَاهِرِينَ عَلَى الْحَقِّ لَا يَضُرُّهُمْ مَنْ خَذَلَهُمْ حَتَّى يَأْتِيَ أَمْرُ اللَّهِ وَهُمْ كَذَلِكَ» **“A group of people from my Umma will always remain triumphant on the right path and continue to be triumphant (against their opponents). He who deserts them shall not be able to do them any harm. They will remain in this position until Allah's Command is executed (i.e. Qiyamah is established)”** [Extracted by Muslim on the authority of Thauban].

Any one of these four is sufficient to state that the work for the Khilafah is not fiction, so what if the four are combined?! Thus, the establishment of the Khilafah is an established fact that will take place soon, Allah willing, and its stability and perseverance after its establishment will materialize, Allah willing, and the structures of the major states today will collapse with an abysmal end. These countries are small in the eyes of Allah (swt) and the servants of Allah. What a tiny creation (Covid-19) that can hardly be seen has caused to those countries, and its leader America is an example of this, and look at what happened to it in its elections; one group considers it theft and fraud and another considers it a great victory! It did not stop at the altercations, but rather by storming the official institutions, and the loss of life with firepower in the corridors of the head of Capitalism, and both parties are calling for the ruined democracy! This is the world today, its old before the young, only the establishment of the state of Islam, the Khilafah on the method of the Prophethood, will save it.

Brothers and Sisters: We used to work and pray to Allah (swt) that the establishment of the Khilafah would take place before the centenary, so days passed by us during these seventy years of the life of the Hizb. We get close to being able to touch the Khilafah, then it moves far away, yet we did not despair in the mercy of Allah; therefore we work as our eyes aspire to the Khilafah, and our hearts beat towards it, and we are all reassured that it will be established, as the Messenger of Allah (saw) informed us that and gave us the glad-tiding: «...ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَىٰ مِنْهَاجِ النَّبُوءَةِ» **“And then there will be Khilafah on the method of Prophethood.”** And all of this is enough motivation, and strengthens our resolve, and ignites the flame again, and transforms a person into another creation, from being stunned due to a calamity to one who is optimistic in the relief from the

calamity.

This is what Al-Aleem Al-Khabeer informed us: ﴿فَإِنَّ مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا * إِنَّ مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا﴾ **“For indeed, with hardship [will be] ease * Indeed, with hardship [will be] ease”** [Ash-Sharh: 5-6]. This is what the truthful and trustworthy told us in the Hadith of Razeen: «وَلَنْ يَغْلِبَ عُسْرٌ يُسْرَيْنِ» **“a hardship will not overcome two eases.”** This was the message of Umar to Abu Ubaida: “There is no hardship except that Allah makes an opening for him after it, and a hardship will not overcome two eases.”

Thus, the relief is coming, by the will of the Lord of the worlds, and the Khilafah will be established by the hands of the true believers. It will destroy the Jewish entity and return Palestine to the abode of Islam, and Rome will be opened after the opening of its sister (Istanbul), and the pure throats will chant by the words of Al-Qawi Al-Aziz: ﴿وَقُلْ جَاءَ الْحَقُّ وَزَهَقَ الْبَاطِلُ إِنَّ الْبَاطِلَ كَانَ زَهُوقًا﴾ **“And say, "Truth has come, and falsehood has departed. Indeed, is falsehood, [by nature], ever bound to depart.”** [Al-Isra: 81]. The earth will be filled with cries of takbeer and the lands will shine with the light of Islam. «لَيَبْلُغَنَّ هَذَا الْأَمْرُ مَا بَلَغَ اللَّيْلُ وَالنَّهَارُ وَلَا يَتْرُكُ اللَّهُ بَيْتَ مَدْرٍ وَلَا وَبَرَ إِلَّا أَدْخَلَهُ اللَّهُ هَذَا الدِّينَ بِعَزِّهِ» **“This matter (Islam) will keep spreading as far as the night and day reach, until Allah will not leave a house made of mud or hair, but will make this religion enter it, while bringing might to a mighty person (a Muslim) and humiliation to a disgraced person (who rejects Islam). Might with which Allah elevates Islam (and its people) and disgrace with which Allah humiliates disbelief (and its people).”** [Extracted by Ahmad from Tamim Ad-Dari].

We realize that the enemies of Islam think that this is impossible to achieve, and they repeat the saying of the mockers that preceded them, ﴿غَرَّ هَؤُلَاءِ دِينُهُمْ﴾ **“Their religion has deluded those [Muslims]”** [Al-Anfal: 49]. But just as that saying was a scourge on those who said it, and Allah (swt) gave victory to His Deen and triumph to His people, that day will be a catastrophe upon them because Allah Al-Aziz Al-Hakim is with His worshipers who trust in Him, the faithful to Him Subhannahu, the truthful with His Messenger (saw), those who work earnestly and diligently, and their hearts and their limbs are fixed on Allah’s saying: ﴿إِنَّ اللَّهَ بِأَلَمِّ أَمْرِهِ فَذُجِّلَ اللَّهُ لِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدْرًا﴾ **“Allah will accomplish His purpose. Allah has already set for everything a [decreed] extent”** [At-Talaq: 3]. With each passing day, they approach this Qadr (destiny).

﴿وَاللَّهُ غَالِبٌ عَلَى أَمْرِهِ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَ النَّاسِ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ﴾

“And Allah is predominant over His affair, but most of the people do not know” [Yusuf: 21].

Wa Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barakatuh

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