

Two Important Points Regarding Tabligh

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Regarding tabligh, every Ahmadi must very well understand that:

- Tabligh is not an optional obligation. His spiritual personality will not be complete without tabligh. This is a compulsory duty.
- It (Tableegh) is so important that Allah addressing the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) says that if he did not perform this duty, it will mean that he has wasted the office of the prophethood. For this injunction, the whole of his Ummah (followers) is accountable, including us.
- Tabligh is an obligation, which no one can ignore. One is not permitted to remain forgetful of this duty. Do not forget that even if you use Hikmat, be soft spoken, avoid harsh attitude, show your love and affection and sacrifice, yet there will be opposition.
- Allah has very openly warned that whenever Messengers come there will be mischief against them. But the total responsibility of the mischief will lie with the opponents. The Messengers will not be responsible for it.
- Now, when you are not responsible for the mischief, the Dailallah has been instructed to invite in such and such a way and the opponent will have keen eye upon him and will try to find out the least mistake that the Dailallah may be held responsible for the mischief. Therefore, beware that you are the devotees of Sayyid-ul-Ma‘sumin.
- People would like to see in you also the hue of purity. Do not exhibit any carelessness, idiocy or any fault that you give chance to the opponent that due to that reason, they persecute you, and oppose you due to your fault. Therefore, it is we who are to call and we are obliged to carry it out.
- There is another wonderful thing mentioned in this verse. It says that you be the one who abide by these two conditions. You must give this call. You should adopt the ways of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). Therefore, he who fulfills these two conditions, whether he is an individual or a community, will remain immune from the mischief of the people.
- This is Allah’s promise that no one will be able to harm you. It is true that there will be opposition, but Allah will not give them the opportunity to harm you or show you in lesser numbers or show you as humiliated. When we think about these things, every Ahmadi must keep all the three things in front of him.
 - i) He should call like the call of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) who was pining for his enemies that his opponents were combating with him in ignorance.
 - ii) His eyes did not become fiery because of the opposition of the enemy. Rather his eyes were filled with tears of love and affection.
 - iii) He used to shed tears for them in his prayers.

Therefore, these were the ways of his calling his enemies to the message of truth. If you will adopt these methods, the divine promise that Allah will protect you from the people will be fulfilled for you. He will surely protect you.

Winning of hearts is essential:

During the job of Da‘wat ilallah, winning of hearts is more essential than winning of heads. Remember that if hearts are won, most of the job is done. That is the time when winning the heads poses least problem. If you have won somebody’s heart with love and affection, then the obstacles between him and the sayings and writings of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) will melt away. Therefore,

Reform your tongue & Mend your heart and make it sweeter.

Be lowly and humble and then see, by the grace of God, how many blessings you will earn. You will conquer those hearts in the least possible time.

Need For Prayer:

Last but not the least, I call your attention towards prayer.

- Pray at every step during Da‘wat ilallah.
- Pray while you are engaged in this task.
- When you return home, pray again.
- Even ask your children to pray for you. If you will pay attention seriously, you will put your heart and soul in the job. You will sincerely request your children to pray for you, and then you will see that the prayers of your innocent children will join your prayers, and strengthen you. Your words will carry wonderful force.

You have been created to conquer the nations, but it will be done with love, affection and prayers. Learn these ways and methods. Teach these ways to your children. If you will do so, the condition of the Jama‘at will be revolutionized. You will get new life and fresh spirituality.

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