

A decorative archway with a complex geometric pattern in shades of blue and white. The arch is framed by a border of yellow and blue squares. The background is a solid teal color with a repeating geometric pattern.

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Mahdi, the axis of unity of Muslims

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The valuable book “Return to Islam” written by the wise thinker Mansoor Hashemi Khorasani has been published in a situation in which the world of Islam is in a deep negligence about the promised person of the end of time, his Excellency Mahdi peace be upon him, and considers absolutely no role for him in its political and cultural equations, or if it does, it has forgotten his Excellency’s role. There is no doubt that believing in his Excellency is one of the greatest points of commonality among the Muslims of the world and a turning point in their relations; therefore I decided to write a short article by the inspiration from the firm and lightning foundations of this book about the unprecedented role of his Excellency Mahdi peace be upon him regarding unity of the Muslims of the world as path to Imam Mahdi’s advent.

In the current situation of the world of Islam, it seems that the Muslims of the world need to, first and foremost, abandon their archaic disputes and forget the old conflicts which are buried deep in the past centuries and eras; because on one hand, renewing the old disputes and bringing them up repeatedly does not resolve any problems of the Muslims and it is just like salt splashing on an open and infected wound, and on the other hand, according to the explicit words of God in the noble Quran, quarrel and conflict between them leads to weakness and fragility and annihilation of



their power and leads to dominance of the enemy over them. But on the other hand, God has strictly commanded all Muslims to shelter and hold fast to His rope and has considered it the source of their unity and says: ﴿وَأَعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلَا تَفَرَّقُوا﴾. Therefore, in the sensitive conditions in which Muslims are, their only correct and wise approach is benevolent and sincere effort to find the best solution and planning a unit foundation and real common axis for ending divergence and hostile divisions between Muslims and to initiate the process of integration and a firm and stable unity. But it should be kept in mind that in case there is good intention and seriousness from the Muslims in adopting such an approach, the mentioned search will not be very difficult and futile; because on one hand, guidance is by God and He does not leave His sincere and pious servants in aberration, and on the other hand, in case there is no deliberate intention or neglect from the Muslims themselves, their public negligence that has covered their consciousness like a curtain, will be resolved by adopting such a blessed approach, and then they will see very well that they all sense a common understanding of the undesirable existing things and the desirable must-be things in their truth-seeking natures. This is when they will remember all their Islamic and innate desires and goals and by the guidance of God, they will get close together again and will join together and by making unit ranks, they will organize the truth front.

But there is no doubt that at the top of all the common desires and goals of the world's Muslims, there is the establishment of universal justice and the eradication of oppression and corruption on earth under the shadow of an independent and truthful Islamic government. A sovereignty that Islam has promised to Muslims since the early days, and undoubtedly any other legitimate and correct desire will come true only in this way and all the Muslims of the world, whether they know it or not, have such a desire in their minds.

But what has led many Muslims astray and caused them



to deviate from the original path of Islam, is this ominous and baseless illusion that in order to fulfill this long-held and sweet desire, Muslims do not need the guidance of God and every group of them can follow whatever path they think is right and choose anyone they like to lead the path towards this great cause! But we can clearly see what type of results such an ominous illusion and naïve imagination has brought and what it has done to the Muslims of the world! Today, every group of Muslims have made someone dominant over themselves and have pledged allegiance to their desired ruler. A group of them made allies with the unbelievers and consequently made the Muslim rulers who are in fact traitorous and malevolent hypocrites their rulers, and another group of them, with a strange wilfulness and totalitarian, pledge allegiance to their self-proclaimed rulers and caliphs and support them for greater power and domination. Hence ignorance, cruelty, aggression, war, injustice and poverty have overpowered them, and the shadow of destruction and collapse is over their heads. This is because Muslims ignored God and disregarded His volition and will in this matter and violated the way He had determined to achieve this great cause. Muslims forgot that the permission of God and His command is the origin and basis of creation and the cornerstone of the formation of this world, and all the streams, equations and calculations that govern it would not flow without His will and determination and without them, even a gravel would not move on the earth. Muslims have forgotten that God has determined a way and a method for fulfilling His promises and He has made it necessary to be commitment to this path and method in order to fulfill them. Muslims of the world have overlooked this massive fact that God Almighty, has considered **Guardianship** and **Allegiance** exclusively for Himself and has strongly prohibited them to share them with anyone else and He has considered sharing them an example of polytheism toward God. Truthfully, how is it possible for Muslims to achieve such a sacred goal by polytheism and disobedience to God?! Undoubtedly God, the Exalted, is the true ruler and the main owner of this world, and the rulership over



it belongs to Him alone. Thus, achieving universal justice can only be accomplished in the way He has desired, and only the ruler He has chosen for the people will have the capability and qualification to bring justice, and no one else. This is a fact that despite its clarity and truthfulness, has been deeply neglected and forgotten, and of course this is a very strange and incomprehensible negligence; since all Muslims agree that, according to the Mutawatir Islamic narrations, the one who rises for the truth and establishes justice on the earth, and the only one whom God has announced his movement and uprising for the truth and justice and ultimate victory, is Mahdi from the family of Mohammad; “The one who will fill the earth with justice and fairness; just as it has been filled with injustice and cruelty” and there is no such agreement over anyone else. This means that the only legitimate ruler who is approved by God at this time is him, and the only person to whom pledge of allegiance is permitted and even obligatory for the Muslims of the world at this time is Mahdi, and any allegiance to anyone except for him, is rebellion against God’s command and as a result, it is adherence to Satan and according to Quran’s interpretation, it is considered pursuit of rulership in Taughut and this indicates the importance and centrality of pledge of allegiance to Mahdi in Islamic teachings. This is because pledge of allegiance to Mahdi is the replacement of pledge of allegiance to all the oppressors and Taughuts of the world and therefore, it will weaken their power and bring down their sovereignty and, on the other hand, it will guarantee the unity of Muslims of the world and bring them together under a single flag; because it seems that now, the disagreements and divisions of the Ummah stem from the political factors and numerous and scattered sovereignties, and the division of Muslims is due to following different rulers and political powers, and it is natural that every group, every rank and every nation of Muslims follow the leader of their own, and the leaders of the world of Islam also invite toward themselves, and they have generally forgotten Mahdi; because they either have basically no interest in him at all and also are unable to mention



his name, or they propagate that the advent of Mahdi is far away and it is not known when it will happen. This is how the leaders of the world of Islam knowingly or unknowingly act against Mahdi and stop the Muslim's public opinion from reflecting on him. Now if we imagine that the awakening call of inviting toward Mahdi and joining him and breaking away from everything other than him reaches to all Muslims of the world and all of them, give up the rulers whom they have chosen without God's permission and rush to Mahdi all together, then what will happen? Actually, what changes will happen in the region and in the world by starting the awakening movement of supporting and obeying Mahdi and resonating the slogan of the return of Muslims to Mahdi?

It seems, first of all, the first blessed outcome of such an awakening movement is the unification of Muslims in one rank and under one flag, as well as their convergence and unity under the shadow of allegiance to God's appointed ruler, and this is the first step towards the realization of our Islamic cause, meaning the realization of sovereignty of his Excellency Mahdi; for there is no doubt that a real unity and deep interconnectedness among the Muslims ranks is considered a prerequisite for the worldly Mahdavi revolution. We believe that such blessed Islamic movement which has aimed toward the unity of all Muslims under the Mahdavi flag has already begun and has chanted the call of "Return to Islam". This movement is led by the vigilant and warrior thinker, his honor Allamah Mansoor Hashemi Khorasani, who, with his **extraordinary** and exemplary courage, has set the word "the allegiance is for God"¹ as the motto of his movement and believes that the only example of pledging allegiance to God in our time is to pledge allegiance to the Caliph of God, Mahdi from the family of Mohammad, and any other allegiance at this time is considered an allegiance to Taughut, therefore "the allegiance is for God" means the monopoly of sovereignty and power to the one whom God has chosen as His Caliph and he is no one other than Mahdi. This

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flag-bearer of the pure and complete Islam, by presenting such an authentic and valid version, believes that Mahdi is the iron pillar of the tent of Islam and until this iron pillar is not firmed on earth, the tent of Islam will not be established. Therefore, the duty of each and every one of the Muslims of the world is comprehensive and sincere support for Mahdi and to help and protect and have obedience for him. This is why one can call this great thinker's movement the movement of "Return to Islam" or the movement of return to Mahdi; because he is the strong pillar and the promised establisher of Islam and returning to him is in fact returning to the true Islam.

We hope that the awakening message of this active scholar and open-minded peace-maker be properly accepted and welcomed by Muslim people around the world, May it be the demand for Mahdi becomes the unified call of the nation of Islam and shakes the pillars in the palaces of world's tyrants and Taughuts.