

## **The Way of Muhammad (SAW)**

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The matters between the administration of Lal-Masjid and Jamia Hafza and the government are getting worst day by day and this crisis doesn't seem to be ending easily. As far as government is concerned, they have already been challenged by the 'black coats'; hence, this new challenge has totally rattled their bases. The body language of enlightened president too is reflecting that he is counting his days now, and his government's helplessness is also easily observable. The government's writ which has been repeatedly emphasized doesn't appear to be effective anywhere anymore. Hence, the administration of Lal-Masjid and Jamia Hafza seems to exploit this situation and is appearing to do it successfully. As, previously they demanded the reconstruction of demolished mosques and the enforcement of Shria law in the country, but now they have gone one step ahead as they warned CD shop keepers to end their businesses and cracked down on one of the brothels in F-6. They also took two policemen as hostages and now they have declared the establishment of Sharia Courts.

Since, we have always tried to say truth in these pages, no matter how harsh the consequences would be, we are sorry to say that the administration of Lal-Masjid, though, seems to be getting stronger, is in fact getting weaker day by day. First of all, they lost the public support by taking law in their own hands, and then the religious leaders and heads of religious movements have declared their discontent over this matter. Though Qazi Hussain Ahmad initially joined them in their gathering in Lal-Masjid, but now, his views have also clearly changed over this matter. From NWFP province, where MMA have their government, an official statement has already been announced in opposition to the Administration of Lal-Masjid, and the opinion of Tanzeem-e-Wafaq-ul-Madaaris is also against them. We think that this division among religious forces is very dangerous. The fact is that Maulana Abdul Aziz and Maulana Abdurrasheed Ghazi are enjoying the support of such young and enthusiastic men and women who, on one hand, severely hate Musharraf's enlightened agenda, while on the other hand, are now fed up of the Political Religious Parties as well. This is because MMA's government in NWFP has totally failed to establish Sharia despite all their public support. Hence, after being disappointed by these circumstances, these sincere brothers and sisters have come to the conclusion that their target can only be achieved through bullet not ballet. Administration of Lal-Masjid seems to be indulged in such thoughts these days, that's why they are raising slogans such as 'Sharia or Shahdah' and now it seems almost impossible for them to step down from this stand.

Since, it is our religious and moral duty to give advice to our brothers and sisters, we request Maulana Abdul Aziz, Maulana Abdurrasheed Ghazi and their enthusiastic supporters that, no doubt, only a non-religious person or a disbeliever can argue on the implementation of Sharia in any where in the world including Pakistan, and we as well consider this noble task as a religious obligation like Prayer, but if a prayer is performed at the time of sunrise or sunset or after the Aasr prayer before Maghrib, then it will be an unacceptable and a prohibited act. Similarly, if the implementation of Sharia law is not

done on the foot steps of Prophet Muhammad (SAW), then it can lead to unrest and destruction.

Mauzalana Abdul Aziz during a question-answer session mentioned that some people say that we are at the moment in Makkan period, hence there won't be any conflict, so I ask them, "Was the system of prayer implemented in the Makkan period? Was alcohol prohibited in Makkan period? If they are right in their claim then, why they don't leave prayer and start drinking alcohol?" We, therefore, correct our honorable brother that we are not in the Makkan Period. Makkan and Madni periods have nothing to do with the Sharia law, once the rules of Sharia were finalized by Allah (S.W.T) 1400 years ago, they will be observed till the Day of Judgment. Hence all these rules have to be followed and all prohibited acts have to be refrained from by all the Muslims. However, any organization who wants to strive for establishing of an Islamic state, will first, have to follow the same strategy which Prophet Muhammad (SAW) adopted in Makkah. Since, we are bound to follow Muhammad (SAW) in all matters; it will be harmful and dreadful for us to follow our own paths while rejecting his Sunnah. The need of the hour is that we highlight the religious obligations and the practical aspects of Iman to the Muslim masses, and educate them about the Islamic System. How it can be implemented? What will be its benefits? These virtues should first be widely spread throughout the country, and then the people who will show their interest in these concepts should be organized together under an organization which has to be based on the system of Baiyat. The most difficult phase will be the training of the members of such organization, which requires extreme care, hard-work and patience. When thousands of such trained members will be available, only then the stage of conflict can come. Regarding this conflict, it is important to note that it is not possible these days to directly challenge the government for a War. Tanks, helicopters and jet fighters cannot be fought with mere sticks, and also, this conflict will not be with non-Muslims but it will be with our own brothers. Hence, giving lives should be the priority instead of taking lives of others. Since, leadership and military are Muslims as well, they won't be able to kill many protesters, and in the end will be forced to support the public opinion.

Finally, we totally reject all such propaganda that the administration of Lal-Masjid is doing all this at the behest of intelligent agencies or that government is supporting them to divert the attention of masses from the Judicial Crisis and to justify their Military rule to their foreign lords. We don't have any doubt in the sincerity and religious motivation of the two Brothers, but we do suggest that this courage and enthusiasm should to be exploited in the right direction. We pray that may Allah save all who are working for HIS DIN, from all kinds of evils and guide them to the path followed by Prophet Muhammad (SAW). Ameen! We have strong faith in the fact that the success and prosperity in both this world and the hereafter is only possible by following the way of Muhammad (SAW) and all other ways are nothing but deceptions.