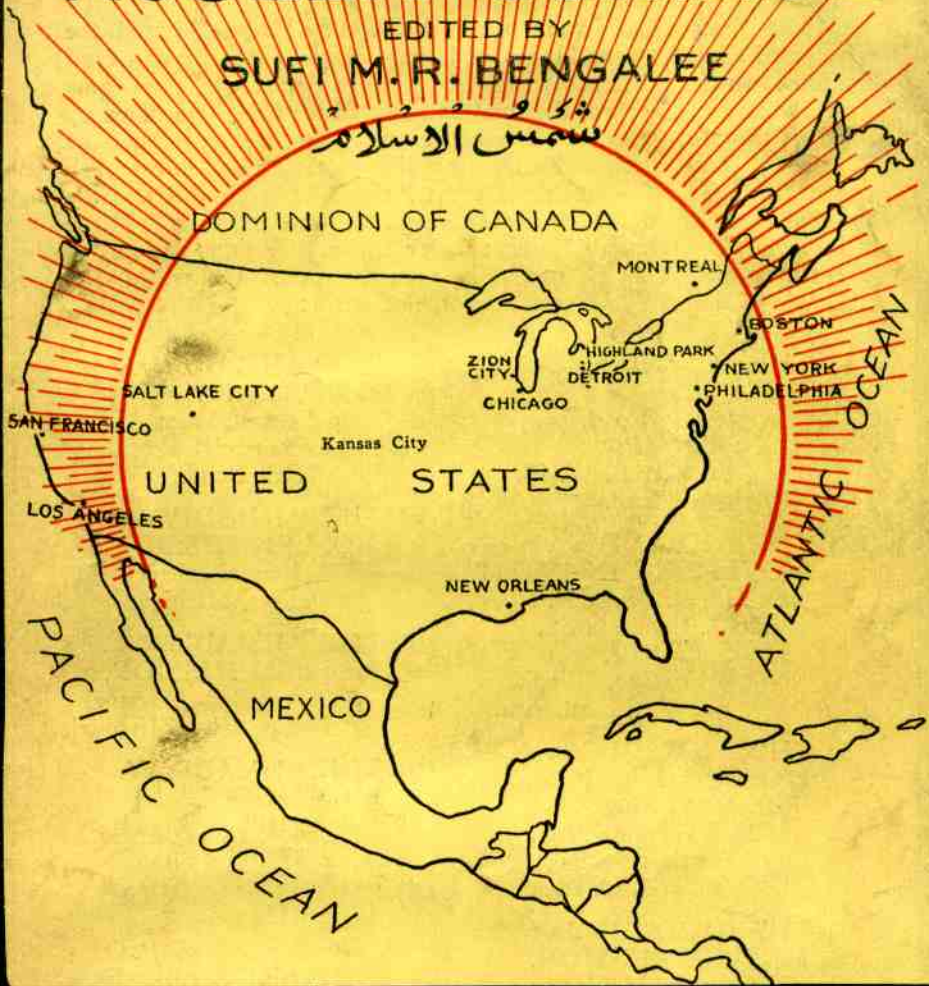


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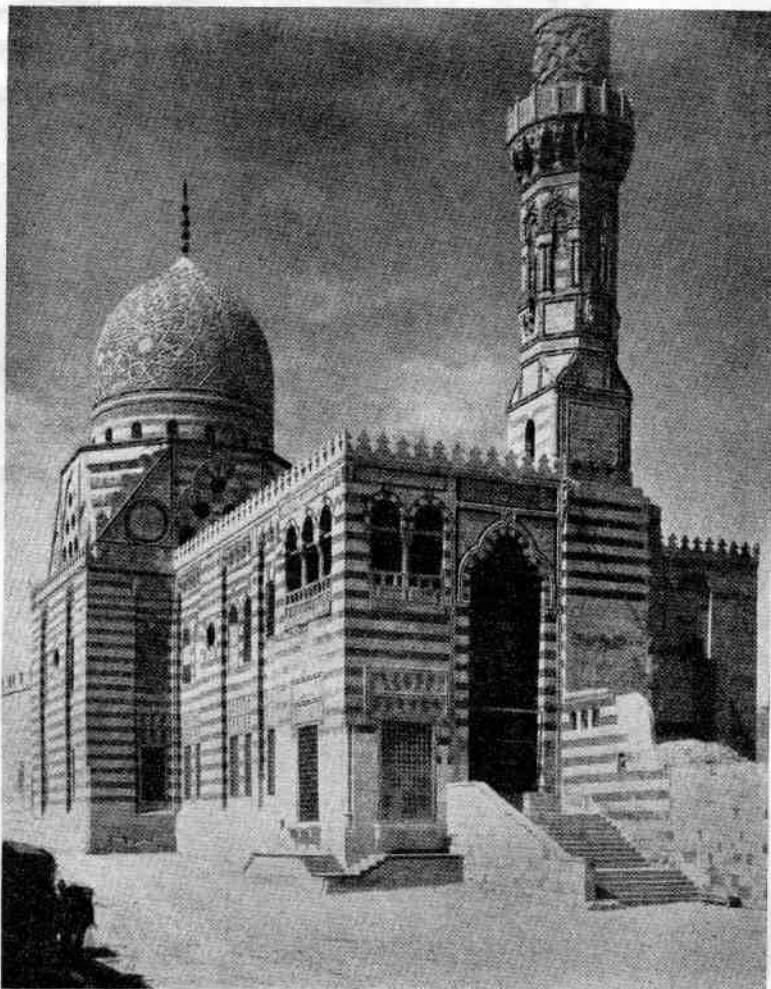
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THE MOSQUE OF KAIT-BEY, CAIRO (EGYPT)



Mosque with tomb of Kait Bey, built in the XV century. It is regarded as one of the most beautiful and the purest monuments of Egypt.

THE FATE OF EGYPT was profoundly modified in the ninth century of Christian era by the rise of Islam and the Arab conquest, since when Egypt has become a great centre of Islamic learning and civilisation, and Arabic became the language of the country. Mediaeval Cairo was evidently a place of great magnificence and beauty, of which very much still remains, including the Citadel, built by the Sultan Şalah-ed-Din (the noble "Saladin"), the splendid gates Bab Zuweila and Bab el Nasr, extensive City Walls and some of the most beautiful places of worship in the world such as the great Mosques of Ibn Tulun, Sultan Hassan, Kait Bey and Sultan Qalaoun. There are also ancient caravanserais and beautiful merchants' and nobles' houses, many centuries old, hidden away in the winding streets and lanes of the old quarters which can be visited if one has the interest and patience to look. There is almost always a courteous Egyptian caretaker, only too pleased to show a visitor around.

"The modern part of Cairo is much like any large city of the Mediterranean basin, with wide streets, white houses and large shops and hotels to meet every requirement of modern comfort and luxury. Cairo is the largest Islamic City in the world, with an ancient centre of Islamic learning: the University of El-Azhar."

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Four Verses from the Holy Qu-ran

(Transliteration)

Ya ayyuha-lla zeena amanoo-z-kurullaha zikran kaseera.
(XXXIII-41)

Wa-sabbihuhu bukratan wa-aseela. (XXXIII-42)

Ya-ayyuhalla zeena amanoo la-tulhikum Amwalukum
Aw Awladukum an zikrellah Wa man Yaf-al zalika Fa-
ulaika-humul khasiroon. (LXII-9)

Allazeena Amanoo Watatma-inno qulubuhum Bi-zikrellah
A-la-Bizikrillahi tatma-innul qulub. (XIII-28)

Translation

1. O Ye, who believe, remember God with much remembrance.
2. And proclaim the holiness of God, morning and evening.
3. O Ye, who believe, let not your wealth or children distract you from the remembrance of God. Those who do so, they are the losers.
4. (Those who turn to God are) those who believe and whose hearts find peace with the remembrance of God. Verily, with the remembrance of God, hearts find peace and rest.

من احاديث الرسول

The Sayings of the Master Prophet Muhammad

Abu Huraira reports that the Holy Prophet said: "Every important thing which is not begun with the praise of God is devoid of blessings." (ABU DAUD)

Jabir relates that the Holy Prophet said: "Allah shows mercy unto the people who are kind and considerate when buying and selling and when demanding payment." (Bukhari)

Ayesha reports that some people slaughtered a goat. The Holy Prophet asked them, "How much meat is left (after distributing the meat among the poor)?" They replied, "Only a leg remains." Thereupon the Holy Prophet said, "Say, rather all the meat remains except that of the leg." (Tirmudhi)

It is reported on the authority of Muawiya that the Holy Prophet said, "If you search for people's faults you will harm more than reform them." (ABU DAUD)

Ayadh reports that the Holy Prophet said, "O people, God has revealed to me that you must adopt humbleness so that you must not consider yourselves superior to others, nor be boastful one unto the other." (MUSLIM)

Abu Sufiyan relates: "I besought the Holy Prophet, 'O Prophet of Allah, give me some wise counsel to which I can hold fast'. The Holy Prophet replied, 'Say God is my Lord and be steadfast in it.' I asked him again, 'O Prophet of Allah, what do you fear in me most?' Touching the tongue, he said, 'The thing I fear in you most is this' (the tongue.)" (TIRMUDHI)

Abu Huraira relates that the Holy Prophet said, "By God in whose hands is my life, you cannot gain entrance into paradise without having faith in God and you cannot be truly faithful without loving one another. O people, should I not tell you something which will beget and increase your mutual love? Harken, O people, greet one another frequently with the greeting, 'Assalamo Alaikum—Peace be unto you'." (MUSLIM)

An Arabic Poem

By HAZRAT MIRZA GHULAM AHMAD

The Promised Messiah and Mahdi (1836-1908)

ENGLISH VERSION

By R. E. BARCLAY

(In many cases only the sense has been taken; everything else
has been entirely changed)

To Thee belongeth all Power, O our support, our Fountain of
light.

Enable us to show our thanks unto Thee and to sing Thy Praise.
Thou looketh with mercy upon Thy servant who comes to Thee
in repentance.

Thou forgiveth the transgressor who has been led astray.
The greatest sin is as naught before Thy forgiveness.
How merciful Thou art unto Thy servant who turns swiftly to
Thee.

Thou encompasseth the mystery and the secret of the Universe.
Thou knoweth the straight path and the crooked one.

We are Thy servants, O God, our Refuge.

We prostrate ourselves before Thee in humbleness and in ador-
ation.

We know that our dross cannot be hidden from Thee.

Thou knoweth the colors of dross and of gold.

Thou hath destroyed the arrogant for their wickedness;

Thou hath caught them and broken their pride.

The meek and lowly, the insignificant in the eyes of men,

Thou hath made them as great pearls and as shining emeralds.

By Thy mercy and grace, Thou canst turn deserts into gardens;

And by Thy wrath, Thou canst destroy man's proudest monu-
ments.

Thou alone possess all power and mercy, O Lord.

In all the universe, Thou hath no rival.

The immensity and Unity of the Universe

That Thou hath created, proclaim Thy Glory.

Thou art zealous; Thou destroyeth the wicked with Thy wrath.
 Thou art merciful; and forgiving to those who turn to Thee.
 We fear not Thy wrath for we have known Thy mercy;
 Nor despair of Thy favor when our punishment o'ertakes us.
 If Thou willeth, Thou canst destroy the whole of Thy creation.
 If Thou willeth, Thou canst shower untold blessings upon us.
 Thou art One, the only One, There is none like unto Thee.
 Thou art Omnipotent, the Exalted, Thy perfection is infinite.
 Whosoever cometh to Thee in obedience and in faith, attains
 salvation.
 Thou causeth us to enter the fountain to cleanse us of our
 iniquities.
 Thine is the Kingdom of Heaven and of Earth.
 The Glories of the evening and of the morning, they are thine.

The Teachings Essential to Be a True Moslem

By

HAZRAT MIRZA GHULAM AHMAD

THE PROMISED MESSIAH AND MAHDI

(1836-1908)

In order to follow me it is necessary in the first place to believe in one God, the Creator and the Supporter of all existence, powerful over all, eternal, everlasting and unchanging in His attributes, neither being a son nor having a son, and free from suffering injuries, cross or death. Being far off He is yet very near, and being near He is still very far, He is one but His manifestations are many. For those who renew themselves, He is a new God, and His dealings with them are new. They witness a change in God to the extent to which they change themselves. But it is not God who changes, for He is unchanging and perfect in His attributes from all eternity. It is a new manifestation of God which is disclosed to a man when

he is changed by a renewal of his mind. As a man rises higher, a higher manifestation of Divine power is revealed to him. When he shows an extraordinary change, Almighty God reveals to him extraordinary manifestations of His power. This is the root from which signs and miracles spring.

Such is my Lord, in Him you must believe and Him you must set before you. Let God be uppermost in your mind, let Him be dearer to you than your own selves, your comforts and all your connections. Be ye constant and firm in His path so that no storm may shake you. The world trusts in its resources and prefers not God to its own dear objects, but trust ye in God alone and prefer Him to all else, so that you may be numbered in heaven with His people. Almighty God has been exhibiting His signs of mercy from ancient times, but you cannot avail yourselves of His tender mercies until you are one with Him and fulfill all the laws of righteousness. His will must be your will and His desire your desire. Be faithful to Him in adversities and lie at His door whether He hearkens to your voice or not, so that His will be done in all cases. If you trust in Him thus, the Living God who has long hidden His face from the world will manifest Himself in you. Is there any among you who can act upon these ordinances, who can seek to do the will of God and submit to the decree of heaven without uttering a word of complaint? When adversities encompass you all around, your faith in Him should be greater.

Let all your power be exerted to establish His unity upon earth. Be kind and merciful to the creatures of God. Let not your tongue speak evil against them or your hands do injury to them. Do not oppress them but try your best to do good to them. Speak not the word of pride and vanity to any one though he be your subordinate or servant. Abuse not any one though he might abuse you. Walk upon earth in humility and meekness and sympathize with your fellow-beings, that you may be accepted of God. There are many who show meekness outwardly but inwardly they are ravening wolves. There are many who are smooth in appearance but they have the nature of a serpent. You cannot be accepted of your God until your tongue conforms with your heart. If you are in a high place, glory not in your greatness and do not look down upon the lowly but have mercy upon them. If you are learned, glory not

in your learning, and despite not the ignorant with vanity but give them a word of kind advice. If you are rich, glory not in your riches and behave not proudly toward the poor, but serve and assist them. Shun the paths that lead to destruction. Fear God and be righteous. Worship not creatures by severing all your earthly connections, and be ye wholly devoted unto God. Let not your delight be in this world. Serve God only, and devote your life to His service. Hate every impurity and evil for God's sake, for your Lord is holy. Let every morning bear you witness that you have passed the night with righteousness, and let every evening bear you witness that you have passed the day fearing God.

Be not afraid of the curses of this world, for they are like the smoke which disappears instantly and cannot turn the light of your day into the darkness of night; but fear the curse of God which comes down from heaven, and brings ruin, both in this world and in the next, upon the heads of those upon whom it descends. You cannot save yourself with hypocrisy, for your Lord sees the inmost secrets of the heart. Can you deceive Him. Therefore, stand uprightly before Him, purge your hearts of every impurity and cleanse them of every dross. If the slightest darkness remains in you, you cannot be acceptable in the sight of God. Be not deceived that a few words that your lips utter, are the goal of your life, for Almighty God wishes to bring about a thorough change in your life. He demands of you a death, after which He shall breathe a new life into you. Be at peace with each other and forgive the trespasses of your brethren, for wicked is the person who does not agree to be at peace with his brother. He is in danger of being cut off, for he sows the seed of dissention. Renounce your desires and passions in every way and settle your differences quickly. Being true, humble yourself like one who is in error, that you may be forgiven. Get rid of the fatness of passion because strait is the gate to which you are called, and a fat man cannot enter in it. Woe unto him who does not accept these words which have come out of the mouth of God and have been taught by me. If you wish that God may be pleased with you in heaven, be at agreement with one another as twinborn brothers. Greatest among you is he who most forgives his brother's trespasses. Woe betide him who does not forgive and persists in vengeance. Such a one has no share in me.

