

Blessings of  
**Ghaus-ul-A'zam** رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ

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sunnah-inspiring ijtima

(For Islamic Brothers)

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ  
 أَمَا بَعْدُ فَأَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

## Blessings of Ghaus-ul-A'zam بِرَحْمَةِ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ

أَلصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَعَلَى أَلِكْ وَأَصْحَبِكَ يَا حَبِيبَ اللَّهِ  
 أَلصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَبِيَّ اللَّهِ وَعَلَى أَلِكْ وَأَصْحَبِكَ يَا نُورَ اللَّهِ

### نَوَيْتُ سُنَّتَ الْإِعْتِكَافِ

**Translation:** I have made the intention of Sunnah I'tikaf.

Whenever you enter a Masjid, upon remembering, make the intention of I'tikaf because as long as you stay in the Masjid you will keep getting the reward of I'tikaf. Remember! There is no Shar'i permission to eat and drink, sleep or do Sahari and Iftari, even to drink Zamzam water and the water on which *Dam* has been made, in a Masjid. However, if the intention of I'tikaf is made, all these acts will become permissible. One should not make intention to observe I'tikaf only to eat, drink or sleep, but rather he should do it for pleasing Allah Almighty.

It is stated in *Fatawa Shaami*: If someone wants to eat, drink, sleep in a Masjid, he should make intention to observe I'tikaf, do Zikr of Allah Almighty for some time, then whatever he wants he can do (i.e. now if he wants to eat, drink or sleep, he can do so.).

## Excellence of reciting Durood

The Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said:

مَنْ صَلَّى عَلَيَّ مِائَةً كَتَبَ اللَّهُ بَيْنَ عَيْنَيْهِ بَرَاءَةً مِنَ الْبَغَاةِ وَبَرَاءَةً مِنَ الشَّارِ  
 وَأَسْكَنَهُ اللَّهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ مَعَ الشُّهَدَاءِ

Whoever recites Durood Shareef upon me 100 times, Allah Almighty inscribes between his two eyes that he is free from hypocrisy and the fire of Hell and on the Day of Judgement; He [Almighty] will keep him with the martyrs. *(Majma'-uz-Zawaid, vol. 10, pp. 253, Hadees 17298)*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! Before listening to the speech, first of all, let us make good intentions to please Allah Almighty and earn reward. The Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said, 'نِيَّةُ الْمُؤْمِنِ خَيْرٌ مِّنْ عَمَلِهِ' *The intention of a Muslim is better than his deed.* *(Al-Mu'jam-ul-Kabeer, vol. 6, pp. 185, Hadees 5942)*

### An important point

For righteous and permissible work the more we make good intentions, the more we attain reward.

### Intentions of listening to Bayan

1. Lowering my eyes, I will listen to the Bayan attentively.
2. Instead of resting against a wall, etc., I will sit in Attahiyyaat position as long as possible with the intention of showing respect for religious knowledge.
3. When I hear تَوَبُّوا إِلَى اللَّهِ، أذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ، صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ، etc., I will reply loudly with the intention of gaining reward and pleasing those who make Sada [call out] loudly.
4. After the Bayan, I will approach people to say Salaam, shake hands and to make individual efforts upon them.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! **الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ** We are currently in the month of Rabi'-ul-Aakhir and tonight is the 11<sup>th</sup> night as well, which the devotees of Ghaus-ul-A'zam also refer to as the big Giyarhween Shareef. On this day, devotees of Ghaus and Raza across the globe commemorate the blessed 'Urs of Shaykh 'Abdul Qadir Jeelani **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ** with great veneration and reverence. Devotees of Rasool across the globe convey rewards to the noble soul of Ghaus-e-Pak **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ** in different ways. At some places Ijtima'aat are conducted and in other locations people recite the Holy Quran, at some places devotees of Ghaus-e-Pak gather to watch the Madani Muzakarah and in some locations people keep a voluntary fast to convey reward. In some places, booklets are distributed to convey reward to the blessed soul of Ghaus-e-Pak **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ** and at other locations food [Langer-e-Ghausiyyah] is served at the Ijtima'aat.

**الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ!** In the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami, the Madani movement of the devotees of the Prophet, Ijtima'-e-Ghausiyyah is organised on this blessed night throughout the world. With this connection, today, we will also gain the blessings of listening to the praise of that noble individual who is resting in his blessed grave in the land of Baghdad. In today's speech, along with hearing about some events from the blessed childhood of Ghaus-e-Pak **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ**, we will also hear about the glad tidings that were given about his blessed birth prior to his birth. There is no doubt that Ghaus-e-Pak **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ** was a Wali from birth, but when did he himself become aware of his own sainthood? We will also hear about this.

Along with hearing about various biographical events, we will also listen to points related to his rank in knowledge. Likewise, some accounts showing his love and affection towards students of sacred knowledge will also be mentioned. Certainly, a true spiritual guide is a real guide for a human being and the spiritual blessings that a human being can gain from his spiritual guide, perhaps it is not possible to gain that from anywhere else, and this is why we will also take guidance from the golden sayings of Ghaus-e-Pak **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ**. Alongside this, we will gain the honour of listening to the benefits of being a disciple of Ghaus-e-Pak **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ**.

Dear Islamic brothers! Ghaus-e-Pak **رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ** is such a pure and great individual that the Holy Prophet **صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** himself and even the other blessed

Prophets عَلَيْهِمُ السَّلَام and Awliya gave the glad tidings of his sainthood before he was born.

## 1. The Holy Prophet ﷺ gave the glad tidings of his birth

The father of Shaykh ‘Abdul Qadir Jeelani, Sayyid Abu Saleh Musa Jangi Dost رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ saw on the night of the birth of Ghaus-e-Pak that the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ was present in his house along with his blessed companions رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ and Noble Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ and they gave him glad tidings by addressing him with the following words: O Abu Saleh! Allah Almighty has granted you such a child who is a Saint, He is my beloved as well as the beloved of Allah Almighty. His rank amongst the Awliya and Aqtaab is like my rank amongst the Prophets and Messengers عَلَيْهِمُ السَّلَام.

*(Seerat Ghaus-us-Saqalain, pp. 55)*

## 2. Glad tidings given by the Noble Prophets

The Father of Ghaus-e-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was also given glad tidings by all the Prophets عَلَيْهِمُ السَّلَام that all Awliya will be obedient to your son and your son's foot will be on their necks. *(Seerat Ghaus-us-Saqalain, pp. 55)*

Many Awliya who preceded Ghaus-e-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ gave glad tidings of His arrival.

## 3. Glad tidings given by Sayyiduna Hasan Basri رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ

Sayyiduna Hasan Basri رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ mentioned in detail from his era until the era of Shaykh ‘Abdul Qadir Jeelani رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ that all the Awliya who have passed gave news about the arrival of Shaykh ‘Abdul Qadir Jeelani. *(Seerat Ghaus-us-Saqalain, pp. 58)*

## 4. Glad tidings given by Shaykh Abu Bakr Huwaar رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ

Likewise, Shaykh Abu Bakr Bin Huwaar رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ once said to his disciples: Very soon, an ‘Ajami from Iraq who will have a high rank in the court of Allah Almighty and amongst the people and whose name is ‘Abdul Qadir will take up residence in Baghdad. He will announce ‘قَدَمِي هَذِهِ عَلَى رَقَبَةِ كُلِّ وَلِيٍّ اَللّٰهِ’ (This foot of

mine is on the necks of all Awliya) and all Awliya of [his] era will be obedient to him. (*Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 14*)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers, Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ was a saint from birth. When He was still in his mother's stomach, whenever she sneezed and said 'أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ', he would reply with 'يُرِيحُكَ اللَّهُ' whilst in the stomach. He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ graced the world [i.e. was born] on 1<sup>st</sup> Ramadan at the time of dawn and at that time his lips were moving slowly and the sound of Allah Allah could be heard. (*Munnay ki Laash, pp. 4, 5*)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

### Disinclination to fun and games

Dear Islamic brothers, it is generally seen that children are normally inclined towards fun and games in childhood and they run away from studies whereas take a look at the excellence of our Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ that he was not inclined towards fun and games even in his childhood, he would remain pure and clean and he would not utter any unwise statement from his blessed tongue. He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ himself stated about his own childhood: In my childhood, whenever I was inclined towards playing with children, a voice would come from the unseen, 'Stay away from fun and games!' upon hearing which I would stop and look around me but I would not see anyone saying anything. This would scare me and I would run quickly to my home and hide in my Mother's lap. I now hear that very same voice when I am alone. If I feel sleepy, then immediately that voice appears and warns me, 'You were not created to sleep'. (*Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 48*)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

## Teach children to say Allah

O devotees of Ghaus-ul-A'zam! We too should teach the Zikr of Allah Almighty and His Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ to our children instead of teaching them useless things. This will have a good impact on children.

In '*Islami Zindagi*', a publication of Maktaba-tul-Madinah, the Islamic method of raising children has been mentioned and the summary is as follows:

- When a child is capable of speaking, teach him to say Allah. In the past, mothers would make children fall asleep by reciting 'Allah Allah', but alas! Various musical toys are now kept next to children.
- When a child is able to comprehend, do not carry out such actions before him which will ruin his character because children imitate whatever is done before them. Therefore, offer Salah and recite the Quran before them so that these habits can develop in them as well.
- When the children become quite sensible, teach them Kalimahs, Salah, Iman-e-Mujmal and Iman-e-Mufassal, and the rulings of Wudu and Ghusul etc. (*Islami Zindagi*, pp. 30, summarised)

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Dear Islamic brothers, there is a beautiful and easy method of nurturing kids which if applied within every home and implemented by the elders of the house or guardians, then by the mercy of Allah Almighty it is hoped that our children will learn to say 'Allah Allah Allah' from a young age, they will recite Na'at and recite Durood and Salam. Through the blessings of adopting this method, along with nurturing children, the blessings of Sunnah will flourish in every household. By the blessing of following this method, every house will become a peaceful place. By the blessing of adopting this method, afflictions and calamities will depart from the house. The devotees of Rasool are probably thinking, what is that method which if adopted will lead to all these blessings? It is a request that all Islamic brothers implement this method in

their house so that our children can be nurtured and so that they become those who say 'Allah Allah Allah' from the beginning.

Listen carefully to what that method is. That method is watching Madani Channel. There may be many devotees of the Prophet present here right now who have gained numerous blessings from watching Madani Channel at their homes and along with this their kids have also received Tarbiyyah. The house at which Madani Channel has not been viewed or it is viewed rarely, the people of those households should watch Madani Channel at least once [to see the results]. What does it actually have in it due to which we receive so many blessings? Whenever you turn on Madani Channel, you will either hear recitation of the Quran or Na'at [praise of the Blessed Prophet ﷺ]. Sometimes the Shar'i rulings of Halal and Haraam are being mentioned and sometimes the call to righteousness is being conveyed by means of the Sunnah-inspiring Bayan.

In short, whether it is day or night, Madani Channel is always teaching us and our children some word of goodness and something virtuous. We need to tune in at least once [to see the benefits]. **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ** The Madani movement of devotees of Rasool, Dawat-e-Islami has accomplished another revolutionary and monumental work in the world of electronic media and you will be happy to know that since 1<sup>st</sup> Rabi-ul-Awwal 1441 AH corresponding to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019, special transmissions have commenced for kids on Madani Channel which is called **Kids Madani Channel**. The duration according to Pakistan time is 4pm to 6pm daily. Therefore, take advantage of this opportunity by making your children watch this short transmission and gain its blessings. If there is an issue with airing Madani Channel in a particular area, contact the relevant responsible brother of the department.

Besides this, **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ** Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat 'Allamah Maulana Muhammad Ilyas 'Attar Qadiri **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ** has written true stories of children for the Madani upbringing of children. They consist of very beautiful topics and the style is very simple as well so that children can understand easily. Along with this, images have also been included to make it look attractive for children. These stories of children can be purchased from Maktaba-tul-Madinah and if you want to read them online, you can go to Dawat-e-Islami's website,

[www.dawateislami.net](http://www.dawateislami.net) and read them or download them and you can also print them. The names of these booklets are as follows: (1) Luminous Face (2) Pharaoh's Dream (3) Unique Son (4) The Lying Thief.

Questions and Answers related to the 'Rights of offspring' can also be watched and shown to children from this website as well as a memory card entitled Faizan-e-Madani Muzakarah Number 8.

If only we tell our children or make them read these true Islamic stories instead of the stories about jinns. We will witness our children embracing the Madani environment.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

O devotees of Ghaus-ul-A'zam! We were hearing about Ghaus-ul-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ. Let us listen to some more parables regarding his pure childhood.

### Knowledge of his own sainthood

Ghaus-ul-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ has stated: When I would go to the Madrasah in my childhood, an Angel would come to me daily in human form and would take me to the Madrasah. He would sit next to me and I was totally unaware that he was an Angel. One day I asked him, 'Who are you?' He replied, 'I am an Angel from the Angels, Allah Almighty has sent me to accompany you in Madrasah'.

### High ranking

Ghaus-ul-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ has further stated: One day an individual passed close by me who I did not know at all. When that individual heard the Angels saying, 'Make room so that the wali of Allah Almighty can sit', he asked one Angel, 'Whose child is he?' The Angel replied, 'He belongs to the Sadaat Household', so the individual said, 'Soon he will be of high rank'.

*(Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 48)*

## Give the saint of Allah Almighty a place to sit

The son of Ghaus-ul-A'zam, Shaykh 'Abdur Razzaq رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ has said: Once, Ghaus-ul-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was asked, 'When did you come to know that you are a Wali?' So He replied, 'When I was 10 years old and I would go to the Madrasah in my city and I would witness Angels walking behind me and around me. When I would reach the Madrasah, the Angels would repeat the following, 'Give the saint of Allah Almighty a place to sit'. When I saw this event taking place frequently, I realised that Allah Almighty has made me a saint.' (*Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 48*)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

O devotees of the Awliya! It was the grace of Allah Almighty upon Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ that he recognised his own sainthood but remember, it is not a condition for sainthood that a saint is aware that he is a saint. However, a saint is definitely a scholar and one who follows the Shari'ah strictly. Any person who does not offer Salah, one who is a habitual alcoholic and gambler and one who opposes the Shari'ah can never be a saint. In this modern era, youngsters especially are in search of such people whom they can follow as a role model in order to be successful in this world. But alas! Due to being distant from Islamic teachings, they have forgotten that this worldly life is coming to an end. Therefore, to attain salvation in the life of the Hereafter and to be successful in the court of Allah Almighty, it is vital for us to search for such individuals who are perfect role models in terms of character and behaviour and who we take pride in after making them our leader.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers, the company of the Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ was a means of Tarbiyyah for others. Whoever gained the honour of being in the company of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ out of the mercy of Allah Almighty, he became a shining star due to the company of the Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. After the Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, the task of

doing the Tarbiyyah of others was carried out by the Companions who received Tarbiyyah from the Holy Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. After the era of the Companions, such Islamic scholars and pious predecessors continued to arrive who advanced the great work of calling to righteousness though their character. Kingdoms continued to be formed and they perished as well, governments came into existence and perished as well, cities were constantly built and deserted as well, however those pious people of Allah Almighty never abandoned the important task of calling to righteousness. When these people implemented the laws of Allah Almighty on themselves, He Almighty established their rule and governance over the hearts of people and He placed the crown of His sainthood on their head.

## Greatness of Ghaus-e-A'zam

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ! Ghaus-e-A'zam Jeelani رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ is also from those noble personalities who kept away from greed and fear and who devoted each and every moment of their lives to rectify people for the pleasure of Allah Almighty and who remained engaged in bettering the hereafter of people throughout their lives. Allah Almighty granted him great excellences. Observe the greatness of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ that he was a saint of Allah Almighty by birth. *(Tafreeh-ul-Khaatir, pp. 58)*

Observe the greatness of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ that he kept a fast as soon as he was born, He would drink milk at the time of Sahari and then he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ would open his fast at sunset. Observe the greatness of Ghaus-e-Pak that at the age of 5, his ritual of Bismillah Khuwani was performed, and after reciting 'أَعُوذُ بِاللّٰهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطٰنِ الرَّجِيْمِ' and 'بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ' he recited 18 parts of the Holy Quran by heart and then said: My mother had also memorised this much, she would recite and I memorised by listening. *(Munnay ki Laash, pp. 4)*

Observe the greatness of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ that he offered Fajr Salah with the Wudu of 'Isha for 40 years; it was his habit that when he would no longer be in a state of Wudu, he would make his Wudu [again] straight away and offer 2 Rak'ats of Nafil Salah. *(Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 164)*

Observe the greatness of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ that he would perform worship and recite the Glorious Quran abundantly. For 15 years, he completed a full Quran every night (*Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 118, summarised*) and daily, he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ would offer 1000 Nawafil. (*Ghaus-e-Pak kay Halaat, pp. 32*)

Observe the greatness of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ that he would lecture on 13 sciences, people would study Tafseer, Hadees, and Fiqh etc. from him at his Madrasah. Before midday and after, he would teach people Tafseer, Hadees, Fiqh, 'Ilm-ul-Kalam, 'Ilm-ul-Usool and 'Ilm-un-Nahw. After Zuhr, he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ would teach Tajweed and Qira`at alongside the Holy Quran. (*Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 225, summarised*)

Observe the greatness of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ that 500 non-Muslims accepted Islam upon his blessed hand and more than 100,000 thieves, robbers, mischief makers and grave sinners repented. (*Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 184*)

O devotees of Rasool! You have heard how highly ranked our Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was! And how he possessed pure characteristics! Therefore, we too should make a firm intention to follow in his footsteps and act upon his Seerah [biography] to better our worldly life and the Hereafter. May Allah Almighty grant us the ability to truly follow the footsteps of Ghaus-ul-A'zam.

أَمِينٌ بِجَاوِ التَّيْبِ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

## Ocean of knowledge

O devotees of Ghaus-ul-A'zam! Along with being a great Wali of Allah Almighty, Ghaus-ul-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was also a great Imam of his time, a Mufti and an ocean of knowledge. His scholarly status was so elevated that grand Islamic Scholars would present themselves in his blessed court and gain immense blessings from him and his company.

## Scholarly services of 'Allamah Ibn-e-Jawzi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ

Sayyiduna 'Allamah Ibn-e-Jawzi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was a Islamic Scholar and Imam of his time. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ wrote remarkable books on 'Ilm-ul-Quran, 'Ilm-ul-Hadees, 'Ilm-ul-Fiqh, Geography, science of Medicine, History, Tafseer, Astrology, Mathematics, Lexicology and Syntax etc. as well as many other sciences. It is stated that the total number of his books is more than 300, of which many books consist of various volumes. *(Muqaddamah 'Uyoon-ul-Hikayaat, part 1, pp. 16, summarised)*

Sayyiduna Imam Ibn-e-Qudamah Hanbali رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ has stated: Imam Ibn-e-Jawzi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was the Imam of delivering speeches of his time, he authored remarkable books in various sciences and disciplines. He would teach as well and was a Hafiz-ul-Hadees too. (The fortunate individual who has memorised 100,000 Blessed Ahadees along with their chain of narrators is referred to as Hafiz-ul-Hadees.) *(Muqaddamah Aansoon ka Darya, pp. 15)*

Let us listen to one account of the great Imam, 'Allamah Ibn-e-Jawzi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ:

## Expertise of Ghaus-ul-A'zam in the science of Tafseer

Sayyiduna Hafiz Abul 'Abbas Ahmad رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ says: I once accompanied 'Allamah Ibn-e-Jawzi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ to a gathering of Ghaus-e-Pak. A Qari recited the Quran. After the recitation, Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ began delivering a speech in which he explained one of the verses that was recited and mentioned one meaning. I asked 'Allamah Ibn-e-Jawzi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ, 'Did you have knowledge of this Tafseer'? He replied, 'Yes I did'. After this, Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ mentioned 11 explanatory statements one by one. Upon my questioning, 'Allamah Ibn-e-Jawzi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ kept answering, 'I knew this explanatory statement'.

Sayyiduna Hafiz Abul Abbas رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ states: Ghaus-e-Pak mentioned 40 explanatory statements of that one verse and he also mentioned the name of the one who said each statement. However, after the 11 explanations, when I asked about each Tafseer, 'Allamah Ibn-e-Jawzi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ kept saying 'I am not aware of this explanation'.

*(Akhbar-ul-Akhyar, pp. 11; Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 224; Zubda-tul-Aasaar, pp. 52)*

## Status and rank of Ghaus-ul-A'zam

Shaykh Imam Abu 'Abdullah Bin Ahmad Bin Qudamah رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ says: Sayyiduna Shaykh 'Abdul Qadir Jeelani رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ made great efforts to seek knowledge. He sought knowledge from many great scholars of the time as well as famous and renowned pious elders, which resulted in him becoming the highest ranking scholar from the scholars and pious elders of his time. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ went through so much difficulty and hardship to attain knowledge. At the end, He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ disconnected himself from worldly matters and engrossed himself in the remembrance of Allah Almighty and calling towards righteousness. He became highly acclaimed across the globe, the dignity of religion became apparent through him, the ranks of knowledge began to elevate due to him and the group of Islamic jurists gained strength through him. A large number of Scholars turned to him and gained the honour of being his student. Many Fuqara, erudite scholars and highly ranked spiritual guides were bestowed with the crown of Khilafah from him as well. *(Nuzhat-ul-Khaatir-il-Faatir, pp. 19, 20, summarised)*

Shaykh Muhammad Bin Yahya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ states: When Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ graduated from his studies, he was assigned to the position of teaching and issuing Fatawa. Along with this, he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ engaged in calling people towards righteousness, illuminating the Noor of knowledge and making people practical Muslims. Hence, scholars from around the world would come to learn knowledge from his Noble Court. At that time, there was no one on his level in Baghdad. *(Qalaaid-ul-Jawahir, pp. 5, summarised)*

He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was an ocean of knowledge, when his teachers gave him the Sanad of 'Ilm-ul-Hadees, they said to him: O 'Abdul Qadir, we are giving you the Sanad relating to the 'Words of Hadees' but the reality is that we gained an understanding of meanings and import of Ahadees from you. *(Hayat-ul-Mu'azzam fi Manaqib Ghaus-e-A'zam, pp. 46, minor adaptation)*

O devotees of Rasool, Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ had such passion to spread the religion that he would not waste his time at all and he would be engaged in scholarly work most of the time. Students from other cities would also flock to him to gain sacred knowledge and spiritual blessings after hearing his praise and his expertise in the sciences and disciplines. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was such

an embodiment of knowledge and action that whoever would come to him to gain knowledge, he would not return empty handed. Let us hear about the great knowledge, noble deeds and scholarly services of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ:

## Fame of his scholarly expertise

Qadi Abu Sa'eed Mubarak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ had a Madrasah in Baghdad where he would teach students who came to learn. When Qadi Sahib became aware of the scholarly excellence of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ and his righteous deeds, he handed over his Madrasah to Ghaus-e-Pak. Then, when people heard of the virtues and excellence of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ as well as his expertise in knowledge, a great number of people began to come to his court to learn the sacred knowledge. (*Seerat Ghaus-e-A'zam, pp. 58, summarised*)

## Affection towards the students

Dear Islamic brothers, Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was an embodiment of knowledge and action and possessed great character. He رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ would show great affection towards the students and would be mindful of fulfilling even their smallest needs.

## Assisting a student in the path of knowledge

Imam Ibn Qudamah Hanbali رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was asked about Ghaus-ul-A'zam, so he replied: We became acquainted with Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ towards the end of his life and stayed in his Madrasah. We were looked after in such a way that he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ would sometimes send his son Sayyiduna Yahya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ towards us and he would light a lamp for us. And he would send food for us from his own home. (*Siyar A'laam-un-Nubala, vol. 15, pp. 183*)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

## Look after students

O devotees of Ghaus-ul-A'zam! You heard how affectionate Ghaus-ul-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ was towards students who were gaining the knowledge of Deen as

he would send food for them from his house. Therefore, we should also try our best to look after students of knowledge according to our ability. For example, those who have the ability should buy Islamic books, clothes and fulfil the living needs of poor students according to the weather for the pleasure of Allah ﷺ with other good intentions and be among the helpers of Deen. Who knows! By the blessing of this virtuous act, Allah ﷺ may get pleased with us. Who knows! By the blessing of this virtuous act, we may be forgiven.

Look! Just like we want our children to eat best the best food and wear the best clothes. Just think! How much we look after our children in the cold weather that perhaps my child may get a cold. My child's condition is such that he is not able to even bear cold wind, nor hot wind. Similarly, students gaining knowledge of Deen also have basic necessities that need fulfilling.

اللَّحْمَدُ لِلَّهِ! Under the supervision of the Madani movement of the devotees of Rasool, Dawat-e-Islami, there are over 700 Jami'at established, where over 50,000 students [male and female] have the privilege of acquiring the knowledge of Deen. You should help Dawat-e-Islami through Sadaqat-e-Wajibah and Naafilah. إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ this help of yours will make your grave better and will also help you on the Day of Judgement.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

O devotees of Awliya! There are many blessings of the company of pious people. One of them is to recognise the traps and deception of the Nafs.

Shaykh 'Abdul Qadir Jeelani رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ indicates towards this very point and says: 'مَنْ أَكْثَرَ مَنْ مَخَالَطَةَ الْعَارِفِينَ بِاللَّهِ عَرَفَ نَفْسَهُ' Whoever stays in the company of those people who recognise Allah ﷺ (i.e. Awliya رَحِمَهُمُ اللَّهُ), then he will recognise his Nafs. (Al-Fath-ur-Rabbani, pp. 180)

He رَحِمَهُمُ اللَّهُ further states: Verily, one of the attributes of Awliya رَحِمَهُمُ اللَّهُ is that when they look at a person and spiritually concentrate (on their heart),

then his faith, certainty and steadfastness improves further. *(Al-Fath-ur-Rabbani, pp. 219, summarised)*

O devotees of the Prophet! We came to know that by the blessing of staying in the company of pious people, a person's state changes for the better. In the current era, one way of attaining good company is to attach yourself to the Madani environment of the Madani movement of the devotees of Rasool, Dawat-e-Islami. We should also remain attached to this Madani movement to stay away from sins and attend the weekly Sunnah-inspiring gathering, watch Madani Muzakarah every week that is watched collectively and as well as carrying out other Madani activities, travel with the Madani Qafilah for 3 days every month to gain the passion of performing good deeds. We should make a habit of being in good company and act upon Madani In'amaat because staying in the company of pious people for even a moment can change the lives of big sinners.

### Glance of Ghaus-ul-A'zam turned a thief into a Qutb

It is narrated that once, Huzoor Ghaus-ul-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ was travelling barefoot to Baghdad after visiting Madinah. A thief was standing on the way waiting to rob a traveller. When he رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ approached him, he asked: Who are you? He replied: I am a villager. But he رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ, with his saintly miracle, had already seen his sins and vicious behaviour written. The thief had a thought in his mind, 'Perhaps he is Ghaus-ul-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ.' He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ also found out about this thought of his, and then said, 'I am 'Abdul Qaadir.' Hearing this, the thief instantly fell at his blessed feet and began to say 'يَا سَيِّدِي عَبْدَ الْقَادِرِ شَيْئًا لِلَّهِ' (i.e. O my master 'Abdul Qaadir! For the sake of Allah, have mercy upon my condition). He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ felt pity upon his state and turned towards the court of Allah Almighty for his reformation. Upon this, an unseen voice was heard, 'O 'Abdul Qaadir! Show this thief the right path and by guiding him, make him a Qutb.' Therefore, through his blessed glance, he attained the status of Qutb. *(Seerat Ghaus-us-Saqalain, pp. 130; Ghaus-e-Pak kay Halaat, pp. 38)*

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

O devotees of Ghaus-ul-A'zam! You heard that through one glance of the Master of Baghdad, Huzoor Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ, the uncleanness of the heart of the thief was washed away and he رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ made him a Qutb of the time. Just ponder! When the glance of a saint of Allah can make a thief into a Qutb, then it is not a big thing for him to wash away our sins and rusty hearts. That is why we should remain in the company of Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ because the company of Awliya is a means of transforming our hearts for the better. The company of Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ is a way of saving ourselves from the deceit of Satan. The company of Awliya is a way of inclining towards good deeds. The company of Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ is a means of overcoming the Nafs. The company of Awliya is a way of getting rid of rust from the heart. The company of Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ is a means of having our sins washed away. The company of Awliya is a way of cleansing the inner-self of a person. The company of Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ is a way of inclining towards good deeds. All in all, the company of Awliya is a way of collecting much goodness.

While mentioning the benefits of the closeness of the blessed saints رَحْمَةُ اللهِ and having love for them, Sayyiduna Ahmad Bin Harb رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ states: Loving the righteous people, staying in their company; looking upto and acting upon their sayings and deeds is the most beneficial for a human heart. *(Akhlaq-us-Saliheen, pp. 35; Tanbih-ul-Mughtarrin, pp. 41)*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

O the devotees of Awliya! It is a reality that whoever Allah grants the crown of sainthood, then such things happen from him that gets a person astonished. For example, Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ can raise the dead by the ability granted by Allah, it rains by the blessing of Awliya, Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ cure the ill by the ability granted by Allah, Awliya know the knowledge of unseen by the ability granted by Allah Almighty, Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ clean the rust in the heart from the ability granted by Allah and Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللهِ resolve difficulties of creation by the ability granted by Allah.

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ! Our Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ, whose blessed feet are on the neck of all Awliya رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ, he رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ has also been granted these powers and abilities from Allah Almighty that he رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ would be able to see hidden things by his blessed sight, he would cure the ill from his saintly miracle and no one would leave empty handed from his court. Let's listen to a faith enlightening saintly miracle of Ghaus-e-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ.

## People with corrupt beliefs came onto the right path

Shaykh Abul Hasan 'Ali Qurayshi رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ states: A few people with corrupt beliefs came to the court of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ with 2 baskets and asked: What is in these baskets? He رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ came down from his throne, put his blessed hand on one basket and said: There is a distressed child in this basket, and then told his son Sayyid 'Abdur Razzaq رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ to open it. When the basket was opened, that distressed child was found. He رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ picked that distressed child up with his blessed hands and said: "نُؤْم بِاِذْنِ اللّٰهِ" (i.e. *Stand by the order of Allah*). That distressed child stood by the order of Allah. Then he رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ put his blessed hand on the other basket and said: There is a healthy child in this one. He رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ ordered his son to open the basket. This basket was opened and a child came out and began to walk. He رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ held the forehead of the child and said: Sit, and the child sat. Seeing this saintly miracle of his, the people with corrupt beliefs repented from their corrupt beliefs.

Shaykh Abul Hasan رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ states: One day, I was present in the court of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ. At that time, I was in need of something. I stood up to fulfil that need. He رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ asked: What do you want? I replied: I want my so and so thing to be done! I expressed one desire from the internal matters at that time. Therefore, I gained it instantly. (*Qalaaid-ul-Jawahir, pp. 30, summarised*)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللّٰهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

## Glad-tidings for the disciples of Ghaus-e-Pak

O the devotees of Awliya! Verily, there is a Mercy of Allah Almighty upon Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ. Those who become associated to him also become deserving of that mercy for his sake. In this relation, let's listen to three sayings of Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ:

- Ghaus-e-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ has said, 'I was given an extremely large register in which the names of my companions and those of my would-be disciples till the Judgement Day were inscribed. I was then told that those people have been blessed [due to their spiritual link] with me. He said: I asked the guardian of Hell (Sayyiduna Maalik عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) whether any of my disciples was in Hell. He replied in the negative. He رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ further said, 'I swear by the glory and greatness of my Creator عَزَّوَجَلَّ! My hand of protection is above my disciple as the sky is above the earth. Even if my disciple is not righteous, it does not matter, by the grace of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, I am righteous. I swear by the glory and greatness of my Creator عَزَّوَجَلَّ! I will not leave the court of my Creator عَزَّوَجَلَّ unless I make each and every disciple of mine enter Paradise.' *(Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 193)*
- Ghaus-e-A'zam رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ further said, 'Allah (عَزَّوَجَلَّ) has promised me to make my disciples and friends enter Paradise. Therefore, the one who calls himself a disciple of mine, I initiate him into my Spiritual order and pay attention towards him. I have made the Munkar and Nakeer promise that they would not frighten my disciples in their graves.' *(Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 193, summarised)*
- Shaykh Abul Hasan Ali Qarashi رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ states: Sayyiduna Ghaus-e-Pak رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ has stated: I was given a paper that was as big as the limit of the sight. It contained the names of my companions and disciples that were to be until the Day of Judgement. I was told: All have been forgiven for your sake. *(Bahjat-ul-Asraar, pp. 193, summarised)*

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

## Be a Mureed of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat!

O devotees of the Prophet! **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ**, in this critical and perilous era, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat 'Allamah Maulana Muhammad Ilyas 'Attar Qadiri **دَاعَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَه** is a very big blessing for us. Whoever becomes his disciple, he makes him the disciple of Ghaus-e-Pak **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ**. Therefore, we should also become the disciple of Ghaus-e-Pak **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ** through Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat **دَاعَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَه**. May Allah grant us the true love and devotion to Ghaus-e-Pak, rather the true love and devotion to every saint **رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ**.

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ