



The Religion of Peace  
*Islam*

**IN THE WORDS OF THE CALIPH**

# THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM COMMUNITY

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community was founded in 1889 by the Promised Messiah, his Holiness Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian, <sup>(peace be upon him)</sup>, whose mission it was to remove misinterpretations and revive the true teachings of Islam, engendering in people's hearts the love of God and the duty to serve mankind.



*Flag of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community*

Throughout the world Ahmadi Muslims have become renowned for their commitment to peace, their law-abiding nature and determination to create a harmonious society for all people, regardless of their nationality, ethnicity or faith.



*The Promised Messiah <sup>(peace be upon him)</sup>  
Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of  
Qadian (1835-1908)*

**“Treat all the creation of God with such deep love as though they are your close family members. Treat mankind in the same way that a mother treats her child. This is the way you should be and not that you help someone only so that you can attain benefit later or take a favour in return.”**

[The Promised Messiah <sup>(peace be upon him)</sup>]

# THE KHALIFA OF ISLAM: A MAN OF PEACE

His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (May Allah be his Helper) is the fifth successor to the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) and the current worldwide head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

His Holiness (May Allah be his Helper) continually advocates the path to peace through the worship of God Almighty and the service to humanity. Through his many sermons, lectures, books and personal meetings he has championed the need for universal human rights and justice for all. He has written to and met with world leaders and has travelled around the world to spread the message of peace and unity, delivering keynote addresses at Capitol Hill in USA, the EU Parliament, Canadian National Parliament, the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris and various other establishments, enlightening the world about the true teachings of Islam.

His Holiness (May Allah be his Helper) calls for compassion and tolerance to be adopted at all levels of society. He leads his global Community and inspires it to serve humanity with the spirit of kindness and humility that is integral to Islam.

**A few extracts taken from the numerous addresses of His Holiness (May Allah be his Helper) are presented below.**

“Let us all, irrespective of our differences, join together and work with a spirit of mutual respect, tolerance and affection for the peace of the world and to promote freedom of belief.”

[His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (May Allah be his Helper), ‘Islam and Europe – A Clash of Civilisations?’, Germany, 2020]



*His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (May Allah be his Helper) current worldwide head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community*

# ISLAM A RELIGION OF PEACE

**“Islam is a religion of peace, love, tolerance and reconciliation. The word ‘Islam’ literally means ‘peace’ and ‘security’ and so a true Muslim is a person who is himself peaceful and who strives to establish peace and harmony in the world.”**

[Islam - Safeguarding Rights And Freedoms, Annual Convention France, 2019]

السلام

*Arabic Calligraphy of the Attribute of Allah ‘As-Salam’ - The Source of Peace.*



*His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (May Allah be his Helper) presenting the Ahmadiyya Muslim Prize for the Advancement of Peace during the National Peace Symposium 2019, UK.*

**“The Holy Qur’an states that one of the Attributes of God Almighty is ‘Salam’ which means He is ‘The Source of Peace’. It follows that if God truly is the ‘Source of Peace’ then His peace should encompass all of His Creation and all of mankind, rather than be limited to a specific group of people.”**

[Islam – A Religion of Peace And Compassion, Houses of Parliament, UK, 2013]

## ISLAM A RELIGION OF LOVE

**“If a person does not follow a particular teaching properly whilst claiming to subscribe to it, then it is he who is in error, not the teaching. From cover to cover, the Holy Qur’an teaches love, affection, peace, reconciliation and the spirit of sacrifice. Hence, if anybody portrays Islam as an extreme and violent religion filled with teachings of bloodshed, then such a portrayal has no link with the real Islam.”**

[Message to Pope Benedict XVI, 2011]

# ISLAM A RELIGION OF MERCY

“Honest and fair historians testify to the fact that the Holy Prophet of Islam (peace be upon him) never inflicted any cruelty or usurped the rights of other people. At every juncture, he taught peace, forbearance and fulfilling the rights of mankind and certainly, his teachings are our inspiration. We proudly proclaim to be the followers of that noble Prophet (peace be upon him) who the Holy Qur’an declared as a mercy for mankind. This is the reason that the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community raises the slogan of Love for All, Hatred for None. At this time of strife and division, our message is that all nations and all people must urgently strive for peace.”

[The Need For Outward And Inner Peace,  
Annual Convention Holland, 2019]



*‘Love for All Hatred for None’ is the motto of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community*

# ISLAM A RELIGION OF JUSTICE



*His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (May Allah be his Helper) delivering a lecture on ‘Justice in an Unjust World’ at the York University, Canada, 2016.*

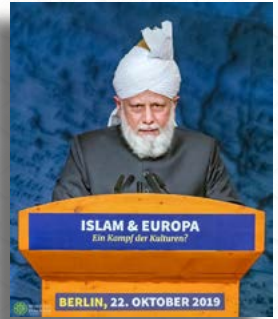
“If we truly want peace in our time then we must act with justice. We must value equality and fairness. As the Prophet of Islam (peace be upon him) so beautifully stated, we must love for others, what we love for ourselves. We must pursue the rights of others with the same zeal and determination that we pursue our own rights. We should broaden our horizons and look at what is right for the world, rather than what is only right for us. These are the means for peace in our age.”

[Justice in an Unjust World, lecture at York University Canada, 2016]

# ISLAM A RELIGION OF TOLERANCE

“The world is now like a global village and so we are not living in those bygone eras where what happened in one country, only affected the local community or, at most, the neighbouring nations. Rather, we now live in a time where a disturbance or conflict in any country has ramifications and consequences for the rest of the world. Thus, instead of fearing one another, we should strive to solve problems through mutual dialogue and with a spirit of tolerance and compassion.”

[Address to dignitaries, Annual Convention Germany, 2018]



*His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (May Allah be his Helper) 'Islam and Europe: A clash of civilisations?', Germany, 2019.*

## ISLAM THE ADVOCATOR OF RIGHTS

“There are many other Attributes of Allah, which Muslims are duty-bound to not only recognise, but to inculcate within themselves to the best of their abilities. Accordingly, only if Muslims fulfil the rights of others, only if they are gracious, benevolent, kind and forgiving can they fulfil the rights of the worship of God Almighty.”

[A Beacon of Light, Southall Mosque Opening, UK, 2020]



*His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (May Allah be his Helper) delivering the Keynote address at UNESCO, 2019.*

“Only if people have food to eat, water to drink, shelter, schooling for their children and healthcare will they be able to live in peace and escape the deadly clutches of frustration and resentment that lead people towards extremism. These are all basic human rights and so until we help people flee poverty and destitution we will not see true peace in the world.”

[Keynote Address at UNESCO, 2019]

“Our goal and objective should be nothing less than to establish peace in every village, town or city of every nation in the world. The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community has always strived to fulfil this objective and to this end, we propagate what we consider to be the key ingredient to peace, which is a firm belief that we are all the creation of God Almighty and He created mankind so that they would recognise Him and fulfil the rights of one another.”

[The Need For Outward And Inner Peace, Annual Convention Holland, 2019]

## A PRAYER FOR THE WORLD



*His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad  
(May Allah be his Helper) leading Silent Prayer.*

“I pray that a spirit of service to humanity takes permanent root in society, so that we protect our future and leave behind a better world for our children and coming generations to live in.”

[Serving Humanity—A Form Of Worship Of Allah,  
Inauguration Humanity First Hospital Guatemala,  
2018]

# THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Women's Association, also known as Lajna Ima'illah (maid servants of Allah), is the Women's Auxiliary organisation of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. It was established in 1922 by the second successor to the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (may Allah be pleased with him). It is an empowered Women's organisation whose main goal is to promote religious and secular education amongst women and to encourage them to fulfil their responsibilities towards mankind in the spirit of sisterhood.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Women's Association UK hosts an Annual National Women's Peace Symposium. This flagship event is attended by ladies from across the UK including parliamentarians, diplomats, faith and civic leaders as well as representatives from charities and faith communities. It promotes a deeper understanding of Islam and other faiths and seeks to inspire a concerted effort for lasting peace.



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