

This issue highlights the global campaign held by the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir "Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved...to be Followed by Glad Tidings!" featuring various activities and conferences held by Hizb ut Tahrir in various regions as well as leaflets and articles highlighting the major achievement of Muhammad al-Fatih and its importance to Muslims.

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The Messenger of Allah (saw) said:

«لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنِعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ» "Verily you shall conquer Constantinople. What a wonderful leader will he be, and what a wonderful army will that army be!"

(Narrated by Ahmad)

The Hijri Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople (city of Heraclius) which was besieged from the 26th of Rabii' al-Awwal until the 20th Jumada al-Awwal 857 AH corresponding to 5 April until 29 May 1453 CE



#### **Opening Statement**

Muhammad Al-Fatih, a beacon of inspiration for today's youth of the Islamic Ummah who fully understood the gravity of the hadeeth of the Messenger of Allah (saw),

### «لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَبِعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ»

"Verily you shall conquer Constantinople. What a wonderful leader will he be, and what a wonderful army will that army be!" Fatih (rahimahu Allah) wanted to be that leader mentioned in the hadeeth. He actively sought to achieve the first of the glad tidings of the honorable Messenger (saw), the conquering of Constantinople. Not only did he achieve this commendable deed through careful examination and planning but this first glad tiding did not suffice him he then sought to fulfil the second glad tiding, the conquering of Rome. The ambition, taqwa and sense of obligation was manifested in this Islamic personality at a tender age. He did not stop but it was not written for him to achieve the second glad tiding.

Where are the Fatihs of today? Where are the Fatihs to overcome the tyranny rampant in the Muslim lands?

Under the guidance of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, may Allah protect him, the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir has launched a widespread global campaign marking the occasion of the Hijri Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople (city of Heraclius) which was besieged from the 26th of Rabii' al-Awwal until the 20th Jumada al-Awwal 857 AH corresponding to 5 April until 29 May 1453 CE and thus the glad tiding of the noble Hadith of the Messenger (saw) was achieved

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In this issue of Mukhtarat, we highlight the various heartwarming activities and conferences that were held throughout the world by Hizb ut Tahrir both in the Muslim lands and in the Western lands in response to the message of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir. Motivating and thought provoking articles are also included throughout the pages, as well as the leaflets released during this campaign.

May this be an inspiration for the attainment of both the second glad tiding, the opening of Rome and the third glad tiding - the aim of Hizb ut Tahrir, the establishment of the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) upon the methodology of the Prophethood as promised by Allah Subahannahu wa Taala.

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﴿ وَعَدَ اللّٰهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنصُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيُمَكِّنَ لَهُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِي ارْتَضَى لَهُمْ وَلَيُبَدِّلَنَّهُم مِّن بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمْنَا يَعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ بِي شَيْئًا وَمَن حَفَرَ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْفَاسِقُونَ ﴾

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# The Speech of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah On the Occasion of the Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople in 857 AH - 1453 CE

Praise be to Allah for His (swt) blessings, and prayers and peace be upon the Messenger of Allah, his family and companions, and those who follow him...

To the Islamic Ummah, the best nation that was brought out to humankind... and to the righteous and good Dawah carriers... and to the distinguished guests of the page,

#### Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barakatuh,

There are bright days in the history of nations that are a source of pride for those nations. So what if those days mark the fulfillment of the glad tidings of Allah's Messenger (saw)? They are undoubtedly shining stars in the sky, but rather suns that illuminate the world and raise the nation high to the sky... And from these great days, are the days of the anniversary of the conquest of Constantinople... Al-Fatih began conquering and besieging Constantinople from the twenty-sixth of Rabii' al-Awwal until it was opened at dawn on the twentieth of this month, Jumada al-Awwal 857 AH, meaning that the siege lasted for about two months. When Muhammad Al-Fatih entered the city victoriously he got off his horse, and prostrated (sujood) to Allah, thanking Allah for this victory and success. Then he headed to the Church of the Hagia Sophia where the Byzantines and their monks had gathered, he gave them protection. He ordered the conversion of the Church of the Hagia Sophia to a mosque, and ordered the establishment of a mosque in the place of the grave of the great companion Abu Ayoub Al-Ansari, where he was among the ranks of the first campaign to open Constantinople, and where he died, may Allah have mercy on him and may He be pleased with him ... Al-Fatih, who was named so after the conquest, decided to take Constantinople as the capital of his state after it was Edirne previously, and he named it Constantinople [Kostantiniyye] after its conquest "Islambol", meaning the city of Islam [Dar al-Islam], and became famously known as "Istanbul". Al-Fateh then entered the city and went to the Hagia Sophia where he prayed in it and it became a mosque with the grace, blessing and praise of Allah... And it remained so, a purified glorious mosque, prospered under the believers, until the criminal of the era, Mustafa Kamal had managed to ban the prayer there and desecrated it when it became a museum for those coming and going!

This is how the glad tiding of Allah's Messenger (saw) was fulfilled; the one in his noble Hadith on the authority of Abdullah ibn Amr ibn Al-As, who said: "When we are around the Messenger of Allah (saw) writing, the Messenger of Allah was asked, which of the two cities will be opened first, Constantinople or Rome?" The Messenger of Allah (saw) said:

«مَدِينَةُ هِرَقْلَ تُفْتَحُ أَوَّلاً، يَعْنِي قُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةَ»

*"The city of Heraclius will be opened first, meaning Constantinople."* Narrated by Ahmad in his Musnad and Al-Hakim in Al-Mustadrak and he said: "This is a sahih Hadith on the condition of the two sheikhs, and they did not extract it. Az-Zahabi commented on it: "on the condition of Bukhari and Muslim". Also in the noble Hadith, on the authority of Abdullah bin Bishr Al-Khathami from his father that he heard the Prophet (saw) say:

«لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ»

"You will open Constantinople, its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army." He said, Maslama bin Abdul Malik called for me and asked me, so I mentioned the Hadith to him so he invaded Constantinople, narrated by Ahmad. In Mujma' Az-Zawaa'id, in its comment it states: "Narrated by Ahmad, Al-Bazzar, Al-Tabarani and its men are trustworthy..."

This glad tiding was achieved at the hands of this young man, Muhammad Al-Fatih, who was not older than twenty-one, but he had been prepared uprightly since his childhood. His father Sultan Murad II tended to him, and he was mentored at the hands of the finest teachers of his time, including Ahmad bin Ismail Al-Kurani who was mentioned by Al-Suyuti as the first teacher of Al-Fatih, and he said about him: "He was a juristic scholar, whose scholars of his era witnessed to him superiority and mastery. Rather, they called him: Abu Hanifa of his time." Likewise, Sheikh Akshamsaddin Sungkar who was the first to cultivate in his mind the hadith of the Messenger of Allah (saw) on the "conquest of Constantinople" since his childhood. So the boy grew up aiming to achieve that conquest by his hands... Sheikh Akshamsaddin taught Muhammad al-Fatih the basic



sciences of the Qur'an, Hadith and the Sunnah of the Prophet and jurisprudence, as well as Arabic, Persian and Turkish languages, as well as some life sciences such as mathematics, astronomy, history... in addition to his valor in equestrian and martial arts... Allah (swt) honored and blessed him, deserving the praise from the Messenger of Allah (saw). Al-Fatih was the best leader and his soldiers were the best soldiers, as their hearts were filled with Iman and their souls set out with preparation and sincerity of jihad, they supported Allah and He gave them victory with this great conquest, praise be to Allah, Lord of the worlds.

Al-Fatih was a visionary person with deep insight and perception. Whenever he saw a problem he handled it correctly by Allah's permission, and whenever an obstacle appeared to him, he removed it with Allah's help. He faced three obstacles that he solved with sharp intelligence and striking acumen:

1- His soldiers complained to him about the cold while they were in the open air around the walls, so he built a fortress for them as shelter whenever necessary. He did not want the soldiers to break the siege if it prolonged and thus return as the previous Muslim armies that invaded Constantinople, but rather he did not want to return unless Constantinople was opened, by Allah's permission...

2- Also, the walls of Constantinople were three walls; a few meters were between each wall and the other. Therefore, Al-Fateh was bewildered about this issue. In their era, there were no weapons of destructive power. Rather, the most powerful of them was the catapult throwing stones, not small in size but not enough to open a hole in a wall of this size. And because Muhammad al-Fatih was following the military capabilities in the world, he came to know that one of the Hungarian engineers (Urban) had prepared the idea of making cannons of special strength that could dismantle the walls, and Urban had offered his services to the Emperor of Constantinople, but he did not respond to him, so Al-Fatih received him well and lavished him with money and provided him with all the means to complete his invention,

Urban proceeded to build cannons with the help of the Ottoman engineers, and Al-Fatih supervised them himself. Three months did not even pass when Urban had manufactured three large cannons, the weight of the cannon shell was about a ton and a half, he did not prefer to test the cannon at the walls for fear that the results were not as they should be. And the Romans would witness this from behind the walls, and this would affect the power of the Muslims, so he conducted the experiment in Edirne and it was successful. He thanked Allah, and he moved the three cannons from Edirne to the proximity of the walls of Constantinople to demolish them, and the Romans would surrender...

3- Then there was another matter that occupied him, as he knew that the walls were weak in the Gulf region around Constantinople, and although the Romans understood the weakness of the walls on the Gulf side, they were reassured that the Muslim ships would not be able to reach them because of the closure of the entrance to the Gulf by the chain with metal, but Al-Fatih with Allah's help reached a decision to glide ships through the surface of the Galata Hill corresponding to the wall from the side of the Gulf (the Golden Horn). He fixed wood on the surface of the hill and poured vast amounts of oils and lubricants over them, then dragged the ships on them. And during one night he managed to descend 70 ships to the Gulf. This was shocking for the Romans, when it became morning and they saw the ships of Muslims in the Gulf, it filled their hearts with terror. Victory and conquest were achieved, praise be to Allah, Lord of the worlds.

Dear brothers, I wanted to remind you of some events of the conquest of Constantinople for three reasons:

The first is to recall the commemoration so that everyone who has sight will see the greatness of Islam and Muslims when their Islam is applied in practice. Kufr will be non-existent, rather the truth prevails and will be raised like the Athan (call to prayer) with Allahu Akbar (Allah is Great). The Persians and Byzantines succumbed before them, and they will be joined soon, Allah willing, by the sister of the Byzantine, Rome, believing in the other part of the glad tiding of the Messenger of Allah (saw), the conquest of Rome.

As for the second, let your hearts be reassured by the fulfillment of the three other glad tidings of the Messenger of Allah (saw), as the first one has been achieved. The Prophet (saw) gave the glad tidings of conquering Constantinople, conquering Rome, the return of the Khilafah (Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood, and fighting the Jews and powerfully defeating them... The Prophet (saw) speaks only from Wahi (Divine Revelation), the three remaining glad tidings of the Messenger will be fulfilled with His permission, glory be to Him Subhannahu; however, they will not be achieved by the descent of angels from heaven, who will bestow them upon us. Rather, the Sunnah (way) of Allah is that we support Allah and He sends His victory to us, so that we establish His law and elevate the edifice of His State and prepare what we can of strength and then strive in His cause. Then the earth will shine with the remaining three, and the earth will shine with the Khilafah once again.

As for the third, the Kaffir West, together with the traitors of the Arabs and the Turks, were able to destroy the Khilafah (Caliphate) on 1342 AH - 1924 CE and considered this demolition parallel to the conquest of Constantinople, and this gave back the Kaffir West a force that they had lost. The concern of the West became to exert the effort to prevent the return of the Khilafah again, so that it would not lose the force that they restored, especially since they became the colonizer of the Muslim countries. They observe the movements in the Muslim countries, so when the establishment of the Hizb ut Tahrir was announced in 1372 AH - 1953 CE and it became clear to the West that the party's pillar of work and its vital issue is to restore the Khilafah again, and that it was serious in its work, the West commanded its agents, the rulers, to ban the party and pursue it with arrests and torture



until martyrdom in some regions, and with long sentences, some reaching life sentences in other regions... Then they added methods of lying, forgery, and altering facts without shame... And so for these slanders to have an impact, they made people who carry out these measures have Muslim names and dress like them, these were followed in these slanders, by some of those who left, broke the oath (an-Nakitheen), and those punished, from those who were in the party previously...

Thus, these types combined have participated in slander, forgery, and alteration of facts and each of them has a role: the kuffar, the hypocrites and the ones who spread rumours, then a few of those from who left, the punished and the oath breakers, and those who have disease in their hearts, have participated in slander and attack against the Hizb. They followed this with poisoned steps, lying in every stage. As they failed to circulate a lie, they came with another, they forgot or hoped to forget that the party's members have a clear mind, quick wit, and deep intelligence that allows them to distinguish the wicked from the good, so they do not allow a lie to enter their way... Thus, despite the means of decorating the fabrications they brought, despite embellishing attempts to falsify the facts that they have exhausted themselves in, they did not find a listening ear from the party's members or from any sane Muslim. Rather, they were

َ ﴿ كَسَرَابٍ بِقِيعَة يَحْسَبُهُ الظَّمْآنُ مَاءً حَتَّى إِذَا جَاءَهُ لَمْ يَجِدْهُ شَيْئاً ﴾ "Their deeds are like a mirage in a lowland which a thirsty one thinks is water until, when he comes to it, he finds it is nothing." [An-Nur: 39]

And with all the plots, abomination, and maliciousness against the party, and its leadership, thinking that they will influence the party, but they failed, with Allah's permission, and were disappointed, and they did not obtain good, no matter how long their lies, their plots and their deceit reached,

### ﴿وَلَا يَحِيقُ الْمَكْرُ السَّيِّئُ إِلَّا بِأَهْلِهِ ﴾

"... but the evil plot does not encompass except its own people." [Fatir: 43]

They will see the consequence of this with Allah, no matter how their slander and cunning intensifies,

﴿وَقَدْ مَكَرُوا مَكْرَهُمْ وَعِنْدَ اللَّهِ مَكْرُهُمْ وَإِنْ كَانَ مَكْرُهُمْ لِتَزُولَ مِنْهُ الْجِبَالَ ﴾ "And they had planned their plan, but with Allah is [recorded] their plan, even if their plan had been [sufficient] to do away with the mountains" [Ibahim: 46]. In conclusion, your strong stances, brothers, fixed on the truth, strong and clear, in front of successive campaigns on the call to the truth, reminds us of the positions of the Companions, may Allah be pleased with them, following the positions of the Messenger of Allah (saw), the great and wise in the face of adversity... Thus are your stances, solid firm positions that do not weaken with adversity and do not shake during sedition (fitnah). Rather, your determination is stronger and your voices proclaim the truth. You look at the dunya (world) once and to the Hereafter many times, so congratulations to the party.

﴿ رِجَالٌ لَا تُلْهِبِهِمْ تِجَارَةً وَلَا بَيْعٌ عَنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَإِقَامِ الصَّلَاةِ وَإِيتَاءِ الزَّكَاةِ يَخَافُونَ يَوْماً تَتَقَلَّبُ فِيهِ الْقُلُوبُ وَالْأَبْصَارُ هِ لِتَجْزِيَهُمُ اللَّهُ أَحْسَنَ مَا عَمِلُوا وَيَزِيدَهُمْ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ وَاللَّهُ يَزْزُقُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ بِغَيْرِ حِسَابٍ ﴾

"[Are] men whom neither commerce nor sale distracts from the remembrance of Allah and performance of prayer and giving of zakah. They fear a Day in which the hearts and eyes will [fearfully] turn about - That Allah may reward them [according to] the best of what they did and increase them from His bounty. And Allah gives provision to whom He wills without account." [An-Nur: 3738-]

The end of the conclusion, I pray to Allah (swt) to provide the fulfillment of the glad tidings of the Messenger of Allah (saw) so that the Khilafah of this Ummah will return, and afterwards to liberate its Al-Quds, and Rome will be conquered as its sister preceded it... a validation of the hadiths of the Messenger of Allah (saw)... We also ask Him, Glory be to Him, to provide us with help from Him so that we may improve and master the work, so that we are deserving of the victory of Allah, Al-Aziz Al-Rahim.

(وَيَوْمَئِذِ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ ﴾ بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِيَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيرُ الرَّحِيمُ ﴾ "And that day the believers will rejoice \* In the victory of Allah. He gives victory to whom He wills, and He is the Exalted in Might, the Merciful." [Ar-Rum: 45-]

Wa Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barakatuh

Your brother, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir Thursday, 7 Jumada Al-Awwal 1441 AH 2/1/2020 CE



On the authority of Abdullah bin Bishr Al-Khathami from his father that he heard the Prophet (saw) say: "You will open Constantinople, its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army."



## **On the Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople**

### The Campaign Launch entitled "Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved... to be Followed by Glad Tidings!"

**Press Release** 

(Translated)

Constantinople... that city and its famous walls, that was planted in the minds of Muslims. Overcoming the walls was considered a great goal and a grand prize that will be won only by those who deserve the praise of the prophets.

That capital which documented on the day it was opened at dawn, on the twentieth of Jumada al-Awwal 857 AH, a brilliant page in the history of the Islamic Ummah. A page that has become a memory that deserves to be reviewed whenever the Ummah faces difficulties it cannot overcome.

And why wouldn't it be so? For it's a page from the history from of the Ummah that the Messenger of Allah (saw) praised, and drew attention to, and has chosen it from a set of milestones and lessons that he has selected for us, from our history and from our future, so that we can return to them in the critical hours? He (saw) said:

«لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ».

"Verily you shall conquer Constantinople. What a wonderful leader will he be, and what a wonderful army will that army be!"

For this reason, and at this critical moment through which the Islamic Ummah is passing, we chose to launch a campaign on the anniversary of the conquest of Constantinople to view in depth the "men and conditions" of that blessed event, so we can draw from it what illuminates the way for the Ummah today.

As for the men... the cause of fulfilling the glad tiding of the Messenger of Allah (saw) of opening the city of Hercules was the primary concern of the men of that generation. Amir Muhammad al-Fatih and his father Sultan Murad II and his two teachers, the jurist Ahmad bin Ismail (Saeed) Al-Kurani and Sheikh Akshamsaddin and with them the army of Muslims in that part of the lands of Islam, have all realized that the issue of their time was the conquest of Constantinople, and that it must be their primary issue that concerns them, and not compromised by any other issue, and that all issues fall below that issue. How can they not realize this when they have read the Hadith of the You» «لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينيَّةُ...» Messenger of Allah (saw) that says: shall conquer Constantinople ... "

Thus it became for them the commandment of the Prophet

(saw) and the mother of all issues that the souls will be sacrificed for.

Muhammad Al-Fatih, who was 21 years old, and with him his army of fighters and specialists, were exerting their best efforts to take good advantage and use the means that Allah (swt) permitted to Muslims. They studied and searched the means and the methods until Allah (swt) guided them to the best way and the most effective. Allah opened the ways for them, with what He did not give to anyone who preceded them in the Ummah. They made the greatest cannons of their time! And dragged the sea ships over the mountains! And they built fortresses in the land of their enemy in record times. They surprised their enemy and turned the table on them in all their actions and precautions.

As for the conditions, Sultan Muhammad Al-Fatih had an Islamic state that organized the Ummah's powers and energies through its apparatus, so he was able to extract the best of its energies, experiences, and abilities and harness them in achieving its goals in order to achieve his goal.

And this state enjoyed the elements of the state that pleases Allah and His Messenger (saw). Sovereignty in it was for the Shariah law, the law of Allah (swt) was the first and the last thing to be referred to in all affairs of the Ummah, and neither the Byzantine state nor its law nor the law of any kufr state had a say in the matters of legislation within Muslim countries.

The Sultan was autonomous from any external influence, that is, the military and security force protecting the land had its exclusive loyalty to the Islamic Ummah, and no foreign country had any influence over the ranks of the Islamic military and



security forces.

The political medium was one that follows Islam and its loyalty was to Islam and Muslims and did not take into account any civilization, except the Islamic civilization, and did not take from foreign countries except what Islam permits it to take, from the technical aspects such as weapons technology.

The country's economy was based on its own economic powers, its currency was gold and silver, and its economy was not linked or dependent on any foreign country.

#### The Ummah's primary issue in this era

Today, the effort, the will, the expertise, the energies, the capabilities, the resources and the willingness to sacrifice, all exist among the sons of the Islamic Ummah, but they are scattered and disorganized, on the contrary most of them are being exploited and harnessed for other than the interests of Muslims. The first reason for this is the absence of an Islamic state that governs with Islam and protects the interests of the Islamic Ummah.

Due to all this, the primary issue of the Islamic Ummah in this era has become the issue of restoring the Islamic state, the Khilafah Rashida State (righteous caliphate), on the method the Prophethood.

With this, we announce, in the name of Allah, and upon His blessings, the launch of a global media campaign entitled, "Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved... to be Followed by Glad Tidings!"

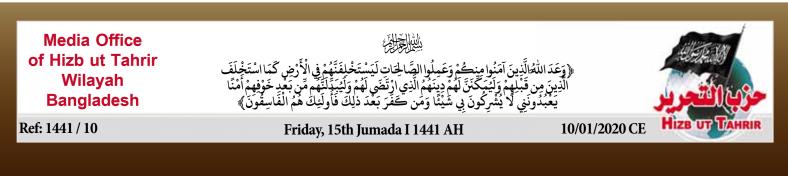
Remembering with the Islamic Ummah that great anniversary and reminding them of what is greater, namely, the fulfillment of the glad tiding of the Messenger of Allah (saw) by establishing the second Khilafah Rashida (righteous caliphate), on the method of the Prophethood.

Allah (swt) says:

(يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَجِيبُوا لِلْسِوَلِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ ( "O you who have believed, respond to Allah and to the Messenger when he calls you to that which gives you life." [Al-Anfal: 24]

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# According to the Glad Tidings of RasulAllah (saw): The Imminent Khilafah (Caliphate) will liberate Al-Quds and conquer Rome like the Conquest of Constantinople in 857 AH (1453 CE), Insh'Allah

**Press Release** 

Under the guidance of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, Hizb ut Tahrir has launched a widespread global campaign marking the occasion of the Hijri Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople (city of Heraclius). As part of the campaign Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Bangladesh has organized gatherings and speeches at various important mosques in Dhaka today after Jummah prayer, whose title was- "According to the Glad Tidings of RasulAllah (saw): The Imminent Khilafah (Caliphate) will liberate Al-Quds and conquer Rome like the conquest of Constantinople in 857 AH (1453 CE)".

Speakers by reminding the great days of the conquest of Constantinople, said: Al-Fatih, a man of vision and deep insight, began conquering and besieging Constantinople from

the twenty-sixth of Rabii' al-Awwal until it was opened at dawn on the twentieth of this month, Jumada al-Awwal 857 AH (corresponding to 5 April until 29 May 1453 CE). Thus the glad



tiding of the noble Hadith of the Messenger (saw) was achieved: «لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلكَ الْجَيْشُ»

"You will open Constantinople, its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army." Al-Fatih, who was named so after the conquest, decided to take Constantinople as the capital of his state after it was Edirne previously, and he named it Constantinople [Kostantiniyye] after its conquest "Islambol", meaning the city of Islam [Dar al-Islam], and became famously known as "Istanbul". Al-Fateh then entered the city and went to the Hagia Sophia where he prayed in it and it became a mosque with the grace, blessing and praise of Allah... And it remained so, a purified glorious mosque, prospered under the believers, until the criminal of the era, Mustafa Kamal had managed to ban the prayer there and desecrated it when it became a museum for those coming and going!

Speakers said: Honorable Muslims, Hizb ut Tahrir wants to remind you about the conquest of Constantinople for three reasons:

The first is to recall the commemoration so that everyone who has sight will see the greatness of Islam and Muslims when their Islam is applied in practice. Kufr will be non-existent, rather the truth prevails and will be raised like the Athan (call to prayer) with Allahu Akbar (Allah is Great). The Persians and Byzantines succumbed before them, and they will be joined soon, Allah willing, by the sister of the Byzantine, Rome, believing in the other part of the glad tiding of the Messenger of Allah (saw), the conquest of Rome.

As for the second, let your hearts be reassured by the fulfillment of the three other glad tidings of the Messenger of Allah (saw), as the first one has been achieved. The Prophet (saw) gave the glad tidings of conquering Constantinople, conquering Rome, the return of the Khilafah upon the method of the Prophethood, and fighting the Jews and powerfully defeating them... The Prophet (saw) speaks only from Wahi (Divine Revelation), the three remaining glad tidings of the Messenger will be fulfilled with His permission, glory be to Him Subhannahu; however, they will not be achieved by the descent of angels from heaven, who will bestow them upon us. Rather, the Sunnah (way) of Allah is that we support Allah and He sends His victory to us, so that we establish His law and elevate the edifice of His State and prepare what we can of strength and then strive in His cause. Then the earth will shine with the remaining three, and the earth will shine with the Khilafah once again.

As for the third, the Kaffir West, together with the traitors of the Arabs and the Turks, were able to destroy the Khilafah on 1342 AH - 1924 CE and considered this demolition parallel to the conquest of Constantinople, and this gave back the Kaffir West a force that they had lost. The concern of the West became to exert the effort to prevent the return of the Khilafah again, so that it would not lose the force that they restored, especially since they became the colonizer of the Muslim countries. They observe the movements in the Muslim countries, so when the establishment of the Hizb ut Tahrir was announced in 1372 AH - 1953 CE and it became clear to the West that the party's pillar of work and its vital issue is to restore the Khilafah again, and that it was serious in its work, the West commanded its agents, the rulers, to ban the party and pursue it with arrests and torture until martyrdom in some regions, and with long sentences, some reaching life sentences in other regions... Then they added methods of lying, forgery, and altering facts without shame...

Thus, despite the means of decorating the fabrications they brought, despite embellishing attempts to falsify the facts that they have exhausted themselves in, they did not find a listening ear from the party's members or from any sane Muslim. Rather, they were

﴿ كَسَرَابٍ بِقِيعَةٍ يَحْسَبُهُ الظَّمْآنُ مَاءً حَتَّى إِذَا جَاءَهُ لَمْ يَجِدْهُ شَيْئاً ﴾ "Their deeds are like a mirage in a lowland which a thirsty one thinks is water until, when he comes to it, he finds it is nothing." [An-Nur: 39]

And with all the plots, abomination, and maliciousness against the party, and its leadership, thinking that they will influence the party, but they failed, with Allah's permission, and were disappointed, and they did not obtain good, no matter how long their lies, their plots and their deceit reached,

"... but the evil plot does not encompass except its own people." [Fatir: 43]

Finally the speakers said: We pray to Allah (swt) to provide the fulfillment of the glad tidings of the Messenger of Allah (saw) so that the Khilafah of this Ummah will return, and afterwards to liberate its Al-Quds, and Rome will be conquered as its sister Constantinople preceded it... a validation of the hadiths of the Messenger of Allah (saw)... We also ask Him, Glory be to Him, to provide us with help from Him so that we may improve and master the work, so that we are deserving of the victory of Allah, Al-Aziz Al-Rahim.

﴿وَيَوْمَئِذِ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ \* بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِ يَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ ﴾ "And that day the believers will rejoice \* In the victory of Allah. He gives victory to whom He wills, and He is the Exalted in Might, the Merciful." [Ar-Rum: 45-]

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# Be Like the Mother of Muhammad Al-Fatih and prepare a Hero to be the Conqueror of Rome

On the authority of Abdullah bin Amr, he said: While we are around the Messenger of Allah (saw) writing, the Messenger of Allah was asked: Which of the cities will be opened first: Constantinople or Rome? Then the Messenger of Allah (saw) said: «مَدِينَةُ هِرَقْلَ تَفْتَحُ أَوَّلاً، يَعْنِي قُسْطَنْطِينِيَّة»

"The city of Heraclius will be conquered first, which means Constantinople."

This is the glad tiding of our Messenger (saw). A mother received it wisely and rushed to engrave the name of her son in the history of the Ummah of Islam and to make him a conqueror bringing victory for his Deen. She is the mother of Muhammad al-Fatih, who became determined to instill the idea of conquering Constantinople in the mind of her child and to achieve the glad tidings of the Prophet (saw), by his hands. She used to repeat it to him when he was a child, so that her words will be engraved (in him) like on stone.

Al-Fatih's mother built a hero of her son; by raising him to be the one who fulfills the glad tiding of his Prophet (saw). She used to ask her Lord repeatedly that this conquest will be by his hands. While he was growing and with him grew this wish. He grew up working to achieve it, so Allah (swt) honoured him and he was the conqueror of Constantinople.

This is the mother in Islam, the educator of generations and maker of heroes, she establishes her children upon adhering to the rules of their Lord, that keeps their morals on the Straight Path and instills in them the work in support of their Deen for the success of their trade. They grew and with them grew their love for Allah (swt) and the Messenger (saw), so they sacrificed their lives to uphold and spread the word of Allah.

Where is the Muslim woman today from the mother of Al-Fatih? Is she preparing the children to achieve the second glad tiding: Rome? Did she not come across the hadith of our Messenger (saw) and became determined to be the mother of the second Al-Fatih? And that her sons become the leaders of the armies in the Islamic State?

The West conquered Muslims with its concepts after it destroyed their state and excluded their Deen from their lives, and specifically targeted the Muslim woman due to its knowledge of their important role in raising generations and the making of men. So it worked to change her Islamic concepts and made her question them and sees things with the eye of Western capitalist civilization. After she carried her son every day to the outskirts of Constantinople to remind him of the glad tiding of the Messenger (saw) and revealed to him her wish that he carries the Raya and opens it ; she now takes him to school every day, and instills in him the thought to realize her dream: his success and to attain the first rank (in school) so that she boasts and is happy with it, she makes him think only of worldly successes that may be at the expense of performing his religious duties. So you see her sleepless to wake him up early to revise his lessons and be lenient in his prayers, so she does not urge him to perform them on time!

And after she instilled in him the adherence of his Deen, fear of sin, and makes him accustomed to assuming responsibility, trains for carrying difficult tasks and become one of men, she now sees him as a young child who was not blamed or accounted for his mistakes, she spoiled and ruined him.

The one who contemplates in the situation of most of our children today feels sad about what has become of them, they have no responsibility and no goal, and how can they have this if they had the wrong upbringing that fulfilled their desires and needs. Selfishness and self-love grew in them, and this dunya (life) became their greatest concern. The one raising them planted in them the love of desires and the pursuit of desires and whims and overlooked or intentionally ignored the good deeds and reaping the good!

I may be told: Do not generalize! There are Muslim women who are aware of their duty towards their children and are working to build them with sound personalities, and seeking to make them leaders and men, and I do not deny this, but they face difficulties and obstacles in a reality dominated by corrupt and corrupting concepts, that work to create lost unsound generations separated from their Deen. The sweeping stream spreads vice and corruption to distract children from their Deen and its rulings and instills in them the concepts of liberties and immorality.

By adopting policies imposed upon them, governments pass

Western laws, and employ the media, that publishes corrupt concepts, and impose dull dictating educational curricula that pass poisonous ideas, to transform reality into a quagmire in which children drown and find themselves lost and not guided to a way out of their loss.

A Muslim mother who is aware of her role in building heroic men, must repeat every day in her son's ears: that she asks Allah - as the mother of Muhammad Al-Fatih asked Him (swt) - to be a leader in the armies of Muslims in the second Khilafah Rashida (righteous Caliphate) on the method of Prophethood. And she always repeats that the solution must be the establishment of the Islamic State! Always repeats it to instill in him the hope that he will fulfill the glad tidings of the Messenger of Allah (saw) of opening Rome, creating a longing from a young age and hope that will motivates him.

Let every mother work hard to sow in the souls of her children the love of fulfilling the second glad tiding of their Messenger (saw) and come out like Salahuddin and Muhammad Al-Fatih, thus obtaining the honour of preparing them as conquerors and champions of Islam, raising its banner.

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# Constantinople was Conquered and Rome was Conquered

(Translated)

Today, we are receiving a dear guest to our hearts, the memory of which has a great impact in the souls. It is the memory of the conquest of Constantinople, the capital of the Byzantine state, which was conquered on Tuesday 20th Jumada al-Awwal 857 AH corresponding to 29 May 1453 CE. Yes, Constantinople was conquered, and Rome was conquered; this is the phrase that we will hear from future generations, Bi'ithnillah Ta'ala. It says in the hadith:

سُئلَ رَسُولُ اللَّه صلى الله عليه وسلم أَيُّ الْمَدِينَتَيْن تُفْتَحُ أَوَّلاً قُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ أَوْ رُومِيَّةُ؟ فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صلى الله عليه وسلم: «مَدِينَةُ هِرَقْلَ تُفْتَحُ أَوَّلاً - يَعْنِي قُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةَ»

The Messenger of Allah (saw) was asked, which of the two cities will be opened first, Constantinople or Rome?" RasulAllah (saw) said, "The city of Heraclius will be opened first, meaning Constantinople.", as narrated by Ahmed in his Musnad and corrected by Al-Hakim and Al-Dhahabi.

Efforts have been made available and the factors of victory, success, and clear conquest for the city of Constantinople were found, which are the same as the factors of victory for the conquest of Rome, with Allah's permission, because the way of victory is one of the established ways of Allah; whenever the slave seeks it, his reward will be with the same kind of work. Whenever the causes of victory are achieved and their flowers fruits are ripe, the time comes to taste its sweetness. We recall these factors in an effort to remove the dust that the West dispersed on the Ummah of Islam in order to bury it and obliterate its identity and civilization after the Ummah of Islam, the best of a nation that is brought to people, has made a great way in lighting the world and the nations with the light of Islam after its people were overshadowed by the darkness of ignorance and the futile and incomplete man-made law, which will bring the Ummah to Its righteousness, to its Khilafah Rashidah (righteous Caliphate),

which Allah Almighty promised and the Chosen Mustafa (saw) gave its glad-tidings, as he gave the glad-tidings of the conquest of Constantinople and Rome soon, with Allah's permission. We mention these factors to revive the determinations and inspire the meanings of glory, honor and dignity. The most prominent of these factors are:

1- The righteousness of the Sultan and his good upbringing on the basis of Islam, because by his goodness, the Ummah is good. "Allah establishes checks by the State authority on things for which check by Qur'an is not enough." Al-Fateh, Rahimahullah, had been brought up in Islamic upbringing. He had been educated with the basic Shariah sciences such as the basic sciences of the Qur'an, Hadith and the Sunnah of the Prophet and jurisprudence, as well as Arabic, Persian and Turkish languages, as well as mathematics, astronomy, and history in which he was brilliant, in addition to his valor in equitation and martial arts,



so, he deserved the praise of RasulAllah (saw):

«لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ، وَلَنِعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا، وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ». "You will open Constantinople, its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army."

This upbringing is due, after Allah's grace, to his parents' righteousness, who pushed him to learn from the best scholars and teachers such as Akshamsaddin Sungkar and Ahmad Ismail al-Kurani. This upbringing had an impact on causing him to grow in a good manner characterized by piety, awareness and courage, and this is what the next Sultan of Muslims must be endowed with so that he can apply Islam inside the state and carry it abroad through Dawah and jihad, unlike the rulers of Muslims today who share total ignorance, allurement of desires, cowardice, and dependence on the West.

2- Good management and organization of the State in the best way, especially financial matters. He, May Allah have mercy on him, has determined the state's resources and the way to spend these resources in a way that prevents wastefulness, extravagance, indulgence and lavishness. He developed and reorganized the army battalions, set up soldiers' records, increased their salaries and provided them with the latest available weapons, developed the administration of the provinces, approved some governors, dismissed those who had been found to be deficient, developed the royal court and provided it with administrative and military expertise, which worked to stabilize the state. After internal reform and the removal of internal rifts, he engaged wholly in foreign affairs and Islamic conquests, and this is a role that is not only important, but it is a vital for which the next Khaleefah (caliph) must take as a matter of life or death.

3- The scholars' role in advising the Khaleefah, urging and inciting jihad, and calling for it always, and for fearing Allah and His obedience, and the application of Islam. The two esteemed scholars, al-Kurani and Akshamsaddin, had encouraged Al-Fateh, especially the latter, who was the spiritual inspiration for Al-Fateh to advance the movement of jihad and to always cultivat in his mind that he is the conqueror and that he is meant by the hadith of Rasulullah (saw), and why not? for he has demonstrated piety, knowledge, courage and all the attributes that qualify him for this, for he who sows well shall reap well. This is how the Salaf (earlier) Ulama were, so what is the state of the Ulama of damage today? They combine the characteristics of hypocrisy, cowardice and desire, even at the expense of the Deen! Allah (swt) says:

﴿فَوَيْلُ لِّلَّذِينَ يَكْتُبُونَ الْكِتَابَ بِأَيْدِيهِمْ ثُمَّ يَقُولُونَ هَـذَا مِنْ عِندِ اللَّه لِيَشْتَرُواْ بِهِ ثَمَناً قَلِيلاً فَوَيْلٌ لَهُمْ مِّمَّا كَتَبَتْ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَوَيْلٌ لَهُمْ مِّمَّا يَكْسِبُونَ ﴾

"So woe to those who write the "scripture" with their own hands, then say, "This is from Allah," in order to exchange it for a small price. Woe to them for what their hands have written and woe to them for what they earn."]Al-Baqara: 79[.

So, woe to the scholars of the Sultan in Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Tunisia and Pakistan.

4- He prepared a large army of 250,000 fighters who were

well trained and equipped and proceeded to prepare forts and castles on the outskirts of Constantinople despite attempts by the Byzantine Emperor to dissuade Al-Fateh with funds and treaties from his intention to open Constantinople, so he built Rumeli Hissari fortress on the Bosphorus on the Europe side opposite to an Ottoman castle built on the Asian mainland at the time Sultan Bayezid II. He also collected weapons to demolish the forts and relied on engineers to develop the advanced artillery industry and recruited external expertise and overflowed them with money to reach his goal. The Hungarian engineer Urban developed the giant cannon, and Al-Fateh, Rahimahullah, increased the number of ships to 400 warships, which is what the Imam and the Khaleefah of the Muslims must do.

﴿وَأَعِدُواْ لَهُم مَّا اسْتَطَعْتُم مِّن قُوَّةٍ وَمِن رِّبَاطِ الْخَيْلِ تُرْهِبُونَ بِهِ عَدْوَّ اللَّهِ وَعَدُوَّكُمْ وَآخَرِينَ مِن دُونِهِمْ لاَ تَعْلَمُونَهُمُ اللَّهُ يَعْلَمُهُمْ ﴾

"And prepare against them whatever you are able of power and of steeds of war by which you may terrify the enemy of Allah and your enemy and others besides them whom you do not know [but] whom Allah knows. And whatever you spend in the cause of Allah will be fully repaid to you, and you will not be wronged."] Al-Anfal: 60[.

5- Good management of the war. So, before his attack on Constantinople, Al-Fateh signed treaties and settled with his different enemies to devote himself to one enemy. He concluded treaties with the Eastern Emirate of Galata and a treaty with Hungary and Venice. This is to reduce the size of his enemies. This is what characterizes the ruler of Muslims in concluding treaties and agreements and good neighborliness, which Islam has permitted for the benefit of Muslims and not like the agreements concluded by Muslim rulers today with Kaffir states that aim to hand over Muslim countries to them!

6- The Sultan stands for the difficulties and their causes, finding proposals to solve them, choosing the most appropriate solutions, supervising this himself, and not despair of Allah's mercy, and motivating the Ummah and the army for the great task. He faced three difficulties; the first is that Constantinople is surrounded with three seas from the Bosphorus, the Sea of Marmara and the Golden Horn protected by a very huge chain that controls the movement and passage of ships. The second difficulty is two lines of fences which surrounded the Sea of Marmara from the land side and between the two walls was a courtyard of 25 feet and the inner wall is 40 feet high, and it has towers of up to 60 feet high, while the outer wall is 25 feet high and it has towers full of soldiers distributed with them. So, from the military point of view it is impossible to penetrate them, and although there were 11 unsuccessful Islamic attempts to penetrate them, this did not cause Al-Fateh to despair, but he focused on resolving the difficulties. He pursued the enemy's news and prepared the necessary maps to besiege it, in addition to the exploratory visits in which he witnessed the solidity of Constantinople and its fences and paving the way between Edirne and Constantinople in order to be fit to drag the giant cannons when he transported them with a



unique genius. Yes, these cannons were transported from Besiktas to the Golden Horn across the road for a distance of three miles, where they were dragged and pulled on grease-coated wood, and 70 ships were transported away from the Galata neighborhood fearing for the ships from the southerners at night. The news was leaked to the Byzantines so that they could be terrorized, and this is from the political movement of the ruler in delivering some kind of news and not communicating others. So, a rumor spread that Constantinople would fall due to this sudden and catastrophic news for Byzantines.

7- Seeking Allah's help and calling upon Him in humility parallel to the size of taking reasons and preparing equipment and ammunition. The Ameer Al-Fateh called upon Allah almighty and instructed his army to maintain prayer (Salat), remembrance (Dhikr), asking forgiveness (Istighfar), preparation, and supplication (Duaa), as well as reminded them and raised their spirits that they are the ones who are meant in the hadith of RasulAllah (saw) when he said:

#### «وَلَنعْمَ الْجَبْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَبْشُ»

"and the best army is that army." So, let it be you who wins the praise of Al-Mustafa (saw)." Yes, this clear victory was demonstrated yesterday, and it will be achieved when Rome opens, on the condition that the above factors are met. Without the Ameer of Constantinople, Constantinople would not have been opened, and if the conqueror Ameer of today is not available, Rome will not be conquered. Yes, so where are we from this Ameer? Where is the ruler, where is the divine caliph, with whom the attributes of knowledge, awareness, piety and courage have come together to conquer Rome? Or will Rome be opened by these regimes perched on our chests, the followers of the colonial West? How will the glad tidings of Rasullullah be fulfilled today? Does not this need the best Ameer?

Let us roll up our sleeves and establish it until we win what the first ones have won, so it will return for two reasons: The first is that it is the promise of Allah almighty, as He said in the His precise Book:

# وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُم فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيُمَكَّنَ لَهُمْ دِينَهُمُ الَّذِي ارْتَضَي لَهُمْ وَلَيُبَدِّلَتَهُم مِّن بَعْدِ حَوْفِهِمْ أَمْنًا يَعْبُدُونَنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ بِي شَيْئًا ...»

"Allah has promised those who have believed among you and done righteous deeds that He will surely grant them succession [to authority] upon the earth just as He granted it to those before them and that He will surely establish for them [therein] their religion which He has preferred for them and that He will surely substitute for them, after their fear, security, [for] they worship Me, not associating anything with Me..." [An-Nur: 55].

And He (swt) said:

#### ﴿وَاعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلاَ تَفَرَّقُواْ ﴾ "And hold firmly to the rope of Allah all together and do not become divided" [Al-i-Imran: 103].

The gathering of the Ummah and rejection of division will only take place in the second Khilafah Rashidah (righteous Caliphate), as well as the glad tidings of RasulAllah (saw) when he said:

### «ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَى مِنْهَاجِ النُّبُوَّةِ» "Then there will be Khilafah according to the method of Prophethood.".

As for the second reason, Islam will not exist except with Islamic unity, so nothing will save the Ummah today from the diaspora, division, evil, and domination of the West and its tails of the traitor rulers, as well as liberating not only Rome but the world as a whole from the injustice of the stinking capitalist ideology, nothing but the hard and tireless work to bring the Khilafah State. Yes, the first Islamic state was established by Rasulullah (saw) and continued until 1924 CE, and this state will only return with factors that meet to establish it. For example, was Rasulullah (saw) alone, or was there a group with him? Yes, Rasulullah (saw) was not alone, but with him was his mass who were the companions who helped him achieve his goal, which is establishing a state to implement Islam, because there is no implementation of Islam without a state, and the proof for that is how Rasulullah (saw) implemented Islam before its establishment in Mecca and how it became the case after its establishment in and the best " «وَلَنعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلكَ الْجَيْشُ» Medina. So, until we reach army is that army.", this group, which establishes the state of Islam, must have the following characteristics:

1- Understand Islam precisely and work to advocate it in reality without equivocation, favoritism, coercion or fear. It calls for it explicitly so as not to distort, transform or alter the Shariah rulings.

2- It does not receive support from the West and its followers, the rulers of Muslims, because by doing that it would sell its lofty goal for fear and for the sake of the world, and then there will be no place for it in the earth or in the heavens, and the Ummah will discard it as the nucleus of dates, just as the reality of the movements today in Muslim countries.

3- It follows the method of Rasulullah (saw) in changing the reality so it calls for the ideas of Islam through convincing, dialogue and arguing in a way that is best, without hypocrisy and without carrying out acts of violence and without participating in the non-Islamic man-made regimes in Muslim countries.

4- It has a project to revive the Ummah and a constitution derived from the Book of Allah and the Sunnah of His Messenger (saw) that it realizes how to apply it in reality.

5- It leads the Ummah and takes care of it in accordance to the rulings of Islam and not in accordance to the capitalist, socialist, nationalist or sectarian laws and provisions.

6- It calls for Islam and its practical ideas everywhere, not in a specific country, i.e., the universality of the call.

7- Its members are Muslims and are committed to the rulings of Islam.

8- It seeks to resume the Islamic way of life by establishing the Khilafah.

The defect of today's movements has been exposed, and they



violated the previous conditions, so the Ummah abandoned them, and these movements made the situation worse after the Ummah did think well about them and thought that they were the way out of this affliction! Despite this calamity that afflicted the Ummah, it is looking for a way out until it finds and touches a party that has these specifications and standards. It will pursue it, welcome it and embrace it, for it desperately needs it because it is the one which shows the Ummah the path to its glory and revival, and takes it out of the state of adversity, hardship and misery.

The group today needs the popular support; the Ummah that embraces it and believes in its thought after its firm conviction in it, its call, its constitution, and its program stemming from the Book of Allah and the Sunnah of His Messenger (saw), as was the case of Al-Aws and Khazraj, who were the supporters of yesterday when they believed in the idea of Islam and sacrificed their precious things. Also the group needs strength like the army and the tribes i.e. the people of strength and support who will support the bloc and secure it for bringing Islam to power and then its application and implementation, as did Saad bin Moaz the great leader in the army of Ansar who brought Rasulullah (saw) to power to govern by the rule of Islam. It also governs with a pure Islamic constitution in which there is no depression nor an elevation, for it is Allah's law, the Lord of the worlds, which falsehood cannot approach it from before it or from behind it, the Almighty said:

(قُلْ هَلْ مِن شُرَكَآئِكُم مَّن يَهْدِيُ إِلَى الْحَقِّ قُلِ اللَّهِ يَهْدِي لِلْحَقِّ أَفَمَن يَهْدِي إِلَى الْحَقِّ أَحَقُّ أَن يُتَبَعَ أَمَّن لاَ يَهِدِّيَ إِلاَّ أَن يُهْدَى فَمَا لَكُمْ كَيْفَ تَحْكُمُونَ ﴾ "Say, "Are there of your 'partners' any who guides to the truth?"

Say, "Allah guides to the truth. So is He who guides to the truth more worthy to be followed or he who guides not unless he is guided? Then what is [wrong] with you - how do you judge?"" [Yunus: 35]

Let you, O honorable Ummah, be a great nation that offers good initiative and embarks upon to. Let you, O armies in Muslim countries, be as Saad bin Muath, the supporter of Islam and the establisher of its state, and give victory to Hizb ut Tahrir. And let you, O people, be as Musab bin Omair, studying religion, learning it and calling for it.

May you, O the Ummah of Islam, be as Saad to support Islam and bring it to power, or be as Musab learning Islam and calling for it. And let you be, O the Ummah of Islam

«وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ»

*"and the best army is that army"*, so that we achieve the hadith of Rasulullah (saw) and we win the honor of the world and the Hereafter, and the words of Allah Almighty are fulfilled in us

﴿كُنتُمْ خَيْرَأُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتُ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنكَرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ»

"You were the best nations ever to be raised for mankind: you enjoin what is right (ma'roof), forbid what is wrong (munkar), and believe in Allah." [Al-i-Imran: 110]

Written for the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir by Ustadh AbdulRahman Al-Ameri – Yemen





### Speech of the Official Spokesman of Hizb ut Tahrir in Wilayah of Sudan At the Conquest of Constantinople Conference

#### **Press Release**

(Translated)

All praise to Allah, the Most-High, the One whose soldiers are victorious, the Exalted in Might, the Oppressor of the mighty, the Humiliator of the arrogant and the Supporter of the believers even after some time. And prayers, and peace be upon him; who was sent as of mercy to the worlds, the Imam of Mujahideen and the Master of the first and the last of creatures, and upon his family and companions and those who follow his guidance.

#### **Dear Honorable Audience:**

Assalamu Alaikum wa RahmatuAllahu wa Barakatuhu,

When we revive this great anniversary, the anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople, one of the glad tidings of the Beloved Mohammed (saw) who said:

«لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنِعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ» "You will open Constantinople, its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army."

When we do that, it is not for ruminating remembrance, and crying about the past that has been lost, but rather in order to raise the concern, and revive men, especially the people of firmness and determination who are disturbed by the condition of Muslims, and the humiliation that they reached, after the glory and empowerment, that was under the state of Islam, the Khilafah (caliphate), that preserves the Deen, protects the glory of Islam and Muslims, and spreads justice and mercy among all creatures, seeking to get people out of the darkness of polytheism and disbelief, to the clear light of Islam. And those who know the miserable reality that Muslims became after the demolition of the Khilafah, the division of Muslim countries, and its rule by secular capitalist systems, after the Book of Allah and the Sunnah of His Messenger (saw), and what they have guided to, were the reference and the basis in the governing, political, economic systems, and others, but rather the colonial Kafir became the controller of the destinies of Muslims, under the rulers of Ruwaibidhat, who surrendered their affairs, and the affairs of the Muslim countries entirely to the colonial Kafir, so the situation of Muslims became humiliation and disgrace, after the glory and empowerment.

In order for us to return as we were in the era of the Prophet

(saw) and the caliphs after him, we must establish our authority on the basis of Islam, and unify our country under one banner, which is the banner of La Ilaha illa Allah, Muhammad Rasul Allah, because Islam cannot be applied in light of these functional national states, which were made by the colonizer to control Islam and Muslims. Thus, according to Sharia, the Khilafah state is the state for all Muslims, and it is not a national, patriotic, or other state. Moreover, the observed reality confirms the impossibility of applying Islam in its entirety in these states, and some Islamic movements have experimented this, so failure was its ally, because it violated the way the Prophet (saw) in establishing the authority of Islam.

And the method of establishing the Khilafah is one method, not multiple, which is how the Prophet (saw) established the first state in Medina, where he followed specific stages, and he did not say that Muslims could take other methods to carry out this absent obligation, so Hizb ut Tahrir committed itself, from its first day to this day, to this method, not deviating from it regardless the change in the circumstances and conditions. The party is steadfast in this way with the Ummah until it reaches its goal of resuming the Islamic way of life that was interrupted by the destruction of the Khilafah, by establishing the second Khilafah Rashidah (righteous Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood.

Hizb ut Tahrir, is proceeding in the same stages which the Beloved (saw) did, and with the grace of Allah, it has completed the stages followed by the Beloved (saw), and it now stands at the end of the third and final stage, namely to take over the rule from the people of power and strength, after the Khilafah became a public opinion; rather, the eyes of the Ummah aspire



to the dawning of the true dawn by establishing it righteous on the method of the Prophethood.

From this podium, we call on all Muslims, especially scholars and those working in the field of Islamic Dawah, to put your hands in our hands, so that the people of strength and power see that all the people of Islam have covenanted and pledged to resume the Islamic way of life, which will only be with the establishment of the second Khilafah Rashidah on the method of the Prophethood.

We also turn to the people of power and strength in this country, to give victory to Hizb ut Tahrir so that the Ummah and you are saved from subordination to the colonial Kafir, so they will attain the satisfaction of Allah Almighty who was satisfied with the supporters, who pledged allegiance to RasulAllah (saw) and gave him the victory in which he established the first state of Islam, which was a cause of happiness for all humanity.

﴿وَالسَّابِقُونَ الْأَوَّلُونَ مِنَ الْمُهَاجِرِينَ وَالْأَنْصَارِ وَالَّذِينَ اتَّبَعُوهُمْ بِإِحْسَانِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ وَرَضُوا عَنْهُ وَأَعَدَ لَهُمْ جَنَّاتٍ تَحْرِي تَخْتَهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَداً ذَلِكَ الْفَوْزُالْعَظِيمُ﴾

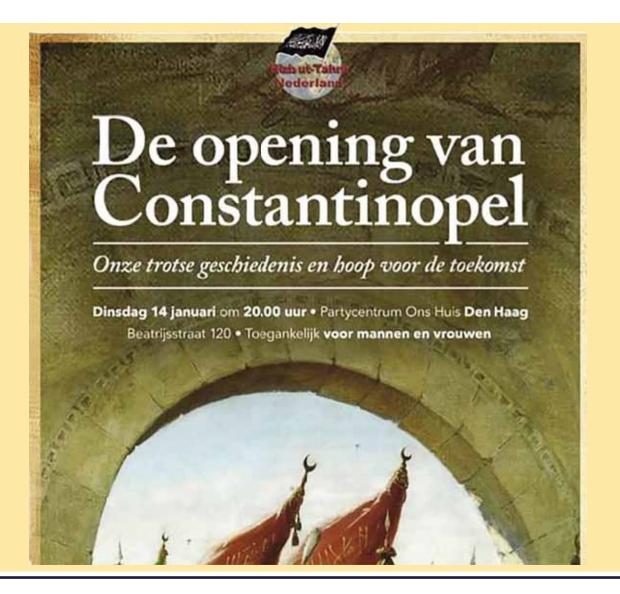
"And the first forerunners [in the faith] among the Muhajireen and the Ansar and those who followed them with good conduct - Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him, and He has prepared for them gardens beneath which rivers flow, wherein they will abide forever. That is the great attainment." [At-Tawba: 100].

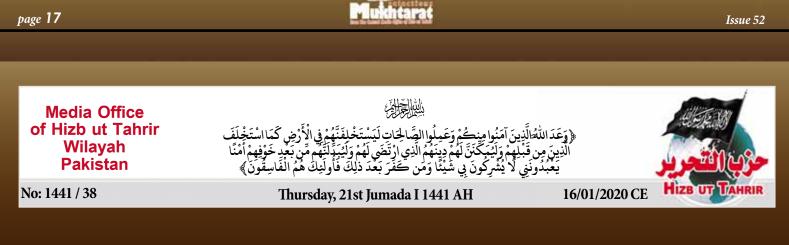
To the glory of the world, and the dignity of the Hereafter we invite you, may Allah Almighty achieve the glad tidings of the Prophet (saw) of the establishment of the second Khilafah Rashidah on the method of the Prophethood, at your hands, so you attain this great honor. The Khilafah Rashidah on the method of the Prophethood, is the only Shari' (legitimate) way to resume the Islamic way of life to apply Islam at home and to carry it to the world, and it is the Shari' way to achieve the remaining the glad tidings; from the evacuation of Jews from the Blessed land, the conquest of Rome.

(لِمِثْلِ هَذَافَلْيَعْمَلِ الْعَامِلُونَ) (For the like of this let the workers [on earth] work." [As-Saffat: [61]

Wassalamu Alaikum wa RahmatuAllahu wa Barakatuhu,

Ibrahim Othman (Abu Khalil) Official Spokesman of Hizb ut Tahrir in Wilayah Sudan





## Sultan Al-Fatih Achieved the Glad Tidings of RasulAllah (saaw) of the Conquest of Constantinople. It is Now Upon Us to Achieve the Glad Tidings of the Return of the Khilafah, Defeating the Jews Decisively and Conquering Rome

#### **Press Release**

By the permission of Allah (swt), Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Pakistan undertook a strong, country-wide public contact and social media campaign, as part of Hizb ut Tahrir's world-wide campaign, "Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved... to be Followed by Glad Tidings!" It distributed the leaflet entitled, "The Speech of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, On the Occasion of the Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople in 857 AH – 1453 CE," to the influential by delegation, in public places and via the social media. It undertook a campaign on Twitter on 11 January 2020, which became the second largest national Twitter trend, generating debate, and distributed seven short extracts of the speech, in the voice of the Ameer, with English and Urdu subtitles. It undertook public addresses with the banner, "O Lions of Pakistan's Armed Forces! Sultan Fatih conquered Constantinople, showing you the way to liberate Kashmir and al-Aqsa."

And on 15 January 2020, which fell this year on the anniversary of the conquest of Constantinople, 20th Jumada ul-Awwal, it organized talks regarding the speech of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, in which he said, "The Prophet (saw) gave the glad tidings of conquering Constantinople, conquering Rome, the return of the Khilafah (Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood, and fighting the Jews and powerfully defeating them... The Sunnah (way) of Allah is that we support Allah and He sends His victory to us, so that we establish His law and elevate the edifice of His state and prepare what we can of strength and then strive in His cause."

Indeed, it is upon us to achieve the glad tiding of the return of the Khilafah, so that we can strengthen ourselves by ruling by all that Allah (swt) has revealed. Through its institutions, it is the Khilafah that will unleash the full potential of the Ummah's resources. The Khilafah's military will be independent from colonialist influence, so that it is mobilized to secure Islam and Muslims, without restraint. The Khilafah's political medium and judiciary will be pure from the corrupting Western civilization, so that its rulers can be held to account solely on the basis of the Quran and Sunnah. The Khilafah's economy will be free from colonialist exploitation, so that the abundant resources of the Ummah are used to build a strong economy that cares for the needs of all its citizens, as well as a strong industry that is the basis for an effective military force. So, let us usher in a new era of glory and victory, by demanding from our lions in the armed forces to grant their Nussrah to Hizb ut Tahrir, under its Ameer, the eminent scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah.

Allah (swt) said,

﴿وَيَوْمَئِذِ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ ۞ بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِيَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ﴾ "And that day the believers will rejoice \* In the victory of Allah. He gives victory to whom He wills, and He is the Exalted in Might, the Merciful." [Ar-Rum: 45-]

> Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir in Wilayah Pakistan

# What Lessons Does Muhammad Al-Fatih — the **Conqueror of Constantinople – Teach Us?**

There are bright days in the history of nations that are a source of pride for those nations. So, what if those days mark the fulfillment of the glad tidings of Allah's Messenger (saw)? They are undoubtedly shining stars in the sky; rather, they are suns that illuminate the world and raise our Ummah high up to the sky. And from among these great days are the days of the anniversary of the conquest of Constantinople!

Our Beloved Messenger (saw), surrounded by his Companions who would transcribe for him, was asked,

«أَيُّ الْمَدِينَتَيْنِ تُفْتَحُ أَوَّلَا قُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ أَوْ رُومِيَّةُ؟» Which of the two cities will be opened first, Constantinople or " Rome?" He answered,

«مَدِينَةُ هرَقْلَ تُفْتَحُ أَوَّلًا يَعْنِي قُسْطَنْطِينيَّةَ»

"The city of Heraclius will be opened first," meaning Constantinople. [Reported by Ahmed]

He (saw) also foretold,

«لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنِعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ»

"You will open Constantinople. Its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army that army will be." [Reported by Ahmed]

These words, authenticated and transmitted from generation to generation, echoed throughout the history of the Ummah, inspiring hope, ambition, and sincere effort in some of the greatest leaders, warriors, and scholars to have ever emerged in our Ummah. The honor of being described as the best Amir and the best army was desired by every sincere Muslim.

It wasn't until 857 years after the Hijrah (AH), on the 20th of Jumada al-Awwal, that the 21 year old Muhammad ibn Murad gained his title, Al-Fatih (the Conqueror) by fulfilling the prophecy of Allah's Messenger (saw) by liberating Constantinople. He renamed the city 'Islambol' (the City of Islam), protected its Christian residents, and went on a campaign of redeveloping the city to even greater heights than the Byzantines had achieved. He commissioned the improvement of the city's sanitation system, utilized clean sources of water for its citizens, opened kitchens for the hungry, and ordered the building of many of the Masajid and universities that we can still see today. He ensured that non-Muslims were protected under the contract of Dhimma, and even made Istanbul the capital city of his rule.

Conquering Constantinople was no easy task. Muhammad Al-Fatih had to account for the punishing winter in planning his siege of the city, he had to build "state-of-the-art" technology for that time, and he had to pull off feats of logistical brilliance in record time.

So, this Jumada al-Awwal, on the anniversary of this remarkable victory, there are two important lessons that the Ummah must learn today:

First, the distance between the blessed words of Allah's Messenger (saw) prophesizing the liberation of Constantinople and its occurrence spanned over 800 years. During the 800 years, imagine all the events that had taken place. The Muslims had experienced the loss of the Khulafaa Al-Rashidun, lived through the passing of the Umayyad Caliphate and the weakening of the Abbasid Caliphate, fought the Crusaders to whom they had lost and then regained Jerusalem, and had been brutalized by the Mongols. Yet even after eight centuries and successive failures of Caliphs at securing the city of Constantinople, the Ummah had not lost hope or conviction in the words of Allah's Messenger (saw) that they would indeed take the capital of the Byzantine Empire.

For Muslims, the words of the Prophet (saw) were not treated as some impossible dream or some distant point of academized theology. Rather, the promise of Allah's Messenger (saw) was firmly considered a tangible goal that Muslims would work towards. Al-Fatih's father, Murad, spent much of his own life trying to conquer Constantinople, and instilled this passion into his son. Sultan Murad provided the best religious education for his son, and Muhammad's teacher, Akshamsaddin, continued to encourage him to make an attempt at liberating the city.

Is it not then incumbent upon this generation of Muslims to have hope and trust in another promise of Allah's Messenger (saw), who after foretelling the loss of the Khilafah Al-Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate), followed by a period of family rule, followed by a harsh and then coercive rule, promised us (as reported by Imam Ahmed):

«ثُمَّ تَكُونُ خِلَافَةً عَلَى منْهَاج النُّبُوَّة» "...then there will be the Khilafah upon the way of the Prophethood ('ala minhaaj al-nubuwwah)"?



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Second, the relationship of Muslims with prophecy is not one of passivity. Rather, the glad tidings of Allah's Messenger (saw) are supposed to motivate us towards actions. In preparing for this mission, Al-Fatih knew he would have to construct a fortress to keep his soldiers sheltered so he could continue his siege of Constantinople over the winter. He secured the best cannon engineer at the time to construct cannons to be used against the formidable defenses of the city. And, in an amazing feat of logistics, he was able to move 70 ships over the Galata Hill, gliding them overland over greased wooden tracks, to enter the Golden Horn, which was otherwise defended from the sea by a heavy chain. The sudden appearance of the ships demoralized the Byzantine army.

It is clear that Muhammad Al-Fatih did not let the promise of eventual victory from Allah (swt) over Constantinople lull him into complacency. Rather, he was eager to be the leader of the army to achieve this great honor, and now is remembered throughout history! Why should we then, close to 100 years after the fall of the Khilafah, allow ourselves to be tranquilized with mere glimmers of a future glory or breathless retellings of the Ahadith about the End of Times and the arrival of the Mahdi? Rather than waiting for the fulfillment of these promises, we should be eager to be of those who are part of the immense victory that Allah (swt) has promised: The return of full and complete Islamic rule upon the way of the Prophethood.

We are at a unique time in the history of this Ummah. Never before has the Muslim Ummah remained for so long without a Khaleefah (or a "Caliphate") state. And, while its absence exposes us to never-ending tragedies, within this test lies our greatest opportunity.

As Muslims alive today, we have the unparalleled opportunity to engage in a struggle that was previously only carried out by Prophets and their immediate followers; today we have the opportunity to re-establish the full implementation of the Message of Allah (swt) and restore the Deen of Allah (swt) to its rightful place. The reward for this work surpasses the reward of liberating any one city; this is the work of liberating of all the Muslim lands, and the restoration of dignity and protection to the Ummah as a whole! the life of the Prophet (saw) in order to observe how he was able to transform a small group of powerless and persecuted believers in Makkah into the leaders of the greatest civilization brought forth to Mankind. He worked with a small group of companions, instilling in them conviction in Allah (swt) and created formidable Islamic personalities within them. Leading this group, he then took his message to the public, engaging with both the common folk of Makkah as well as the tribal elders of Arabia, until he found a receptive ear in the Aws and Khazraj of Yathrib – the Ansaar. As believers, it is incumbent on us to follow this model for change. Not only is this an immense opportunity for reward from Allah (swt), it is also an obligation, as Allah's Messenger (saw) tells us:

#### «وَمَنْ مَاتَ وَلَيْسَ فِي عُنْقِهِ بَيْعَةٌ مَاتَ مِيتَةً جَاهِلِيَّةً»

"Whoever dies without a Bay'ah (to the Khaleefah) upon his neck has died a death of Jahiliyya." [Reported by Muslim]

The "death of Jahiliyya" here indicates that being without a legitimate Khaleefah is prohibited. This makes the existence of the Khilafah obligatory, as agreed upon by all classical scholars, including Imam Al-Nawawi, Al-Qurtubi, Al-Juwayni, Al-Taftazani, Al-Dahlawi.

We cannot let hopelessness or complacency cloud our judgment and delay us from our duty. Rather, we must be racing towards the mercy of Allah (swt), as He says:

(سَابِقُوا إِلَى مَغْفَرَةٍ مِّن رَيَّتُمُ وَجَنَّة عَرْضُهَا كَعَرْضِ السَّمَّاءِ وَالْأَرْضِ أَعِدَّتْ لِلَّذِينَ آَمَنُوا بِاللَّرِورُسُلِهِ ذَلِكَ فَضْلُ اللَّسِيُؤْتِيهِ مَن يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ وَالْفَضْلِ الْعَظِيمِ » "Race toward forgiveness from your Lord and a Garden whose width is like the width of the heavens and earth, prepared for those who believed in Allah and His Messengers. That is the bounty of Allah that He gives to whom He wills, and Allah is the possessor of great bounty." [57:21]

O Allah! Grant us the honor of being among the ones to fulfil the prophecy of Allah's Messenger (saw) of establishing the Khilafah upon the way of the Prophethood. Ameen!

> 22 Jumada al-Awwal 1441 AH January 17, 2020 CE Hizb ut Tahrir Canada

In preparing for this task, it is incumbent upon us to study





## Hizb ut Tahrir / Kenya organized activities during the global campaign: Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was achieved to be followed by Glad Tidings

**Press Release** 

Under the guidance of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, may Allah protect him, the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir has launched a widespread global campaign marking the occasion of the Hijri Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople #Constantinople (city of Heraclius) which was besieged from the 26th of Rabii' al-Awwal until the 20th Jumada al-Awwal 857 AH corresponding to 5 April until 29 May 1453 CE and thus the glad tiding of the noble Hadith of the Messenger (saw) was achieved:

«لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنِعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ» "You will open Constantinople, its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army."

Hizb ut Tahrir / Kenya made its mark during this global campaign on January 13, 2020 by having a live radio program hosted by Radio Rahma. In the program, Shabani Mwalimu, Media Representative of the Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir / Kenya, along with his colleague in the Media Office Ali Omar discussed about the conquest of Constantinople; a glad tiding achieved to be followed by other glad tidings.

On Wednesday, 15th January 2020 CE, corresponding to 20th Jumada al-Awwal 1441 AH, the Shabab of Hizb ut Tahrir in Kenya organized a series of picketing and public talks countrywide. In Mombasa, picketing was conducted outside Masjid Al Aqsa-Kisauni, Masjid Khairat - Kilifi and Masjid LungaLunga. During the picketing, the Shabab had banners reading: "Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved... to be Followed by Glad Tidings! The return of Khilafah upon the method of Prophet (Saw), fighting and defeating the Jews, and the conquest of Rome."

On the same day after the Maghrib prayers, public talks led by Hizb ut Tahrir / Kenya Media Representative Shabani Mwalimu were held in Mombasa, Nairobi and Kilifi. The talks were to remind the Ummah to be reassured by the fulfillment of the three other glad tidings of the Messenger of Allah (saw), as the first one has been achieved since the Prophet (saaw) speaks only from the Divine Revelation (Wahyi). In addition, the Shabab emphasized the glad tidings will not be achieved by the descent of angels from heaven, who will bestow them upon her. Rather, the Sunnah (way) of Allah (swt) is once we fully support Allah (swt), i.e. working to re-establish the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood, then definitely He will send His victory to us.

(وَيَوْمَئِذِ يَفْرَحُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ \* بِنَصْرِ اللَّهِيَنْصُرُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْعَزِيزُ الرَّحِيمُ) "And that day the believers will rejoice \* In the victory of Allah. He gives victory to whom He wills, and He is the Exalted in Might, the Merciful." [Ar-Rum: 45-]

> Shabani Mwalimu Media Representative of Hizb ut Tahrir in Kenya

# The Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople

Heralds the Establishment of the Khilafah (Caliphate) and the Liberation of Al-Aqsa and the Conquest of Rome

(Translated)

Praise be to Allah, Lord of the worlds, and prayers and peace be upon the Messenger of Allah, his family and companions, and those who follow him,

O Muslims: The Messenger of Allah (saw) said

«لَتْفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنِعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ» "You will open Constantinople, its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army."

On the twentieth of Jumada al-Awwal in the year 857 AH, the great conquest was achieved and the glad tiding of the Messenger of Allah (saw) was achieved, and Ameer Muhammad bin Murad II won the honour of opening it and the praise of the Messenger of Allah upon him and his army. And with this blessed conquest, he carried the title of Muhammad Al-Fatih. With this conquest, he overthrew a great stronghold of disbelief and misguidance. He changed its name to "Islambol", meaning "the city of Islam", and went to the Church of Hagia Sophia, and granted safety to the Byzantine people and their monks, and he ordered the conversion of this symbol of great polytheism into a mosque in which the name of Allah is mentioned, the rituals of Islam are held and Friday prayers are held. It remained a mosque filled with remembrance and glorification until the Khilafah (caliphate) was destroyed and the criminal Mustafa Kamal prevented praying there and changed it to a museum.

O Muslims: The anniversary of the conquest of Constantinople heralds the glad tidings to come, including the conquest of Rome, soon Allah willing. On the authority of Abdullah ibn Amr ibn Al-As, who said: "When we are around the Messenger of Allah (saw) writing, the Messenger of Allah was asked, which of the two cities will be opened first, Constantinople or Rome?" The Messenger of Allah (saw) said:

«مَدِينَةُ هِرَقْلَ تُفْتَحُ أَوَّلاً، يَعْنِي قُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةَ»

"The city of Heraclius will be opened first, meaning Constantinople."

Indeed, we have believed Allah and His Messenger, so that

may Allah grant us what He promised us in this world and the Hereafter. We are on a date with three glad tidings that we ask Allah (swt) to accomplish at our hands;

The first glad tiding is the establishment of an Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) on the method of Prophethood; the second is the liberation of the Al-Aqsa Mosque and Al-Quds (Jerusalem) will be the capital of the Khilafah (caliphate) state, and the third is that Islam will spread on the Earth and reaches its east and west. This is Allah's promise and verily Allah does not break His promise.

Allah (swt) says:

"It is He who has sent His Messenger with guidance and the religion of truth to manifest it over all religion, although they who associate others with Allah dislike it" [At-Tawba: 33].

The Prophet (saw) said:

«لَيَبْلُغَنَّ هَذَا الْأَمْرُ مَا بَلَغَ اللَّيْلُ وَالنَّهَارُ، وَلَا يَتْرُكُ اللهُ بَيْتَ مَدَرٍ وَلَا وَبَرٍ إِلَّا أَدْخَلَهُ اللهُ هَذَا الدِّينَ، بِعِزِّ عَزِيزٍ أَوْ بِذُلُّ ذَلِيل، عِزًا يُعِزُّ اللهُ بِهِ الْإِسْلَامَ، وَذُلَّا يُذِلُّ اللهُ بِهِ الْكُفْرَ»

"This matter will certainly reach every place touched by the night and day. Allah will not leave a house or residence (from brick, or fur) but that Allah will cause this religion to enter it, by which the honorable will be honored and the disgraceful will be disgraced. Allah will honor the honorable with Islam and he will disgrace the disgraceful with unbelief." [Narrated by Ahmad and its chain of transmission is Sahih on the condition of Muslim]

On the anniversary of the conquest of Constantinople, we aim to mobilize the energies of Muslim youth to rise up to establish Allah's Deen on earth and achieve what Allah and His Messenger



has promised us. Muhammad Al-Fatih was granted victory by Allah and achieved this great conquest by his hands while he is twenty-one years old. O Muslim youth, we are calling you from Al-Aqsa Mosque, so answer the call of Allah. O Muslim youth, fear Allah in yourselves, hold fast to the strong rope of Allah, and rise to a paradise with the width of the heavens and the earth, rise up to the duty Allah required of you to carry out His call and work to establish His Deen. O Muslim youth, take the honourable companions and great leaders as your example; the good in you is great.

O Scholars of the Ummah: From Al-Aqsa Mosque we address you to carry out the duty that Allah has required of you; to carry His call and proclaim the truth and stand in the face of the oppressors; to build the youth of the Ummah with awareness as Sheikh Ahmad Al-Kurani and Sheikh Akshamsaddin built Muhammad Al-Fatih and instilled in him the love of Islam and made the conquest of Constantinople occupy his mind and heart.

This is what Allah has commanded you with

﴿ وَإِذْ أَخَذَ اللَّهُ مِيثَاقَ الَّذِينَ أُوثُوا الْكِتَابَ لَتُبَيِّنُنَّهُ لِلنَّاسِ وَلَا تَكْتُمُونَهُ» "when Allah took a covenant from those who were given the Scripture, [saying], "You must make it clear to the people and not conceal it." [Al-e Imran: 187]

Allah (swt) says:

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَحْتُمُونَ مَا أَنْزَلْنَا مِنَ الْبَيِّنَاتِ وَالْهُدَى مِنْ بَعْدِ مَا بَيَّنَّاهُ لِلْنَّاسِ فِي الْكَتَابِ أُولَئِكَ يَلْعَنُهُمُ اللَّهُ وَيَلْعَنُهُمُ اللَّاعِنُونَ ﴾ إِلَّا الَّذِينَ تَابُوا وَأَصْلَحُوا وَبَيَّنُوا فَأُولَئِكَ أَتُوبُ عَلَيْهِمْ وَأَنَا التَّوَّابُ الرَّحِيمُ»

"Indeed, those who conceal what We sent down of clear proofs and guidance after We made it clear for the people in the Scripture - those are cursed by Allah and cursed by those who curse, \* Except for those who repent and correct themselves and make evident [what they concealed]. Those - I will accept their repentance, and I am the Accepting of repentance, the Merciful." [Al-Baqara: 159160-]

So address the Muslim youth with what instil in them the love of Allah (swt) and the love of His Messenger and to work to establish the Khilafah on the method of Prophethood to liberate Al-Quds and carry Islam to open Rome and the whole Earth.

O Muslim Armies: On the anniversary of the conquest of Constantinople, we seek your help from the Al-Aqsa Mosque in order to establish the Khilafah, to liberate Al-Quds and to carry Islam to open Rome. Will you answer??? Will you respond???

O the Best of the Earth's Soldiers: you are the soldiers of Islam and the Ummah of Islam, and your original work is jihad for the sake of Allah to make the word of Allah the highest and the word of those who disbelieve the lowest. Your goal should be martyrdom for the sake of Allah, advancing forth not retreating. So make this good your focus and do not obey the friends of Satan and the agents of America, Russia and the West,

﴿ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ وَلَا تَوَلَّوْا عَنْهُ وَأَنَّتُمْ تَسْمَعُونَ ﴾ "O you who have believed, obey Allah and His Messenger and do not turn from him while you hear [his order]" [Al-Anfal: 20].

﴿ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَلَا تُبْطِلُوا أَعْمَالَكُمْ ﴾

"O you who have believed, obey Allah and obey the Messenger and do not invalidate your deeds" [Muhammad: 33].

O Muslims: From the Al-Aqsa Mosque we say to you: Trust in the promise and victory of Allah and do not despair of Allah's mercy

﴿إِنَّ رَحْمَتَ اللَّهِ قَرِيبٌ مِنَ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴾ [Al- Indeed, the mercy of Allah is near to the doers of good." Araf: 56]

Trust your Ummah, the Ummah of Muhammad (saw), as this kind and generous Ummah has been chosen by Allah for His Deen and obliged it to be the witness for the people. Today the Islamic Ummah, despite what has befallen it, is able to fulfil the good tidings of the Messenger of Allah (saw), Allah willing by establishing Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) on the method of Prophethood, and is capable, Allah willing, of achieving the glad tiding of the Messenger of Allah (saw) by purifying the blessed land from the abomination of Jews so that Al-Quds will be the capital of the Khilafah, and it is able, Allah willing, to fulfill the glad tiding of the Messenger of Allah (saw) by opening Rome and spreading Islam until it reaches the east and west of the Earth.

Oh Allah, bring this good for the Ummah of Muhammad and bring joy to the Muslims by it, and guide their hearts to the truth.

**Oh Allah**, draw the hearts of the Muslims close among them, reconcile between them and provide them with piety, as much as you grant them victory and your pleasure.

**O** Allah, we ask for your hope and victory, that you promised, Khilafah Rashida (rightly guided Caliphate) on the method of Prophethood, which establishes the Deen, spread the message of good to the worlds.

May Allah's peace and blessings be upon the one sent as a mercy to the world, our master Muhammad, his family and companions, and those who followed them with Ihsan (goodness) until the Day of Judgment.

#### Praise be to Allah the Lord of the worlds

Friday 22 Jumada al-Awwal 1441 AH 17/1/2020 CE Hizb ut Tahrir **The Blessed Land-Palestine** 





## Erdogan and Muhammad Al-Faatih (RH): A Tale of Two Leaders

#### News & Comment:

#### News:

On Wednesday 8th January, Russian President, Vladimir Putin, and Turkey's leader, President Recep Tayyip Erdogan formally launched a Black Sea pipeline that will funnel Russian natural gas via Turkey to Europe. The two leaders inaugurated the 'TurkStream' in Istanbul which will carry natural gas through an undersea pipeline stretching 930km from Anapa on the Russian Black Sea Coast to Kiyikay west of Istanbul for Turkish domestic consumption, while a second leg will carry Russian gas to South east Europe through Bulgaria, Serbia and Hungary. It will also enable Russia to bypass Ukraine to supply gas to Europe. The project cements further the mutual cooperation and ties between Russia and Turkey.

#### **Comment**:

Through this action, Erdogan continues his shameless legacy of offering an ever-warmer embrace to the Butcher of Moscow. Rather than confronting the murderer Putin, who is responsible for the cold-blooded slaughter of thousands of Muslims in Syria and defending the bloodthirsty Assad regime, the Turkish leader seeks instead to strengthens the hand and economy of the Russian tyrant, aiding him to continue his genocide against the honourable Muslims of Ash-Sham, while also shackling Turkey to the future influence and interests of Russia. Necdet Pamir, head of energy policy at the Turkish Chamber of Petroleum Engineers, stated that while TurkStream would ensure a steady supply of gas for Turkey it had left the country "tied by our necks to Russia".

Not only has Erdogan worked hand in hand with the Russian and Iranian regimes and their Western backers to crush the Islamic revolution in Syria through their devious conferences and so-called peace-processes aimed at dividing and diverting the factions from the removal of the butcher Bashar, he has also unashamedly strengthened ties with a communist regime which bears a venomous hatred of Islam and Muslims and has always been an open enemy of the Ummah and their Deen. It is a regime that continues to persecute and imprison with lengthy jail sentences Muslims in Russia and the Tartar Muslims of Crimea in order to terrorise them into abandoning their Islamic beliefs. But all this clearly holds no weight in Erdogan's eyes, for he has even deepened military cooperation with Moscow, including the sharing of military intelligence, accepting the delivery of a Russian made S-400 missile defense system last year, and embracing joint patrols of Russian – Turkish troops along the Turkey-Syrian border.

Erdogan often revels in the idea of believing himself to be the re-incarnation of the great Ottoman leaders of the past, but the gulf of difference is huge. This month marks the anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople in 857AH (1453CE) by the great Ottoman Khalifah and Commander Muhammad Al-Faatih (RM), known as Sultan Memed II. This is a man who truly reflected the caliber and characteristics of an Islamic leader – for he dedicated his life to further the cause of the Deen and spread the frontiers of Islam across the world. From a tender age, his deep inculcation with the sublime Islamic beliefs, built a personality that yearned to give his life in the service of Allah, and to conquer the great city of Constantinople in order to be of the one described by our beloved Prophet (saw) when he said:

«لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنِعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ» "You will open Constantinople. Its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army." His desire was not to appease and cooperate with the Byzantine Empire and other enemies of the Muslims, but to defeat them in order to make Islam the prevailing Deen in the world. After taking Constantinople,



Muhammad Al-Faatih set his sights on expanding Islam across Europe, including conquering Rome, in order to achieve another Glad Tidings of the Prophet (saw).

This is the quality of leader demanded by Islam – the one who defends the Muslims and the Deen and takes the light of Islam to the world, rather than the one who colludes in the conspiracies against the Believers, strengthens the hands of murderous tyrants, fights only for selfish national interests and cowers to the agendas of foreign states. However, such a caliber of ruler will only materialise under a system that also sincerely represents the interests and cause of the Muslims and Islam: the Khilafah (Caliphate) based upon the method of the Prophethood. So as an Ummah, if we desire the return of great leaders of the likes of Muhammad al-Faatih, and if we wish to see glorious victories for our Deen once again of the likes of the Conquest of Constantinople, and if we yearn to witness the achievement of the other Glad Tidings of Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw), then we must exert our full efforts and focus our full attention on establishing the only system that will transform these hopes and dreams into a reality: the glorious Khilafah state. Allah (swt)

says

﴿ وَعَدَ لِللَّهُ لِذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ مِنكُمْ وَعَمِلُواْ لَضَلِحُتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي لأَرْضِ كَمَا سْتَخْلَفَ لَذِينَ مِن قَبْلِهِمْ وَلَيُمَكَّنَنَّ لَهُمْ دِينَهُمُ لَذِي رْتَضَى لَهُمْ وَلَيُبَدِّلَتَهُم مِّن بَعْدِ خَوْفِهِمْ أَمْنًا يَعْبُدُونِنِي لَا يُشْرِكُونَ بِي شَيْءًا وَمَن صَفَرَ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ فَأُوْلَئِكَ هُمَ لَفَسِقُونَ ﴾

"Allah has promised, to those among you who believe and work righteous deeds, that He will, of a surety, grant them in the land, inheritance (of power), as He granted it to those before them; that He will establish in authority their religion, the one which He has chosen for them; and that He will change (their state), after the fear in which they (lived), to one of security and peace: `They will worship Me (alone) and not associate aught with Me.' If any do reject Faith after this, they are rebellious and wicked." [An-Nur: 55]

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# Muslim Armies Have Breached Far Stronger Fortresses than Those That Trump Boasts About and They Shall do so again

#### News & Comment:

#### News:

President Trump responded to Iranian missile strikes on US bases in Iraq saying "... Assessment of casualties & damages taking place now. So far, so good! We have the most powerful and well equipped military anywhere in the world, by far! …" Not only did Trump boast of having the strongest military, but he claimed that, "U.S. armed forces are stronger than ever before." The boasting did not stop there, and perhaps because the US did not look quite as strong as Trump claimed with its forces huddled in underground bunkers built by Saddam Hussein, he went on to tell a Fox News interviewer that he left troops in Syria for "taking the oil."

#### Comment:

Regardless of how much Trump has overstated US military power, it cannot be denied that the US does indeed have the most technologically advanced military in the world, and that it has been the number one world power for decades. Many a country has been left in ruins in the wake of its onslaughts. However, in a relative sense, others have far exceeded it in power and stood firm not for decades, but for centuries.

Muslims recall with pride their victory over fortifications more impregnable than any that the US has built to hide behind. The capture of Constantinople in 1453 marked the fulfillment of prophecy:

#### «لَتُفْتَحَنَّ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةُ فَلَنِعْمَ الْأَمِيرُ أَمِيرُهَا وَلَنِعْمَ الْجَيْشُ ذَلِكَ الْجَيْشُ»

#### "You will open Constantinople, its Amir is the best Amir, and the best army is that army."

Furthermore, that prophecy is linked to future prophecy: Abdullah ibn Amr ibn Al-As, who said: "When we are around the Messenger of Allah (saw) writing, the Messenger of Allah was asked, which of the two cities will be opened first, Constantinople or Rome?" The Messenger of Allah (saw) said:

#### «مَدِينَةُ هِرَقْلَ تُفْتَحُ أَوَّلاً، يَعْنِي قُسْطََنْطِينِيَّةَ»

### "The city of Heraclius" will be opened first, meaning Constantinople."

In today's context it is worth noting just how difficult it was to capture the promised city of Constantinople. The Muslim armies laid siege to the city for 2 months, and had to solve great technical and logistical problems in order to endure for so long and to break through walls too strong for even the latest technology of that day. In order to break through, the great leader Mohammad al-Fateh recruited the most visionary engineer, who despite not being Muslim, was willing to work with the Ottoman engineers to build canons sufficiently powerful to break through the walls. This feat of intelligence, strength and skill is one of many that the history books tell in detail, but another point of interest is to remember that this 2 month siege was the last of many, against an enemy that repelled many sieges over not just decades, but centuries!

Earlier Muslim sieges failed. The siege of 1422 was unsuccessful, as was the siege of 1411 and the blockade of 1402 and that of 1390. All failed, but after decades of failure came victory. Furthermore, others tried and failed before the Ottomans to break the defenses of that city. The Umayyads tried in 717718- and before that from 674 through 678, and all attempts failed. Many non-Muslim armies from empires that rose and fell failed also to conquer the city that held firm through the centuries. So indeed, what the Prophet Mohammad (saw) promised the Muslims was a seemingly intangible victory against an invincible enemy, and yet victory was achieved.

The stronger the enemy, the greater the sweetness of victory will be. Furthermore, victory begins in the mind and belongs to the nation that is sure of its purpose and firm in its values, and this victory does not belong to the US. It has withdrawn from its values and its purpose, and only felt righteous in comparison to those more ugly than itself, and now, after defeating many enemies, its last hope is to slander the Muslims in order to paint a false picture of ugliness with which to cover itself, but the reality of the US today is so ugly that even slanderous lies against Muslims cannot mask the US from its own inward gaze. All that remains is for Muslims to truly see themselves and their ideology correctly, and all remaining walls will lose their foundations and fall at the smallest knock. So now is the time of struggle. Now, is the hour of pride and victory for tomorrow is inevitable.

#### Written for the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir by Dr. Abdullah Robin



### On the Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople Hizb ut Tahrir/ America Held a Conference Entitled "The Help of Allah is Near"

As a complement to the global campaign launched by Hizb ut Tahrir under the guidance of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, may Allah protect him, "Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved...to be Followed by Glad Tidings!", Hizb ut Tahrir/America held a conference entitled "The Help of Allah is Near", on Sunday, 24 Jumada al-Awwal 1441 AH corresponding to 19 January 2020 CE.

The Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir has launched this campaign to mark the Conquest of Constantinople which was besieged from the 26th of Rabii' al-Awwal until the 20th Jumada al-Awwal 857 AH corresponding to 5 April until 29 May 1453 CE.

The conference commenced with verses from the Book of Allah from the end of Surat Al-e Imran, then Dr. Abdur Rafay spoke of the tragedies of Muslims in general and the Muslims in India in particular. He showed that these Muslims' tragedies in India are the result of simply being Muslims. He spoke of how India, the world's so-called largest democracy, shows people the truth of the falseness of democracy that does not protect people from the oppression of people, especially the oppression against the Muslims.

Then a speech was delivered by Ustaadh Taiseer Hussein, who spoke about the conquest of Constantinople, and that it was the first glad tiding that had been achieved after the conquest of the Persians and Romans and would be followed by the establishment of the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood and the opening of Rome, and the liberation of the Blessed Land - Palestine. Brother Taiseer affirmed that these glad tidings do not mean to sit and kneel, but rather to invite and urge us to work hard to establish a Khilafah.

Then a segment for questions and answers followed, and the conference concluded with a duaa to Allah (swt) for victory and support, and establishing a Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood. And Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds.

#### 24th Jumada I 1441 AH / 19/01/2020 CE Hizb ut Tahrir America









"CONQUEST OF CONSTANTINOPLE" CAMPAIGN

**Press Release** 

Hizb ut Tahrir / Tanzania has completed campaign of Conquest of Constantinople which was launched in beginning of the month by the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir as widespread global campaign marking the occasion of the Hijri Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople (city of Heraclius) which was besieged from the 26th of Rabii' al-Awwal until the 20th Jumada al-Awwal 857 AH corresponding to 5 April until 29 May 1453 CE.

This campaign which was conducted under the guidance of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, (may Allah protect him) with the slogan **"Glad Tiding was Achieved... to be Followed by Glad Tidings!"** mainly concentrates in explaining the followings:

1. The Conquest shows the greatness of Islam and Muslims when Islam is applied in practice, Kufr will be non-existent.

2. Reassure the Muslim Ummah on the fulfillment of the three other glad tidings of the Messenger of Allah (saw), as the first one has been achieved, which was conquering Rome, and the other two: the return of the Khilafah (Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood, and fighting the Jews and powerfully defeating them.

3. Remind Muslims of the obligation of working to reestablish Khilafah Rashidah, while taking into account that the Kaffir West, together with the traitors were able to destroy the Khilafah (Caliphate) on 1342 AH - 1924 CE and still exert huge effort to prevent the return of the Khilafah utilizing various means and styles.

The campaign took place in various places in Tanzania such as cities of Dar es Salaam, Mwanza, Zanzibar, Mtwara (Southern region), Tanga (Northeastern Region) etc. utilizing various means and styles such as distribution of the Ameer's speech to public: mosque's special public talks, outside mosque public talks, bayans, Friday khutbas, video clips, social medias as well as some Hizb members voiced campaign's contents via TV stations and radio, such as Island Tv and Chuchu fm. (Zanzibar).

While we extend humble thanks for all who participated or contributed in one way or other in this successful campaign, we pray to Allah (swt) for His noble tawfiq (success) and great rewards.

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### Hizb ut Tahrir / The Blessed Land - Palestine: Hizb ut Tahrir calls on the Ummah and its armies from Al-Aqsa to fulfill the glad tidings of the Messenger by establishing the Khilafah and liberating Jerusalem

Hizb ut Tahrir in the Blessed Land - Palestine from the courtyards of the blessed Al-Aqsa Mosque sent a message to the Islamic Ummah on the necessity of seeking to establish a Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood that achieve will the liberation of Jerusalem and the spread of Islam and plant its roots in the whole world.

This came in a speech delivered on the anniversary of the conquest of *#Constantinople*, which falls on the twentieth of the month of Jumada al-Awwal. The speech was delivered among the thousands who chanted for the Caliphate and raised banners of the Uqab and slogans promising the Ummah a victory, succession and empowerment in the land.

The speech included messages; one for Muslims in which they were called to the three glad tidings; the first was the establishment of a Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood, the second was the liberation of Al-Aqsa Mosque and the taking of Jerusalem as the capital of the Caliphate state, and the third was that Islam will spread its goodness on the earth and reached its east and west.

And a message to the scholars that they must do what Allah obligated them to carry his call and stand in the face of the oppressors, to make the youth of the Ummah on the eye of insight as did Sheikh Ahmed Al-Kurani and Sheikh Aq Shamsuddin for Muhammad Al-Fatih.

And another for the armies called them to support Islam and the workers to cherish His religion, to establish a Khilafah, liberate Jerusalem and open Rome.

#### Friday 22 Jumada al-Awwal 1441 AH - 17 January 2020 CE



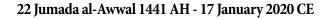
### Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Tunisia Activities Organized during the Global Campaign, "Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved... to be Followed by Glad Tidings!"

#### Massive Gathering in Sfax

For the second week in a row, the Shabab of Hizb ut Tahrir in the locality of Sfax, held an activity that interacted with the message of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Sheikh Ata Abu al-Rashtah, may Allah protect him, about the anniversary of the conquest of Constantinople. This time they were on a date with the worshippers of the Sidi Lakhmi Mosque in Sfax, after Friday prayers, where Brother Mohamed Kechida delivered a message that sharpens the wills and reminds the Muslims of this great anniversary, noting that this good news that has been achieved, followed by other signs, begins with the establishment of the second Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood to liberate Jerusalem from the abomination of Jews, and then to open Rome, as evidenced by the hadiths of the beloved Muhammad, peace and blessings be upon him.

Amidst the Takbeers and raising the banners of Okab and the Rayat of the Islamic conquests, Brother Mohamed Kechida did not miss out to remind the Muslims that it is necessary to work to restore the authority of Islam and resume the Islamic life in compliance with the command of Allah, and to fulfill His promise to glory to this Ummah of succession and empowerment, and the glad tidings that follow the glad tiding of the conquest of Constantinople.

Also a special message was directed to the crouching armies in its barracks, to play a role in the process of change on the basis of Islam, as did the inspiring leader Muhammad al-Fateh, may Allah have mercy on him, because the dawn of the Khilafah has dawned and its signs have become clear. Alhamdulilah Rab Alameen.





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### Hizb ut Tahrir/ Wilayah Jordan: On the Anniversary of Conquest of Constantinople, A Glorious Stand and Honor in Front of the Jordanian Parliament

On the anniversary of the conquest of #Constantinople, Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Jordan carried out an honorable stand in front of the Jordanian House of Representatives, calling for the cancellation of the Wadi Araba and Gas Agreements. As part of activities to recall the glad tidings of the Messenger, peace and blessings upon him, and carrying out actions that achieve this, the stand was carried out on Sunday 192020/1/ in front of the Jordanian parliament. Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Jordan, a stance of honor and dignity, in which it called for eradicating all treaties and agreements with the occupier Jewish entity, including the humiliating Wadi Araba agreement and the looted gas agreement, and cutting all relations with it, whether security, military or economic and political. Outside of the Parliament, speakers condemned the relations with the Jewish entity including Sheikh Nader al-Tamimi, Abu Salem al-Sakhri, and Ustaadh Bilal al-Qasrawi, who gave the official speech of Hizb ut Tahrir, in which he mentioned the achievement of the glad tiding of the Messenger of Allah (saw) the conquering of Constantinople, and in which he urged the Ummah of the necessity to work to fulfill other glad tidings of the Messenger. In his speech, it was stated that the good tidings of the Messenger (saw) Constantinople, the greatest city of that time, had been fulfilled ... and that the Messenger (saw) had spoke of the liberation of the Blessed Land (Palestine) and the return of Jerusalem as the capital of the second Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood will be fulfilled, bi'thinallah. Dr. Nader Al-Tamimi also talked about Palestine, the Quds, and Al-Aqsa, and the need to work hard to liberate it from the abomination of Jews, and work to fulfill the promise of Allah (swt) and the glad tidings of his noble Prophet (saw). The voices of protesters in front of the House of Representatives soared with Takbeers "Allahu Akbar" several times throughout the speeches condemning the agreements with the enemy and demanding their cancellation.

#### 24 Jumada al-Awwal 1441 AH - 19 January 2020 CE



### Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Pakistan Talks & Activities throughout the Country

Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Pakistan is undertaking a country-wide campaign on the Occasion of the Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople in 857 AH – 1453 CE by the lion of the Ummah, Sultan Muhammad Al-Fateh. Indeed, gathered firmly around the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, the shebaab are sparing no efforts in the work to make Pakistan the honored starting point for the Khilafah Rashidah (Rightly Guided Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood, which was given glad tidings of by RasulAllah (saaw).

The Shabab called upon the lions of armed forces of Pakistan to grant the Nussrah to Hizb Tahrir now, so that the Ummah is finally shielded by a righteous Imam.

Banner reads:

O Lions of Pakistan's Armed Forces!

Sultan Fateh conquered Constantinople, showing you the way to liberate Kashmir and al-Aqsa

#### 15 Jumada al-Awwal 1441 AH – 10 January 2020 CE





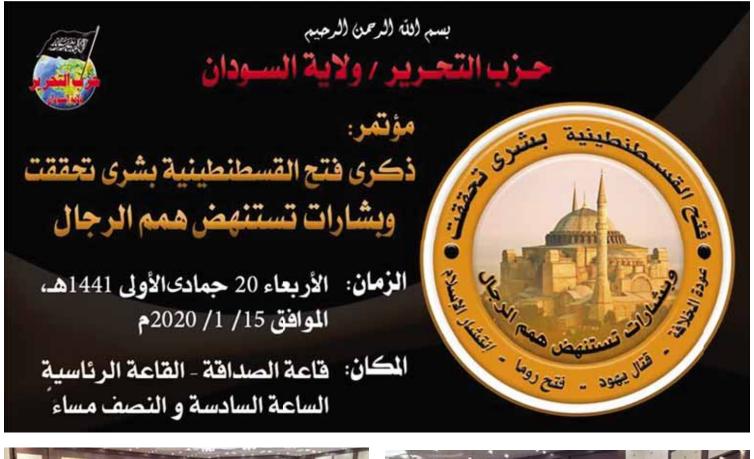




### Women's Section in the Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir in Wilayah Sudan "Conquest of Constantinople: a glad tiding being achieved and more glad tidings to revive men's efforts"

Our respected sisters participated from the Women's Section in Hizb ut Tahrir in Wilayah Sudan in the conference by raising slogans and holding discussions inside the hall before the start of the conference "Conquest of Constantinople: a glad tiding being achieved and more glad tidings to revive men's efforts" to mobilize the motivation of the women in the memory of the conquest of Constantinople and the next glad tidings and to work to establish a Khilafah Rashidah upon the method of the Prophethood. There was a huge reaction from the guests with the conference and its events. Alhamdulilah, Lord of the worlds.

#### 20 Jumada al-Awwal 1441 AH - 15 January 2020 CE









Hizb ut Tahrir / Indonesia: Speech of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir Regarding Constantinople Resonates in Dozens of Cities

The speech of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah on the Commemoration of the Conquest of Constantinople 857 AH-1453 CE has resonated the whole day in dozens of cities in Indonesia, on Wednesday, 12020/15/.... Besides Bekasi, dozens of cities in Indonesia have also held similar events including in Cirebon, Baubau, Bogor, Ambon, Palu, Medan, Sumedang, Padang, Makassar, Bandung City, Bandung Regency, Cimahi, Palembang, Purwokerto, Banjar and Solo. **20 Jumada al-Akhar 1441 AH – 15 January 2020 CE** 

























### Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Turkey: "The Spirit of Fatih and Muslim Youth" Conference On the Anniversary of the Opening of Constantinople

Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Turkey organised a conference in reference to the Muhammad al-Fatih Campaign launched by the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir,"Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved...to be Followed by Glad Tidings!" The conference attracted intensive attention of the Muslims in Istanbul.

The conference was chaired by Muhammed Özkan and opened with the Qur'an recitation by Hafidh Mehmet Akif Şen, members of the Youth Section of Hizb ut Tahrir.

Muhammed Budak held the opening speech on behalf of the Youth Section. He said that, "The Youth Section in Hizb ut Tahrir embraced the goal of reviving the Muslim Ummah with the Islamic ideology, for which it works day and night, not fearing any condemnations and stigmatizations." He also expressed their praise to Allah Almighty for enabling them the organisation and hosting of this conference.

After the opening speech, Musa Bayoğlu, writer at Köklü Değişim Journal, delivered his speech. He emphasized that it was the Conquests that overcame the hurdles to Islam, and that the Muslim Ummah has always been the Ummah of Conquests, and that Rasulullah (saw) was the biggest conqueror, reminding the youth of their "responsibility to materialize the heralded conquests."

The first speech was followed by the presentation of the address of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir and Eminent Scholar Sheikh Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah on the occasion of the anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople. Sheikh Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah stated in his address: "Let your hearts be reassured by the fulfilment of the three other glad tidings of the Messenger of Allah (swt), as the first one has been achieved. The Prophet (saw) gave the glad tidings of conquering Constantinople, conquering Rome, the return of the Khilafah upon the method of the Prophethood, and fighting the Jewish entity and powerfully defeating them..."

Following the address of the Ameer, a poem by Hüseyin Öztürk was recited by Hüseyin Tuksal, members of the Youth Section. Finally the last speaker, writer and Islamic theologist, Abdullah İmamoğlu gave his speech. Abdullah İmamoğlu stated, "that the reestablishment of the Khilafah Rashidah and the conquest of Rome are Glad Tidings that will come true, just like the Glad Tiding of the conquest of Constantinople came true."

At the end of his speech, he invited the audience to join his Dua in order to realize these Glad Tidings through the hands of the Muslims today.

The event was enjoyed with great enthusiasm of the audience.

We ask our Lord to make this event a means for the realisation of conquests.

#### 21 Jumada al-Awwal 1441 AH - 16 January 2020 CE Delegate of the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir in Wilayah Turkey





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"Kostantiniyye elbette fethedilecektir. Onu fetheden komutan ne güzel bir komutandır, o ordu ne güzel bir ordudur." MUHAMMED ﷺ

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Abdullah **İMAMOĞLU** Musa **BAYOĞLU** 

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**Concluding the Campaign** 

"Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved...to be Followed by Glad Tidings!"

Press Release

Today we conclude the global media campaign launched by the central media office of Hizb ut Tahrir by the directive of the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, Eminent Scholar, Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah, may Allah protect him, the occasion of the Hijri Anniversary of the Conquest of Constantinople under the title: "Conquest of Constantinople Glad Tiding was Achieved...to be Followed by Glad Tidings". This campaign was carried out in cooperation with the Shabab of the Hizb party and supporters of the call for establishing the second Khilafah Rashidah (righteous Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood around the world.

At first the campaign was launched with an address given by the Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir, may Allah protect him, in which he spoke about the importance of this anniversary, and the three reasons for which this campaign was launched, namely:

- Reminding people of this event and how the Islamic Ummah can outperform other nations if it well applies Islam.

- To recall that the glad tiding of conquering Constantinople will be followed by the glad tiding of the return of the Khilafah, and then the fulfillment of the glad tiding of the conquest of Rome and the fighting of Jews and defeating them the worst defeat.

- The call of Hizb ut Tahrir to restore the Khilafah again is continuing in the Ummah, reviving its determination inspite the infuriation and deciet of the countries of kufur and those who are sick at heart.

This was followed by a series of activities carried out by the party in 24 countries around the world, which took various forms from conferences, mass pickets, video messages, seminars and lectures, talks in mosques, dialogue stands in markets and public places, live interviews, articles and statements, and a number of media outlets covered these events. These events were held in front of many Islamic monuments related to the campaign such as the walls of Constantinople in Istanbul, the tomb of the great companion Abu Ayyub al-Ansari, may Allah be pleased with him, and the courtyards of the blessed Al-Aqsa Mosque, and from the city of Sfax, one of the Ottoman Caliphate cities in Tunisia.

From the talks, there were glimpses to the lessons that could be drawn from this great anniversary, such as after the glad tiding of the conquest of Constantinople there will be the glad tiding of the conquest of Rome and the liberation of Jerusalem; and these two glad tidings will not be until after the fulfillment of the glad tiding of the return of Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood. And that the leader Muhammad al-Fatih focused all his attention on the critical issue, namely, the conquest of Constantinople. For his mind was never occupied with an issue except for the issue of the conquest and he did not speak except about it, neither did he authorize any of his companions to speak except about it, unlike who he claims the legacy of the Ottomans then threw his soldiers into NATO and sacrificed them in Libya for the sake of America's eyes! For victory will not be brought to this Deen nor cities will be opened by treacherous and incompetent rulers who seeked the help of the disbelievers and shook hands with the criminals and thugs of the Russians, the English and the Americans, and betrayed Allah and His Messenger, and betrayed their Amanah (trusts).

And from the courtyards of Al-Aqsa Mosque, Hizb ut Tahrir in the Blessed Land - Palestine amid thousands who gathered sent a call to the armies of the Muslims to make the move and establish the Khilafah and liberate Jerusalem. The conference held by Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah of Sudan on this occasion called on people of power and strength in Sudan to give victory to Hizb ut Tahrir so save them and the Ummah from subordination to the colonial Kafir.

With its leadership, its Shabab, and its supporters, Hizb ut Tahrir made a great effort to revive this great anniversary, to remind the Ummah and its people of power and strength that the return of the Khilafah will restore a glory that equals the glory of Muhammad al-Fatih and his army.

Likewise, we in the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir send a special appeal to every Muslim who is protective of Islam working in the media to participate in spreading this effort that has been exerted to please Allah Almighty, and in turn contribute to the call for the return of the glory of Muslims, the call to restore the Khilafah Rashidah on the method of the Prophethood.

﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَجِيبُوا لِلَّتِوَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ ﴾ O you who have believed, respond to Allah and to the Messenger? when he calls you to that which gives you life." [Al-Anfal: 24]

> Eng. Salah Eddine Adada Director of the Central Media Office of Hizb ut Tahrir

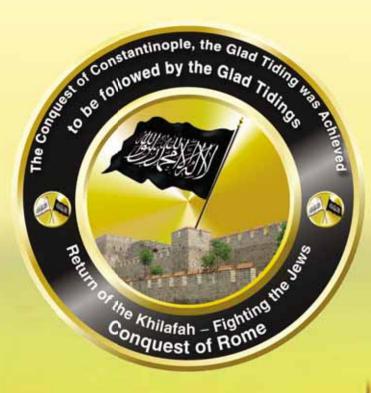


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> .. Restore Khilafah .. Liberate Al-Quds

... Conquer Rome





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