

The Clash Over Military and Civilian Supremacy has brought Pakistan to the Brink of Destruction. Our Only Escape is the Supremacy of the Shariah, by Establishing the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood

For the past several weeks, Pakistan's politics have been gripped by brinkmanship, tensions, chaos and instability. The cause of the political crisis is the elite factional infighting between judges, generals and politicians. Neither faction is concerned with the real problems of the people. The factions are just fighting over power. There is nothing in it for the people of Pakistan. The people are drowned by severe economic hardship, and struck by deep despair.

In their power struggle, judges, generals and politicians have created deep societal divisions. The common Muslims turned against their own sons in the armed forces. Properties were vandalized, sanctities were violated and sacred Muslim blood was spilled. Pitting the armed forces against the masses only weakens Muslims. It is just like the so-called 'War on Terror,' when Muslims fought Muslims to secure American colonialist interests on the border with Afghanistan. Pakistan was weakened on the Indian front, and eventually India usurped the Islamic lands of Kashmir. Allah (swt) said, ﴿وَأَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ وَلَا تَنَازَعُوا فَتَفْشَلُوا وَتَذْهَبَ رِيحُكُمْ﴾ **“And obey Allah and His Messenger, and do not quarrel with one another lest you should lose courage and your power depart.”** [TMQ Surah Al-Anfal 8:46].

Despite the struggle over power amongst themselves, the judges, generals and politicians are in complete agreement over the liberal secular framework of the state. This framework has been implemented by Pakistan's ruling elite for over seven decades, to serve the American world order. Under this secular state framework, both military and civilian factions continued to implement capitalist economic policies, continuously devaluing Pakistan's currency. On the dictations of the colonialist IMF, the people were ground in the mill of poverty, inflation and deprivation. This is whilst the wealth of usurious investors continued to increase, with immense concentration of resources in the hands of the few. Both military and civilian factions ensured that Pakistan was a pawn for American interests, whilst the Pakistan Army was exploited as a mercenary force.

These elite ruling factions also agree that Islam has no say in governance, economy, judiciary and foreign policy. They only use Islam's name to gain the support of the Islam-loving people of Pakistan. However, they are committed to human decisions and laws always having supremacy over the Shariah revealed by Allah (swt). The ruling factions ensure that Islam is never the basis for politics and state. They do so with the hope for Western approval, recognition and praise, as well as firm American support for their ruling.

The struggle between ruling factions has been going on now for the last 76 years. Sometimes it fades away, and sometimes it flares up as a severe political crisis. Sometimes there is a conflict between the civil and military leaderships, and sometimes there is a conflict within the army itself over the post of the army chief. Conflicts continue because Democracy itself ensures harmful struggles over power. Human legislative authority in Democracy allows greedy, powerful factions to make laws to ensure their interests, stay in power and control over state resources. As long as Democracy remains, the political infighting over power will continue.

O Muslims of Pakistan! The success of the military establishment and its political allies, the PDM now or the PTI before it, and its allies in the judiciary will not bring any relief for us. They both want to impose the same capitalist democratic system, which is the root cause of our problems. The struggle over “military and civilian supremacy” is a waste of our efforts. Both civilian and military leaderships secure the supremacy of the US colonialist world order. It is time to end this selfish politics and secular democratic system. It is time to lay the foundation of a new

politics and a new state, which shapes our lives according to the Revelation of Allah (swt). It is time for establishment of the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood. In the Khilafah, obedience and loyalty to the Khaleefah (Caliph) is only given so that he rules by the laws revealed by Allah (swt). All Muslims hold the Khaleefah accountable on the basis that he looks after the people's affairs, through the complete and comprehensive implementation of Islam. The judiciary of the Khilafah makes decisions on the basis of Shariah Law. All state institutions, and the people, completely submit to the supremacy of the Shariah law. The decision of the Noble Quran and the Prophetic Sunnah is final.

O Muslims of Pakistan! Hizb ut Tahrir is the only party that can take you to the destination of the Khilafah. It is the party that guides you on the basis of Islam alone. It never compromises on its thought and direction, because the source of its thought is Islam, whilst its methodology is based on Shariah texts. Its principled stance over decades of struggle is a reflection of its pure internal atmosphere, purified by Iman. Its global leadership is fully capable of taking care of your affairs, based on the Islamic injunctions, which the Hizb has detailed in its publications. So undertake your duty to establish the Khilafah, alongside the Shabab of Hizb ut Tahrir. Make a firm intention that you will not rest, until the sun of the Khilafah shines upon the Ummah, once again.

O Muslims of Pakistan's Armed Forces! Democracy in Pakistan is grinding you between two factions. On the one hand, there is the military leadership that is using your power against your own people. On the other hand, there are false claimants of civil supremacy, who are targeting you for the sake of power. It is this same Democracy that pitted Muslims against Muslims in America's war against "terrorism," for two decades. End the waste of your blood and sweat for selfish leaderships. Do you not wish that your blood and sweat is spent for the supremacy of the Deen of Allah (swt)? End the mobilization against your own people. Do you not yearn to be mobilized, raising takbeeraat, to liberate Kashmir and Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa?! How can military supremacy be a source of honour for you, when it supports a Western order that wages war on our Deen? There is only honour in obedience to Allah (swt). Come forth and grant Nussrah to the leadership of Hizb ut-Tahrir for the establishment of the Khilafah on the Method of Prophethood. Indeed, it is the Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) that will grant comfort to the hearts of the believers. It is the Khilafah Rashidah that will unify the divided hearts through the light of Islam, just as Islam unified the hearts of the tribes and factions of al-Madinah al-Munawwarah.

﴿وَاَعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلَا تَفَرَّقُوا وَاذْكُرُوا نِعْمَةَ اللَّهِ عَلَيْكُمْ إِذْ كُنْتُمْ أَعْدَاءً فَأَلَّفَ بَيْنَ قُلُوبِكُمْ فَأَصْبَحْتُمْ بِنِعْمَتِهِ إِخْوَانًا وَكُنْتُمْ عَلَىٰ شَفَا حُفْرَةٍ مِنَ النَّارِ فَأَنْقَذَكُمْ مِنْهَا كَذَلِكَ يُبَيِّنُ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ آيَاتِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَهْتَدُونَ﴾

“Hold fast together to the rope of Allah and be not divided. Remember the blessing that Allah bestowed upon you: you were once enemies then He brought your hearts together, so that through His blessing you became brothers. You stood on the brink of a pit of fire and He delivered you from it. Thus Allah makes His signs clear to you that you may be guided to the right way.” [TMQ Surah Aali Imran 3:103]

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