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Hajee Mahboob Kassim [d 12 Ramadan 1421 A.H. / 9 Dec 2000] was born on Friday 26th March 1920 (5th Rajjab 1338 A.H.). This date fell during the annual Urs or Remembrance Days of His Holiness Khwaja Syedna Moinuddin Hasan Chishti (R.A.) of Ajmer (d 633 A.H. / 1234 A.D.), the Patron Saint of the Indian subcontinent. From childhood he always had a very great leaning towards spiritualism and love for the distressed. From the age of seven he kept all the Ramadan fasts and loved to perform the five times daily prayers.

In March 1958, he accepted the Chishti Saint Khwaja Hajee Syed Musharafali Chishti of Cuttack as his spiritual guide. Six weeks later, Khwaja Musharafali introduced him to his spiritual guide, His Holiness Khwaja Diwan Syed Enayat Hussain Ali Khan Moini Chishti Tausi, a descendant of the Saint of Ajmer, who ordained Mahboob Kassim in 1958 as the Khalifa or "Spiritual Master" of the following Sufi schools :

1. Chishti Nizami Tausi
2. Qadri Razaki Barkati
3. Chishti Sabari Mujaddadi
4. Saharwardi
5. Naqshbandi

Upon his ordination he was ordered to compile researches that would be beneficial for mankind. Some of the published researches are *Destruction or Peace* (1971), *God Said : Let There Be Light* (1985), *Musharaf-ul-Mahboobin* (1985 in Urdu), *Muhammad in World Scriptures* (1989 in English & Urdu) and *"Talaq, Talaq, Talaq" In the light of the Qur'an & Hadis* (1992 in Urdu).

Hajee Mahboob Kassim was a great philanthropist and a reputed leader of the Islamic world. He established the Khanqah Qadriya Chishtiya Musharrafiya and the Institute for Sufi Researches in Calcutta. Step by step, comma by comma, he established perfect observance of all the Sunnah and Shariah of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace of Allah be upon him).

This booklet has been published posthumously, five years after the departure of the author from earthly life.

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Those who are ignorant about what is "Prophethood" of the Divine Creator have always contended from time immemorial that Prophets are nothing but mere common persons just like any other who are unable to communicate with Allah and do not have any Divine Guidance but are just ordinary human beings. Therefore this is not something new in case of the Final Promised Prophet of this earth. This was the experience of numerous earlier prophets also at the hands of disbelievers.

To quote just a few passages from the Quran, out of numerous that are therein, will suffice to explain how disbelievers usually behave with the Prophets of Allah :

"And set out for them a parable : The people of a city, when the messengers (of Allah) came unto them;

"When We (Allah) sent to them two, they rejected both of them, then We (Allah) strengthened (them) with a third, so they said : Surely we are messengers sent to you (for your guidance to the straight Path).

"They replied : You are naught but mortals like ourselves nor has the Beneficent (Allah) revealed anything (to you) : You only lie" (Quran Sura 36 – Ya Sin : Ayats 13-15).

"They say: O thou unto whom the Divine Message is given to remind (people of the right path of Guidance), lo; thou art indeed a madman" (Quran Sura 15 – Al Hijr : Ayat 6).

".....Never came there unto them a messenger but they did mock him (by saying that you are nothing but a common mortal like us and do not possess any Divine Guidance).

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"Have they not seen how many generations (of man) We (Allah) have destroyed before them, which (races of people) never revived?"

"But (remember well) without exception all will be brought (out of their graves on the Day of Judgement and placed) before Us (Allah)" (Quran Sura 36 – Ya Sin : Ayats 30-32).

"Hath not the story reached you of those who disbelieved of old (who used to mock their prophets by saying you are mortals like us i.e. do not possess any Divine Guidance) and so did taste of the calamities (and destruction that befell upon them) due to their conduct? And theirs will be a painful doom (also in the hereafter).

"That was because their messengers (from Allah) kept coming unto them with clear proofs (of Allah's sovereignty), but they mocked : Shall mere mortals guide us? So they disbelieved and turned away. And Allah was Independent (of them and their mischief and disbelief). Allah is Absolute, The Owner of all Praise" (Quran Sura 64 – At Taghabun : Ayats 5 & 6).

To give a few concrete examples of some famous disasters that befell mankind because they mocked their prophets as mere mortals (in Arabic "Bashr") are :

Noah : In Quran Sura 23 – Al Mominun : Ayats 23-30 by the pre-deluge people who were destroyed by the Great Deluge.

Abraham : In Quran Sura 23 – Al Mominun : Ayats 32-37 by King Nimrod who threw him into a great fire and who eventually with his mighty army met death by violence for disbelief in Abraham.

Lot : In Quran Sura 23 – Al Mominun : Ayats 38-42 by the people of Sodom and Gomorrah who were destroyed in the Dead Sea Disaster.

Moses : In Quran Sura 23 – Al Mominun : Ayats 45-48 by the Pharaoh of his time who with the entire Egyptian Army was drowned in the Red Sea.

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The Research Scholar La Martine on page 277 of Vol. II of "Histore de la Turquie" published in Paris in 1854 informs :

"Philosopher, orator, apostle, legislator, warrior, conqueror of ideas, restorer of rational dogmas, a cult without images; the founder of twenty terrestrial empires and of one spiritual empire, that is Muhammad. As regards all standards by which human greatness may be measured, we may well ask, is there any man greater than he?"

From the reasonings put forward in this statement it becomes clear that Muhammad is at least the greatest man to be born on earth, according to learned European Scholars. Now the question that arises is : Is he only that much, or is he something even greater ?

Holy Jesus gives us the following information about what will happen on the Day of Judgement, which brings out further the respect and position of Muhammad :

"When these signs be passed, there shall be darkness over the world, (for) forty (astronomical) years, God alone being alive, to Whom be honour and glory forever. When the forty years be passed, God shall give life to His messenger, who shall rise again like the sun, but resplendent as a thousand suns. He shall sit and shall not speak for he shall be as it were beside himself. God shall raise again the four angels favoured of God, who shall seek the messenger of God, and, having found him, shall station themselves on the four sides of the place to keep watch upon him. Next shall God give life to all the angels, who shall come as bees circling round the messenger of God. Next shall God give life to all His prophets, who, following Adam, shall go every one to kiss the hand of the messenger of God, committing themselves to his protection. Next shall God give life to all the elect, who shall cry out: "O Muhammad – be mindful of us". At whose cries pity shall awake in the Messenger of God, and he shall consider what he ought to do, fearing for their salvation....." (Pages 127 and 129 of "The Gospel of Barnabas" translated by Lonsdale & Laura Ragg published in 1907 by Clarendon Press, Oxford University).

Jesus has thus made it clear that Muhammad is not only the first to be created but he is also far greater than the four great Angels, and that all the prophets from Adam till Jesus would place themselves under his protection, and further that he is the Comforter of the Universe. Hence he is the greatest of all the creations of Allah. After this statement of Jesus, nothing further is necessary to explain the position of Muhammad.

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Here are a few passages showing very vividly that the Holy Prophet Muhammad is totally different from ordinary human beings and that mankind is ignorant as to what he is. Further only those who are covered with confusion refer to him as an ordinary human being. These quotations from the last of the Divine messages are :

"O followers of the (Olden) Scriptures (i.e. the Jews and the Nazareens) ! Now indeed (after a lapse of several centuries) has Our Messenger (Prophet Muhammad) come unto you (for your guidance) disclosing much of that which you used to hide from the (olden) Scriptures. And he is most forgiving. Now indeed has come unto you (for your guidance) the "Nur" (or Light) from Allah and the plain (living) Scripture" (Quran Sura 5 – Al Maidah : Ayat 15).

"Now indeed has come unto you (for your guidance) the Messenger who is far superior to you (because mankind is made of clay whilst the Prophet Muhammad is made out of "Nur of Allah" as mentioned in the Quran herebefore, hence there is an incomparable difference between human beings and the Holy Prophet Muhammad) and whenever you are overburdened with difficulties (i.e. calamities, misfortunes or disasters) he is full of concern for your welfare. For the believers he is Raufur Rahim (a title of Allah, which means full of pity and mercy) (Quran Sura 9 – At Taubah : Ayat 128).

"Indeed We (Allah) have sent thee as a Mercy (or Comforter or Saviour) for the entire universe" (Quran Sura 21 – Al Anbiya : Ayat 107).

"Had We (Allah) appointed an angel (i.e. one made out of the Nur of Allah as the Angels are or as Prophet Muhammad is as the Messenger for human beings) We (Allah) assuredly (would) have made him (to appear before mankind as) a (common) mortal and (Allah has thus) hidden from them (the truth of who or what His Messenger Muhammad in reality is who is made out of the Nur of Allah – The Logos or the Holy Spirit of Truth or Nur-e-Muhammadi. He is in fact that from which the entire Universe has been created). This is a matter in

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which they (mankind) have already been covered with confusion (save those few Sufi saints who have been blessed by Allah with the secret knowledge of 'Alif, Lam and Mim' or the secret code letters to be found at the beginning of many Suras or Chapters of the Quran)" (Quran Sura 6 – Al Anam : Ayat 9).

"Muhammad is (so much different and superior from you O mankind that he can) not (even be referred to as) the father of any man among you (Papa or Pope or the term father has always been regarded as the most respectful term by which we human beings honour our elders), but he is the (the last and the Seal of the) messengers of Allah (which none of you are) and he is the Seal of the Prophets (i.e. the final prophet or the promised prophet and that no more prophets are going to be born on this earth after him – such an honour has not been given to any of the earlier great prophets) and Allah is aware of all facts (as to who or what the Prophet Muhammad is i.e. The Logos or the Holy Spirit of Truth or Nur-e-Muhammadi; and as to how many millions of galaxies have been created out of "This Medium" or Nebula and how many billions of stars, planets, satellites, meteorites, comets and other wonders comprising the universe)" (Quran Sura 33 – Al Ahzab : Ayat 40).

"Say (unto them O Muhammad by My Order) : Verily am I (Muhammad) a (common) mortal like you? My Lord (Allah) has inspired in me (the book of guidance i.e. the Quran and through it) that your God is only a single God (have you been similarly inspired?) and I seek (continuously) forgiveness (for my followers) from Him (from the time of my birth when I miraculously spoke and said : "O Sustainer of the universe forgive those who follow me". Have you also miraculously spoken thus upon your birth and do you also pray continuously for the forgiveness of all my followers? Nay) and (so) woe unto polytheists (i.e. those who in their pride upon their worldly knowledge and power make their own rules and interpretations of Allah's revelations e.g. they think and imagine themselves to be like mortals or

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equals of Muhammad, and Allah causes such to be covered in confusion as warned in Quran Sura 6 – Al Anam : Ayat 9 quoted herebefore) " (Quran Sura 41 – Ha Mim : Ayat 6).

Because the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace of Allah be on him) is far superior to any other human being, Allah has passed the following orders :

"Do not address the Apostle (i.e. Muhammad the Messenger of Allah, who is) among you in the same manner as you would address one another Therefore let those who conspire to evade orders beware lest grief and a painful punishment befall them" (Quran Sura 24 – An Nur : Ayat 63).

"O ye who believe : Obey Allah and obey (Muhammad) the Messenger otherwise you render all your good actions useless" (Quran Sura 47 – Muhammad : Ayat 33).

"Whosoever obeys the Messenger, he indeed obeys Allah. And whosoever turns away (disobeys thee), We (Allah) have not sent thee as a Saviour for them" (Quran Sura 4 – An Nisa : Ayat 80).

"O Prophet (Muhammad) ! Lo ! We (Allah) have sent thee as a witness and as a bringer of glad tidings (Quran) and a warner (to mankind).

"And as one who invites to Allah by His permission and as a shining Sun (i.e. torch that spreads the Light of Guidance to the right path)" (Quran Sura 33 – Al Ahzab : Ayats 45 & 46).

".....O ye who believe ! Now indeed Allah has sent down to you one who reminds, i.e.

"A Messenger disclosing unto you the revelation (or wonders) of Allah made convincingly clear in order that he (the prophet) may bring out those who believe and those who do good works from darkness (of ignorance and sin) into light (of guidance to the right path)....." (Quran Sura 65 – At Talaq : Ayats 10 & 11).

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"Indeed We (Allah) have sent thee as one who is the remembrance of the entire universe (including Allah and His Angels)" (Quran Sura 68 – Al Qalam : Ayat 52).

"Lo; Allah and (all) His Angels (continuously remember and) shower 'Salluna' (i.e. prayers of glorification) on the Prophet (because he is Nur-e-Muhammadi from which everything in the Universe has been created). O Ye who believe (you are ordered by Allah to) also shower 'Salluna' (i. e. prayers of glorification) on him and offer 'Sallemu' (i.e. Peace of Allah and saluation) to him in a worthy (i.e. respectful) manner" (Quran Sura 33 – Al Ahzab : Ayat 56).

"O ye who believe ! When it is said 'Make room in the assemblies' (for the Holy Prophet), then make room, Allah will also make a room for you (in Heaven). And when it is said 'stand up out of respect' (for the Prophet), then immediately stand up (as a mark of respect to the Prophet), Allah will exalt the position of those amongst you who believe in this order (to pay respect to the Holy Prophet) and those who have (been blessed with Mystic) knowledge (of the importance of paying respect to the Holy Prophet) to high ranks. Allah is well informed of what ye do" (Quran Sura 58 – Al Mujadilah : Ayat 11).

"Lo, those who malign Allah and His Messenger (Muhammad i.e. one who has been honoured by Allah himself), Allah hath cursed them in the world and the Hereafter and hath prepared for them the doom of the disdained" (Quran Sura 33 – Al Ahzab : Ayat 57).

Thus the very same things warned of by Jesus in the Gospel of Barnabas have also been reconfirmed in the Quran.

So far not a single prophet in the entire creation has ever claimed that he is the "Logos" or the "Holy Spirit" or the "The Spirit of Truth" from whom the entire "Universe" has been created save and except Muhammad, the promised and final prophet whose teachings will last forever until the restitution of the earth and at that time those who will not follow him will have the wrath of

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Allah on them and will be condemned according to the Holy Bible which is quoted hereunder :

"I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now."

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of Truth, is come, he will guide you unto all truth : for he shall not speak of himself ; but whatsoever he shall hear (from God), that shall he speak (i.e. the Quran or the Speakings of God) : and he will shew you things to come" (St. John 16:12 & 13).

"But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and brings to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you" (St. John 14:26).

"For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren (i.e. the Ishmaelites who are brothers of the children of Issac who are the Jews) like unto me (i.e. one who will speak to God as Moses had done); him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.

"And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

"Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days" (Acts 3:22-24).

"The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken" (Deuteronomy 18:15).

"(God) will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee (Moses), and will put My words into his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.

"And it shall come to pass that whosoever will not hearken unto My words (the Quran) which he shall speak in My name, I will require it of him" (Deuteronomy 18:18 & 19).

