

## Pure Islam contrasts a US-promoted Islam

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The Iranian nation renewed allegiance with Islamic Revolution Leader Ayatollah Sayyid Ali Khamenei in the 21st anniversary of the departure of the founder of Islamic Republic, Imam Khomeini.

In a Friday ceremony held in Imam Khomeini's mausoleum south of Tehran, Ayatollah Khamenei told a very large gathering of worshippers that Imam Khomeini's thoughts were the guiding principle of the Islamic Revolution, adding that Imam followed several major policies including reliance on pure Islam, faith in God's promises, and confidence in people.

Ayatollah Khamenei said revolutions might stay the course once they keep their original platform, adding that individuals or parties who seek to tamper with the identity of a revolution more often than not creep hence the significance of guiding posts.

Ayatollah Khamenei urged elucidating Imam Khomeini's thoughts before they are forgotten or hidden from the public, adding that a poor elucidation or ignorance of Imam Khomeini's thoughts would leave one with a malfunctioning compass.

Ayatollah Khamenei said Imam Khomeini's personality which shook the world and awakened the nations was summarized in his thoughts.

Touching on the late Imam's confrontation with arrogance, fanaticism, western liberal democracy, and double faced parties, Ayatollah Khamenei said the followers of Imam are not allowed to hide or sap Imam's stances for the sake of others' content.

The IR Leader noted that one would not serve Imam by denying his identity, and in the same note, he criticized those who deny or hide part of Imam's thoughts whereas they were once a promoter or follower of the late personality.

The Islamic Revolution Leader urged the young generation to study the political will of Imam Khomeini, adding that Imam Khomeini's thoughts are summarized in the will.

The IR Leader said Imam was principally seeking pure Islam, adding that pure Islam orders combat against oppression and urges advocacy with justice and the oppressed.

Ayatollah Khamenei said in Imam's view, pure Islam contrasts a US-promoted Islam which is otherwise ceremonial and indifferent towards oppression and transgression.

Imam Khomeini believed that pure Islam only could be materialized under an Islamic government and therefore he considered it as above all other religious undertakings to protect the Islamic Republic, the IR Leader said.

"Imam primarily sought to set up a pure Islam and therefore he stood by the Islamic Republic to the end until he managed to present a new political system to the world which was based on both people's vote and Islamic doctrine," the IR Leader said.

Ayatollah Khamenei then pointed to Imam's political solidarities or confrontations, adding that current political solidarities and confrontations should be checked with Imam Khomeini's legacy.

Ayatollah Khamenei said Imam's political animosity was informed by Islamic orders rather than personal grudges and for the same reason, Imam used to embrace people of any taste while he renounced communists, liberals, avid followers of western systems and fanatics.

"Accordingly, one could not bill himself a follower of the Imam and at the same time take side with those who hoist a flag against the Imam," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

Ayatollah Khamenei then touched on the defamatory and sacrilegious acts of some people in the Quds Day rallies and Ashura ceremonies last year and said had anyone took side or kept silence towards such adversaries, the nation would no longer consider him or her as a follower of Imam Khomeini.

Ayatollah Khamenei then described Imam Khomeini as a man of spiritual considerations, saying that spiritual calculations, namely God's providence, figured most in the late Imam's decision making to the extent his one and only aim was to satisfy God.

Ayatollah Khamenei said frustration, fear, ignorance or complacency never happened to the late personality and he never missed the path of piety even for an inch in his judgments, even concerning his own opponents, leaving a lesson for people, especially the revolutionary youths.

Reliance on people in political and social affairs was another characteristic of Imam Khomeini as reviewed by Ayatollah Khamenei where the IR Leader substantiated the argument by pointing to Imam's decision to hold a referendum on the very nature of the system only two months after the triumph of the Islamic Revolution in 1979.

"Such a reference to people's vote has no precedence in any other revolution," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

Ayatollah Khamenei in the same regard noted that no scheduled elections was delayed even for one single day in the 30-year-old Islamic Republic even in hard times including war conditions. "This has never existed in systems billed as democracy," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

Further elaborating on the character of Imam Khomeini, Ayatollah Khamenei pointed to Imam's brave move in considering the Islamic Revolution as a global movement.

"This is different from interference in other countries' affairs or exporting a doctrine colonial style. Imam's intent was to offer the odor of the historic movement to nations so that they carry out their tasks," the IR Leader noted.

"The rational and robust defense Imam accorded to the Palestinian nation was an example of Imam's universal outlook. Imam explicitly called Israel a cancerous tumor and it is clear that for a cancerous tumor no remedy is available but to cut it off," Ayatollah Khamenei observed.

Ayatollah Khamenei then elaborated on Imam Khomeini's stance in the Palestinian issue. "It is the most logical stance. World bullies by oppression, massacre, torture and banishment of a nation, tried to remove a geographical unit and replace it with a fake country called Israel, in a one hundred percent illogical move. Against the historical flagrant oppression, Imam took a one hundred percent logical stance; the fake geographical unit should be deleted and the historical existence of the original country, Palestine, should be restored."

Ayatollah Khamenei then urged the people, especially the youth to study and deliberate on the lifestyle and thoughts of the late founder of Islamic Republic with a focus on his guiding principles.

The Islamic Revolution Leader then pointed to an ever growing might of the Iranian nation and the Islamic Republic even after the departure of Imam Khomeini, adding that any enemy planning even if coupled with solidarity of naive individuals, would eventually bring further boost to the Islamic Republic.

The second part of the Friday speech was devoted to the Palestinian issue and the recent NPT review conference.

Ayatollah Khamenei said an Israeli Judaization conspiracy and persisting Gaza siege were points of note for all political circles.

The IR Leader said by the conspiracy, 'Israel' seeks to destroy legacy of Islam in Palestine, adding that the world of Islam must counter the large crime no matter what the sacrifice.

Ayatollah Khamenei called the siege of Gaza a savagery, adding that the siege on the 1.5m population has remained in place by support of the US and Britain and other western powers which call themselves human rights advocates.

"It is unfortunate that some Arab or Islamic countries too have kept silence while some others commit treachery behind the scene," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

Ayatollah Khamenei then pointed to recent Israeli massacre of an aid and relief convoy in international waters followed by their barefaced lies regarding what truly happened on the deck. "The move revealed the savage nature



of Zionists to the world. This is the same reality the Islamic Republic of Iran has cried for the past thirty years though to indifference of double faced, liar western powers."

Ayatollah Khamenei said the Zionist regime made a blunder in the sea attack as it did too in its attack against Lebanon and Gaza. "The back to back mistakes prove the Zionist regime has been approaching its definite doom, the precipice of nothingness," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

Ayatollah Khamenei then highlighted the outcome of a month long NPT review conference in New York where contrary to wishes of world bullies, 189 countries approved to press for accession of the Zionist regime to the treaty and issued a collective call for removal of nuclear weapons.

"What went on shows that the idea and views of the arrogant power as the US is has lost favor in the world," the Islamic Revolution Leader said.

"The Islamic Republic by its thirty year perseverance has managed to bring about a situation in the world where not only nations but also their governments tend to challenge America," Ayatollah Khamenei said, adding that the developments herald God's tidings for the great Iranian nation.