

Imam Khomeini's Message on the

Seventh Anniversary of the Islamic Revolution



In the name of Allah the Merciful, the All-Compassionate

May we express our unending gratitude to the Blessed and Exalted Lord who has graced us with His sacred blessings and honoured us with a nation which has assailed all [worldly] powers through its uprising of blood, its divinely-inspired Revolution and its spirit of faith and gnosticism. This nation, through its invaluable self-sacrifices, curtailed the hands of the oppressors from this dear Islamic homeland, upholding its dignity and independence. A nation which has received the glory and majesty of Islam, has come to govern its own destiny, replacing the satanic, monarchical regime with a just Islamic government. It has thus become an example of precious Islam for the oppressed nations of both the East and West.

May the Mercy of God and the peace of the pure and righteous ones be upon the souls of the great martyrs, the dear disabled devotees, those missing in action and the war captives who, by offering their lives, blood and health and enduring the separation from their homeland for the honour and greatness of their country and Islam, have led the way towards achieving prosperity in both

world and the next. They have thus made both themselves and the nation proud and exalted before the Holy Presence of their Lord, the Most High.

Today, after the passage of several years since the victory of the glorious Islamic Revolution, [and after having sustained] the arduous pressures of the world powers and the extensive and relentless conspiracies of the oppressors aimed at extinguishing the Light of God — through the tremendous spiritual power and blessings of the pure blood of the martyrs and those who have sacrificed their lives in the way of Islam — we thank God, the Most High, that all the oppressors' conspiracies were thwarted and great torch of Islam has been raised throughout the world.

The promise of God, the Exalted, of the leadership and inheritance of the oppressed people seems to be at hand. Thanks be to God, the weak analyses of those dependant upon the eastern and western blocs, and ignorant of Islam and the strength that is derived from Divine blessings, the Islamic Republic continues to move forward in its path, which is the straight path of Islam.

O God, You created this transformation in a nation which was on the way to being sacrificed for the whims of the world-devourers at the hands of their blindly-obedient servants. You graced this nation which has been oppressed throughout the course of history, and delivered us from the humiliation of servitude to others and brought us to the honourable position of serving You. You made [our] dear nation an exemplar for all oppressed people throughout the world.

O Lord! This country has a close bond with the Holy Prophet (S.A.W.) and his noble Household; it is the land of Imam Mahdi (may our lives be sacrificed in his way). By the sanctity they enjoy in Your sacred Presence, perpetuate Your favours.

Bestow final victory upon our dear combatants. Grace our dear martyrs and respected disabled devotees with Your bounty and offer patience and reward to their families. Deliver the prisoners of war and those missing in action to their homeland and bring the dear ones who tread the path of Karbala — the noble persons who sacrifice themselves in the path of Truth — to their cherished destination. Curtail the hands of the oppressors from the Islamic countries and bestow upon us the sincerity and honour of being Your servants.

Bestow Thy infinite Mercy upon the great prophets, and especially the Master of all prophets. Bestow Thy infinite Mercy upon the great guardians [Imams] and their Seal [Imam Mahdi] (may our souls be sacrificed in his way). deliver us from Satan and selfish, worldly desires.

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