

## Press Release

### **Report about the Lecture “The Opening of Constantinople”**

Hizb ut Tahrir / The Netherlands organized a lecture on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January 2020 regarding the opening of Constantinople. The lecture was held in The Hague and was a successful event, Alhamdulillah.

The first speaker Mikael discussed the life of the Sultan that had the honor to open Constantinople, Muhammad al Fatih. Mikael emphasized the different important elements that we, even today, can learn from. Like the steadfastness of Muhammad al Fatih and his army in opening the impenetrable walls of Constantinople. And above all, that the trust in Allah (swt) and His promise of the victory is the key to success.

Okay Pala, media representative of Hizb ut Tahrir / The Netherlands, provided the second lecture. He discussed the importance of the attitude that we as Muslims must have in regards to the promise of Allah (swt) and the Messenger (saw). Just like the Muslims of the previous generations persisted in opening Constantinople is how the contemporary Muslims should persist regarding the promise of the Prophet (saw) i.e. that the Islamic State, Al Khilafah, will return. Despite the fact that we live in very dark times and experience different forms of oppression everywhere, be it inside or outside Muslims lands. Furthermore, the Muslim has to commit him/herself as to realize the promise of the return of the Khilafah (Caliphate).

In short, the opening of Constantinople is a reminder for us that despite the fact that the Ummah finds itself in dark times. The prophecies of glad tidings of the Prophet (saw) are truthful and shall indeed be fulfilled. Therefore, the Muslim should not drive themselves into inaction or carelessness because the promise of the return of the Khilafah upon the method of the Prophethood will not succeed unless we sincerely commit ourselves to work towards this goal with the will of Allah (swt). Only then can we, just like Muhammad Al Fatih, be honored by Allah (swt) as the second Ansar that will reestablish the Islamic State, Al Khilafah, in the Muslim lands.

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