

## **Weekly Zoroastrian Scripture Extract # 222 – New ZAMWI Mobedyar Hormuzd Katki - Shehenshahi Saal Mubarak - Zarathushtra Eulogy (continued) - Farvardin Yasht - Yasht 13 - Verses 87 - 94 and 152**

Hello all Tele Class friends:

### **New ZAMWI Mobedyar Hormuzd Katki:**

(please see the attached photos)

After 1 1/2 years of coaching on video conferencing SKYPE software, Hormuzd Katki officially was declared by NAMC on Saturday August 5th 2017 as the new ZAMWI (Washington DC) Mobedyar by our elder NAMC Mobed Adi Unwalla in their beautiful Kamran Dar-e-Meher! Adi also took his examination as a NAMC Mobedyar and declared him fit to be a Mobedyar. Mobed Soli Dastur, the instructor, gave a Nahaan to Hormuzd in the Dar-e-Meher first and then Hormuzd did a wonderful job of praying a Jashan as a Joti with Soli as the Rathwi and Adi as an attending Mobed. ZAMWI President Navroz Gandhi and his beautiful wife helped tremendously to manage the whole function. And as always for years our own Rubina Patel helped in all aspects of acquiring all items for the Jashan and helping the Mobeds with all the equipment for the Jashan. Mobed Adi gave the NAMC Mobedyar oath to Hormuzd and also presented him with the NAMC Mobedyar certificate. We wish Mobedyar Hormuzd all the best for his selfless service to his ZAMWI Community.

As a surprise to us, President Navroz presented a check for \$501. to NAMC from ZAMWI for our efforts in coaching and initiating their new Mobedyar.

Before the Jashan, NAMC presented two discussions to the ZAMWI Humdins: Mobed Soli presented: The Influence of Zoroastrian Religion on other Religions and Kersi Shroff read the presentation by Mobed Behram Panthaki (absent for the initiation): Practicing the Faith in 21st Century in this Diaspora. Both the presentations were very well received.

### **Happy Shehenshahi Navroze Mubarak!**

Shehenshahi Gatha days started today: Ahunavaiti Gatha today on Saturday August 12th.

Jo Ann and I wish all our Humdins all over Hafta Keshwar Zamin Happy Gatha Days accompanied by prayers.

Unfortunately, after 9 years, we will not have Gatha prayers in Miami/Ft. Lauderdale/Boca Raton ZAF.

Shehenshahi Navroze, Farvardin Maah and Hormuzd Roj, falls on August 17th Thursday! Jo Ann and I wish all our Humdins all over the Hafta Keshwar Zamin a very Happy and Healthy Navroze Mubarak! May Dadar Ahura Mazda bestow upon all of us HIS Choicest Blessings for a wonderful year 1387 YZ!

### **Zarathushtra eulogy continued:**

(SPD Comment: In our last 2 weeklies, WZSE #220 and #221, we mentioned that in three weeks, we will have Shehensahi Khordad Saal – the Birthdate of our Vakhshur-e-Vakhshuraan Zarathushtra Spitamaan! In our next 4 WZSEs, we will eulogize him with Farvardin Yasht Verses 87 – 94 and 152 as a fitting tribute to this amazing prophet of ours! We continue this eulogy today with Verses 94 and 152)

**A humble suggestion:** When we want to remember our Vakhshur-e-Vakhshuraan Zarathushtra Spitamaan in our daily prayers, instead of just remembering his name, may we suggest to pray these verses from the Farvardin Yasht to remember him in a respectful way!

Last week in WZSE #221, we presented the 2 verses 90 - 91 of this eulogy.

Today, in WZSE #222, we will present the next two verses, Farvardin Yasht Verses 92 & 152:

### **First Ever Eulogy for an Amazing Human Being (continued) - Farvardin Yasht Verses 92 & 152:**

[\(Please hear the attached .mp3 file for its recitation\)](#)

(92) Yim isen Ameshao Spenta vispé havare-hazaosha,  
fraoret frakhshni avi mano zarazdaatoit anghuyat hacha,  
ahum ratumcha gaethanaam,  
staotaarem ashahé yat mazishtahecha vahishtahecha sraeshtahecha,  
paiti-frakhshtaaremcha daenyao yat haitinaam vahishtayao.

(152) Zarathushrem vispahé angheush astvato  
ahumcha ratumcha paorimcha tkaeshem yazamaidé;  
haataam hudaastemem, haataam hukhshathrotemem,  
haataam raevastemem, haataam kharenanguhastemem,  
haataam yesnyotemem, haataam vahmyotemem,  
haataam khshnaothwotemem, haataam frasastotemem.  
Yo naa ishtascha yesnyascha vahmyascha vaoché,  
yathana kahmaachit haataam, ashaat hacha yat vahishtaat.

### **First Ever Eulogy for an Amazing Human Being (continued) - Farvardin Yasht Verses 92 & 152 Translation:**

(92) Whom all the Ameshaaspands chose of one accord with Khorshed Yazata,  
with full faith and devoted heart, as the Ahu (the Spiritual Lord) and Ratu (the Temporal Lord)  
of all countries,  
as the praiser of the greatest, best, and excellent righteousness,  
and as the expounder of the Religion which is the best of all the existing religions.

(152) We worship the Holy Prophet Zarathushtra  
who is the lord and the leader of the entire corporeal world and the Paoryotkaesha (of the

Ancient Faith):

Because Holy Zarathushtra is the wisest of all living beings,  
the best Ruler of living beings,  
the brightest and most glorious of the living beings,  
most worthy of worship, of adoration, propitiation, and glorification of the living beings.

Holy lord Zarathushtra is known to us as beloved,  
worthy of worship and adoration just as this can be said of any man too amongst the living  
being on account of the best righteousness.

(From Ervad Kangaji Khordeh Avesta Baa Maaeni translated in English Page  
461 – 462, 497 - 498)

### **SPD Comments**

1. What a beautiful way of eulogizing an amazing Prophet who professed the first monotheistic religion in the history of mankind!
2. Our Avesta/Pahlavi Scholar, Dr. Pallan Ichhaporia, in FEZANA Journal – Spring 1994 – estimates that Farvardin Yasht “is pre-Zoroastrian, but composed much later, after the passing away of Asho Zarathushtra. .... the western migratory movements cannot be later than 900 BC and so the Yasht cannot be placed later than this date.”  
So according to him, Farvardin Yasht was written **almost 2900 years ago.**
3. All seven Ameshaspands and Khorshed Yazata chose unanimously Zarathushtra as the Ahu and the Ratu (the Spiritual as well as the Temporal Lord) of all the countries.
4. Zarathushtra is the most worthy of worship, adoration, propitiation, and glorification of the living beings because of his righteousness.

**What an amazing Vakhshur-e-Vakhshuraan!**

**May the Flame of Fellowship, Love, Charity and Respect for all burn ever eternal in our hearts so we can do HIS work with humility, diligence and eternal enthusiasm!**

**Atha Jamyat, Yatha Aafrinaamahi! (May it be so as we wish!)**

**(Aafrin Pegaamber Zartosht, from Ervad Kangaji Gujarati Khordeh Avesta Baa Maaeni – Page 424, adapted Aafrinaamahi - we wish instead of Aafrinaami – I wish, in the original)**

Love and Tandoorasti, Soli



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