



Sohibats by
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RESPOND TO GOODNESS WITH GOODNESS

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Tariqatunas sohba, wal khayru fil jamiyya.*

We should respond to goodness with goodness. It is the order of our Holy Prophet ﷺ. It is a Sunnah of our Holy Prophet ﷺ. A person who does goodness does it for the pleasure of Allah ﷻ and expects its reward from Allah ﷻ. However, you should repay it with goodness. At least, you should show your gratitude. It is not good to respond to goodness with badness. But unfortunately, people of the present time respond to or repay goodness with badness.

I always think why it is so. So much goodness and help is offered to people. But people are not pleased. They don't like it. Why? Is the one who does goodness to blame? No. People of the end of times are brought up this way. After the Khilafah was over, even during the last days of the Khilafah, badness was done in return for so much goodness. They chose to be together with those who do evil. So there was too much badness done. But they were cheated. They became doubtful about the Khilafah and went against it.

It's been over a hundred years since the Khilafah is over. But badness is still going on. There is no gratitude to those who do goodness. There is only opposition against them. This is what people are taught. We think about the reason why people do so. The answer is in what our Holy Prophet ﷺ said – guard yourself when you do goodness. Be careful and watch out. When you do something good, don't expect that people will be pleased and will thank you. Protect yourself from them.

There were some groups back then. But our Holy Prophet ﷺ is describing our time. Why is it happening this way? Allah ﷻ sent inspiration to our heart. There is an Arabic proverb that has been told since old times; “إِذَا أَكْرَمْتَ الْكَرِيمَ مَلَكَتْهُ وَإِذَا أَكْرَمْتَ اللَّيْمَ تَمَرَّدَا”, “Idhā akramta l-karīma malaktahu wa idhā akramta l-la'īma tamarradā”. When you do goodness to a good person, he becomes your servant and shows his gratitude. But when it is a bad person, he rebels and goes against you. Most people of the present time have such a nature. There are just a few good people and a lot of bad people. The more you want to do goodness, the more they oppose you; they rebel and try to do badness to you. May Allah ﷻ protect us.



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Allah ‘Azza wa-Jalla says in the Qur’an, ‘هَلْ جَزَاءُ الْإِحْسَانِ إِلَّا الْإِحْسَانُ’, ‘Hal jazā’u l-ihsan illa l-ihsan’, ‘Is there any reward for good other than good?’ (Qur’ān 55:60). The reward for good is only good, says Allah ‘Azza wa-Jalla. When you respond to goodness with goodness, you will be in paradise. But if you respond to goodness with opposition, you have no value at all and you are from the bad and conscienceless ones. “لَنِيْمٌ”, “La’īm” is the worst attribute. It has no Turkish translation. That is a person full of evil characteristics. May Allah ﷻ protect us. May Allah ﷻ not let us obey our egos. May He not characterize us with that attribute.

Wa min Allah at-Tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

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