

Sohbats by Hadrat Shaykh Muhammad Mehmet Adil al-Hakkani

VALUE THESE HOLY DAYS

As-Salāmu 'Alaykum wa Raḥmatullāhi wa Barakātuh. Aʿūdhu Billāhi Minash-shayṭāni r-rajīm. Bismillāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm. Wa ṣ-Salātu wa s-Salāmu 'alá Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Awwalīna wa l-Akhirīn. Madad yā RasūlAllāh, Madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi Rasūlillāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā, Dastūr Mawlana Shaykh Abdullāh al-Fā'iz ad-Dāghistāni, Shaykh Muḥammad Nāẓim al-Ḥaqqānī. Madad. Ṭarīqatunā aṣ-Suḥbah wa l-Khayru fi l-Jam'iyyah.

The second of the three holy months, Sha'ban al Mu'azzam has passed instantly. Just a little is left. Insha'Allah we are approaching Ramadan. Our Holy Prophet ﷺ said "تَقَارُبُ الزَمَان" about the end of times. Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is pointing that the time passing very quickly. Time is passing instantly. You assume that Rajab, Sha'ban and Ramadan of last year have just ended. But they have come again. And Hajj is coming afterwards, and it is the same with that.

Days are passing instantly. Therefore, don't have too much hope. Our Holy Prophet ﷺ says, "عُولِ الأَمَلِ», "Incessant hope". When a person says "I will live a long life", it leads to disappointment. While there is time and chance, we should value them all. We should spend them by doing useful things. Life is passing instantly. Therefore, we should benefit from these holy days. We should value them, and we should attain their virtues.

Shukr to Allah ^{**}, Mawlana Shaykh Nazim taught us about these three holy months being more precious when we were children. We were living in Damascus then. When the three months started, he would always go to Cyprus. At that time, we didn't have a house or Dergah in Cyprus. But these three months used to be revived by going from village to village and from town to town. People used to know their value, and it was much more different than now. Even people who committed sins and drank alcohol used to quit during these three months up until the three months were over. There was respect and fear of Allah ^{**}. There was honor for these months. Therefore, Allah ^{**} gave Barakah.

Many people nowadays don't even know about Ramadan, let alone the three months. They don't care about fasting Ramadan. Are they in profit? No, they are not. Those who honor it are in profit. BismiLlahi r-Rahmani r-Rahim, 'وَمَن يُعْظِّمْ شَعَائِرَ اللَّهِ فَإِنَّهَا مِن تَقُوْى الْقُلُوبِ', 'Wa man yu'azzim sha'ā'ira Allāhi fa innahā min taqwa l-qulūb', 'And whoever honors the symbols of Allah - indeed, it is from the piety of hearts.' (Qur'ān 22:32). Allah 'Azza wa Jalla is saying in the Qur'an that those who honor these months are from the people of piety, they are the beloved servants of Allah [&].

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That is why these months are holy months. They are the months of more worship. All of them are months of worship. But in order for people to awaken, Allah 'Azza wa Jalla gave certain seasons and days so that they benefit from them, so that they remember Allah 'Azza wa Jalla, so that they get themselves together and so that more piety, fear of Allah [®] and love of Allah [®] enter their hearts during these holy months and other months.

May Allah ⁴⁸ give all of us Barakah. May we spend Ramadan with its Barakah. And there is Hajj ul-Akbar this year with the permission of Allah ⁴⁸. Allah ⁴⁸ knows if there will or will not be permission to go. And whoever is meant to go will do so. Whoever is written to go will go. And whoever is not written, there will be an obstacle. May Allah ⁴⁸ let those who haven't done it to do it insha'Allah.

Wa min Allah at-Tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

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