

Sohbats by Hadrat Shaykh Muhammad Mehmet Adil al-Hakkani

THE RANKS OF PEOPLE

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.

Bismi Llāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm:

وَرَفَعْنَا بَعْضَهُمْ فَوْقَ بَعْضٍ دَرَجَاتٍ

(Qur'ān 43:32). 'Wa-rafa'nā ba'ḍahum fawqa ba'ḍin darajāt', 'And We have raised some of them above others in ranks.' Sadaqa Llāhu l-'Aẓīm. Allāh 'Azza wa Jalla created people with ranks of some being higher than others. The will of Allah [®] is as such for people to be in goodness, so that they follow certain people. It is the same for evil. Everything has two parts: the good part and the evil part.

In the good part, the highest among people are Prophets. And the highest Prophet among all Prophets is our Holy Prophet salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa sallam. He ^{##} is the one with the highest rank. And then there are the Rusul/Messengers, the Prophets who were sent down holy books by Allah 'Azza wa Jalla; they are around 313. And after that there are the Prophets/Anbiya; they are 124,000. They are on the highest level among people. Their rank is so high that Awliya or Sahabah cannot reach that rank. The rank of the Prophets is the highest.

Then there are the Sahabah of our Holy Prophet ^(#). They also have different ranks. There are the Ashara Mubashara. There are Khulafā'i Rāshideen; and there are [ranks] between them also. After that there are Ahlu l-Bayt, of course. And there are those who took part in the Battle of Badr; they are the Badri'yyeen. Their ranks are high too. Then there is Bay'atu r-Ridwan, those who took Bay'ah/initiation.

Allah 'Azza wa Jalla created ranks among people like this. After the Sahabah, there are the Awliya, 'Alims and 'Ulama. Allah 'Azza wa Jalla raised them and introduced religion to people through them. They made people love the religion. They have high stations and respect in the presence of Allah [®]. To show respect to them is to show respect to Allah 'Azza wa Jalla and to our Holy Prophet [®]. Those who accept them are accepted as Ahlu I-Sunnah wa I-Jama'ah.

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Those who don't accept them are not Ahlu l-Sunnah wa l-Jama'ah. They are out of Ahlu l-Sunnah wa l-Jama'ah. They are from the broken groups. And this, as we said, is the second part: the evil part. Allah ¹/₂ put them down as evil ones. The lower they are, the lower are the people who follow them. They are enemies of Allah ¹/₂, followers of Pharaoh, Nimrod, Lenin, Stalin, Mao and people like them. And then there are the enemies of Islam who are traitors and hypocrites. They compete with each other in their ranks.

May Allah [®] protect us from their evil. And may Allah [®] insure us against their traps. If people are caught in their evil and traps, they will perish. May Allah [®] protect us. It is nothing to perish in this world. They will perish in Akhirah, and there will be no intercessor for them. No one will look at their faces there. Allah 'Azza wa Jalla won't look at the faces of such people and won't show mercy to them, because they don't ask for mercy. They don't ask for anything but evil. May Allah [®] protect us with the Barakah of Ramadan. May Allah [®] protect people from that evil and badness.

Wa min Allah at-Tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

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