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THE HIJRI NEW YEAR

Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh, Auzu Billahi Minashaytanir Rajeem. Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem, Wassalatu Wassalamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidul Awwalin wal Akhirin, Madad Ya Rasulallah, Madad Ya As'habi RasuLillah, Madad Ya Mashayikhina, Sheykh Abdullah Daghestani, Sheykh Nazim al-Haqqani. Dastur. Tariqatunas sohba, wal khayru fil jamiyya.

Inshallah tongiht is the last night of our sacred year, the Hijri year. Tomorrow Inshallah is our New Year. Inshallah our New Year enters with blessings¹. This is what we need to celebrate, the Hijri years. Inshallah we will fast tomorrow and enter our New Year with fast-breaking².

Because a new day, according to Islamic customs, does not start after midnight but with sunset. For example, it is Saturday night now. Friday night was yesterday. This is how it is Islamically, but the other way they do it after midnight. We are not like them thank Allah. It is different when we are to enter a new day, a new month, and a new year.

We enter with Maghrib, we enter the New Year with the blessed moment, with iftar Inshallah. We would be entering with worship. The other way, they would be entering at midnight and they do whatever disgraceful things there are. They enter with drinking, gambling, and all sorts of filth, then they wish for it to be happy. Is it possible? Only evil comes out of it, not goodness.

Already, "Al khamru ummul khabaith," is said (Hadith Sharif). "Alcohol is the mother of evils." You are entering the year with it, so would any good come out of it? Of course not. However, if you enter the Islamic New Year with worship, with iftar, even if the world falls apart you would not be bothered with Allah's permission. It does not matter how much you are hit from outside. What is important is for the person to be internally strong, and for the person to be filled with the love of Allah and the fear of Allah inside. Then there is no fear and no harm for that person.

However the other way all darkness, all sadness, sorrow, and gloominess is inside the person. They do all filth at night. Let those people see how they wake up the next morning. Either they have a headache, they have a stomachache, or they are at the hospital. They would be getting up bothered. Whereas they would prepare a month ahead for that night and they would fuss over as, "How are we going to spend it? What are we going to do?"

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Thank Allah we are in no haste and we are happy. Allah willing we are in relief inside because the New Year has arrived. We are in relief since we are to continue on this beautiful path Inshallah. The other way, they are sad when they wake up in the morning saying, "The new year has arrived and we are a year older. We are old. Oh what will happen now? Our beauty is gone."

For us the person who gets older obeying Allah is more acceptable next to Allah. Allah gives them that much more reward with each hair turning grey. So we are not sad because the years are passing since where we are going is evident. We cannot stop it. This is the order of Allah. Billions of people came and left since Adam Alayhis Salam, and do you think you will be staying in this world?! Shaitan is the one giving this sadness because he wants people to leave the world without faith.

Whereas you know this life, so both those who have faith and who are faithless know they are not going to live forever. You can live for a 100 years, 150 years, or say 200 years. Nobody has lived that long during these times anyway. In the past, during Adam Alayhis Salam's time, there were those who lived for 200, 300, or 500 years. In fact, Nuh Alayhis Salam lived for 950 years, and even he in the end passed away and did not stay.

A person who comes to this world will leave. Therefore, people should not be saddened when years pass. People who have devouted themselves on the path of Allah, to Allah, and who are going on the path of our Holy Prophet (SAW) should not be saddened. Let us say, "May Allah not misguide us, and may we stay firm on this path." This is the greatest blessing³. May Allah also not misguide our children. We need to pay attention to them and encourage them to these ways.

We need to remind this beautiful year of ours because many people do not even remember it, it is not even in their minds. When we say, "Tomorrow is New Year's," they say, "Good gracious⁴! What New Year?" Here the Hijri one! The Hijri one which all our worships are done according to it. We do our hajj, our fasting, our zakat⁵, and all our works according to this year. We do not even know when the year starts and when it ends. We need to know and we need to pay respect to it.

Never respect the other one. Never be bothered or worry where you will spend New Year's. During the other New Year's you will spend, lay your head and go to bed. Do not even go outside. This year, thank Allah, is the year of goodness, the year of baraka Inshallah. It will be Islam's positive year Allah willing. Becuase our Holy Prophet (SAW) gave his word and Allah gave His word: "Doomsday will not erupt until the world becomes Muslim."

3. Nima 4. Allah Allah/Subhanallah

5. Obligatory alms

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Allah willing we are getting closer with every passing day, we are nearing the times of this glad tiding. We are getting closer to Mahdi Alayhis Salam. We are getting nearer to Isa⁶ Alayhis Salam's descending from heaven and our being with him. We are living and Inshallah we will reach them. This is why we are hopeful with every coming year. This year Inshallah we say it is Islam's year of victory. Unbelief is squeezing in from all sides, but they cannot stand on the way of Allah's predestination⁷.

It is the predestination of Allah and everything can occur in an instant. In the past, when you said, "This will happen and that will happen," it would take years. Now we see so much happenning [in a short period of time]. The events of these last ten years are coming so fast, Allah knows the coming out of Mahdi Alayhis Salam might also be this year.

وَمَا ذَلِكَ عَلَى اللهِ بِعَزِيزٍ

"Wama thalika 'alallahi bi'aziz." (Sura Ibrahim:20) "That is not difficult for Allah." Nothing is difficult for Allah Azza wa Jalla. Once Allah wants, it could happen instantly. And His promise is truth. Inshallah we are waiting.

May this year of ours be good Inshallah. Fasting tomorrow and the day after is like fasting the whole year, since tomorrow is the end of the year and the other day is the beginning. Inshallah it will be good and blessed for all of us. We hope to be with Mahdi Alayhis Salam next year Inshallah. May Allah make us all reach him safe and sound⁸. May unbelief fall and truth appear Inshallah.

Al-Fatiha.

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6. Jesus Christ

7. Taqdir

8. Sihha wa 'Afiya

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