



Sofbats by
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DAY OF ASHURA AND ITS BLESSING

*Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh,
Auzu Billahi Minashaytanir Rajeem. Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem,
Wassalatu Wassalamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidul Anwalin wal Akbirin,
Madad Ya Rasulallah, Madad Ya As'habi RasuLillah, Madad Ya Mashayikhina,
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Tariqatunas sobba, wal khayru fil jamiyya.*

Mashallah we have entered a new year tonight and gathered for a beautiful occasion. With this occasion his holiness haji, shaykh, what does he call himself, Nimatullah Hodja Efendi came (Shaykh Mehmet is laughing). His holiness came. Pretty holy ones came. ("I am your murid sir. I was also your father's murid, Allah willing," says Nimatullah Hodja Efendi). We are grateful to Allah. Inshallah this year passes in baraka (blessing).

Muharram ul-Haram is a holy month. We need to welcome it with fasting and duas in the beginning. Inshallah we have done as much as we could, we have tried to do. The recommendation of our Holy Prophet (SAW) for Ashura is to fast the ninth and tenth days. Fasting it is of great benefit and great nima (benediction) to a person. Allah would give baraka and relief physically, spiritually, and in terms of sustenance.

Everything is available Alhamdulillah. These are End Times. Allah has provided all sorts of benedictions to people, but people are misusing them, they are not being grateful for the benedictions, and are going wild with attainment. They are not being grateful to Allah and are not recognizing its value. The poor, the rich, Muslims, and non-Muslims have become so self-indulgent, that they do not want the slightest hardship or the slightest discomfort and regard with disfavor what is given to them.

There are lots of people who come with complaints. Whereas not too long ago, twenty years ago, people were not in such nima. There was not even one-fourth of this nima but there was not so much complaining. When people are free, Shaykh Mawlana (QS) called them idle ones, their complaints increase. We have no void in our life. Our life is short. It is shameful for a person to get bored and stay idle. Complaining is never a good thing. If you spend your time with Allah and on things Allah commands, you would not know how time passed and it would fall short. However, people, as we say, do not recognize the nima, do not know its worth, and have complaint upon complaint.

Allah Azza wa Jalla created us in the best image. If Allah willed, He could have created us as a creature with four legs, a creature of six legs, or worse if He wanted. He still



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created you as honorable. If you do not know its value, you would be tyrannizing your own self. Therefore, we need to recognize these benedictions and appreciate them. When these holy days arrive, we need to respect them and do the worships and the things our Holy Prophet (SAW) advised us.

Of course there is a fair amount of advice for Ashura Day, but we cannot do them all. Just as there are four madhabs and it is impossible to attempt them all at once, these worships are the same way. You continue and follow what you have seen from your shaykh or whomever, and there is no need for anything else. As we said, humankind cannot do it all. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) told us plenty of things due to his mercy. Even if you do one of them, it would be like doing them all, Allah willing.

The first advice of our Holy Prophet (SAW) is for us to fast Ashura Day and the day before or the day after. It cannot be single. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) says, "Make a whole-body ablution (ghusl) on Ashura Day. The one who makes a whole-body ablution Allah willing does not become very ill that year." The one who puts on kohl (eyeliner) does not suffer eye pain. The one who gives charity (sadaqa) that day lives in abundance and blessing. The one who brings groceries home has a year of blessing. There is a four-rakat Ashura prayer (namaz) after Zuhr that day. You recite 11 Ikhlas in each rakat and make dua afterwards. Once you do these, Allah (JJ) gives you from His sight countless, Allah willing.

The nikah (wedding) occurred and those holy kids got married. They are needy (gharib), both of them. They escaped their countries and came here. Their kismet was here. Inshallah the people here are also blessed due to their blessing. This country is now the head of Islam, the head of the Islamic world, and they want to crush it too. But Allah will not give them a chance because it stands next to the oppressed and helps the oppressed.

It is said that sadaqa turns away accidents and calamities. People with a weak faith who cannot stand it keep saying, "Why are we helping here and there?" Whereas all Muslims are brothers. You are a Turk but there is no such thing as others cannot be brothers. They are brothers as long as they are Muslim. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) says, "All Muslims are like one body. If one part of the body aches, the whole body feels it." So would you not feel it if you had a wound in your foot? You would feel it. Islam is also like that.

Therefore, it is charity and beneficial wherever they are helping. Allah (JJ) would give ten in return for one. The world of kufr (disbelief) robbed and usurped the world so much. They tyrannized people, exploited the whole world, and in the end people are almost dying of hunger. Why? Because there is no charity. There is nothing. There is no aid. They think once it is given it is gone, but Allah (JJ) has a promise and He tells you: "I will give ten when you give one."



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Thank Allah there is blessing in this country. Otherwise, if you attempt to calculate it, nobody could get through this and come out of it. That is why as a state, as an individual, and as a community we need to be happy when we help these people. May Allah make us continue doing good. May Allah not leave us to our ego. May we not penny pinch Inshallah. Allah forbid. May Islam be victorious and may disbelief be defeated Inshallah. It is Allah's promise: the whole world will become Muslim. Those days are also coming Inshallah.

Amin.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

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