ASHURA DAY

Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah, 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

Thank Allah, with Allah's grace and generosity we were able to go and come back comfortably. People there were happy. They said it was not enough, but what can we do? We could only stay that long. We stayed for 11 or 12 days. Mashallah, the seeds Shaykh Mawlana (QS) planted are everywhere. Just as they say "The other end of the world" truly they are everywhere in the world Mashallah. They are all teaching goodness, they are teaching beauty, and are helping each other. Thank Allah. They are gathering for the love of Allah.

Today is the holy day of Ashura. Ashura Day is the day prophets were saved from their distress and reached salvation. Many awliya (saints) and prophets received their station on this day. Lastly, it is said about our Master Hazrat Hussain Alayhis Salam. He was saved from these people and reached the station of martyrdom. He is the sayyid of martyrs. Martyrdom was a thousand times better for him than staying with those people, people who did not know value. Allah Exalted and Glorious be He granted him the highest stations. Just like a mosquito bite does not hurt much and its effects are later, that is how it is with martyrs. They left him alone and then caused fitna (discord). They are continuing with that fitna till today. Meaning they are dragging people to the wrong path.

Nothing can be accomplished with hate. The religion of Islam is the religion of love, not the religion of hate. Both sides tyrannized. Those who said, "We do not accept anything else," tyrannized the most and left him there alone. The others were Arab nationalists, the Amawis (Umayyads). The Amawis were able to last for a mere hundred years. They oppressed. Oppression does not last. The Abbasis (Abbasids) took over afterwards. The Abbasis were able to last all the way to the Ottomans. They handed the khilafa (caliphate) to the Ottoman sultan. Therefore, nothing can happen with tyranny. Fitna is not good either. It has no use. Fitna is a cursed thing. People who cause fitna are also cursed.

Hitting, crying, and what not are not worship. It has nothing to do with worship. If you are to do something you should fast. You can fast today and tomorrow, or it was yesterday and today. You can fast for three days if you like. There is no obstacle. Read the Koran for those holy ones. Read [Sura] Yaseens. It would be beneficial for you and they would be satisfied with you. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) would also be satisfied with you. If you are to do something this is what it should be. It would be worship. Tearing your hair out and beating yourself is not worship. We tell the truth and we do not refrain from anyone. Let them show us: when our mother Hazrat Khadija (RA) - our Holy Prophet's wife - passed away, did our Holy Prophet (SAW) tear his hair out? Our Master Hazrat Hamza (RA) died, he was martyred. Our Holy Prophet wept. He did not yell and scream, and he did not tear his hair out. There are many hadiths. It is not good to do that. It is not good for the martyr as it is not good for the dead. They do not like such things.

Today is a holy day. May Allah's barakat (blessings) be upon us Inshallah. Of course, there is a fast today. There is also a four-rakat namaz (prayer). Because sunna or nafila is not allowed after Asr prayer, you can offer it till Asr time. 11 Ikhlas in each rakat, a total of four rakats. Then there is the dua (supplication) of Ashura. It is mentioned in books afterall so you can recite it. It is good to do a ghusl (full body ablution) on this day. The person who makes ghusl today does not get sick till next year. Buying groceries for home and giving children an allowance brings abundance and blessing the whole year Inshallah. Do that as well. Make dua, read the Koran, and read Yaseen. Do as much as you can do.

The religion of Islam is the religion of affection. They cannot reach anywhere with oppression and discord. Nobody, nobody can. The Ottoman State respected all the sahaba (companions) with affection and governed that way. The whole Islamic world still prays for them. Their services are everywhere. May Allah make it everlasting Inshallah. Mahdi Alayhis Salam is also near Inshallah. May we reach him too Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

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