



**Sofibats by**  
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**WHO IS CALLED SULTAN?**

*Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh,  
Authu Billahi Minash-shaytanir Rajeem, Bismillahir Rahmanir Rabeem,  
Madad Ya Rasulallah, Madad Ya As'habi Rasulallah, Madad Ya Mashayikhina,  
Shaykh Abdullah Daghestani, Shaykh Nazim al-Haqqani. Dastur,  
Abu Ayyub al-Ansari. Madad,  
Tariqatunas sohba, wal khayru fil jam'iyya.*

Thank Allah we happen to be in this city next to the holy one. Hazrat Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (RA), he is a blessed<sup>1</sup> one and the sultan of the city. He is such a holy one that in order to gain the good tidings of our Holy Prophet (SAW), he got up and came all the way here even though he was pretty old. Martyrdom was ordained for him here. There are so many companions<sup>2</sup> like him, but the oldest is Hazrat Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (RA) such that he is also the host of our Holy Prophet (SAW), the person whom he stayed with in his house.

He lived with our Holy Prophet (SAW) for about a year. At first our Holy Prophet (SAW) said, "It is a two-storey house. You stay upstairs and I will stay downstairs." He did not accept but because it was the order of our Holy Prophet (SAW) he accepted later.

The grace<sup>3</sup> of Allah, the gaze of Allah, and the manifestations<sup>4</sup> upon our Holy Prophet (SAW) for one year also descended upon Hazrat Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (RA). That is why he is a holy and very valuable sahabi. Where he went is also sacred. The maqam<sup>5</sup> he is at here is blessed because our Holy Prophet's manifestation is there.

The companions all have a different value each. They are also levels, each one has a different level. The four Khulafa Rashidun (Rightly Guided Caliphs), then there are the Ashara Mubashara, the Ten Promised Paradise companions. Then there are those who fought at Badr, and those who gave bayat<sup>6</sup>. The companions have various different ranks like this. Each one has a different station.

Close to the passing of our Holy Prophet, there were 124,000 companions last. In fact, more than 100,000 were at the Hujat al-Wada' (Farewell Pilgrimage). They were with our Holy Prophet in the last Hajjul Akbar (Great Hajj). Our Holy Prophet read the Khutbat al-Wada' (Farewell Sermon) there. More than 100,000 companions became Hajji. As it is, our Holy Prophet changed worlds following that by 80 days.

1. Mubarak      2. Sahabi      3. Inayat      4. Tajalli      5. Tomb      6. Allegiance



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So there were as many companions as the number of our holy prophets: 124,000. The prophets are a 124,000. The number of saints in every century is also a 124,000. These are Allah's beloved servants. They would be seen more in the past because there were not as many people in the past. That is why the awliya would be more spottable in the past. Also as Shaykh Mawlana (QS) said they have been hidden this last century. Very few of the awliya are known. Some deranged<sup>7</sup> or unselfconscious ones come out and say, "I am a wali!"

It is said "The miraculuous deed<sup>8</sup> of the shaykh is evident by itself." That is not respected. It might be alright for majzoobs but the person who comes out and says, "I am a saint," is never accepted. Even Shaykh Mawlana used to say, "I am a weak servant of Allah. Who do we think we are?" He would say so even though he was Sultanul Awliya. People should take lesson from this already.

We need to take lesson from the humility of our Holy Prophet (SAW) and from the humility of the companions. Here, these persons sacrificed themselves in the path of Allah and gave themselves to the path of Allah. So Allah made them great. All the holy ones are called sultan: Ayub Sultan and Hala Sultan. Wherever there are companions, they are referred to as sultan.

They did not run after any benefits. They did not come here, to Istanbul, thinking of conquest and war booty. At the time everywhere was opened<sup>9</sup> to Islam, booty was as high as mountains, and there was no need for anybody there. There was no requirement to leave and go somewhere else to make jihad at the time. They went to jihad for the sake of Allah, to make the words of our Holy Prophet (SAW) come true, and to raise the word of Islam<sup>10</sup>.

"Radiyahallahu 'anh" is said when a sahabi is mentioned. This is an honor and glorification pertaining to the companions. This is not said about whoever comes after the companions. This is so out of manner and respect. It is said "may Allah sanctify their secret" about the mashayikh<sup>11</sup>. After our Holy Prophet (SAW) comes Abu Bakr as-Siddiq radiyallahu 'anh and Salman al-Farsi radiyallahu 'anh. It is said "qaddasallahu sirrahu" for those who follow. Those of today who are unselfconscious and sell themselves to people as saints do not say "radiyallahu 'anh". But the burden of sin<sup>12</sup> is on themselves.

Our Holy Prophet (SAW) says: "Even if you spend as much gold as Mount Uhud, you would not be able to find the merit compared to one date of my companions." They are such holy ones and we need to know our place. There are many people who do not know their place and there are many who confuse people.

7. Majzoob 8. Karamat 9. Fatih 10. Ilaa'e Kalimatullah 11. Shaykhs 12. Wabal



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The saints, the scholars, and the people are addressed differently. How everybody is referred to is different. Despite the holy words of our Holy Prophet (SAW), you are considering others as they (companions) are. Allahu 'alam (Allah knows best), especially for scholars you cannot say that.

The awliya are referred to as "qaddasallahu sirrahu" and the scholars are referred to as "rahmatullahi alayhi" because scholars make mistakes. Since awliya are the beloved servants of Allah, they are referred to as "may Allah sanctify their secret." "Qaddasallahu sirrahu" meaning they have a secret. Allah knows his secret. It is said so to receive blessings from them, and it is also a virute for people to say these.

People of End Times glorify themselves when they glorify the person across them. "This scholar is like this, we follow that scholar, and we will call him 'radiyallahu 'anh'." No way! Allah forbid, may Allah protect us from mistakes Inshallah.

May Allah grant us to follow true scholars and to come across them. Those who say they are scholars and fool people have been seen a lot, but they are a lot more in this last century. There are many of them and they mislead millions of people.

They started all the way in the last period of the Ottomans. They started in the beginning of the 1900s or a little earlier so they could erode the Ottomans from within and from the outside, like mice from all sides. They also came up with these guys, and they have mislead and distorted millions of people. May Allah protect us.

When Mahdi Alayhis Salam appears, these kinds of scholars will be the first to reject him. They will oppose him, but they will be punished. There is no pardon in Mahdi Alayhis Salam's time. Now, may Allah be content with them, our government is doing cleaning, but many Shaitans in the meantime complain about people and they are staying in safety where they are. There are lots of poor-fellows, there are those who are wronged, but this mistake will not be made when Mahdi Alayhis Salam comes out. Because he will see with "aynal yaqeen" and "haqqal yaqeen" detection. He will immediately see whether this one is a traitor or not, and he will clean that person off.

All the signs point to the End Times, show that the time is near, and so Inshallah it is near. Inshallah this place is the capital city of the Ottomans and of Islam. The whole world of Islam, really wherever we go, is looking here. They are worried if something happens here and do not want anything bad happening here. This is the only place left solid. It is the wisdom of Allah that Shaykh Mawlana (QS) used to say, "Mahdi Alayhis Salam will deliver from the Ottomans and it will begin there." Inshallah it is near. May it be as soon as possible Inshallah.



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