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**THE MONTH OF MUHARRAM AND KARBALA**

*Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh,  
Auzu Billahi Minashaytanir Rajeem. Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem,  
Wassalatu Wassalamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidul Anwalin wal Akhirin,  
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Tariqatunas sohba, wal khayru fil jamiyya.*

May Allah make this New Year of ours blessed. Inshallah it becomes the year of victory for Islam and the year Mahdi Alayhis Salam comes out Inshallah. Making this dua every year makes us gain both rewards and virtue. We are truly waiting for and want Mahdi Alayhis Salam to come. Mahdi Alayhis Salam is the person our Holy Prophet (SAW) gave good tidings of.

We need to wait for him every year. Some people get fed up or say, "He will not come anymore." Or others go to denial and deny him. When in fact hadith scholars know. There are so many authentic<sup>1</sup> hadiths. There are various kinds of hadith.

Just as they interfered in everything after our Holy Prophet (SAW), the Jews also mixed this up. There are many things they brought forward as hadith. However, the companions, the Tabieen<sup>2</sup> that followed, and the people who knew the science of hadith combed it out one by one and they sorted most of it through.

The ones they were not sure of they called weak<sup>3</sup> and they called alright<sup>4</sup>. They also called sahih, mutawatir<sup>5</sup>, and a couple of other kinds, but this hadith is an accepted hadith. There is no doubt in it. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) gave good tidings and told us of Mahdi Alayhis Salam's coming. He comes from his lineage. His mother's name is like that of our Holy Prophet's mother's name, Amina, his father's name is Abdullah, and his own name is Muhammad. "He will be of my lineage. When the world is full of tyranny and all sorts of evil, he will fill the world with justice and goodness when he comes," says a hadith of our Holy Prophet (SAW).

In this case, this needs to be the creed of people of Ahl-e Sunnat wal Jamaat. Of course there are those who are not Ahl-e Sunnat. They are waiting for a different one but the issue our Holy Prophet (SAW) spoke about looks exactly like today's. Meaning so much tyranny, so much evil, so much denial, and so much unbelief has never been seen before. Of course it happened before, tyranny occurred, but now those who say they are

1. Sahih      2. Those following the Sahabi      3. Daeef      4. Hasan      5. Successive



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Muslim cause greater tyranny than the unbeliever. This is what our Holy Prophet (SAW) is speaking about and this is the time. Because there are narrations he will appear in the month of Muharram. This is not the hadith of our Holy Prophet (SAW) but what the saints<sup>6</sup> are saying. He is expected in the month of Muharram. This month of Muharram has passed and we are awaiting for him in the next month of Muharram Inshallah.

The month of Muharram is a holy month since the tenth day is the day of Ashura. It is the day of salvation. It is the day of being delivered relief or salvation. Adam Alayhis Salam's repentance was accepted on this day. Nuh Alayhis Salam's ship being saved from the flood, Musa Alayhis Salam's crossing the sea and escaping from the hands of Pharaoh, Prophet Yunus being saved from the belly of the whale, and Isa Alayhis Salam's ascending to heaven are all on this day. Today, many things were saved from the enemy. May this Nation's salvation Inshallah also occur on this day. So it is estimated Mahdi Alayhis Salam comes out on Ashura day.

Inshallah it will be mubarak. That day is a blessed day. Of course that day has its worships. It is of great virtue to fast on the 9th and 10th days of Muharram. It is also very virtuous to fast from the 1st to the 10th. The person who does this is granted the highest spot in the garden of Paradise. Giving charity, buying lots of provisions for home, and making people at home happy on that day gives blessings and that year passes in baraka.

Making ghusl, bathing and doing a full-body ablution are also very beneficial. The person passes the year in health and does not get sick Inshallah. If people apply something like an eye smear, they are protected from eye pain and eye illnesses. Then there is a four-rakat prayer. Of course it needs to be offered before Asr time since supererogatory<sup>7</sup> prayers should not be offered after Asr. 11 Ikhlas should be recited in each rakat, and when finished "Hasbunallahu wani'mal wakeel," is recited 70 times. Following this there is a dua of Ashura. Those who know it can read it, and those who do not can read whatever dua they want. The duas are accepted Inshallah.

It says, "Ask for goodness from Allah." We need to repent. May Allah forgive us Inshallah. Let us ask for forgiveness Inshallah. The month of Muharram is a holy month. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) used to fast during the month of Muharram before Islam as well. However, when the fasting of Ramadan was made obligatory<sup>8</sup>, the fasting of Muharram was not made farz and remained a sunna. But it is a confirmed sunna<sup>9</sup> and our Holy Prophet (SAW) would fast it.

When he arrived in Medina he saw the Jews were also fasting it. "Why are you fasting it?" he asked. "It is the day Musa Alayhis Salam was saved," they replied. So our

6. Awliya

7 Nafila

8. Farz

9. Sunna Muakkada



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Holy Prophet (SAW) said, "I am more deserving of it than you are. I will still fast the day my brother Musa Alayhis Salam was saved, but in order to avoid similarity I will fast it two days." It is either fasted 9-10 or 10-11.

Our Holy Prophet (SAW) had passed away afterwards. He knew he was going to pass away and said, "If I live till next year I will fast it like this," but he passed away afterwards. This hadith is also a strong hadith. That is why the holy ones, awliya and scholars are in consensus about this day. They accept him and his hadiths. All people of tariqa certainly need to fast on this day.

Other sects also fast it and it will Inshallah be a means of guidance for them. As we said yesterday, some events occurred on Ashura, the matter of Karbala occurred. Nothing happened to our faithful Master Hazrat Hussain (RA), and he reached the highest stations in the sight of Allah. This is our creed. Just as the awliya and prophets reach the highest stations on this day, he reached the highest stations as well. Those who killed him will go to the lowest place and plumb the depths of hell.

This is a matter that is in the sight of Allah and a matter that has been submitted to Allah. We cannot do anything about it in these times. Those people left this world 1400 years ago. One of them left in the highest station. People are cursing those who murdered him till the Day of Judgment. Because our Holy Prophet (SAW) said, "Whoever curses at my companions, may the curse of Allah, the angels, and all of humanity be on them." These are people deserving of cursing now. Let alone cursing, they martyred our Holy Prophet's (SAW) very dearest, the most beloved grandchild. We cannot do anything anymore. Allah Azza wa Jalla will question them. There is no other place but hell for what they did.

Some people think the Ahl-e Sunnat wal Jamat is supporting the murderers of Hazrat Hussain. Perish the thought<sup>10</sup>, hashah! Our way is the way of tariqa, the way of Ahl-e Sunnat, we are on the side of Truth, and we are on the way of our Holy Prophet (SAW). "My Ahl-e Bayt<sup>8</sup> are the trust I have left you," says our Holy Prophet (SAW). We need to respect them and hold them in high esteem.

The Ottomans did this for 700 years. They observed the Ahl-e Bayt and honored and respected them as the Ahl-e Sunnat. They managed everything in the best way and nobody could find the right to say anything against them. Since they had so much respect for the Ahl-e Bayt, they would treat them each separately. They would not place them next to normal people, they had their own court, and there was a separate department called Naqib ul-Ashraf that took care of them. Every newborn Ahl-e Bayt would be

10. Hasaha      11. The Family of the Prophet (SAW)



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registered there, and whoever passed away their name would be deleted. If something happened they had their own court. The Ottomans would respect the Ahl-e Bayt as such.

Therefore, those who get up and say they oppressed this sect and that sect are telling lies. No such oppression was done whatsoever, and the oppressor was cursed. May the curse of Allah, the angels, and all of humanity until Judgment Day be on those who have committed these acts.

That holy person sacrificed himself because there were children there. 70 holy ones were martyred there, but being martyrs is a great station for them. They did not get martyred and immediately die there. They are living. It is what Allah Azza wa Jalla informs us in the Koran: "Martyrs do not die. They are alive and happy, and they are being sustained there." As soon as they shut their eyes, they start a new life. Then they wish, "I wish I would be martyred again, come back and be martyred again."

Therefore, there is no mourning much in Islam. Mourning has no benefit. What needs to be done is reading Koran on that day. It should be read everyday and sent as a gift to their souls. Hazrat Hasan and Hazrat Hussain. Our Master Hasan (RA) had passed before him. One Fatiha and three Ikhlas or a Mawlid should be read on Hazrat Hussain (RA) and his friends, to all the martyrs of Karbala. Good works should be done for their souls. This is what needs to be done. There is no benefit in other things that are done.

Let us do things that will be beneficial, let us do things our Master Hazrat Hussain (RA) will be happy with. The martyrs or holy ones are not happy with hue and cry. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) forbid it. Do not ever cry screaming! If you are to cry, cry quietly. It is no big deal. However, crying and screaming, pulling out hair, and what not are never permissible. These are things prohibited by our Holy Prophet (SAW).

May Allah also make us attain their intercession, and may their blessings be upon us Inshallah. Their baraka lasts till the Day of Judgment Inshallah. May we be their neighbors in paradise Inshallah. It is favorable to make dua on this Ashura day. Inshallah may we pray for goodness. Let us pray for the arrival of the person, Mahdi Alayhis Salam, who will save the whole world of Islam from this tyranny Inshallah. May he appear as soon as possible and may those who deny him be ashamed Inshallah.

In any case, they should be ashamed from now on since everything our Holy Prophet (SAW) said appeared, whatever he said came to being one by one. They all know it too. They think it applies to only those during his time. No, our Holy Prophet (SAW) told us about things that will happen till Judgment Day and they will occur. Denying them is unbeneficial. On the contrary, it harms our iman. May Allah fix those people too, and may He guide them Inshallah.



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