

#### A TREAT FROM ALLAH

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Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh.

Our tariqa stand with discourse (sohba). Goodness is in the association (jamiya). This is a gathering of good people. Bad people's gathering is no good already from the start. Thank Allah, wherever we go, in our gatherings we look for good people and try to be with good people. We have travelled a quite bit. We normally come here (Ayub Sultan Dargah) every two weeks, but it has almost been two months since we came last. Anyway, these are close places and we meet again. If not here, we meet in our other dargahs. What is important is for hearts to be together.

Shaykh Mawlana planted these seeds all over the world. Wherever we go, they are all in the same heart, and the same love continues. This is enough as a miracle (karamat) for Shaykh Mawlana. For the brothers and sisters (ikhwan) to be following one person without dispursing is both a karamat of Shaykh Mawlana and a favor for the ikhwan. Karamats are plenty with the saints (awliya) but they do not show it. They do not like karamat, but Allah gives to His servants even if they do not want it.

One of the awliya was walking in the desert. He got thirsty and came to the wellhead. The water was down below, so Allah (JJ) raised the water where the wali could reach it as a favor. The saint said, "O my Allah, this is a favor but I would be happier if the Desert Arab (A'rabi) gave me water while beating me." They, the awliya, do not like miracles but Allah (JJ) still gives them favors.

They said to Hadrat Abul Hasan al-Shadhili, the Shaykh of the Shadhili Tariqa, "Some of your murids fly, some of them walk on water." He replied, "Birds also fly, fish also swim in water without." So they asked, "What is your miracle? If your murids do these, Allah knows what miracles you show!" He replied, "Since the ground beneath me is not splitting and not swallowing me, this is the biggest miracle." There you go, he sees his ego so low, and he does not try explaining karamat and what not. He said, "If the ground is not splitting to swallow me, this is the greatest miracle for a man like myself."



The awliya are like this. These matters are none of their concern. Yet Allah Azza wa Jalla gives them favors wherever they go. Everything is prepared before going somewhere for people in high stations in this world. Where they will go, where they will stop, and what they will do is planned, and the roads they will travel are cleared. They pass without waiting at all in airports or other places. In the same manner, people and servants are assigned to holy ones by Allah Azza wa Jalla. Everything is made easy for them. Because they are only for Allah. They exist to deliver what Allah says. They exist to show what Allah says. It is the same for them, whether they suffer or are happy. It does not matter for them.

Our master Hadrat Omar said, "We withstood the calamities of difficulty, but could not withstand this calamity of prosperity." So it is easier to withstand difficulties for them. They do not like comfort. They do not want to be continuously comfortable in the world and to enjoy themselves. They try not to waste a minute of their time. That is their purpose.

You can also find the holy ones sometimes comparing themselves to each other. Hadrat Zinnun Misri said to a murid of Hadrat Bayazid Bastami: "What is your shaykh doing? Your shaykh is laying down while the caravan goes away. How is that possible? Send regards (salams) to your shaykh. Is this possible?," and sent the message. Sometimes shaykhs and awliya say things to each other to teach people. So Bayazid replied: "Send salams to the holy one. Talent is in reaching the stage (manzil) before the caravan while being asleep." While they are going and suffering, he look asleep but reaches the stage before them. They think he is sleeping, but he is going ahead of them where he is sleeping.

There are also places Shaykh Mawlana went to years ago. It has been 20 years he has not gone to some places, and some places it has been about 15 years. Thank Allah, we went and they are all the same there, nothing has changed. You might think there is no shaykh, there is nobody there. They are all, thank Allah, advancing very well on the road shown by Shaykh Mawlana with the instructions of Shaykh Mawlana. We went to some places, places you would never think of, thinking nobody would be there. Mashallah, very good congregations have been established. So this is also Shaykh Mawlana's disposition (tasarruf). He used to say too, the awliya are seven times stronger after changing worlds. This is true. We have seen it with our own eyes. Everybody is seeing it too.

People who did not follow their egos wanted to continue Shaykh Mawlana's way, swore fealty (bayah), and said they had kept their promise. Of course, there will be some who follow their ego, as everybody is not an angel. Shaykh Mawlana would not leave



them either. When you take the oath of allegiance, that bayah, it means the shaykh will not leave you until you die. He stays next to you till the last breath, until you are handed to Azrail, so you may exit with faith (iman).

Once you come, be it you turn from your oath immediately, be it you turn back 10 years later, or be it 20 years later; even if you leave it whenever you want, say you changed your mind, and say you take your oath back, from now on you are connected. It does not matter for them, nothing is important. What is important is for them to keep their promise. They keep their promise, but people who do not keep their promise will be embarassed later. Because they promise felicity. When you take bayah, they are saying they are not leaving you. He reads the verse (ayah): "Whoever turns back from this promise, he has followed his ego and harmed his own ego. And the one who follows his ego is in loss." They would still save that person in the very end, but of course he cannot reach those stations. Everything has a reward, a good deed. It is like the difference between a man who prays five times a day and one who does not pray. That one is a Muslim, and that one is also a Muslim.

Allah (JJ) says: "Whoever does not pray (namaz/salah), they will be forced to pray 80 years in the hereafter for each period." For every period! Think, as a person's life is 80 years afterall. Why do you not pray comfortably for 80 years O brother? Pray. That is to say, it is not hard at all. What is hard is shaitan's trick. He tricks you and does not let you pray, fast, or pay zakat (obligatory alms). Even the one who fasts and prays thinks how not to pay the zakat. If you talk about Hajj, they do not let you go to Hajj now anyway. It is through lottery. Only the Kalima Shahadat is left in the very end. It is done when he says that too.

The road shown by these men of Shaitan is not the road. It is the opposite of what they show. Firstly, you are free and you can do whatever you want. That freedim is a lie. What they mean by freedom is following what Shaitan orders, and you are not free to the do the others. Do not do good, do not pray, and do not do anything. Drink alcohol, fornicate, steal, and do whatever you want. According to them that is freedom. It is not so. There is no such freedom. If you let your ego free, it will lead you from one evil to another for the whole of your life. You will be disgraced in the world and you will be disgraced in the hereafter.

The way the shaykhs show is the way of Allah and the way of our Holy Prophet. That is the beautiful way. Those who follow it are never in loss. As we said, a person does not even feel the pain of the world. The holy ones want more suffering and pain so that



our egos are exhausted more and we ride on it. No complaints. They do not even utter the slightest lament. They are always an example for our people.

People kept away more and more, for many years, from these holy ones. People forgot the way they showed through training with their instructions. Its opposite always came out. You are free, you choose, and you can be chosen: all lies. Do not show consideration towards them. Follow what Allah has given and Allah's way, and be satisfied. May good people always be our head. Let us give thanks to that. We have suffered all, good and bad, but thank Allah good ones came. They are people of faith. From now on it is their time, and no others come Inshallah. Because Shaitan never gives up trying for harder days to come.

Allah Azza wa Jalla gave time to Shaitan until Judgment Day saying: "You can gether as many men as you want, and the rest I forgive if they ask for forgiveness. Those who do not repent go to hell. The rest, even if they commit sins as much as they want, as much as mountains, I forgive them all after repenting and asking forgiveness." Allah is forgiving. Allah is merciful. Nobody from humans has the mercy of Allah. Do not cut hope from the mercy of Allah. Whatever you do after saying "La Ilaha Illallah, Muhammadun Rasulullah" you still go to paradise.

Dihyat ul-Kalbi lived in the time of our Holy Prophet. Our Holy Prophet wanted for this companion (sahabi) to become Muslim. His dua came from our holy Prophet. 700 people would become Muslim if he became Muslim. He was the leader of a big clan. Allah (JJ) accepted the dua of our Holy Prophet. They told him Dihyat ul-Kalbi was coming. Our Holy Prophet was happy. The companions (sahaba) were not that happy because he was a person who did a lot of evil in the past. But our Holy Prophet did not want the companions to say something negative or act in an offensive manner when he came.

Our Holy Prophet immediately welcomed him upon his arrival. He laid the sacred robe (jubba) he was was wearing and asked him to sit there. That holy one took the jubba off the ground, put it on his head, and kissed it. He said, "No, I cannot sit on it. If you like, you can cut my head off here, you can beat me, or you can curse at me. I deserve it." Our Holy Prophet asked, "Why do you say this?" He replied, "When I was king, I killed 70 of my girls with my own hands. I did not want anybody to be my son-in-law due to my arrogance and killed my girls. Is this excusable?" So our Holy Prophet looked and revelation came to him. In the revelation, Allah Azza wa Jalla says, "I forgive these 60 years of unbelief, 60 years of tyranny, with one 'La Ilaha Illallah Muhammadun Rasulullah'. I forgive these 70 too."



Allah forgave because what he did was before becoming Muslim. Whatever you do before becoming Muslim, it is like being born from your mother when you say "La Ilaha Illallah". 60 years of a bad life, killing 70 people, but it happened before being Muslim. How many "La Ilaha Illallah Muhammadun Rasulullah" do we say a day, would Allah not forgive us?

Allah (JJ) gave such a good tiding so do not be afraid. Let all people rejoice as this is a great good tiding. When so much of what was done is forgiven, our sins, our mistakes would be much forgiven. That is why this is a good tiding. Let everybody repent and ask forgiveness. We repent and ask forgiveness anew, from the start everyday. Whatever sins there are, Allah also changes them with good deeds. May Allah be content.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq.

Al-Fatiha.

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