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## **BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT**

Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh, 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.

It is good to give benefit of the doubt, meaning to have wishful thoughts about people. It says to think like this and not to think badly about people. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) says regarding how we should think about Allah: "Give benefit of the doubt when you are about to die, think Allah will be merciful towards you."

Our Holy Prophet (SAW) is saying a beautiful thing. Everything he says is beautiful anyway. This is also an advice, he is giving us a hint such that no matter how sinful you are, do not lose hope, Allah would forgive everything. "Ana 'ala husnu thanni 'abdi," says Allah Azza wa Jalla. "I am as My servant thinks of me, I become as he thinks well of Me, and I do not embarass my servant."

So always rejoice thinking that Allah will have mercy on you. Let us be happy that we are with Allah (JJ) and be relieved. Some sulk and sit. No, there is no need for sulking. Allah made us a servant for Himself and accepted us. We need to be releived with this and be happy. Rejoice that just as Allah (JJ) gave us blessings<sup>1</sup> in this world, He will also give us Inshallah in the hereafter.

Some people come asking, crying and sniffling about what will happen with their sins. We are sinful afterall. Will Allah look at your sins? Once you repent and give Allah the benefit of the doubt, Allah would forgive everything. There is no need to fear. This is a good thought so that Allah forgives us all with His mercy and places us in His paradise Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq.

Al-Fatiha.

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