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## SALAM IS A GREAT BLESSING

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.

Authu Billahi Minash-shaitanir-Rajim. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

## وَ السَّلَامُ عَلَى مَنِ اتَّبَعَ الْهُدَى

"Wassalamu 'ala manittaba'al huda." "Peace will be upon he who follows the guidance" (Sura Taha:47) Giving salam (greetings) is a particularity belonging to Islam. Giving salam is sunna and it has its morals. The person coming gives salam, or the one younger needs to give salam to the older when they meet on the street.

Giving salam is sunna and answering it saying, "Wa alaykum assalam," is a fard (obligation). Therefore, when a person arrives in a group and gives salam, it is enough for one person to reply, "Wa alaykum assalam." If one person does not do it, they would all not be doing the obligation and would be committing sin. The person would be committing sin if he does not answer that one's salam on purpose, because of arrogance, or because of dislike of that one.

Giving salam is sunna, beautiful, and the order of our Holy Prophet. "Say the salam everywhere and let it spread," he says. Salam is a beautiful thing. When you give salam to someone you know or someone you make eye contact with walking on the street, it forms familiarity between people. Otherwise, nothing. He would say, "Who is this?" He would feel unfamiliarity while saying, "Who is he?" It says it is Allah's salam when giving salam. People, believers, and Muslims get closer to each other.

Allah Exalted and Glorious be He says, "Salam is upon people who are guided." There is no need to say "Salamu Alaykum" to people who do not recognize Allah. You can choose to say it or not. However, what is important is this is Allah's salam. Let it be said everywhere. And it needs to be answered, whoever it may be.

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Unfortunately, even Muslims give salam to the person they like and do not even reply to the salam of the person they do not like. They do not know they are committing sin. We need to be careful. Everyone is Allah's servant and you need to reply to the person who gives you salam.

Salam is a big thing. As-Salam is Allah Azza wa Jalla's name. Salam is a great blessing and has been granted to the Nation (Ummat) of Muhammad. This was not granted to everybody. May this blessing of Allah be upon us Inshallah. May we always live with the salam. "Allahumma antas salam, wa minkas salam, wa ilayka ya'udus salam". Let us live like this and find peace in this world and in the hereafter Inshallah.

Al-Fatiha.

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