

HONORING OUR MASTER (SAW) IS NOT HARD

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Our tariqa continuously teaches adab (manners). The highest adab is with our Holy Prophet (SAW). He still shows humility even though he is so high. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) states, "I am the master of son of Adam but I do not take pride." He says, "I am the Messenger of Allah and the final Prophet. Still I do not take pride." He also says, "I am the best of Arabs and I still do not take pride." He only says this to teach us.

Even though our Holy Prophet (SAW) has many things to take pride in, conceit and pride belong to Allah. He shows us this adab. People of today are bewildered by how to raise themselves and how much arrogance to display in the smallest thing. A person's ego is bloated in the smallest thing. He immediately thinks he is something [great] if he rises to a position. He bloats like, "I created the little mountains," and falls into a laughing situation. The more a person shows arrogance, the more the person lowers oneself.

The person who is humble rises, and the person who is arrogant lowers. This is the meaning of the hadiths of our Holy Prophet (SAW). We can say it in Turkish (in the language we speak) because we are not reading it in Arabic. It is an order and an obligation (fard) to honor our Holy Prophet (SAW). Allah Azza wa Jalla made it obligatory on us to honor him, to love him, and to go on his way. These beautiful days are the month of his birth, the month of Mawlid. The more we honor him, the more acceptable servants we become in the sight of Allah (JJ). When Allah loves you, He takes care of all your business and gives tranquility inside. People are searching for tranquility. Tranquility occurs by loving our Holy Prophet (SAW), by respecting him, and by honoring him.

How did the sahaba (companions) rise to those stations? By loving our Holy Prophet (SAW), by following his orders, by helping him, and by going on his path; each one of them became like a star and shined. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) said, "You will be guided by following anyone of them." We would not follow them if they had acted according to their own heads. The one they loved is the Prophet (SAW) and the one they followed is our Holy Prophet (SAW).

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Therefore, it is beautiful and not difficult to honor our Holy Prophet (SAW). It is hard for a person's ego to do the smallest good. Whereas our Holy Prophet (SAW) is not telling us to carry rocks on our back, he tells us to love the Prophet (SAW). And Shaitan is trying with all he has got to be an obstacle to it. May Allah increase his love for all of us so we may become more acceptable servants in Allah's sight Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

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