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DO NOT MAKE THE HALAL HARAM

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Tariqatunas sohba, wal khayru fil jamiyya.*

Allah Azza wa Jalla has shown son of man what is good and what is bad, what is forbidden (haram) and what is permissible (halal). Son of man cannot make the haram halal according to his own mind. One might think of good as bad or bad as good, but its damage is in this world. However, considering the forbidden as permissible is a sin for that person, his good deeds would go away, and he would be punished.

What is more severe is to count what Allah has made permissible as forbidden. He commits all sorts of sins according to his own thinking or the state of society and it is no problem, but goes ahead and says, "This is a sin!" when someone does something permissible. Who do you think you are? How dare you make what Allah (JJ) has made halal into haram? It is a great sin! Allah will give his punishment.

The religion is clear. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) says, "There are doubtful things so do not get too close to them." Allah has shown it, He had it said by our Holy Prophet (SAW), and has given the judgment in the Koran. Then do not go ahead calling what is halal: "This is haram!" There are plenty who do this. There are plenty everywhere who say according to their own head: "This is haram!" Beware of doing it! It is halal, Allah has made it halal for people, He made it halal to do, and you go ahead and call that halal thing haram. You are both making it hard on people and giving a fatwa (religious ruling).

People who are to give fatwa are different, not even hodjas (clerics). People who are to give fatwas are separate. Hodjas practice as imams and need to ask the mufti (authoritative expert) when it is time to give a fatwa. During Ottoman times they would give fatwas finding out, "What is the fatwa on this? How does it work?" They can give fatwas now too. There are muftis for this, but it is not according to your own head.

As we said, even a hodja cannot give a fatwa, so how about a normal person? He lives in sin head to toe, and he goes ahead coming out with undue hardship for people. Whether he prays or not and whether he is an imam, it is a burdensome sin (wabal) for him



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to count the halal as haram. We need to be careful of this. We are all sinners from top to bottom, then it is not smart making Allah's halal into haram.

Allah created us and He is the one who knows everything. He made permissible things that are appropriate for us, that we can do, and made forbidden things that are evil. We need to be careful of this. We need to be careful for our own good. Allah does not have a need, not a bit. You can commit as much sin as you like or do as much good as you like. It does not have an effect on Allah. He is the creator. Everything is for your benefit.

Let us say "May Allah give us all common sense and intelligence" so we may do the things we do with thinking. It is not good to speak immediately. When asked a question, you can answer if you know and if you are sure. If not, if you are not sure, you need to look at it, you need to ask the mufti, and you need to ask the scholars. Scholars have classes too. They made each one separate during Ottoman times. The Ottomans are the last Islamic state. The authority that gave fatwas was one thing and the hodjas (clerics) were another. May Allah show us all the right path Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

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