

A HALF-QUALIFIED IMAM MAKES ONE LOOSE RELIGION

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Our Holy Prophet (SAW) states in a hadith, "Answer the things you know. If there is something you do not know, look at it. If there is an answer, you can take it and tell about it. If not, if you do not know, ask me," he used to say to our holy companions (sahaba). Because he had sent Muaz bin Jabal to Yemen as a governor. A huge sahabi. Those sahabis are mujtahids (lawmakers). They understand and know very well what our Holy Prophet (SAW) says. Even they do not know some things and he (SAW) tells them to ask.

People of this day and age sometimes interfere in the things they know and they do not know. Not just answering questions, but they make sohbas to people based on themselves. They fly high and confuse people's minds. Just because people like it, without thinking they tell people of what they heard hearsay. When some of them hear it, they think it is real and are happy to hear about it. Most of them know it is not true and run away. You are making people who come for the sake of Allah escape from the path of Allah. The burden of sin is upon those who make such talk.

They say, "We heard this from Muhyiddin ibn Arabi (q.s.)." You need to study for thirty years in order to understand him. Just because you open a book, does it mean you understand? No, it does not. You cannot understand it. Certainly, you have to stay next to a shaykh, and you have to stay next to a scholar. You have to stay next to a true scholar to understand from a book. It is especially difficult to understand the books of such persons. Their intent is Allah (JJ). Your intent is to refer to a person what he calls Allah. That is why it does not become beneficial for people. It becomes harmful. His intent is purely and sincerely for Allah.

Shaykh Mawlana (QS) is the same way. Some say, "Shaykh Mawlana said so." You do not understand him much. Look at what you understand. You need lots of time to understand the things you do not understand. There is no need for that. Explain the things people will understand, and do not interfere in things they will not understand. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) tells great sahabis, "Ask if there are things you do not understand."

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So we need to be careful. What have our ancestors said? The saying goes: "A halfqualified doctor makes one loose life; a half-qualified imam makes one lose religion." These are great and beautiful words. We need to be careful and be people of wisdom. What is important is giving people what they need. So there is no need to give them what they do not need. May Allah give us all wisdom and understanding Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Fatiha.

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