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RECOGNIZE YOUR FAULTS TO PROGRESS TOWARDS PERFECTION

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Son of man thinks everything to do with him is fine: everything he does is fine and he himself does it best. People do not accept fault, but others see your fault and either blame you or throw it in your face. And you know the one who does this not as a pal and a friend but as an enemy.

Pals do not tell a person's fault much, but when this is the case people think they are right. Therefore, do not get upset when someone tells you a word [you do not like]. Think, "He saw what I did not see. This means I have faults. I have faults that these people see. Let me fix them." So people should not see it as a punishment but as a blessing (nima) from Allah. The one across might tell you things you have no idea about, since he is looking for your faults to throw it in your face. He wants to harm you. Whereas, if you fix it when you learn about it, he would be unknowingly doing you good.

Son of man is used to comfort and laziness. If something does not warn you, you would be left as you are. You would stay the same for a hundred years. As we said, people are incomplete and need to progress towards perfection (kamal). What is meant by perfection is to recognize one's mistakes and flaws in order to be complete. He rises if he recognizes those faults and reforms them. It is the same way with everything. It is the same way for a single person, for society, and for the state. The state has an administration and against them is the opposition. What is meant by the opposition are those who say they know it all better, or whose duty is to remind the administration of their shortcomings and mistakes.

That is the job of the opposition. It is an official duty. If there is a mistake in what the administration says, there is the opposition to correct it. If not, if there is no mistake then they are still there to do their job. We are giving this as an example of how people are the same way. In front of the enormous state and the administration is an opposition that curses, throws in their face all kinds of mistakes and blames, and does as much as it can do.

When they tell you something [you do not like], it is an opposition. You need to think, "Their duty is to warn me and make me better." Do not look at them as the enemy



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and do not bear a grudge. People should thank each other. The awliya (saints) and great people used to do this. Sometimes people tell them a bad word or write them a letter, and they would say, "Son, thank you very much. What you are saying is right. We did not know this. Inshallah we will also do it. May Allah be content with you. You did not say enough."

However, people of this day and age neither recognize flaw nor accept fault. There is nobody better than them. That is why they always walk around with anger and full of animosity inside. Whereas as we said, it is better to turn everything good. We need to pay attention to this so our inside is not full of grudge and animosity but with goodness. That time there would be relief. Otherwise there would be no relief but always distress. May Allah help us Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Fatiha.

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