

DO NOT MAKE PROMISES YOU CANNOT KEEP

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As our Shaykh Baba (QS) says, this is chitchat, so we need to say what is necessary. You need to keep your promise in Islam. It says, "Those who do not keep their word are hypocrites (munafiqs)." One of the characteristics of munafiqs is not keeping their promise.

Make a promise on any matter if you are going to keep it. If you are not going to be able to keep it you should say, "I will not be able to do it. I am not making a promise." This is the case with everything. It is so in shopping and in other topics as well. You are to help someone and you promise them but you do not do it. This is the case in every way, but people mostly break their promise when it comes to money. They avoid you, they do not keep their promise, and they do not give people their dues.

Now there is a case with trade. When you trade, of course you will negotiate and what not. You pay whatever you agree on. Then there is the case where someone does not have the means to trade by oneself, he introduces an owner of goods to a buyer, and goods are bought as a result. He also has a share as a result of this. They can agree as, "You will give me 1%, 2%..." and it is his right. It is not injust. It is not a bribe. It is lawful (halal) money. Because the other person is unable to do it by himself. If he does not buy it from you, there are a thousand other people waiting to sell their goods. He could have took him to someone else and gotten his money. Therefore, this is a right and the person who infringes on rights will not see good. He will be questioned in the hereafter: you infringed on the rights of this person, you stole, and so you have to account for it.

So people mix some things up in religion. They mix the lawful (halal) with the unlawful (haram), yet this is halal. He introduced people to each other and made them reach an agreement. When someone says, "I'm selling this house for you and such a percentage is mine. I'm selling this land or I'm selling these goods..." it is unfair for the other person not to give him his share. We certainly need to be careful of this. Now in End Times, people think of everything as profit, everything is halal. There is no such thing. It is shameful not to keep your promise when you make a promise to someone about goods or otherwise. You would be cheating him of his rights, you would be steeling. You would account for it in the hereafter. And in this world you would have no blessing (baraka) left in your work

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because you would be cursed. Instead of giving one percent, Allah would take away all your money. Allah forbid.

Therefore, we need to be careful. Do not talk empty words and do not promise things you are not be able to do. May Allah grant people to look after the rights of others, and may He not make us eat haram Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Fatiha.

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