



Sohbats by
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LENGTHY HOPES (TOOL AL-AMAL)

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Auzu Billahi Minashaytanir Rajeem. Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem,
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Madad Ya Rasulallah, Madad Ya As'habi RasuLillah, Madad Ya Mashayikhina,
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Our life is numbered. The number of breaths are numbered, the hours are numbered, the days are numbered, and everything is numbered. Allah gave everyone a different lifetime. Allah knows how long you will live and nobody else knows. It happens according to the predestination of Allah. Some people say they are sick and live for years. Others say they are healthy but you never know. This is Allah's predestination. People trust in themselves and say they will do it later. Then they pass away without doing anything. While others not only pass away empty handed but they put a fair amount of sins on top and go to the hereafter with it.

"Tool al-amal," says our Holy Prophet (SAW). Meaning lengthy hopes. It is dangerous to trust yourself and do this. They say, "I will do it later." They think they will live long. That is the hope of people who make loss. We need to think: "Nothing is left. We have numbered days." People should look at continuously making an effort, worshipping, doing good works, avoiding sins, and coming out clean. Let not the right of anybody stay on you. They say, "I will give it to the man later." If you are going to give it then give it. You give if you have. If you do not have then at least you should give the man a paper, a promissory note, so that your inheritors pay it after you. Because that is also a right of servants (people).

As we said, if a person does not think he will live long and says, "It is not clear how long I will live," that time he would not infringe on the rights of anybody, he would obey the commands of Allah, and he would avoid sins. This is the style of a Muslim and what our Holy Prophet (SAW) tells us. When you are to do good, do it immediately. It is not alright to say, "I will do it later. I will still live long." Even if you live long, if you are to do good then do it. However, he tells us to be in a state between fear and hope. He says, "Baynal khawfi war rajaa'." This is important.

Islam gives happiness to people. It gives goodness. Other than it gives nothing, because they are worldly people things or the discord (fitna) of Shaitan. It is what Allah says, the most appropriate recipe for happiness. Do not look for others. Therefore, when



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people get used to it, they do their worship on time, get along with everybody, and are at ease. Otherwise, time would pass as one says, “I will do it just now,” and, “I will do it now,” and one would regret it. May Allah not make us amongst those who are regretful. May He grant us to be distant from laziness Inshallah. Laziness is the greatest calamity for people.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

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