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ABOUT DAILY PRACTICES

As-Salāmu ‘alaykum wa rah̄matu Llābi.

A‘ūdhu biLlāhi mina sh-shayṭāni r-rajīm.

Waş-şalātu wa s-Salāmu ‘alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-anwalīn wa l-ākhirīn.

Madad yā Rasūla Llāh, madad yā Sādāti Aşḥābi Rasūli Llāh, madad yā Mashāyikhinā, dastūr yā Shaykh ‘Abdu Llāh al-Fā’iz ad-Dāghistāni, Shaykh Muḥammad Nāzim al-Ḥaqqāni. Madad.

Ṭarīqatunā ş-şuḥbah wa l-khayru fi l-jam’iyyah.

Some followers ask regarding daily practices, “We are not able to do our daily practices [on time]. Is it possible to do them all later?” Yes, it is possible, but if he has to do them all at one time, it is more difficult, [and] he almost will not be able to do them at all. We say, therefore, do only what you can do.

Daily practices [*i.e.*, the *wazīfah*, recitations] are neither obligatory (*farḍ*), nor a duty (*wājib*); they are voluntary (*naḥila*). Those are practices which are done to be close to Allah and his Prophet (SAW). There is no punishment, sin, for [omitting] them, but we need to do our best to the degree we are able. When one cannot do them all, he may make the intention to complete them, [and] what he cannot complete, the shaykhs can complete them, the Friends of Allah can complete them. They complete them in your stead and help you complete them. There is no need to see oneself guilty. With the intention of wanting to do them, and saying, “I wish I could do it all,” then Allah gives you a reward according to your intention, and its merit.

These practices are superior. For those who are able to do them, they are better. Allah ‘azza wa jalla says in a holy tradition (ḥadith qudsi), “My servant comes close to me through voluntary practices, comes nearby, becomes nearer.” The obligatory is done, the Sunnah is done, the duties are done, [and] then comes the voluntary practices. They are to strengthen the faith further, [and] to bring one closer to Allah and the Prophet (SAW). Nothing other than that. The common people already hardly make their daily prayers. People of tariqa are those who want to be closer to Allah.

Of course, some people perform services. Those services may be for Allah, they may be for the umma, the services they do can easily replace the daily practices. The guides told us this, Shaykh Sharafaddin [and] Shaykh Abdullah ad-Daghistani said this. Because people are busy with services, they do not have time. The services you do take the place of the daily practices. With them the person draws closer to Allah.

May Allah have us to be of those who are close to Him. Whatever type of services there are or conditions that will bring us close to Allah, may Allah cause that to happen for us, because the beautiful thing is to be with Allah, with his Prophet (SAW).

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With these things, one is elevated, [and] the situations of this world do not affect him, do not overwhelm him. Rather when you are in a higher state, you are not harming, you are beneficial, with the permission of Allah.

*Wa min Allāhi t-tawfiq,
al-Fātḥah*

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