THE WORDS OF SALVATION

As-Salāmu 'alaykum wa raḥmatu Llāhi.
A'ūdhu biLlāhi mina sh-shayṭāni r-rajīm.
Waṣ-ṣalātu wa s-Salāmu 'alá Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-awwalīn wa l-ākhirīn.
Madad yā Rasūla Llāh, madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi Rasūli Llāh, madad yā Mashāyikhinā, dastūr yā
Shaykh 'Abdu Llāh al-Fā'iz ad-Dāghistānī, Shaykh Muḥammad Nāẓim al-Ḥaqqānī. Madad.
Ṭarīqatunā ṣ-ṣuḥbah wa l-khayru fi l-jam'iyyah.

It says, "*Kalimatun munjiya.*" What is the word saves people from destruction? "*Lā ilaha illa 'Llah, Muḥammadu r-Rasūlu 'Llah.*" One who says it is saved. "*Lā ilaha illa 'Llah.*" It is easy. One can say it once without even needing to breathe. Allah made it so easy, even then people out of their stubbornness, do not want it. Most people, not more than a half, want the salvation.

The words of salvation, "*Lā ilaha illa 'Llah*", other than Allah there is no god—just to say that. No, he is too stubborn to say it. Then they get "philosophical", "Is Paradise real or unreal? I know what is, also those who do not say it will also go to paradise…" This is not how it is. Allah made it easy for them, gave them the opportunity, their stubbornness will not help. Neither this of theirs, nor their Next Life, can be any good, though they may look good in the world. Allah azza wa jalla gives them their opportunity for salvation. It is they who reject it, so the fault lies with them. It is their own sin. Allah does not oppress anyone.

Thanks be to Allah that we say "*Lā ilaha illa 'Llah*" more than a hundred times a day and receive His reward. May Allah make it consistent! May it be inscribed on our hearts! What is meant by the word Naqshbandi is this, that in repeating the dhkir, it becomes inscribed on our hearts. Insha'Allah, we are becoming dear servants of Allah. Out of reverence for this holy Friday, may we be a dear Ummah of our Prophet (SAW).

Wa min Allāhi t-tawfīq,
al-Fātiḥah

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