



Sofbats by
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GOOD MANNERS ARE THE CROWN

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Tariqa and Islam are built upon adab. People are unaware of good manners. Normal people want to do things according to their own minds. Tariqa exists to train your nafs, and to make a person well mannered. Adab is acceptable in the sight of Allah (JJ). Our Holy Prophet says addabani Rabbi fa-ahsana ta'dibi, "Allah has made me well mannered..." and the one with the best manners is with our Holy Prophet (SAW). He did not yell or scream. He did not say a bad word. [He had] all the good habits. A person with adab means one who has good morals (akhlaq) and good habits.

Now, sometimes here or in other places, ladies think they are attending a concert, yelling, screaming, and cheering. It is not right. Ladies should not make a sound. They can talk among themselves, but when they do these in front of other people... This is not our way. They criticised us a lot before because of a person: what kind of man is this? Our way is clear. Our way is tariqa, it is adab. Afterall, the Naqshbandi tariqa is the tariqa with the most manners, the way that is on the path of our Holy Prophet and which reaches to him.

Adab is important. Let us remind people who say they are initiated in the tariqa. You will sit with manners where you go. You will look after the place like your own home. You will keep it clean there. You will get along well with people. If they have helped you, you will not make them sorry they helped you. Unfortunately, we hear and we are astonished at what some of our people do. They do things to embarrass people. They do not know that it directly affects the tariqa and the shaykh. These are bad things. We need to be careful.

We need to not comply with our ego. No matter how badly you are treated, again you should not answer back. If those people have treated you with honor, and even though they have honored you, you are tormenting them and doing evil. It is not right. We need to pay attention to this.

We need to have adab. Hazrat Shaykh Nazim (QS), our father, showed respect to people for 40 years, for 50 years, for the sake of a cup of coffee. They are treating you, and let alone treating them back in kind, you are tormenting them. We need to be careful. If they do like that, they cannot become acceptable people, and would be far away from the path and far away from the Prophet (SAW).



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May Allah give us all good morals. May we be a good example for people inshallah.
Wa minAllah at-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

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