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THE BAD FRIEND

As-Salāmu ‘alaykum wa rahmatu Llāhi.

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

Waṣ-ṣalātu wa s-Salāmu ‘alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-awwalīn wa l-āakhirīn.

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.

Jealousy, envy are from Satan; they come from him. The first one who envied was Shaytan. Out of envy he said, “I will divert from the path the sons of Adam (*‘alayhi s-salam*)!” Why? Because he envied Adam (*‘alayhi s-salam*). He says, “I will take his offspring to hell.”

So the sinner knows that he has sinned, and he wants to take others with him. Why does he do that? Due to envy. He says, “Since I will go to hell, let them come with me! Why should I go alone? Everybody go to hell!” And he tries hard to fulfill this. This is called “a bad friend”. A bad friend shows evil, takes people on a bad path, and thus in most cases a friend turns out not to be good. A real friend is known in times of difficulties. These bad ones run away from you before your difficulties even arise. They take you to a cliff, throw you off, and run away.

These are the soldiers of Satan; they are with him. One must watch out. They come out from all sides. They come in every disguise. So you must be careful who you are friends with. You need to assess a friend who brings out a bad saying or a bad behavior, and ask yourself, “What kind of person is this?” If he is good, fine; if not, keep away.

May Allah grant protection! There is a saying that a bad friend is worse than Shaytan. This is so true—indeed a bad friend is a thousand times worse. He can show all kinds of evil. He would have you get involved in them. May Allah protect us, [and] keep bad friends away from us! May the bad people keep away from us, inshAllah.

Wa min Allāhi t-tawfiq,

al-Fāṭḥah



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