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CONSISTENCY

As-Salāmu 'alaykum wa raḥmatu Llāh. A'ūdhu bi-Llāhi mina sh-Shayṭāni r-rajīm. Waṣ-ṣalātu wa s-salāmu 'alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Awwalīna 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-

Haqqānī. Madad.

Ṭarīqatunā ṣ-ṣuḥbah wa l-khayru fi l-jam'iyyah.

It is said that "*ajallu l-karamāt, dawwāmu t-tawfīq*." The most splendid miracle is continual success. Not doing some good [deeds or practices] and then quitting them, but rather their continuity. This is an important point in a person's life from every aspect.

A man who is busy with the world's affairs, or a man who also works for his Akhirah, are the same in this respect. Because in order to try to do more, one sometimes gets into [a quantity or type of] worship which he cannot sustain. He believes he can become a Wali'uLlah in a month, [but then] he finds himself tired, [and feeling that] he cannot reduce the amount, lets go of it totally. This ends up in vain. Do little, but do it for life—this is enough for you. You become the dear servant of Allah, His friend.

Worldly affairs are little different. Allah gives a man certain skill, and he inclines to utilize it more. It is from the wisdom of Allah that these cases are more in our Muslim countries, because Shaytan is not as busy with non-Muslims and disbelievers—he has already finished with them. One does a job just as one might have done it a hundred years ago. Our people build something good, and before a year or two pass, you notice many [customers, for example] run there, but then they tend to start cheating just to earn a few more pennies. Yet while they had hoped to earn a little more, they lose what was in their hand. They tumble over and lose it all.

In our countries, it is like this. Not only Turkey, but including Syria—wherever you look in the Islamic world, it is the same. This means they are defeated by Shaytan. They cannot hold the quality steady. They do this with food, drinks, clothing, everything. They say, "Let me earn just one or two more pennies!" And then people later cannot bear to come near them. This is why the saying that one should continue at a consistent level is a good saying. If you have implemented something at a low quality, continue; but if you

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began it at a high quality, do not lower it. There are buyers for low quality as well as for high quality, so do not reduce it, continue with the good quality if possible. Do not lower it. Keep looking for ways to better racher thankows it. If you are incapable of making it better, then continue on which there have better thank on the second s

This is the same in every case. The matter we talk about here is the same in politics or health. This is a golden rule for worldly life and spiritual life. If a man takes care of this, his Akhirah will be good, too. May Allah have us on the right path! To be on the right path is the most beneficial thing. May Allah guide people, give them intelligence! May they not harm themselves by their own actions.

Wa min Allāhi t-tawfīq, al-Fātiḥah

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