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THE SPOKEN WORD FLIES, THE WRITTEN WORD REMAINS

As-Salāmu ‘alaykum wa rahmatu Llāh.

A‘ūdhu bi-Llāhi mina sh-Shayṭāni r-raġīm.

Waş-şalātu wa s-salāmu ‘alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Awwalīna 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-Dāghistānī, Shaykh Muḥammad Nāẓim al-

Ḥaqqānī. Madad.

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

The Quran says, “When one is about to do something like business, have someone write down the specifics agreed upon.” Today most people do not keep their promises, or they forget. So it is said that it is better to write things down. Nowadays, there are notaries to make it even securer. Those who used to be called “*katib ‘adil*” are called “notaries” today. It is a bond for people, something solid for their benefit.

Most people promise, then turn away from their promises. So that one making a promise will not later be able to turn away from it, and also to prevent possible disagreements in the future, writing everything down is required. Most of the time people talk, lie, and later say, “I did not say it like that.” “If you did not say it, then what is this? It is written right here.” So then the person cannot disagree. If his intention was good, maybe he forgot the details. To forget is an attribute of mankind. So when there is anything to be done in the future, in order that we will not be guilty in front of Allah for something, and so that whatever is promised will be fulfilled, it is necessary to write everything down [in advance].

Now most people say, “If I had this, I would give this much...”, then when he has the means, he says there is no need to give. They forget their promises. They forget Allah, ‘azza wa jalla. Therefore we tell them to fulfill Allah’s order to write important details down when they intend to do something or make a promise, so that they will not forget. Otherwise, no barakah will remain for the person not keeping his promises, and he will not benefit either. The reason why Allah ‘azza wa jalla out of His mercy ordered it to be written down is so that the person will not be harmed.

This is an order. One might say now, “Oh, he is my relative,” or “We are friends,” this or that, but later no relationship remains if something goes wrong. May Allah have



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us amongst the *sādiqīn* (trustworthy ones), those who are faithful to their promises. May He not test us!

*Wa min Allāhi t-tanfiq,
al-Fāṭḥah*

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