

INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR

As-Salāmu 'alaykum wa raḥmatu Llāh. Aū'dhu 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-F 'āiz ad-Dāghistānī, Shaykh Muḥammad Nāẓim al-

Haqqānī. Madad.

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

Allah has shown people the right path. Those who follow the right path are given happiness. Those who lie for their own benefits in this world, and go contrary to what Allah has shown, are condemned to [various] grievances.

Tariqa and sharia are for people to correct the ego. And if you display yourself contrary to how you really are, this is considered to be hypocrisy. The hypocrite is the most unwanted, most disliked one. This is true in the divine presence, in the presence of the Prophet, and of people. Those who practice it and think they have gained thereby are wrong in thinking that they gained anything. On the contrary, they are losers. The Prophet (SAW) says that the one who covers himself with the cover of Islam and deceives people is to be punished twice as much because he [also] deceives people.

If someone dresses in an ordinary way, others may or may not be deceived, but when he is outwardly dressed in the cover of Islam, more people are deceived by him and this causes them move further away from the religion. This is a huge sin! Let our inward be also thus, insha'Allah. It is necessary for a person to maintain a similarity between inward and outward. If good, then appear good; if bad, appear bad. Which means that if he is inwardly bad and also [reveals himself so] outwardly, at least this is a lighter [sin] than hypocrisy.

May Allah protect us. These are the End Days, and there are false teachers, and bad teachers, and also false shaykhs. There are people who claim to be a shaykh...—may Allah protect us from their harm! May Allah have us meet pure people, good people. May we be with them, insha'Allah. Most of the time we hear these things and feel sad, but we do not have the strength or means to monitor everyone, so we pray to Allah that He may protect us from the harm that comes from Satan, people, and from these hypocrites.

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