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LAST 10 DAYS OF DHū 1-HIJJAH

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.

Țarīqatunā ș-șuḥbah wa l-khayru fi l-jam'iyyah.

Allah 'azza wa jalla says, (A'ūdhu biLlāhi mina sh-shayțāni r-rajīm. Bismi Llāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm:)

وَالْفَجْرِ وَلَيَالٍ عَشْرٍ

"Wa-l-fajri wa layālin 'ashr(in)" (Qur'ān 89:1-2). "By the Dawn, and by the Ten Nights." He is swearing by these. These last ten days, the nights of Dhū l-Ḥijjah until the day of Eid, are holy nights. As we have said before, Allah is giving opportunities to Muslims so that they earn more merits.

He gives back at least ten to one. These are Allah's own calculation. No one would know. The owner of Karam, the Generous One, loves to offer. Allah 'azza wa jalla is the most generous of the generous, so these holy nights are all opportunities. He is giving these opportunities, so that people earn merits and find goodness.

As you know, this month is the month of Hajj. Tomorrow insha'Allah is the first day of Dhū l-Ḥijjah. From day one till the tenth one may fast. One might fast fewer days, eight days if one wishes, nine days, or only on the Day of Arafat, as much as one is capable of, [but] there is no such thing in this month as only fasting on the ninth day. That day cannot be fasted by itself. On the first nice days only, or on the eighth and ninth days together fasting can be observed. You may observe fasting from the fifth till the tenth. These are all voluntary fasts. Voluntary [acts of worship] are called *nāfilah*, which means they are not fard, not obligated. Allah does not make them obligatory upon us, only those

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who volunteer to do so keep them. It is so that there is no sin for those who do not obser them, [but] there are merits for those who do observe them. He says to do it if you wish Softbatts by

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One does however much good (khayr) one is capable of. Desire should be towards the Next Life. Do not desire this world; desire the Next. Do as much good as possible. Do your acts of worship. Those who usually do not do them should at least try on these days and earn merits. By Allah's permission may their worship continue to have barakah, so that he continues his worship, and his barakah continues. May it be blessed (*mubarak*), insha'Allah.

Wa min Allāhi t-tawfīq, al-Fātiḥah

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