



Sofbats by
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REPENT AND OBEY THE AUTHORITIES

As-Salāmu ‘alaykum wa rahmatu Llāh.

Aūdhu 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-F’āiz ad-Dāghistānī, Shaykh Muḥammad Nāẓim al-

Ḥaqqānī. Madad.

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

Bismi Llāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm. It is said [that we should] submit to Allah, His prophet (SAW), and those who possess authority (*ulū-l-amr*). We shall submit to them, but first in order comes our submitting to Allah. His orders and the orders of holy Prophet (SAW). Those who possess authority over our worldly affairs, whatever rules he stipulates, we shall follow him. They are those who serve and help us in our worldly affairs according to their capacity and expertise. Helping them is keeping Allah’s order. His responsibility is to fulfill necessary functions, such as keeping property, life, and health safe and protected. So when something happens, it is necessary to obey the possessor of authority for the sake of the people, the umma.

These days this help should be increased. Thanks be to Allah that today those in authority [in Turkey] are in submission to Allah. These precautions [*i.e.*, against the coronavirus] are taken, and also the [more] essential precautions are taken (prayers), and calls are being made to come together collectively and repent. These precautions are important, and this cannot be accomplish with only visible precautions, but must also include our repentance towards Allah, and turning towards Him, and then Allah will remove this curse from upon the people (umma). Allah accepts repentance when it is done, and this suffering will then be removed from us. The prayer says, “O Allah! Please remove this suffering from us, for we have turned to you.” Insha’Allah, soon this [virus] will be removed, too. Though there might be many bad people amongst the society, for the sake of only one good man Allah might show mercy. He is compassionate and merciful.

So people should not go out and walk around too much. It used to be an order of Mawlana Shaykh Nazim (QS) to stay at home when something happens. If it is necessary to go out for something, then that it is alright, but if not, then stay at home. Stop going

around! And keep repenting, and Allah will forgive. Allah will remove this curse by His mercy. May Allah protect us. May Allah accept our repentance. This thing has become a

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cause of repentance. Many people were off the right path and had forgotten Allah. This is a warning. Insha'Allah, very soon it is going to be removed, and people will turn to Allah, and [in this way] this suffering will not have been wasted. May Allah help us.

*Wa min Allāhi t-tawfīq,
al-Fātiḥah*

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