



**Sofbats by**  
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**REPENT, PRAY, AND THEN TAKE PRECAUTIONS**

*As-Salāmu ‘alaykum wa rahmatu Llāh.*

*Aūdhu 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-*

*Ḥaqqānī. Madad.*

*Ṭarīqatunā ṣ-ṣuḥbah wa l-khayru fi l-jam’iyyah.*

Today is a blessed day, Friday. Friday is a feast day (Bayram, Eid) that Allah has bestowed upon the people of Muhammed (SAW). He appointed certain times and durations, and at those times prayers are acceptable within this holy day. This time includes hours when it is accepted. It is not known at which moment the hour of acceptance will be, so prayers, acts of worship, and good deeds that are done will be acceptable when they happen at this appointed time. Allah did not make the hour of acceptance clear, and this is for the benefit of people, so that people do not forget Him. If the specific hour had been revealed, people would do their acts of worship and prayers [only at that time and] then move on with their affairs. [But] because this [time] is hidden, they hope their acts of worship and [good] deeds will happen at the secret hour of acceptance. Insha’Allah, for the sake of this hour Allah will forgive us.

A lot of repentance is necessary too, because through repentance sins are forgiven, and when sins are forgiven the penalty that Allah put on us becomes lighter and [even] removed by Allah’s will. But those who are stubborn... The main characteristic of *kufir* is stubbornness. He [the stubborn person] does not accept the truth, and insists on his own opinion. Stubbornness is the main characteristics of *kufir* and of Satan’s character. He does not accept the truth. Even if he knows the truth, he speaks contrary to it.

We do see this, but these things are not important. For us, our own repentance is more important. The Holy Prophet (SAW) says, “I, too, repent seventy times a day, “*AstaghfiruLlah, astaghfiruLlah al-‘Azīm.*” This is very important, because it attracts Allah’s mercy upon us. Allah loves those who repent. He accepts the repentance. So for ourselves, we should continue to repent, and then make prayers, and by the will of Allah we will be saved from this penalty, this calamity. This is important. Without this, the others are not possible. Of course precautions are to be taken, but besides precautions there is this adab,



and this is more important than the precautions. Precautions, nevertheless, should still be taken. It [the result] cannot be without precautions, either. For the precaution to be effective, though, repentance and prayers are necessary.

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May Allah be our helper. Those who refuse to offer prayers are the ones who are stubborn, and whatever they do will not be beneficial. So rather than respecting them, we shall turn towards Allah. May Allah be our helper. May Allah remove this calamity, insha'Allah.

*Wa min Allāhi t-tawfīq,  
al-Fātiḥah*

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