



Sofbats by  
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**FITNA AND CORRUPTION**

*As-Salāmu ‘alaykum wa rahmatu Llāh.*

*Aū’dhu bi-Llāhi mina sh-Shayṭāni r-rajīm. Bismi Llāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm.*

*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.*

*Bismi Llābi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm:*

لِّلَّذِينَ لَا يُرِيدُونَ عُلُوًّا فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا فَسَادًا

“*Lī-lladhīna lā yuridūna ‘alunwan fi l-‘arḍi wa-lā fasādā(n)*” (Qur’ān 28:83) “For those who want neither tyranny nor corruption on the earth.” The believers are humble people. They do not want corruption on earth. The mu’min, the believer, does not want to raise themselves up in a worldly way. They possess humility [here], so that they gain in the Hereafter. When such is the case, fitna and corruption will be avoided.

Fitna and fasad, disorder and corruption, occur when someone says, “I’m better than you. I need to be higher than you. I have ambition.” And because of this ambition disorder and corruption occur. When such is not present, all that [fitna and fasad] disappears. Ambition (or greed), is a bad characteristic. Ambition (or greed) and envy are characteristics that are unsuitable for a Muslim. Everyone has a duty, and he should take care of these duties, and he should be content with those duties, satisfied with that. He needs to do his job well. People of old had this training and way of behaving. But afterwards, for the past 100 years, the world has turned upside down. They tell you to be greedy, to have ambition, to oppress and step on others. You should only think about yourself, not about others. This is what they are teaching today.

I was looking at the calendar the other day and it said that this week is the week of Ahi Evren, the week of the Yarenler. They did everything well, and they wanted everything to be done beautifully. A child would go for training, starting as an apprentice, and would [learn to] do this job well. As long as the master said that he was not ready, he could

not open his own shop. They also would assign how many shops should be around, and how much work should be done. When one person had sold enough, he would send the rest of the customers to the next shop. He would say, "I made enough today. Go to the next shop, so they can also earn their sustenance. This is how it was in the past. This is how it is in Islam. This is how it is according to tasawwuf." These people were beautiful people. Now people are eating each other. With their greed and ambition, they don't know what to do.

Just as our Holy Prophet (SAW) indicated. If even someone had a whole valley full of gold, he would want still another one. This is human nature. We need to train that nature. The training comes with Islam and tariqa. Tariqa and Islam are the same anyway. Those who do not have tariqa, follow and live by their ego. Tariqa is to train the ego. So this is how the state of the world is today. People ask, "What are these things that are happening to us?" Nothing happens without a reason. We are in the End Times. Neither Muslims, nor those who claim to be Muslims, nor others are doing anything good. Everyone is looking after his own [worldly] benefit, and not looking after the benefit of others.

This mindlessness leads to foolishness, for when people bad, in the end it will harm you, too. If everyone does well, [though], everything will be good. This has been said a lot lately, and people might be laughing now. It is indicated that everything will be beautiful, but it is not going to happen by the deeds of one man, but everybody needs to be educated and trained and have good manners. May Allah help us. We are in the End Times. We are talking about it now, but until the owner [i.e., Mahdi (AS)] comes, there will be no beauty or proper training. May Allah send us our owner.

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

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