



Sofbats by
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EARTHQUAKE

As-Salāmu ‘alaykum wa raḥmatu 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-Anwālina wa l-Akhirīn.

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.

Allah ‘azza wa jalla created the universe and everything is within His will and is under His control. He does as He wishes, and whatever He orders happens, and whatever He orders not to happen, doesn’t. Everything that is going to happen is [already] written. "Fate can only be prevented by sadaqah," says our Prophet (SAW). Charity is important, so don’t ignore it.

Now there is a lot of fitna, and on top of that there was an earthquake. They used to call it a “*zalzalah*”. Surat Zalzalah is in the Holy Quran, and it needs to be recited in order to be protected from earthquakes. Sadaqa [also] protects us. Everyone should definitely give sadaqah everyday, because we never know what is going to hit us, or how it is going to hit us. This earthquake was a great calamity, but it is considered to have been overcome somewhat because it occurred during the month of Mawlut, the birth of our Prophet (SAW). It was strong but through Allah’s wisdom, for the mercy of the Prophet (SAW), and for his honor, it passed lightly.

May Allah protect us all, because the whole city could have just collapsed. So to those who passed away, Allah will give them their rewards. For those who pass away in these calamities, such as earthquakes, Allah will of course forgive their sins, and they will enter paradise. Nothing can be done about it [now], since it has already happened. May Allah protect us. Pay attention to giving sadaqah. People have lost certain customs. In the past, during the Ottoman times, during traditional Islamic times, people would not build high buildings. They would have respect for the surroundings and for the minarets, and therefore they would not build anything higher three storeys. Today there are “high rises”, and when a building collapses it is hard for the people at the bottom to survive.

So Islam made everything beautiful for people in order to coordinate and organize their life in this world, as well as for the sake of the Next. Allah showed us how to do that.

If people had followed Islam, they would be comfortable. People say, “I can do this, and I can do that.” Yes, they do, and then this is what happens to them.

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May Allah protect us. May Allah guide people. May they follow the guidance and the orders and instructions of Islam. At least may they follow the instructions regarding how to live life according to Islam, which teaches us how to sit, how to walk, how to do everything. These high buildings don't fit into the Islamic perspective. Islam does not like such. So as we said, in Islam the maximum is three floors or let's say four, but above that is dangerous. May Allah protect us.

*Wa min Allāhi t-tanfiq,
al-Fatḥah*

Şuhbah of Shaykh Muḥammad Mehmet
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