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ALLAH'S ORDER

As-Salāmu 'alaykum wa raḥmatu Llāh.

Aū'dhu bi-Llāhi mina sh-Shayṭāni r-rajim. 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 Sādati Aṣḥābi Rasūli Llāh, madad yā Mashāyikhinā, dastūr yā

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Ṭarīqatunā ṣ-ṣuḥbah wa l-khayru fi l-jam'iyyah.

Allah 'azza wa jalla says that when you conduct business, make a deal or a sale, where “this was this, and that was that,” make sure to write it down.

فَاكْتُبُوهُ وَلْيَكْتُب بَيْنَكُمْ كَاتِبٌ

“Fa-ktubū wa-l-yaktub baynakum kātib” (Qur’ān 2:282). Allah 'azza wa jalla states this in the Holy Quran. Why is he saying this? Because it is the nature of humans to forget. Some people use that as an excuse. They then say I did not say that, you said this, and thus there might always be a disagreement. In the time of the Holy Prophet (SAW), there weren't very many people who knew how to read and write, but he said this anyway. In those days, though, people were not as forgetful as are people today, and they were also more honest. But again this [rule] applies to everybody, and applies for everybody. He says write whatever you have agreed on, so that there will not be a disagreement afterwards, and so that you may neither be wronged nor commit a sin by infringing on the rights of others.

This problem occurs a lot nowadays, and people come to us and say that they have made such and such deal with someone and gave him money, but that he's not giving it back. Do you have anything written? They say no. They ask, “Pray for us.” You have not done what Allah commands you, and now we say that you can only get your rights on the Day of Judgement. What they saying as a figure of speech, we have been saying the same so many times, repeatedly. They say they knew the person well. That's the point though: [usually] it doesn't happen with strangers, but mostly happens with the people you know already, such as your relatives, close friends, people you trust.

So this issue is important. Why is it important? Because both of you are giving an opportunity to others to commit sin. Even if you do not sin, you are not obeying the command of Allah. There is a direct command of Allah that when you have a business deal, write it down. Only a few people actually write it though. They claim they trusted

each other. But the next day, people forget, or five minutes later Shaytan comes to his mind, and his ego comes up, and he says that you gave him too little, that you were not supposed to give that amount and this is not fair. He says that he is being wronged and

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deserves more. According to him it was from the the second day that the niyyet started.

So to keep things clear and stable, you need something in writing and you should each keep a copy of the agreement. Then you have an agreement, and you both know what's written, and you can say, "Okay, this is what we said." Then I can't back down from it. This is his right. We did not forget, there is no lie here. Insha'Allah, we will do so. Otherwise, no matter how much a person trusts himself, most of the time he finds excuses such as that he forgot or misunderstood.

عَلَّمَ الْإِنْسَانَ مَا لَمْ يَعْلَمْ

"Allama l-insāna mā lam ya'lam" (Qur'ān 96:5) "He [Allah] taught man what he had not known."

Allah 'azza wa jalla created us, and knows how He created us. He knows also that He gave us an individual self (nafs), and also that the whispering of Shaytan is there. Allah 'azza wa jalla created us and He knows every detail about us, so He has taught us beautiful and good things for this world and for the Hereafter, down to the smallest details, so we might not make mistakes. He has taught us everything. [About] whatever we do, He has informed us of all of His commands through our Holy Prophet (SAW), and those who follow these commands, and obey them, will neither lose here or hereafter. Those who don't listen lose here and hereafter. May Allah keep us safe from that [loss]. May He make us succeed in doing these things, insha'Allah.

*Wa min Allāhi t-tawfīq,
al-Fatḥah*

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