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BE UPON ISTIQĀMAH AS ORDERED

As-Salāmu ‘Alaykum wa RaḥmatuLlāhi wa Barakātuh.
A‘ūdhu BiLlāhi Minash-shayṭāni r-raġim. BismiLlāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm.
Wa ṣ-Salātu wa s-Salāmu ‘alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Anwālina wa l-Akbarin.
Madad yā RasūlAllāh, Madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi RasūlilLāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā,
Dastūr Mawlana Sheikh Abdullāh al-Fā’iz ad-Dāghistāni, Sheikh Muḥammad Naẓim al-
Ḥaqqāni. Madad. Tarīqatunā aṣ-Suḥbah wa l-Khayru fi l-Jam‘iyyah.

Bismi Llāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm:

فَاسْتَقِمْ كَمَا أَمَرْتُ وَمَنْ تَابَ مَعَكَ

‘Fa-staqim kamā umirta wa-man tāba ma‘aka’, ‘So remain on a right course as you have been commanded, [you] and those who have turned back with you [to Allah].’ (Qur’ān 11:112). Ṣadaqa Llāhu l-‘Azīm.

When this ayah descended, our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam said,

شَيَّبَتْنِي هُوْدُ

“Shayyabatni Hūd.” This Ayah is in Surat Hūd about which our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam says, “It turned my hair gray.” This is a powerful ayah that Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla orders to be straight upon Istiqāmah (straight on the way). He ﷻ orders our Holy Prophet ﷺ. And the same order applies to those with our Holy Prophet ﷺ.

Even though our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam was very powerful, he ﷺ said, “It made my hair gray.” Our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam only had a few gray hairs. Because even though our Prophet’s ﷺ blessed body that Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla created resembled ours, his ﷺ strength was very great. It was more than all people. So, even with that strength, it turned gray a few hairs, says our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam. Because istiqāmah is important. Istiqāmah is the essence of Islām. Those who do not practice it mustn’t think they are something. The way of our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam is the way of istiqāmah. There is no curvature. It is straight. It’s beautiful. There’s no deviation. Whoever leaves the way, the way of Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla, puts himself in danger and is destroyed. Therefore, may the barakah of this blessed ayah be upon us, in shā’a Llāh. May we be upon istiqāmah, in shā’a Llāh.

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As we said, our Prophet ﷺ ‘alayhi wa-sallam has many qualities. Hadrat Al-Busayri says:

محمد بشرٌ وليس كالbشر، محمدٌ ياقوتٌ والناس كالbجر

“Muhammad is a human, but not like other humans. Muhammad is a ruby, but people are like stone.” Muhammad ﷺ ‘alayhi wa-sallam is a human being, but he is not like humans. Rubies are also stones. Ruby jewel is a stone. But one of its stones is worth all the stones in the world. Our Prophet ﷺ ‘alayhi wa-sallam is very precious. No one can reach his ﷻ power or his ﷻ state, neither physically nor spiritually; that is not possible anyways. May Allāh ﷻ grant us his ﷻ intercession. May Allāh ﷻ grant us his ﷻ love, in shā’a Llāh. That is the most important thing.

Wa min Allāhi t-Tawfīq. Al-Fātiḥa.

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