

# Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Adil ar-Rabbani

## INVESTIGATE BEFORE YOU ACT

*As-Salāmu ‘Alaykum wa RaḥmatuLlāhi wa Barakātuh.*

*A‘ūdhu biLlāhi Minash-shayṭāni r-rajīm. 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 Naẓīm al-*

*Haqqāni. Madad. Tarīqatunā aṣ-Suḥbah wa l-Khayru fi l-Jam‘iyyah.*

*A‘ūdhu biLlāhi mina sh-shayṭāni r-rajīm. Bismi Llāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm:*

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن جَاءَكُمْ فَاسِقٌ بِنَبَأٍ فَتَبَيَّنُوا أَن تُصِيبُوا قَوْمًا بِجَهَالَةٍ فَتُصْحَبُوا عَلَى مَا  
فَعَلْتُمْ نَادِمِينَ

(Qur’ān 49:06). ‘Yā ayyuhā lladhīna āmanū in jā’akum fāsiqun binabain fatabayyanū an tuṣībū qawman bijahālatin fatuṣbihū ‘alā mā fa’altum nādīmīn’, ‘O you who have believed, if there comes to you a disobedient one with information, investigate, lest you harm a people out of ignorance and become, over what you have done, regretful.’ Ṣadaqa Llāhu l-‘Azīm.

Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla tells the believers: If someone, a fāsiq is someone whose words are unreliable, brings you news, investigate it thoroughly, whether what he said is true or false, what it is, and where it’s from. Then, if your attitude towards them is bad and the news you were told is false, just so that you won’t regret it. Don’t jump to conclusions. You can’t judge based on what you see. You can’t judge based on what you hear. You must investigate. You might misinterpret what you see. And what you hear might be lies.

Therefore, we must be careful, for sometimes people do take a stand against certain people, or go and argue with them, or fight with them because of what they’ve heard. Then they realize that the news is false, and the person who told it is a liar. Then they’re left feeling regretful; both regretful and guilty. Yet, this person is already unreliable. His words are untrustworthy. Don’t judge others based on his words, and don’t take a stand against him. Investigate thoroughly. After that, if it’s the truth, if you take a stand, you do so; if not, if it’s not necessary, you act accordingly. Just so that people don’t find themselves in a difficult situation and have to apologize later, you won’t harbor suspicions (su’ zann) from the outset and won’t find yourself in a situation where you feel ashamed. You won’t be embarrassed in front of anyone, man or woman. The blessed words of



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Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla describe all that is beautiful for Muslims. Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla told these ayāt so that you won’t fall into difficult situations.

May Allāh ﷻ show us the truth. Because there are many people in this time with beautiful faces but evil inside. For some reason, there are people who want to harm others. And there are the righteous. But may we not treat those who do good like them, in shā’ a Llāh. May He ﷻ not make us fall into that situation. May Allāh ﷻ protect us, in shā’a Llāh.

Wa min Allāhi t-Tawfīq. Al-Fātiḥa.

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