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HASTEN IN PRAYER AND REPENTANCE

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-Akḥirīn.

Madad yā RasūlAllāh, Madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi RasūlilLāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā,

Dastūr Mawlana Sheikh Abdullāh al-Fā’iz ad-Dāghistāni, Sheikh Muḥammad Nāẓim al-Ḥaqqāni. Madad. Tarīqatunā aṣ-Suḥbah wa l-Khayru fi l-Jam‘iyyah.

When the salawāt [by the mu’azzin] is recited, the salāt and salām after announcing the deceased, they say, “عَجَلُوا بِالصَّلَاةِ قَبْلَ الْفَوْتِ، وَعَجَلُوا بِالتَّوْبَةِ قَبْلَ الْمَوْتِ”, “Hurry up to perform prayer before the time passes, and hurry up in repentance before death comes.” [Ḥadīth.] Hasten to pray. Pray before the time for prayer passes. Or if you couldn’t pray it, make up for it (Qada’). Do not leave it completely, or let it go in vain. Nothing goes in vain. There will certainly be an accounting for it in the Hereafter. Those who didn’t pray will be made to pray in the Hereafter. Each prayer is equivalent to 80 years of life. Here, 80 years is essentially the entirety of a person’s life. If they didn’t pray it here, they can pray in the Hereafter. Even if they didn’t pray for thousands of years, they will certainly be held accountable in the Hereafter.

Secondly, “عَجَلُوا بِالتَّوْبَةِ قَبْلَ الْمَوْتِ”, “Hasten to repent before death.” Repent before you die. Repent and seek forgiveness from Allāh ﷻ. Because there is no forgiveness after death. If you committed a sin or fault while in this world, whatever you did, there is a solution for it while you are still here. Sharī’ah clearly explains how to be forgiven from every fault. But the important thing is to repent. To repent before death. Of course, as we said, when repenting, there are certain rights and obligations upon others to consider, and you repent accordingly. The best is, every evening, as our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam said, “I repent and seek forgiveness seventy times a day.” When the Companions said, “You have no sins, Allāh ﷻ created you without sin,” he said, “I want to be a servant who is grateful to Allāh ﷻ.” By repenting, one would’ve made shukr to Allāh ﷻ. Therefore, it is necessary to constantly repent and seek forgiveness every day. Let our sins not remain for the hereafter. So that nothing remains on our necks after we die.

That’s why, repentance is important. Like prayer, repentance is very important. These people think that nothing will happen to them. They commit all kinds of evil and filth. Then, they think they are saved. No one is saved without repentance. If you repent, then you are saved. But if you persist and continue, then your punishment will be severe. They say, “My life is ruined.” That’s the actual life that will be ruined forever. They will

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certainly suffer the punishment for the evil they committed and the evil they taught others. Whoever they are. There's no distinction between big and small. Unless they repent, they will certainly suffer that punishment. So, may Allāh ﷻ forgive us. We say, "Tawbah, AstaghfiruLlah."

Wa min Allāhi t-Tawfiq. Al-Fātiḥa.

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