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LOVE THE PROPHET ﷺ MORE THAN YOURSELF

As-Salāmu ‘Alaykum wa RaḥmatuLlāhi wa Barakātub.

A‘ūdhu BiLlāhi Minash-shayṭāni r-rajim. BismiLlāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm.

Wa ṣ-Salātu wa s-Salāmu ‘alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Anwalina wa l-Akhirin.

Madad yā RasūlAllāh, Madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi RasūliLlāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā,

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Bismi Llāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm:

تِلْكَ الرُّسُلُ فَضَّلْنَا بَعْضَهُمْ عَلَىٰ بَعْضٍ

“Tilka r-rusulu faddalnā bā’dahum ‘alā bā’d”, “Those messengers - some of them We caused to exceed others.” (Qur’an 02:253). Ṣadaqa Llāhu l-‘Azīm. Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla says that there’s what’s most virtuous in everything He ﷻ created. It means people are in ranks. Prophets and messengers; There is Nabīy and there is Rasūl. They are on the highest rank. And they have ranks between each other. The highest rank belongs to our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam. He ﷻ is the highest. Among all the creatures that Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla created; among angels, jinns and humans, our Holy Prophet ﷻ is on the highest rank. He ﷻ is the most beloved servant of Allāh ﷻ. Allāh ﷻ has willed that. He ﷻ created our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam from His ﷻ light so that his ﷻ light becomes the means of guidance for people. The barakah and all goodness comes for the honor of our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam to people.

Therefore, honoring and glorifying him ﷻ is our greatest worship. It has the greatest benefit. It is something that saves us. The love of our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam, following his ﷻ way, being with him ﷻ, loving our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam. Our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam says, “You should love me ﷻ more than your mother and father, your children and yourself.” Does our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam need your love? No. It’s from his ﷻ mercy, for us to have goodness, to be closer to Allāh ﷻ, He ﷻ orders us to love him ﷻ. Otherwise, our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam was given everything by Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla. He ﷻ doesn’t need anything. But just as he ﷻ said “My ummah, my ummah” and thought about his ﷻ ummah from his ﷻ birth till qiyāmah, our Holy Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam wants that love because he ﷻ wants to save them. People will be saved with it. They will be saved with his ﷻ shafā‘ah. Those who say they don’t want shafā ‘ah will perish. Those who say, “I am ḥāfīz, I am ‘ālim. I am this and that. Don’t mix these

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things up. You love the Prophet ﷺ too much, you are making shirk” and prohibit it will perish. They have no salvation. Because people can’t reach anywhere with their deeds. They can’t move two steps from here to there. May Allāh ﷻ give mind and understanding to people. May they attain the grace of our Holy Prophet ﷺ ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam. May they have his ﷺ shafā‘ah. Otherwise, they can’t be saved.

Being from the ummah of our Holy Prophet ﷺ ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam is the greatest honor. All Prophets wished if only they had been from his ﷺ ummah. And Allāh ﷻ accepted the du‘ā’ of only a few. They are Sayyidinā ‘Īsā, Khiḍr ‘alayhi s-salām, Ilyās ‘alayhi s-salām, and Idrīs ‘alayhi s-salām. They are the lucky Prophets as they will be among the ummah of our Holy Prophet ﷺ. Because they are alive. And they will attain this blessing.

Prophets have great ranks, as we said. People are in ranks. And the highest rank is our Holy Prophet’s ﷺ ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam. And then comes the Nabīy Rasūl. He is the Prophet who’s also a messenger. Allāh ﷻ sent upon them His ﷻ books. They conveyed the message. And then there are the 124,000 Prophets. Then comes the ṣaḥābahs. Ṣaḥābahs have ranks too. Their ranks are known. And accordingly, ranks go up. There are higher and lower ranks.

Therefore, we must know the value of everything. We must appreciate everything we are given. They are favors from Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla. All of them are favors. Loving them, being with them, visiting them; all of that is for our benefit. We will attain high ranks. We will attain thawāb, in shā’a Llāh. May Allāh ﷻ let us all attain their shafā‘ah, in shā’a Llāh. May He ﷻ make us from those who know their value. May He ﷻ not make us from the cheated ones. People are cheated a lot. Kāfirs are already cheated from the beginning. Shayṭān is happy with them. And he is cheating Muslims now. Because the greatest enemy of our Holy Prophet ﷺ is shayṭān. He dislikes him ﷺ the most. Whoever loves him ﷺ, he strives to cheat him to remove this love. “No one is doing what you are doing. No one is worshipping like you. You are ḥāfiẓ. You are ‘ālim. Beware of making shirk.” He cheats people by saying so and leads them to heresy. May Allāh ﷻ protect us from his evil. ‘Āmīn.

Wa min Allāhi t-Tawfīq. Al-Fātiḥa.

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