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## CONTENTMENT IS A NEVER-ENDING TREASURE

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

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

*Wa s-Salātu wa s-Salāmu ‘alá Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Anwalīna wa l-Akbarīn.*

*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. Ṭarīqatunā aṣ-Suḥbah wa l-Khayru fi l-Jam‘iyyah.*

There’s a saying,

القناعة كنز لا يفنى

Al-qanā’atu kanzun lā yafnā.” Contentment is an inexhaustible treasure. People search for treasure, hoping to acquire money. If they find one, they want another. If they find another, they want even more. Without contentment, a person’s eyes are never satisfied. They always want more. Our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam says that even if mankind were given not a pot but a valley full of gold, they wouldn’t be satisfied; they would still want more. What satisfies a person’s eyes isn’t gold, but earth. Once they are buried under soil, and the soil is thrown on top of them, then it’s done. Nothing else matters anymore.

So, this issue of greed exists in everyone during their lifetime. Therefore, it must be controlled. One must not follow his ego, because without contentment, a person is never comfortable in his life. He never finds peace. He constantly wants more. If you give one, they want two; if you give three, they want five; and so on, until no matter what you give, you can never satisfy people. May Allāh ﷻ satisfy them, in shā’a Llāh. A person harms himself by that.

Contentment is a beautiful thing. A contented person will not be in need of anyone, Allāh ﷻ willing. It is said that contentment is an inexhaustible treasure. This beautiful saying is probably not a ḥadīth, but rather an Arabic proverb. It is an inexhaustible treasure. Anything from treasure may run out, but with contentment, that treasure never runs out. It brings peace to a person. A person relies upon Allāh ﷻ. Contentment means relying upon Allāh ﷻ. He who relies upon Him ﷻ will never be empty-handed. No harm will come to him. It will not diminish, but will increase, with the permission of Allāh ﷻ.

The way the world is now, everything they teach and show is designed to make people “discontent.” From the youngest to the oldest, they’re taught to be “dissatisfied.” They tell themselves, “Be discontent. Don’t accept.” They give raises. “No, that’s not

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enough.” A month later, they say, “I want another raise.” But when they give that raise, twice as much comes out of your pocket. If those people were content, they would say, “We don’t want raises! We don’t want raises at all. This is enough for us. Don’t give any. Don’t give us at all! We don’t want it. We are content with this. We can get by.” That would be better. But no, they insist on giving. Why do they have to give? Because the system of shayṭān is to make the people restless, to disturb them, to prevent anything from going right for them, to ruin them, to ruin the state, to ruin everyone, and for the shayṭān to rejoice. That’s what dissatisfaction is! Every day, anyone with even a shred of common sense sees this. He sees this, but he does nothing. There’s nothing to be done because those who do, the intelligent people, if they don’t get a raise, they destroy the place, curse and swear and leave nothing bad not done. Then, when they get the raise, they also make a huge fight and commotion. Then they think they’ve accomplished something. Immediately after that, twice the amount they received is gone from their pockets. Whereas, if they were content, they would be comfortable, their families would be comfortable, the country would be comfortable, the government would be comfortable. There would be barakah too.

Therefore, may Allāh ﷻ grant people wisdom. May they show contentment and be satisfied, in shā’a Llāh. May Allāh ﷻ not deprive you all of contentment so that you don’t suffer and grieve, in shā’a Llāh.

Wa min Allāhi t-Tawfiq. Al-Fātiḥa.

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