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LUCKY ARE WHO HONOR HIM ﷺ

As-Salāmu ‘Alaykum wa RaḥmatuLlāhi wa Barakātuh.

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

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

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 fī l-Jam‘iyyah.

Shukr to Allāh ﷻ, we are in this month of Mawlid. It is the month in which our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam graced this world with his ﷺ blessed presence. Celebrating this blessed month, rejoicing every day, is the believer’s endless praise Allāh ﷻ. Being from the ummah of Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam is a great honor. To revere and love everything he ﷺ did, everything he ﷺ performed, everything about him ﷺ is a great blessing for us. It is a great virtue and a great blessing for those who can do it.

Those who cannot do it are unfortunate and unlucky. Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla has not granted them that virtue. They have been deprived of it. The shayṭān has deprived them of that virtue. The shayṭān’s greatest characteristic is stubbornness, jealousy, and envy. Envy: It’s the kind of envy that makes people think, “I don’t honor the Prophet ﷺ. Why do others honor him?” They are always hostile to those who honor the Prophet ﷺ, follow his ﷺ way, and practice his ﷺ Sunnah. They think, “These people are bad, they are associating partners with Allāh ﷻ; making shirk. They don’t believe in Allāh ﷻ. This Prophet was a man just like us. If you honor him ﷺ, you are committing shirk, you are associating partners with Allāh ﷻ.” The shayṭān has deceived them in this way. They have been deceived and are ruined. May Allāh ﷻ protect us.

Those who love our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam and go on his ﷺ way are very fortunate people. Their luck is eternal. It’s not that you might say “I’m lucky” sometimes, but that matter will pass and be over. But a person who loves our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam is a fortunate person; Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla has bestowed upon him that virtue, given him from His ﷻ grace and generosity. That person will be eternally in happiness and beauty, shukr to Allāh ﷻ.

May Allāh ﷻ protect us from those who do not follow the way of our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam, who do not love or respect him ﷺ. They may even abandon their faith and die without faith. Those who go on this way go on the way of our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam. If someone leaves that way and says, “I am a Muslim, but I don’t need to honor this or that,” then others will be like him. And these are the people who

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have gone astray, people who have lost their way. May Allāh ﷻ grant mind and understanding to Muslim people. There are people like this until now. I don't want to mention their names now. "This man was a great scholar, this one was like this, this one was like that." There are many foolish Muslims who honor them. Because they have not accepted the way of our Prophet ﷺ 'alayhi wa-sallam. "We can do so. We can renew Islām." Those who do not honor our Prophet ﷺ 'alayhi wa-sallam through these ways will surely follow such an evil person. They will perish, and so will he.

Therefore, honoring and respecting our Prophet ﷺ 'alayhi wa-sallam on every occasion and in every means is a great act of worship. The greatest act of worship is to follow the way of our Prophet ﷺ 'alayhi wa-sallam to honor him ﷺ, and to respect him ﷺ. This month, as we said, is Rabi' al-Awwal, the month of Mawlid. In that month, Muslims of old times used to celebrate it a lot, they used to do many things, but now people's minds have been so confused that most people are bewildered. But still, those who are fortunate will follow the way of our Prophet ﷺ 'alayhi wa-sallam. They honor and revere every atom of him ﷺ, and seek his ﷺ intercession. That is what a Muslim should do. As we said, others are unfortunate. The shayṭān has played with them, they have become puppets in shayṭān's hands. They harm themselves and harm others. May Allāh ﷻ protect us from their evil.

Wa min Allāhi t-Tawfiq. Al-Fātiḥa.

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