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THE ENEMIES OF 'AWLIYĀ'

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-Akhirin.

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

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

Bismi Llāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm.

أَلَا إِنَّ أَوْلِيَاءَ اللَّهِ لَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ

‘Alā inna awliyā’a Llāhi lā khawfun a’layhim wa-lā hum yaḥzanūn’, ‘Verily on the friends of Allah there is no fear, nor shall they grieve.’” (Qur’ān 10:62). Ṣadaqa Llāhu l-‘Aẓīm.

The ‘Awliyā’ of Allāh ﷻ – a Wali is a person who obeys Allāh ﷻ and whom Allāh ﷻ loves. Anyone can become a Wali; it is not unattainable. Anyone who obeys Allāh ﷻ and follows His ﷻ commands is a servant beloved by Him ﷻ; indeed, ‘Awliyā’ means Allāh’s ﷻ beloved servants.

Some people mistakenly believe that there are no Awliya left. Yet, they do exist; by Allāh’s ﷻ permission, all who obey Him ﷻ become His ﷻ beloved servants. These blessed ones do no harm to anyone. They inflict no suffering on anyone. They walk the way of Allāh ﷻ in peace and safety. However, they have many enemies—the ego (nafs), shayṭān, desires (hawa), and the dunyā. Once they are established on that way, they find true peace. It is shayṭān who is truly disturbed; he is troubled by them. He strives to lead them astray and incites enemies to attack them. Yet, because they are with Allāh ﷻ, they harbor no fear. Allāh ﷻ Himself protects them. One must strive to be like them.

People ask, “How does one become a Wali?” This is what an ‘Awliyā’ is. They do not engage with anyone. They do not answer those who attack them. Allāh ﷻ protects them. Our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam states that Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla says: “I declare war against anyone who harms or speaks ill of My friend (Wali).”

Therefore, as we have said, the Awliya have no need to engage with anyone. No matter what others do, their Protector is Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla. Anyone who wages war against them or harbors hostility toward them will inevitably and always suffer loss. One can never prevail against Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla. These are the blessed words of our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam. There are times when people speak recklessly or utter

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nonsense. May Allāh ﷻ grant them guidance so that they do not see any harm, for by doing so, they are effectively waging war against Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla. Allāh ﷻ will never grant them victory; their ultimate end is always loss. One must be very careful in this regard, for we are living in times of fitnah. There are great fitnahs. All manner of ruses are employed to lead even well-intentioned people astray. People succumb to ill-founded suspicions without knowing. By making su’ zann (bad presumptions) based on such suspicions, they are dragged into sin with every word they utter. In doing so, they set themselves against Allāh ﷻ. May Allāh ﷻ protect us. It is essential to be mindful of this. One should keep the company of righteous people. You must be with those whom Allāh ﷻ loves, in shā’a Llāh. May Allāh ﷻ make us among them. May Allāh ﷻ protect us. May we not fall into fitnah, in shā’a Llāh.

Wa min Allāhi t-Tawfīq. Al-Fātiḥa.

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