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Hadīth Lesson: Maintain Your Dignity and Ask Help from the Merciful

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 Aṣḥabi Rasūlillāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā,

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Nāẓim al-Haqqānī. Madad.

1- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

ابتغوا الخير عند حسان الوجوه

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“If you are going to ask for a favor, seek it from those with pleasant faces.”** So, look to those with a cheerful countenance. Naturally, someone with a scowling face is unlikely to give readily. That is why Allāh ﷻ grants a pleasant face to the one who bestows goodness. Our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam says that if you are going to ask for something, you should ask people with pleasant faces.

2- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

إذا ابتغيتم المعروف فاطلبوه عند حسان الوجوه

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“When you want goodness and help, seek it among people with beautiful faces.”** Our Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam has the most beautiful face; The face of our blessed Prophet ṣallā Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam is the most beautiful. Therefore, look for people with beautiful faces like him.

3- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

استعينوا على نجاح حوائجكم بالكتمان فإن كل ذي نعمة محسود

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This is a very important Ḥadīth. Most people these days do the exact opposite. **“Ask Allāh ﷻ for help and success while doing something or need something, keeping it secret from people. Because every one with a blessing is envied.”** Unfortunately, people today - excuse us - even if they are going to go to the restroom, they broadcast and announce to everyone, “I’m going.” Even if he is going to the most average place, he shares it. If he wants to do something, he shares it too. After that, “Why aren’t my affairs going well?” he says. Because there is envy; envy happens. Therefore, you do not need to tell anyone about the work you will do. Do your job and you will be successful. Otherwise, envy destroys people. None of your work will go smoothly. So, this is a game of the shayṭān. Now everyone has a device in their hands. Whatever he does, he shows it. He shares everything necessary and unnecessary, such as “I ate this, I ate tomatoes, I ate eggplant, I ran after the sheep.” You boast by saying, “I have accomplished such things.” If you do this, everyone will envy you. After that, nothing of your affairs will go well. Therefore, this is a very important thing. If the people of this time could do this, it would be enough for them.

4- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

اسْتَعِينُوا عَلَىٰ إِنْجَاحِ الْحَوَائِجِ بِالْكَتْمَانِ، فَإِنَّ كُلَّ ذِي نِعْمَةٍ فَحْسُودٌ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ says, **“When you do something you need, keep it secret and ask Allāh ﷻ for help. Because every blessing is envied for its owner.”** So if you’re going to do something, do it secretly. You don’t need to share it with everyone. If you broadcast it, others will try to do the same thing as you, and then you won’t be able to do it; Or even if you do, you will be envied. After that, your business will not go smoothly.

Therefore, pay attention to this issue and do not interfere in someone else’s business. Say, “May Allāh ﷻ bring success to my brother too.” If his business goes well, your business goes well too. Allāh ﷻ gives you, too, and more. Don’t envy anyone. “What do you work, what do you do?” Don’t put your nose into everything. Let him do whatever he does. Make du’ā’ for them, “May Allāh ﷻ make your every work successful, may you not be dependent on anyone, and may you attain goodness.”

5- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

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اطْلُبُوا الْحَوَائِجَ إِلَى ذَوِي الرَّحْمَةِ مِنْ أُمَّتِي تُرْزَقُوا وَتَنْجَحُوا، فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى يَقُولُ:
رَحْمَتِي فِي ذَوِي الرَّحْمَةِ مِنْ عِبَادِي، وَلَا تَطْلُبُوا الْحَوَائِجَ عِنْدَ الْقَاسِيَةِ قُلُوبُهُمْ فَلَا
تُرْزَقُوا وَلَا تَنْجَحُوا، فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى يَقُولُ: إِنَّ سَخَطِي فِيهِمْ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ says, **“When you need something, ask for it from the merciful ones of my ummah.”** So when you need something, ask from a compassionate person. **“Do this so that you may be provided for and achieve what you hope for.”** You will be provided with sustenance through those people, and their barakah will be a means of benefit for you. **“Because Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla says: My mercy is with those who are merciful among my servants.”** Since Allāh’s ﷻ mercy is on merciful people, needs are met in this way. **“Do not ask for your needs from people with hard hearts.”** So, do not demand anything from people whose hearts are hard and merciless. **“Because you cannot attain sustenance through them.”** Neither sustenance nor goodness comes to you through them. Even if they are rich, do not even go near them. Stay away from those people. Do not bow down to them or beg them. **“You will not find what you hope for. Because Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla says: “My wrath is on those whose hearts are hard.”** Allāh’s ﷻ wrath is on those people and no good comes from them.

6- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llähu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

اطلبوا الخير عند حسان الوجوه

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Seek goodness among people with beautiful faces.”** Ask them for all kinds of goodness, that is, not only money and financial aid, but also whatever kind of goodness you want, including du‘ā’s.

7- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llähu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

اطْلُبُوا الْحَوَائِجَ بِعِزَّةِ الْأَنْفُسِ، فَإِنَّ الْأُمُورَ تَجْرِي بِالْمَقَادِيرِ

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Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Ask for your needs while protecting your dignity. Because everything happens as it is ordained.”** So, if you have a need, you don’t need to go and humiliate yourself in front of someone else. You ask for what you need properly, and don’t be too insistent. Sometimes people bend their necks and become crushed; “There is no need for this,” says our Prophet ﷺ ‘alayhi wa-sallam. Ask while protecting your dignity. After that, it only happens as ordained. If it is your share and Allāh ﷻ has ordained it, you will receive it. It won’t happen unless Allāh ﷻ has ordained it. Therefore, do not bow down in front of people, only pray to and beg Allāh ﷻ says our Prophet ﷺ ‘alayhi wa-sallam.

8- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llahu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷻ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

اطْلُبُوا الْفَضْلَ عِنْدَ الرَّحَمَاءِ مِنْ أُمَّتِي تَعِيشُوا فِي أَكْثَانِهِمْ فَإِنَّ فِيهِمْ رَحْمَتِي، وَلَا
تَطْلُبُوا مِنَ الْقَاسِيَةِ قُلُوبُهُمْ فَإِنَّهُمْ يَنْتَظِرُونَ سَخَطِي

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Seek virtue, that is, goodness, among the merciful people of my ummah, so that you can live in peace under protection. Because Allāh ‘Azza wa-Jalla says, “My mercy is with them.”** So, whatever you need, go to those merciful people. Be with them, because Allāh’s ﷻ mercy is upon them. When you are with them, you too will be under the mercy of Allāh ﷻ. These are people with soft hearts. **“As for those whose hearts are hard, do not ask them for anything.”** Stay away from them. If one approaches them unknowingly, it’s not a problem. But you see that a man is harsh and strict; if you ask for something, he will harm you, curse you, beat you and insult you; don’t get close to him at all. **“For they are awaiting My wrath.”** The wrath of Allāh ﷻ is upon those whose hearts are hard. Even if you go to them, you won’t get anything and your efforts will be in vain.

9- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llahu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷻ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

اطْلُبُوا الْمَعْرُوفَ مِنْ رَحَمَاءِ أُمَّتِي تَعِيشُوا فِي أَكْثَانِهِمْ، وَلَا تَطْلُبُوهُ مِنَ الْقَاسِيَةِ قُلُوبُهُمْ
فَإِنَّ اللَّعْنَةَ تَنْزِلُ عَلَيْهِمْ. يَا عَلِيُّ إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى خَلَقَ الْمَعْرُوفَ وَخَلَقَ لَهُ أَهْلًا، فَحَبَّبَهُ إِلَيْهِمْ

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وَحَبَّبَ إِلَيْهِمْ فَعْلَهُ، وَوَجَّهَ إِلَيْهِمْ طُلَّابَهُ كَمَا وَجَّهَ الْمَاءَ فِي الْأَرْضِ الْجَدْبَةَ لِتَحْيَا بِهِ
وَيَحْيَا بِهِ أَهْلُهَا، إِنَّ أَهْلَ الْمَعْرُوفِ فِي الدُّنْيَا هُمُ أَهْلُ الْمَعْرُوفِ فِي الْآخِرَةِ

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Ask goodness from the merciful people of my ummah so that you can live under their protection.”** When you are with those merciful people, you will be protected from all kinds of evil under the protection of Allāh ﷻ. **“Do not demand goodness from those whose hearts are hard. Because curses will rain down on them. O Ali! Allāh Almighty created goodness and the people of goodness.”** Allah Almighty created both goodness and good people. **“He ﷻ made them love goodness and doing good.”** They are people who love to do good. **“Just as he sent water to bring life to the thirsty land, he also directed people seeking goodness to those people of goodness.”** Just like dry land needs water, people turn towards those good-loving people. **“Those people of goodness in this world will also be people of goodness in the hereafter.”** Those who are good in this world will surely be the ones who are good in the hereafter. The people of goodness are the people of paradise. May Allāh ﷻ make us all among them, insha’Allah.

These people of goodness are the people of ṭarīqah, shukr to Allāh ﷻ. You see, there are many Muslims, but everyone knows who those harsh (hard-hearted) Muslims are. May Allāh ﷻ keep us away from them, may Allāh ﷻ protect us.

Sadaqa RasuluLlah fi ma qal, aw kama qal.

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ says the truth in what he ﷺ said or as he ﷺ said.



Ihda’ – Dedication:

Ziyadatan ila sharafi’ ‘n-Nabi, sallaLlahu `alayhi wa sallam wa Alihi wa Asahabihi l-kiram, wa ila arwahi jamee’i al Anbiya’i wa l-Mursalin wa Khudama’i sharai’ihim wa ila arwahi al ‘Aimmat al arba’a, wa ila arwahi Mashayyikhina fi t-Tariqati n-Naqshbandiyyati l-Aliyyah, khassatan Imamu t-Tariqah wa Ghawthu l-Khaliqah Khwaja Bahauddin Muhammad al-Uwaisiyi l-Bukhari, Sayyidina Abdul Khaliq al Ghujduwani, Mawlana Shaykh Sharafuddin al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah al Faiz al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Adil al Haqqani, wa sai’ri Sadatina wa s-Siddiqiyun, wa man nahnun fi hadratihim wa jiwarihim. To the souls of all our ancestors. For goodness to come and evil to be warded off. For people to come to their senses. Li-Llahi Ta’ala, Al-Fatiha.

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[(*Translation*) To the honor of the Prophet, Prayers and Peace be upon Him, and his family, and his companions, and the souls of all the prophets as well as of His messengers and of those who served their Sharia, and to the souls of the four Imams. And to the souls of our Mashayikh of the Most Distinguished Naqshbandi Tariqa, in particular to the soul of the Imam of the Tariqa Ghawth al-Khaliqa (the Help of Creation), Khwaja Bahauddin Muhammad al-Uwaisiyi l-Bukhari, Sayyidina Abdul Khaliq al Ghujduwani, Mawlana Shaykh Sharafuddin al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah al Faiz al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Adil al Haqqani, and the rest of our masters and Siddiqiyun, and to whom we are in their presence and near them. To the souls of all our ancestors. For goodness to come and evil to be warded off. To Allah Almighty. Al Fatiha.]

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