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DON'T ATTEMPT HARMFUL "PLEASURES"

As-Salāmu ʻAlaykum wa RaḥmatuLlāhi wa Barakātuh.
Aʻūdhu BiLlāhi Minash-shayṭāni r-rajīm. BismiLlāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm.
Wa ṣ-Salātu wa s-Salāmu ʻalá Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Awwalīna wa l-Akhirīn.
Madad yā RasūlAllāh, Madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi RasūliLlāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā, Dastūr Mawlana Sheikh Abdullāh al-Fāʼiz ad-Dāghistāni, Sheikh Muḥammad Nāẓim al-Ḥaqqānī. Madad. Ṭarīqatunā aṣ-Suḥbah wa l-Khayru fi l-Jamʻiyyah.

Allāh ʻAzza wa-Jalla says regarding human beings, "I created them all." The best among them are those who obey Allāh ﷻ and accept Him ﷻ; these are the people who are truly accepted by Him ﷻ. There are billions of people in the world today. As the human population grows, each individual holds a certain rank in the sight of Allāh ﷻ—some high, others low. Those who occupy a low rank are the ones who are with shayṭān; those who follow the commands of shayṭān. They are the ones who are low. Those who hold a high station are the people who believe in Allāh ﷻ and fulfill His ﷻ commands. These are what a human being ought to be—for Allāh ﷻ created humanity at the highest of ranks. Yet, a person may lower their own rank; they descend further and further, sinking ever lower. May Allāh ﷻ protect us. This is not limited to non-Muslims; even among Muslims, there are many who fall into such states.

Once a person becomes accustomed to a vice, they tend to persist in it, and breaking free from such a habit can be quite difficult—especially when it concerns things that provide "pleasure". Such sources of "pleasure" are harmful. Do not even approach them, nor should you ever consider attempting them. For instance, regarding cigarettes, some say, "The cigarette is nothing, it's no big deal." But one vice leads to something worse, and that leads to something even more dire, may Allāh ﷻ protect us, until the state of our society and the world at large becomes truly wretched. Because we've been everywhere, and wherever we go, we see people going after their egos, sinking lower and lower—may Allāh ﷻ protect us. Therefore, do not obey your ego! Do not follow your ego! Do not turn to ḥarām things simply because they might provide some fleeting pleasure to your ego! Stay away from them. Once it gets a hold of you—much like a mouse caught in a trap—it is very rare for anyone to escape.

Therefore, may Allāh ﷻ protect us. One should never even attempt to engage in such things. It is necessary to stay away from even the slightest sins or evil acts. Your ego might whisper, "It's just a little thing; no harm will come from something so small." But through these "little things," you may suddenly find that your foot has slipped, leading to your ruin. Even if you do not care about yourself, you must consider your family as well. Poor

families come to us, complaining, "My child is like this," or "My son is like that." May Allāh ﷻ help us. May Allāh ﷻ protect us. Let us not follow our ego, in shā'a Llāh. May Allāh ﷻ protect all Muslims—especially the youth—for young people, when led by bad company, may try something "just once" and find themselves unable to ever break free. May Allāh ﷻ help us.

Wa min Allāhi t-Tawfīq. Al-Fātiḥa.

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