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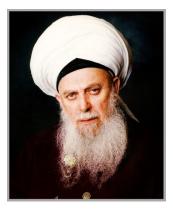


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### I. Preface

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

# Allahumma Salliala Sayyidina Muhammadin wa alaa Aali Sayyidina Muhammadin wa Sallim.

One hadeeth of Rasulullah (saw) tells us about what happens when Allah loves some one. "When Allah oves some one, he tells Jibril (as)"Ya Jibril I love this person so you also love him!" After that Jibril (as) loves him aswell and tell everyone in 7 skies and 7 heavens to love him. Angels, saints and other creatures will love him as well. When angels love him they will make people love him also. Our Moulana Sheikh Muhammed Nazim (qs) was a great beloved of Allah (swt) without a doubt. From east to west south to north He conquered everyones love. He gained everyones love. Every mureed can tell you a mircale happened between himself and Moulana. So many people who had not heard about tariqat saw Moulana in their dreams. I gave these examples because talking about him is beyond my limit. He was the Sultan of hearts. Sultan's always leave the best and the biggest legacy as they are the richest people ever. Our Sultan was the richest person in the world. He was having a great treasure which money or gold or gems cannot buy. He was the owner of peoples love. So his legacy is the one of the biggest and most precious legacy ever. He left for us our murshid, Sheikh Muhammed (qs).

Sheikh Muhammed (qa) was born in Damascus on 29th March 1957. He is the eldest son of Moulana Sheikh Nazim (qs) and our Mother Hacı Amina (qs). He spent his childhood days in Damascus. In Tasavvuf Moulana Sheikh Nazim (qa) and Grandsheikh Abdullah Dagistani (qa) were his teachers. At the same time he used to attend madrasa and took İslamic lessons from famous Ulema of Damascus. When Moulana (qa) and his family returned to Cyprus, Sheikh Muhammed (qa) was living in İstanbul and helping Moulana (qa) in there. For many years he accepted bayath for the name of Moulana and opened a lot of dargahs and zawias in İstanbul. Sheikh Muhammed (qa) was doing his service to İslam, to tariqa, to Auliyas and to his father and sheikh very silently. Even now He doesnt like to show what he does. Very humble and silent he continues with his khidhmat. He gives a lot of importance to khidmat. Until today he is working so much for khidhmat. He will never choose the work for khidhmat. You can see today, him working in gardens and pick up oranges and tomorrow he can be seen having a meeting with very famous and high ranking people, for khidhmat. Nothing can stop him to serve Islam and tariga. He hates to show off and also dislikes people who show off. He likes to forgive for the sake of his father. He doesnt care what others talk about him or gossip about him. From his sohbets you can listen or read that he said the gossips or peoples saying is less for his nafs! Even this shows how a great personalty he has. Like his father without any reasons thousands of people love Sheikh Muhammed (ga) more than their life. This is his mircale too. This love, which without knowing how it has started takes take control of your life and makes peoples lives better. Alhamdulillah he allowed me to write the preface of this book. I know I am very lucky to write this. What ever you read here is a drop of a drop from an ocean. I know that even this drop of a drop can make you love him. Anyone who has a chance to visit him just go and spent 15-20 minutes with him will understand the power and peace with him. Who ever wants to become happy here and here after must go and grab Sultan Sheikh Mehmed's (ga) hand. May Allah never make us seperate from him. We know that with him we will be victorious here and hereafter. We, the mureeds and lovers of Moulana Sheikh Nazim (ga) have a big debt to Moulana (ga) because what he has done and is doing for our lives. Now we arein double debt to Moulana (ga) because he gave us Sheikh Muhammed (ga).

#### Al Fatiha.

Shaykh Abdullah Tirani, Izmir - Turkey.

### II. Introduction

This is my first 'book of lectures' of **Maulana Shaykh Muhammad Aadil Al Haqqani** which includes most of his public lectures of the year 2014.

This book is the first volume and In-sha'Allah following this book will be a book every year with almost all the public lectures of Maulana Shaykh Muhammad.

Maulana Shaykh Muhammad Aadil Al Haqqani is the head of the Naqshbandiya Aaliya Haqqaniya Sufi way and the elder son and successor of Maulana Shaykh Nazim Aadil Al Haqqani in this path.

#### His words are words of wisdom and light for all of us on this path.

Please feel free to forward this book to as many people as you wish, in its full form (without changing anything) as it does not have any copyright on it.

### III. Acknowledgement

It's indeed a big honor for me, to be allowed to work on these series of books.

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Videos of these lectures are available on www.saltanat.org.

### 1. My Khalifah

Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Al-Haqqani An-Naqshbandi, Friday, November 4, 2011.

Maulana: My Khalifa (successor).

Murids: Alhamdulillah...Masha'Allah shukr liLlah...

**Maulana**: He (Shaykh Mehmet) has been granted through our GrandShaykhs and the Rasul (saws). He (S. Mehmet) is on our Golden Chain. He (S. Mehmet) may give any order to everyone through East and West.

I am weak. I can't carry more, but he (Shaykh Mehmet) is ok. And I hope to reach to Mahdi (as). He (Shaykh Mehmet) is from his (Mahdi's) wuzara / representatives.

May Allah (swt) forgive me. O people keep your ways, keep orders, holy orders from Heavens and keep your honor. And be proud that you are from the Seal of prophets' (saws) Ummah/Nation. Keep right way; don't go like this, like that. Straight!

May Allah (swt) forgive him and forgive me, forgive all of you.

### 2. Our Khalifah

#### Shaykh Mohammad Nazim Al-Haqqani An-Naqshbandi, Saturday, January 25, 2014.

May you be with Mahdi! Welcome Haji Mehmet! Masha Allah, welcome.

Thank you, we are happy for you.

May you be in happiness.

Salamun Qawlam Min Rabbir Rahim (36:58) Salamun Qawlam Min Rabbir Rahim (36:58). May Allah increase your strength, may Allah increase your lifetime. May He send a Master for the Ummah of Muhammad (sas).

May you and your children be in health. May you raise the banners in service of Islam. Give my salams to your brother, also to Muslims. Fatiha. I see you are in good health, Masha Allah, your light has become brighter. This one is a lion. Allah. In-sha'Allah, he will serve Mahdi alayhi s-salam. Ya Rabbi, may our illnesses and heaviness leave. Pray for me. We are improving, not as, but improving (in health). What we want is to reach Hazrat Mahdi alayhi s-salam. We ask nothing of this world.

How are people there? Shukr Allah, they send salaams, kiss your hands.

How are they? Well, shukr Allah.

How are things in the Dergah? All is fine, shukr Allah.

Do people come there? Yes, they do.

That dergah which is above the Holy ones? Yes, they come.

Are people coming? Yes, many people.

Allah. Are you leading Juma prayer? Are people attending? Yes, many people are attending - full. Masha Allah. Masha Allah. May you be in the service of sultans, and in service of Mahdi alayhi s-salam. You do care for us also. What can we do, we give shukr for our state, with your blessings.

I am feeling better. I buy sheep, I buy cattle. Like this, we are busying ourselves. Thi s, your brother's son, is serving me like hands and feet. Watch over him, Haji Mehmet. This one, this Mehmet, endeavors, he has himmah like you. May Allah give a good life

May your strength increase, may your majesty increase. May governments fall with your majesty. O our Lord! Make these, my sons, viziers of Mahdi alayhi s-salam. Give them honor for the service they are giving, Ya Rabbi. For me, the father of these sons, may my weaknesses be gone. Much has gone, Haji Mehmet. Much gone. Fatiha. Holy ones, there, Akbabalar (maqam), how is it there? O poor Akbabalar. How much I do love them. May your name reach from east to west. May you be like a dragon who swallows unbelief. Do pray and read on me. Do pray, do pray.

May Allah be pleased with you. May Allah be pleased with you. He is my deputy. He is my deputy. He is the Sheikh of the Naqshis. Take good care of him. Salamun alaykum. Say salaams to your children, my son. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Our deputy, our beloved children, has come to us. Shukr to Allah Dhu I-Jalal. Allahu Akbar. Rabbi, may the salam of heavens descend on us. Fatiha. Let's say, Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Say and do not fear.

### 3. Be With Trustworthy Ones

Shaykh Mohammad Al-Haqqani An-Naqshbandi,

#### Thursday, May 15, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum

Madad Ya Rasulullah madad Ya Sahibu z-zaman madad Ya mashaykhina fit-tariqati n-Naqshbandiyatil-Aliyya.

Madad Ya Mawlana Sh Abdullah Faizi d-Daghistani, madad Ya Mawlana Sh Muhammad Nazim al-Haggani, dastur, dastur.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

Tariqatuna s-sohbah wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

As-salatu wa s-salamu alaika Ya RasuluLlah, as-salatu wa s-salamu alaika Ya HabibuLlah, as-salatu wa s-salamu alaika Ya Sayyidu lawwalin wa l-akhirin.

Al-hamduliLlah. Al-hamdu liLlahi alladhi hadana lihadha wa ma kunna linahtadiya lawla an hadana Llah. Al-hamdu liLlahi lladhi la yahmud ala makruh as-suwah.

Qala Allahu Ta'ala fi Kitabihil Karim, Audhu biLlahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim. Bismillahi r-Rahmani rRahim.

"Ya ayyuha lladhina amanu ttaqu Allaha wa kunu ma'a s-sadiqin."(9:119)

This is our first sohbat after Sheikh Effendi. In-sha'Allah Sheikh Effendi's himmat (spiritual power) is always with us. By his order, by his instruction, May Allah is pleased with everyone, without any objection, we have taken over this maqam - we have been obliged to. This is our Prophet's way. It is not personal, it is not for persons. The holy verse says, "Fear/beware of Allah", Watch and respect the orders of Allah. Try to feel that Allah is with you always and 'Be with the trustworthy ones (as-sadiqin)' This way is the way of trustworthy ones, the way of Allah. The trustworthy ones come to this way.

Untrustworthy ones don't like such things, they go to other ways. There are a thousand ways, but the Way of Allah is only one. All the holy awliyas, and also firstly our Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa s-sallam,

described the way of Allah. When 'tariqat' is said, tariqat means 'the way'. They (awliya) showed the true way to Allah; the way of trustworthy ones. This is Allah's order. "Kunu" means, He is ordering to 'Be with the Trustworthy ones.' What we are saying is that there are not thousand but there are a hundred thousand or a million ways, satan's ways. In order to make you go astray, there are many cheats and tricks. That is why our Sheikh Effendi's order is Allah's order, Prophet's order, their order, and Sheikh Effendi's order, that he follows - "Do not go off the way." "Be on the right path with the trustworthy ones." Don't let satan whisper evil thoughts (waswasa) to you.

"I wonder what?" There are some things - Even when you know the truth, satan whispers to you its evil thoughts, and you begin to doubt if it is true or not. No! You are on Allah's Way, you are on Sheikh

Effendi's way. With their help and blessings, this way will spread even more, many more people will accept Islam; they will not surrender to satan. Satan will be defeated because Allah is not with satan, Allah is with us. Allah is with the ones who keep His Orders. This is our first sohbat. It is short but pay attention to it.

Our Sheikh's maqams (stations) are very high, and will continue to rise until doomsday, even higher. Each person entering this tariqat, and when people hear his words/sohbats our Sheikh Effendi's maqam is rising, his name is more exalted in Allah's Diwan (Court). His maqam is already very high, but Allah's bestowals are endless, Allah's bestowals never finish. Allah - just as people like to give beautiful things to the ones they love, Allah 'Azza wa Jalla is granting non-stop blessings and nur/light on our Sheikh. And by the Will of Allah, people who visit his grave that nur/light descends on them also. For everyone visiting and praying for Mawlana, Allah 'Azza wa Jalla is bestowing on them, ten times, hundred times more of their prayers. May we all continue on this beautiful way, In-sha'Allah !

Sheikh Effendi's power was very big. He used to overlook faults, he used to forgive. This is why people (his people) are loose/slack a little. May we all behave more seriously, more firmly from now on. Our power is little. For this reason, may all followers strive more and display more himmat (spiritual striving) that, as much himmat as they can summon Allah will send that much more of His blessings upon them - Allah will help them.

Our way is not difficult by the Will of Allah. It is a beautiful way. This way is the way of lovers - The love of Allah not the love of dunya/world, not the love for a woman or for wealth. The love of Allah, that is and He is the Never-ending One. We have seen many lovers, loving a woman but in a few years' time they fell to quarreling, fighting, showing unpleasant behavior (to each other). That is temporary love. Eternal love, never-ending love is the Love of Allah, the love of the Prophet, the love of awliya. We are on this way In-sha'Allah !

This is the first sohbah after Mawlana. But he is here also, just he is more powerful now. This is the Way of Allah, Rasulullah - The best way. There is millions of ways, but not straight. The way of Allah is only one.

If you go little bit away you go in danger. But as we said there is million, billion ways, roads that are going to bad places, shaytan's road. But one road, Islam. "Tariqat" -

meaning 'way', 'road'. So Mawlana he is showing this way. And he attends with us here.

We read first this ayat/verse - "O believers beware of Allah." (9:119) Because Allah is with you. If you are not feeling this you cannot be afraid of Allah, or you will do anything you can do. "And be with true people (the Trustworthy)." (9:119) - who speak truth with everything. Awliya' Allah, sincere. Sorry my English is very weak. But just to make connection a little bit.

The first order is this: "Beware of Allah and be with sincere people." (9:119) Don't go with bad people. With who is not... They say something after they are not (doing). You cannot believe them. No! You must be with ones who when they say something they say truth. Trustworthy! And you be with them. This is the order of Allah. And to follow the order of Allah it is obligatory, fard. "Sumu" - meaning you must fast - this is an order also. Pray is an order. Be with trustworthy people - it is an order also. So this is the first order today coming insha'Allah, express from Maulana - To be with trustworthy people. And don't be with people who want to cheat people. Maulana, he said something and Alhamdulillah we are all together. This is big ni'ma, big favor, not to be separated. And today it is from his karama, his power. Because Allah He is giving Awliya' Allah power more and more.

Every day he (Maulana) is getting higher and higher. Allah Is Generous, and they are beloved. Beloved persons, servants of Allah. And if you like somebody, everyday you give him something also. The most Generous Allah (awj) - everyday He is making more and more and more. And who is coming to visit him (Mawlana) or making from (far) away also his baya' and his tawassul (connection to) from Mawlana - he gets his reward and gets Mawlana higher stations also. For each people, insha'Allah I think from his baraka he will be this Tarigat Nagshbandiya - Tarigat - way of Allah, Prophet (saws) and ahl as-sunnah wal jamaa' - will be increased more. I think 1000 times more. Maybe 10.000 times more against who is not respecting the Prophet (saws) and Allah (awj) - because if you are not respecting the Prophet and Awliya you are not respecting Allah. This is who is a liar. Who is liar, who is not believing, who is not respecting Awliya' Allah and not respecting the Prophet (saws). Allah make us in this way without going out. It is from first sohbah, Alhamdulillah alladhi hadana li hadha. Allah He bring us to this way. We cannot do without His Will. Insha'Allah His Will after this, from baraka of Mawlana and all Mashayikh al 'izam/great Shaykhs and Prophet (saws), to be more strong. To show Ummat Muhammad (saws) (the Nation) the right way. Not leave (let) these shaytan people to destroy our children, our families with bad things. It is real - from not the right way, these people.

Wa Min Allahi t-Tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

### 4. The Essence of Shariah

#### Tuesday, May 20, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Ashabi RasulAllah, madad Ya mashaykina fi ttariqati n Nagshbandi madad Ya Abdullah Dagbartani madad Ya Sh. Muhammad Nazim

n-Naqshbandi, madad Ya Abdullah Daghestani, madad Ya Sh. Muhammad Nazim Haqqani , dastur, Tariqatuna s-sohbah wa l-khayru fil jam'iyyah.

In-sha'Allah these assemblies, these associations, will be everlasting, they will increase. With the blessing of Shaykh Effendi, with the permission of Allah, every word he told you is truth, it is right. He said our dergahs will increase. He said there will be 40,000 dergahs. This is certain. That's why we have no doubt about it. This is an association. Tariqat as-Sohba and to be together it is khair (best). Mawlana he was (giving) good tidings and said, insha'Allah this association it will be more and more and growing. And Insha'Allah will be 40.000 zawiyas, dergas for the Naqshbandi Tariqa. And what he said is true.

Insha'Allah for this, we are no doubt. We are no doubt. It is not easy, but (it is an) order. The ego likes to go, likes the easy, easy things. Hard things, they run away from hard business, from hard work, good work; only for easy and for enjoy their ego. Ego likes enjoyment. But an order you must follow. What Allah orders, what Prophet (saws) you order - mashayikh also they are following this order. So when they said something, we must follow. These are the things Shaykh Effendi said. It's not easy, not easy to obey the order. It's not easy to sit in this magam, because the ego doesn't like such things. It wants an easy work. It doesn't want hard work to be done. How much easy work it does, it wants to do the same job. It wants to escape the order. That's why, the job of this tariga is to obey the Commands of Allah, to obey the things told by our Master, to obey the commands of mashayikhs. And this - if you obey, in the beginning it is hard. However, when you defeat your ego, you get the beauty and taste of faith. Nothing becomes hard for that man. But before you do that, of course, a lot of effort is required. To do this, it is difficult but when you continue to do what ordered you be ... Allah gives you enjoyment and taste for Iman, for belief, that you cannot find in anything else. So it will be nice for you and more easy to do this. But first it is really difficult. After also difficult, but when-it is all time difficult - but when you taste Allah gives you this taste of Iman, sweetness of Iman, everything it is easy for you. Even in old times they burned believers, they did not turn back from their Iman because it is easy to burn or to cut, but - when you are alive it is not easy - but when Allah gives you this taste, sweetness of Iman, you cannot feel anything else. You cannot leave it. It is more painful to leave Iman than to cut your head or to cut hand

or to burn - It is more painful to leave your Iman. For this, to teach this, Tariqa Allah sent to Prophet, Sharia' and Tariqa - The essence of Sharia'.

We are not out of Sharia'. Sharia' without Tariqa is like a body without a soul, ruh. As soon as you get that taste of faith, it's not easy again; however, despite that tests still continue, and there will be big tests, but those tests become nothing next to that taste of faith. As soon as you get that taste of faith, no matter if a man is cut or burnt, he doesn't care. He doesn't feel it. Because if the one who tasted the faith has it taken away from him, it is worse than cutting his head off, or burning him alive. Therefore, he prefers his faith & doesn't leave it. There are ayats in Qur'an that in old times, when people were thrown into the fire in trenches, they never lost faith. When they were told that they should not believe or they'd be burnt alive, they were all burnt alive but didn't lose faith.

But those on the other side without faith entered eternal hell. If the one burnt for several minutes before dying, the other burnt eternally. Allah doesn't even let them (those who believe) feel it. A man doesn't even feel that torture because of the strength of faith. And this is what tariqa teaches. Because sharia without tariqa is like a body without a soul. It has no use. When a man enters tariqa, it teaches him every beauty.

Many people ask what is tariqa for. Tariqa is not something to be feared. However, it frightens people because shaitan doesn't like it. They say "he's from tariqa" - not only in Turkey, everywhere, in all parts of the world. In some parts they even call the people of tariqa mushriks. People of tariqa aren't mushriks (who associate others with Allah) On the contrary, Allah Aza wa Jalla ordered it for people to respect the prophets, saints and Muslims. When you show more respect they say you're making 'shirk' (worshipping other than Allah). This is the game of shaitan, of course. When the body has no soul, it becomes a toy in the hands of shaitan. He puts himself in harm and blames others for it.

When you speak in English also - it is hard to speak in both languages, something becomes forgotten. Shaykh Effendi, may Allah increase his maqam, may his himmat (spiritual power) be upon us In-sha'Allah

We speak Turkish, when I speak Turkish I forget what I said in English. So Insha'Allah the important thing here is to make sohba and even if it is just a little bit Allah sends baraka. This is like a garden from Paradise now here from the Prophet (saws). Wings of angels are under us because we are majlis/gathering for Allah (awj) to teach people about truth. The last thing we spoke was in Turkish. Tariqa is teaching all good things. Without Tariqa you cannot complete your Iman because Tariqa is the essence of Sharia'. This is what Allah meant "Wa Man Yu'uta Al-Hikmata Faqad Utiya Khayran Kathiran" (2:269) The wisdom of Islam (is) Tariqa. Without this wisdom, you (get) no benefit, no khair. Khair, benefit, (comes) with wisdom. And this wisdom coming from Rasulullah (saws). Shaykh by Shaykh, they're all the same, continuing the same good line. No dirty thing, all clear water, clear, pure water, pure Nur insha'Allah coming from Rasulullah (saws).

Tariqa, who not like Tariqa, the first one is shaytan. For this everywhere when we are saying, "we are in Tariqa, we are Sufi", they are looking at you strange. No, Tariqa is not a bad thing. It is teaching people the best thing. First teaching, adab. They say in Tariqa they are mushrik. No, not mushrik (making partners to Allah). Allah (awj) in Quran, in Hadith, teaching Islam. They make ranks. Prophet and Nabi Mursal, Nabi, after Awliya', Sahaba all they have ranks. How if you love them you become mushrik? No! But to not respect Prophet, you are not respecting Islam at all. This is the essence of who is not, they don't like Tariqa - because Tariqa is teaching good things. And they don't have anything to say against this, so just they are saying "you are mushrik." No, we are not mushrik. Who say "La Ilaha illa Allah Muhammad Rasulullah (saws)", Prophet (saws) saying going to Paradise Insha'Allah. You cannot say mushrik for who is saying this.

Allah make them to see right way because we don't like to be arguing with Muslim people but what we are here saying - we are the purest following of Islam and order of Prophet (saws) and order of Allah (awj) and following His Awliya' Allah. Allah give their baraka for us and support us insha'Allah. And we are.. we are sure, insha'Allah, this association is a seed that Mawlana plant. It will grow against all this shaytan and his follower; by love and by love of Allah (awj) and love of Prophet (saws) and Awliya'. This is an important thing. When you love Allah, Prophet(saws), and Awliya' you love all creatures who is following them insha'Allah. Just like Shaykh Effendi used to say, we are bound to Allah Aza wa Jalla, the Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, and saints by their words and orders. This will increase, In sha Allah. These seeds planted by Shaykh Effendi will grow. Opposed to the ways of people who are confused by shaitan. The tariqa of Shaykh Effendi, Islam, Naqshbandi tariqa, the seeds planted by the way of Shaykh Effendi will grow. If they are surrounded by everything like a cancer, we will take them in In-sha'Allah with the love of Allah, the love of the Prophet, the love of mashayikhs. They are our brothers in religion, but they lost their way.

As we say: La ilaha illAllah Muhammadun Rasulullah, we can't be considered mushriks. Who says that is shaitan. There is hadith sharif of our Master: whoever says La ilaha illAllah Muhammadun Rasulullah will enter paradise. And mushriks don't enter to paradise. Therefore, with the permission of Allah, they will come to the right path. This is the news of Shaykh Effendi. His himmat (spiritual power) will increase upon our brothers, upon our people In-sha'Allah . May Allah sanctify his secret, increase his himmat. May his blessing be upon us In-sha'Allah .

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

### 5. Pure Love

#### Wednesday, May 21, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad Ya mashayikhina fittariqati n-Naqshibandi, madad Ya Abdullah Daghistani, madad Ya Shavkh Muhammad Nazim al

n-Naqshibandi, madad Ya Abdullah Daghistani, madad Ya Shaykh Muhammad Nazim al Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fij jama'iyya.

Our Master, our Prophet is saying, Al-mar'u ma'a man ahabb. (A man will be with the one he loves.) Allah Azza wa Jalla, in Quran al-Karim, says "Qul in kuntum tuhibbun Allaha fa'ittabi'uni yuhbibkumu Llahu"(3:31). This our religion is a religion of love, based on love. Love must be real. Love must be true love. To whom can be the real love? It is for Allah Azza wa Jalla. It is for our Prophet and for awliya, also for salihin (the righteous) and for believers. Muslims are brothers and sisters. You must love your Muslim brothers/sisters as you love yourself, says the Hadith Sharif.

The Prophet, alaihi s-salam, orders as the Holy Verse says, "if you want Allah to love you, you love Allah, but in order that Allah love you, 'you must follow the way I (sas) show you.' Our Prophet described whatever should be done; he described the beautiful ways. He had described what works should be done. If you do these things then you can follow our Prophet's way, that means you are behind him. Then Allah will love you. You say "I love Allah" but then you do bad deeds. This action makes you a liar.

Humans, when there is someone they love, they do the things he/she loves. That is to say, they do worldly affairs as the person loves and likes, in order that that one should love him/her. When you love someone, if you do the things he/she doesn't love he/she will hate you, will dislike you, keep away from you. We are saying this as an example. So if you love Allah Azza wa Jalla, if you love the Prophet, and if you want Allah to love you, you must follow Allah's Beloved servant's way, our Prophet's way. And follow Awliya and Muslims who are on his way. Do as they do.

So he (the Prophet) gives us good tidings; we will be with the one we love, In-sha'Allah. This will help us to recover from the pain we feel at our Sheikh Effendi's (passing away), this pain of separation (from our beloved Sheikh) is not easy, but we are believers who believe in what Allah says. Belief in what? We believe in the ghayb/the unseen. We believe in Akhirat/Afterlife. We love him.

Sheikh Effendi used to say, I am ninety years old but I remember my childhood as if it was yesterday. We are 50 or 60 years old, if we live 10 years, 20 years, 30 years more, like within a blink of an eye, by the permission of Allah, we will reunite with our Sheikh again. This thought is a comfort for us. And if we love him In-sha'Allah we will be with him. But as we said, do not follow your ego, but follow your Sheikh and what he says. No one should

give fatwa. There shouldn't be - this is it, this is that. From now on everyone must be careful. Everyone must protect himself from the evils of the ego.

If you do like this, Allah will love you, and you will be with the ones Allah loves. Allah 'Aza wa Jalla, in the Qur'an is saying - if you are, if you love Allah, follow Prophet (sws) and Allah will love you. And Prophet (sws) said - the man who is loving him, he will be with him. If you love somebody and this love is not rubbish love. The pure love is for whom? For Allah 'Aza wa Jall, for Prophet (sws) and for all Prophets (sws), and for awliya and sahaba - all sahaba. You can't say this one is good or bad. You don't know about this. Prophet was praising them. Don't put your opinion about this.

And for awliya - awliya means those who are beloved to Allah Jalla Jalaluhu. For Mu'min, for Muslims. Prophet (sws) in hadith said you must love for your Muslim brother as you love yourself. This is pure love, not love for dunya, not love for rubbish things. May Allah keep away this love from our heart. Many people destroy their family with rubbish love. They become like crazy and they are doing, for whom they love, they are doing what he like - not doing what he doesn't like. This is for rubbish love. You do what who (the person) in front of you likes. If you do against this, you will say - am I crazy to do this. If I do this they'll run away from me. So, for this Allah 'Aza wa Jalla said, at the time of Prophet (sws) - "in kuntum tuhibbunAllaha fattabi'uni yuhbibkumu Llah" (3:31) You must follow Me, you must do what I like. If you do this, Allah will love you. This is real love. If you find this love, it is enough for you forever. And awliya, and Mawlana especially, he was teaching us this love. For this, we must be more careful. More careful about what we do. If they are happy with the actions we do, you will be with them. And we are believers and of course Mawlana is now making our sadness more calm. Because we are believers, he gives us good tidings. In all sohbahs he was speaking about dunya and akhira and we are believing in akhira.

This is very good tiding. In last days, he was saying I am 90 - 92 years old, but I feel I just remember my childhood It's just coming like quick. So we are also now, maybe 60 or 70 years old. Maybe we can live 10, 20, 30 years more. Also it will be coming like wind, quickly it will pass. We will meet alhamdulillah. This is what's making us calm and we're happy for this. But when you will meet inshallah you are loving them, must be real love to follow them, do not follow your ego. inshallah Prophet (sws) said - man is with who is loving him but must be real. We cannot of course all do real

love but we'll try inshallah and inshallah we'll be with them. That year or 20 years, it is quickly going. We will meet inshallah again with Mawlana. Our murids, our brothers who passed away, our mother and grandfather are together now with Mawlana. This is alhamdulillah making us calm because if we are not believers it is finished forever, we cannot see him, but no we will see him inshallah soon.

### 6. Don't Regret

#### Thursday, May 22, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad, Ya sadat-i ashab-i RasulAllah, Shaykh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur, Ya Sayyidi. Tariqatuna as-sohba wa -l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Our Holy Prophet, salla-llahu alayhi wa sallam, said in a noble hadith: do not say "if". "If" is the work of shaytan. "If only I had acted like this, that would have happened." "Had I only done this, it would have been like that." Have no regrets about what is past. The past is gone, there is nothing more to be done about it. But Allah's favour every day that Allah has given you is a divine favour. All that you were not able to do... As long as you breathe, it is a blessing.

So you did not do your worldly work, so what. It is not important. Important is what you do for eternal life. That you will regret. If you did not do good works today, you can do, you can do them the following day. If you have regrets about it, Allah grants you your reward, because at least you felt regret. But in worldly matters, do not feel sorry, saying: "If only I had bought or sold that!" says our Noble Prophet. That is only shaytan's distraction, to keep people from worshipping. He will spend all his time in sorrow, his whole life in trouble, worry and regret.

Allah, 'azza wa jalla, says in the Holy Qur'an: If you have done something unawares, without knowledge, and you repent of it, Allah is forgiving, merciful. He pardons you, and forgives you that act. Therefore, do not feel sorry about it. Another time will come for those opportunities you have missed for doing good works; you did not keep company with good people, you did not perform acts of worship. Don't worry about that, it does not matter. Allah forgives this. He will even reward you for worrying about it. But if you worry about worldly matters, it is of no use at all, you will get only sadness, sickness and disease; gloom and anxiety will come on you. But if your concern is about eternal life, Allah makes every breath a blessing for mankind. If you do this, He forgives you your former deeds and you are given new ones in their place by His leave.

The saints all repeat what the Holy Prophet has said, Mawlana says the same: Yesterday is yesterday, today is today. This means: yesterday is gone. Don't look for what was yesterday. Whether tomorrow will ever come is not clear, so make use of the present moment and live now. That is why every breath is a blessing. Every day is a blessing. In the morning we rise and thank Allah that we rose in faith, in Islam. Thanks to Allah, today, insha'Allah we will do good works. May Allah permit us to perform good works and support us to that end. With Allah's support this can happen, not by man's own will. Every good deed we do is a great blessing from Allah. That we remain within the fold of Islam, that we stay on the right path, these are all gifts to us from Allah Almighty.

Together with Shaykh Effendi we had the benefit of these blessings for years, thanks to Allah. Insha'Allah we now continue on this same path and receive blessings; Allah has placed us on these ways. Let us benefit from these good ways till the day we die, insha'Allah, and we shall be together with them in the afterlife, for certain. Prophet, sallAllahu alayhi wa sallam, said: Don't say "if". "If" is from shaitan. This is a big trap from shaitan. When you do something, it's finished. You cannot take it back. We can't say: "If I do this, it will be like this - If I do that, it will be more better." Now I was (would be) a very rich man or I was (would be) in health, if I went (had gone) to a doctor or something like this. No, don't say this because it's finished. Only from shaitan this is. Prophet, sallAllahu alayhi wa sallam, said: even don't say what happened before two hours. Of course, people cannot do this. But it is...

If they are listening to what Prophet, what awliya had said, they would be happy. All time they would be happy. Because Allah gives a new day, a new opportunity to do what you didn't do. Especially, for akhira

(Afterlife). Maybe you... If you are saying "if I do this, I pray. I couldn't do this" - for akhira it is ok. But Allah gives you new opportunity. New days, new... every breath. It is a big favour from Allah. If you do, Qur'an says, something, you do bad without knowing and after you remember, or you don't know, by ignorance you do this - you say maybe "I think it is good". But if you'll be sorry to do this, Allah will forgive you. If you regret what you did before, this is good. But for dunya, don't be sorry at all because it's finished. But for akhir, if you do something wrong and you're sorry and regret, so Allah is merciful. He forgives. He's Most Forgiving and Most Merciful.

Every teaching from Prophet, sallAllahu alayhi wa sallam, awliya also, they are saying same thing. Mawlana Jalaluddin Rumi said: Yesterday is yesterday - finished. Today is today - you must look for now. You didn't do good for yesterday but now it is for you an opportunity to do good things. Don't lose this opportunity. Every minute, every breath - it is a favour from Allah. Tomorrow we don't know if we can do anything, or if we can reach tomorrow. For this, you must use this, what Allah gives you. Don't lose it for nothing. Don't waste it.

Alhamdulillah, we were with Mawlana for many years. Alhamdulillah, it was a very good life. Very good. Everything very good. He showed us this good way. Alhamdulillah. In-sha'Allah he opened this way for us. We must be in this way. This is a good opportunity. We mustn't lose this. We cannot say "Why mawlana was last in hospital?" Also every breath Allah is giving him higher and higher ranks. So many

people were very sad because he was 20 days in the hospital and he was 2 years also suffering. But this is... he is happy with this because he's with Allah, with Prophet, sallAllahu alayhi wa sallam. And every minute, every second he was doubled his ranks. And he is not stingy. When taking all of his followers. Baraka for them also.

I was sometimes sorry but alhamdulillah, it is coming: don't be sorry, don't say "if this, if that". No. This, alhamdulillah, happened. Finished. And he's now more powerful, more careful for us. It's just made to people to not run away, but in opposite, they are coming more and more. When Mahdi, alayhi salam, is coming also he will support and In-sha'Allah we will see him in reality In-sha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Bi hurmati-l Fatiha.

### 7. Lailatul Mi'raj

#### Friday, May 23, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Tariqatuna as-sohbah wa l-khairu fi jami'yya. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya sadati

Ashabi RasulAllah. madad Ya Sheikh Abdullah Daghestani, madad Ya mashaikhina dastur, madad Ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur, madad.

Insha'Allah after 3 nights there is holy night. Laylatul Mi'raj. This layla, night is the biggest miracle, one of the biggest for Prophet (saws). His miracles continuing from his time until now also, from Prophet's miracles. That day is no planes, nothing, people even to go from one place to place, need days and long time. So Allah make miracle to take Prophet (saws) from house of Umm Hani to Quds, Jerusalem. From there to the last point never, nobody reach to that place from any creature, not only human beings. And when he came back just his bed, it was still warm. So the 'time' for Allah is just created - creation. No time, they will find this after. For Creator, Allah is the Creator creating time. But for really no time for Him, only for creatures time. For Creator no time. So He can in one second can billions of years inside one second. Prophet (saws) He showed him all creatures until to get the last point of creation can come (he came). Prophet (saws) he is honoured by this favor from Allah (awj). But still Prophet (saws) he is, with this all what Allah give him, he was humble also. He said "I am the Master of human beings but no pride." Even with this he said, No, he is not proud.

We can, there are million of lessons from this Miraj, Isra' wal Miraj. One of them this: to be humble. Humbleness it is the better attribute for human being, especially for Muslims, especially for Sufi who is following Tariqa. And to what... He really went by his body and he was awake not in dream. Of course Tariqa people, ahl al sunna wal jamaa' they all believe in this but there's a new generation of Muslims. They say "no, maybe in dream, maybe in just without body." No! When you say this, especially these people, (who) they everything they are saying you become mushrik, if you say this you not believe on Allah. Allah He is Qadir, meaning He is able to do everything, nothing He cannot do. These people must know, especially who are reading a little bit Sharia' or they become educated Muslims. They say "what is this fairy tales?" No! Allah He is able for everything. In this night He show him every place in one night, maybe 2 hours but still these 2 hours for him to go and come to his bed it was warm. It is one of the biggest miracles of Prophet (saws).

But when mushrik people, this is mushrik people, they were also not accepting. They were laughing, they said to Sayyidina Abu Bakr (ra) "O look your friend he became," astaghfirullah, "he finish his mind." But he said, "Who said this?" - Abu Bakr As Siddiq. They said "Prophet." He said "I believe!" For this Allah make him Siddiq, the most believer sadiq/truthful, siddiq (the exaltation of truthfulness) most truthful. He

is the most believer. Alhamdulillah we insha'Allah we reach after 3 nights this occasion. We make praying with all, who around the world Muslim they are doing. They are celebrating. But I don't know maybe some place they don't believe in this, they are not celebrating. But it is one of the holiest nights for ummah. This is an occasion Allah gave to the ummah from His Generosity. Making occasion to come take. "Come take for you, as much as you can take, take." He said. So Alhamdulillah we are believers, and we, insha'Allah, hope to take from this endless favor from Allah (awj) and Prophet (saws).

Mawlana also he was very dikkat (watchful) careful for this night, holy night, making respecting, and making celebration to go many places where maybe shaytan pushing people saying "no, this is not holy nights." But no shaytan he doesn't want good for people, shaytan wants bad things for people. But people they are not understanding this. They say "cheating them." Awliya' Prophets all they want, as much value. Take something from them, they are more happy. Insha'Allah Allah many years with all your family or relative to be come for hidaya/gifts, for baraka and for Islam insha'Allah.

In a couple of days, In-sha'Allah, in a couple of nights, I assume after three nights, it will be Laylat-al Mi'raj. It is one of the great miracles of our Master, the miracles granted by Allah Azza wa Jalla. None of the creatures, no one of those created by Allah ever reached what our Prophet reached, that maqam (station). He reached the highest maqam on that night. There are millions of miracles within a miracle. At that time, it was not easy to travel from one place to another. The shortest distance which we travel in 5 minutes now by car was not possible to reach even in two hours at that time. Our Prophet went and came back in two hours, maybe even less than two hours. Because when he travelled, he reached Jerusalem.

In Jerusalem, he prayed with prophets who were there. Then Mi'raj happened. What is called 'Isra' is travelling from Mecca to Jerusalem. Ascension from there is 'Mi'raj". There was no creature, neither in this

world, nor in any other place who reached that magam. Even Jibrail, alaihi salam, couldn't reach the highest magam that can be reached by people. Being in that position, despite reaching that maqam, our Master is saying that he is Sayyid of people and that he reached the highest rank not out of arrogance. Why is he saying this? Because Allah Azza wa Jalla ordered him to say it. But there was humbleness - he showed his humility. What suits a man the best is humility. A humble man - everybody loves him. Nobody loves an arrogant man. Our Master had the best attributes. The best manners were our Master's. Therefore, despite reaching beyond where anyone has reached, because of his humility, there was no change in his manners. Now some people say, especially those who learn too much or those who think too much - people who don't respect the Prophet - that he didn't ascend with his body and that he ascended in his dream or in spirit. No. Like there is Allah Azza wa Jalla, as we said, there is hadith shareef - they say that his bed was still warm after he travelled up and back. These people don't understand it - those little educated Muslims or those who don't respect the Prophet. Leave this aside, most people who don't respect the Prophet call us mushrik (polytheists), anyway. We are not mushriks, it's you not believing in Allah. Allah is Qadir (All Powerful), He is Qadir in everything. If you say He can't do anything, you will show unbelief. You have to refresh Islam and faith. Because Qadir is from His attributes.

Allah created everything. Allah created you from nothing. And they say "No, he (sas) saw a dream, no..." If it was a dream, then why is it in Qur'an? People... Thousands of people keep telling "I saw this, I saw that" every night. It's not a miracle then. People should pay attention to this. Especially, these learned people, those who don't like sufis, should pay more attention to this. Time is something created by Allah anyway. There would be no time, if Allah didn't create it. Time is for creatures only. It is not applicable to Allah. It takes millions of years to travel the places our Prophet visited that night. Allah Azza wa Jalla, the Possessor of Power, put everything into a second.

This night is one of the holy nights Allah has given to people. These nights are something given from the great favours of Allah. It is kindness to people - Kindness meaning, a gift. As much as you wish, you take on that night. The more you take the more Allah Azza wa Jalla, the Prophet & saints will be glad. Because their tables are open. The more you take, the more they'll be happy. They are not greedy, hasha. There is no such attribute. They have the attribute of Power. Therefore, Sheikh Effendi used to pay much attention to these nights. He revived and respected the holy nights and prayed for everyone. These are the nights when prayers are accepted. They are the great favour of Allah. He gives connection to people to receive goodness. The table of Allah Azza wa Jalla is always open, and still He wants to give more. But people don't ask. Why don't they ask? Because shaitan doesn't want it. Shaitan doesn't like it. If there's something which doesn't benefit people, that is shaitan too. He doesn't want benefit for people even as little as an atom. And he puts people who philosophize and act intelligent in his trap more. "It's like this. It's like that". No, it's not like that. People of tariqa and mashaikhs teach the right way. Our Sheikh always revived and respected those nights. And everyone has seen their blessings.

In-sha'Allah we will revive again in a couple of nights. In-sha'Allah its blessing will be upon us. Fasting on the 2nd day, on the 27th. If you want, you can fast one day before, but the main fast of mi'raj is on the 27th.

Baraat's fast is on the 15th. But you can fast a day before and a day after. However, do not fast on Sunday with no fast on Monday. Fast on Monday as well, the main night is then. That is what our Master advises to do.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

## 8. Advice To University Students

#### Friday, May 23, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu May the blessings of Sheikh Effendi be upon you In-sha'Allah .

He used to care for the young people. If you ask what kind of person Sheikh Effendi was, he was a Perfect Man, the one longed for. He was one of the longed for, rare personalities, the inheritor of the Prophet Muhammad, with both worldly and spiritual knowledge. All of his sohbats always had qualities unique from one another. He always tried to explain the meaning of our life. He used to say that we didn't exist 100 years ago, and no one will remain after 100 years. Therefore, life is not important, afterlife is important. Be rich as much as you want, be smart as much as you want, be pretty as much as you want, all of these are temporary. He paid attention to eternal life.

It was in the 40's when he studied. He got accepted by the university in Istanbul. He was studying, and in his senior year he left when he came to understand the Truth. That year... in those years, someone completing not just university but even a primary school earned enough to afford the best goods by getting employed in superior places. He left everything. He left it for Allah. He left it in order to teach people the truth of life. That's why we give Sheikh Effendi's advice here again. Life is temporary. Sheikh Effendi says he lived for 92 years and remembers his childhood as if it was yesterday. Suddenly it's gone in a blink of an eye.

We will give one piece of his advice here - praying is a very important worship. Make at least 2 rakats of prayer a day. All of you are young, you're in the beginning of your lives. If you do this you will be comfortable throughout your lives; your work will be successful, there will be no idleness and you'll be protected from bad things. Let this be a gift from Sheikh Effendi to you here. Let's not make it long so that our friends can speak. We thank you, stay well.

Q- What did Sheikh Nazim al-Qubrusi say as his last word on his deathbed?

SME: He didn't want to go to the hospital. But when the ambulance came, it was obliged to take him. He stayed for 20 days there. During those 20 days, he was half awake and half unconscious. With an oxygen tube in his mouth, he wasn't able to speak. However, all the time he was making shahada. He was making dua - until the last moment, he kept doing this. Doctors over there saw it too. Until his last breath he was like this. This thing was put in his mouth. I'm attending a conference for the first time, I'm not used to it. When Sheikh Effendi attended, mashaAllah, everyone would be overwhelmed. He used to say that saints are humorous. Hadhrat Mawlana also had a sense of humor and he liked making jokes. Once, either from Cambridge or from Oxford, there were 3-5 professors with him. When Sheikh Effendi gave a conference,

he didn't like taking questions. He spoke and everyone looked with open mouths. Then they started... One professor was sitting next to him. He (Sheikh Effendi) asked if anyone had a question. As soon as the questions started, the professor listened then Sheikh Effendi told him to answer the questions. He made everyone laugh with jokes most of the time. But He had serious times also, but he made lots of jokes as well in order to relax people and situations.

Thank you.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Wa s-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Allahumma ja'al jami'na hadha jam'an marhuma wa tafarruqana min ba'dihi tafarruqan ma'suma. Wa la taj'al fina shaqiyyan wa la mahrum. Allahumma yassir umarana wa farrij qulubana ... istighfarana ... Ya Qadima l-ihsani ahsin ilaina bi ihsani l-qadim. Ya Mufattiha l-abwab iftah lana khayra l-bab. Iftah lana abwaba rahmatik, Iftah lana abwaba karamik Ya Razzaq, arzuqna bil-karamik wa-hshurna fi ibadika ssalihin min alladhina la khawfun alayhim wa la hum yahzanun.

May our meeting be good In-sha'Allah . May it result in all possible goodness for joy here and hereafter. May the minds of students be clear. May debtors find relief, may sick be cured, may suffering ones find solutions. The victims in Soma (miners), are assumed to be shahids, may they find extensive mercy. May Allah give patience to their families. May Allah increase the maqam of our Sheikh. May his spiritual strength be present. For happiness here and hereafter, for the pleasure of Allah, Lillahi Ta'ala

### 9. The Jewel of Guidance

#### Friday, June 6, 2014.

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Tariqatuna s-sohba wa-l khairu fi-l jam'iya. Tariqat is to give sohba and khair, best thing, to be together.

What we say in sohba just you understand what you understand. Allah gives you reward for your time for Allah. He wants you to hear good thing. So Allah, what you hear In-sha'Allah in your heart, even we may not understand, it is good also. Mashayikh, they like to... for this they have right to give sohba.

Mawlana, when he was my age, he was giving sohba morning after fajr, giving sohba after ishraq, after duha, after zuhr, after asr, maybe in one day ten sohbas. One book for each day. What he left - it is enough for us for 100 years. MashaAllah no 100 because Mahdi (as) should come soon In-sha'Allah . I remember when I was a child like this boy, Sheikh Abdullah Daghestani he was also giving sohba. He was normally giving after zuhr, because he was that day, that is last days, he was old also. Once what he gave - 3 hours sohba and he was putting teapot with fire (samovar). They put from upstairs (above) fire. It was maybe drink -small cup of course - 6 cups, 8 cups, sometimes 3 hours all one. Tea, it is a nice drink for mashayikh, they like it. Even when they are waking up for tahajjud, they were doing this. Now of course no one doing.

But it's also - they have special thing - giving benefit for body and for soul. I think because holy people, awliva, they are not saying anything without hikmah/wisdom. What they do, what they are acting, and what they eat, and what they drink, you must look and take lessons from this. They have teachings from Allah. When you are following them you'll be happy in dunya, and before akhira in dunya, you will be happy. Also in akhira of course, sure you'll be happy. It is important thing to be happy in akhira. But in dunya also, when you follow them really, you'll be nice. That time Mawlana is sweet life, good life. If you're not following that, you'll follow your ego, you'll have miserable life, bad life. Everybody with you... even with yourself - you are fighting inside yourself before with people. After you fight with your wife, you fight with children, you fight with family, with neighbor and miserable life - this is. For each man you argue with them or you're doing fight with them, coming burden on you. So you must be acting like Awliyaullah, like what they are doing, at least you must try to do this. Because you cannot do all what they say, but at least you try and they help. Even you do small thing, they help, you'll be happy. I've come to this age. This is an experience, experience for me and... but when it was Mawlana, he'd see thousands of people, thousands of people. What Mawlana said something, they doing some other thing and they become regret because they didn't do what Mawlana asked them. And you will see many people, they are doing what Mawlana saying, they are happy.

Mawlana not looking to take benefit from you and to say to you to do this and that. No. He's not saying anything - he say sometimes, many our brothers they were surprising how he knows this - Mawlana. So alhamdulillah, it is a big blessing to be a follower. In-sha'Allah we'll continue following. In-sha'Allah this boy also, all become whole life happy with love but when you are knowing your aim, it is easy. But when you are not knowing, you are searching for something you even don't know what you're searching, it is really miserable. This is what we see especially for non-Muslim people. They are really searching and they are clever, more clever than us, but shaitan, he don't let them to see the truth. They are ready for everything, but for the truth that's in front of their eyes they are not. You know this not truth, not this, not this" they said Alhamdulillah Allah gave us this favour that it is most valuable thing in our life. If you don't have this jewel, this favour, so your life it is very short - even hundred years it is very short, quickly going.

After eternity, you must have this jewel with you. It is favour from Allah to be happy forever. If you don't have this even in dunya, this world miserable, akhira will be very bad conditions. Alhamdulillah, many people following. In-sha'Allah coming more and more because Mawlana he opened way, his way will not be closed. It will be growing with his baraka, Prophet's baraka. Because they follow Allah's good teaching and they follow Prophet, and teaching how to respect Prophet.

If you don't respect Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, you are not respecting Allah. This is what tariqa teaching people - to be respectful. If you respect, you will be respected. But no, you are not respecting My -Allah (awj) - you are not respect Me, the holy, the most one I love, how he will respect to - no he is taught for one this God - leaving alone this unrespect people. Allah gives these people also hidayah / guidance because they are good people, but they are cheated. They are cheated and they try to cheat our people also. For this, Allah In-sha'Allah shows them right way.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

### 10. His Spirituality Is With Us

#### Sunday, June 8, 2014.

He was saying if you see fire, it's Hadith also, make Takbir, Allahu Akbar! Allahu Akbar! Allahu Akbar! Allahu Akbar! Fire will come down. Three times in Cyprus near Lefke there was big fire before, dangerous big fire and nearly coming to Lefke. That time Mawlana he was strong and he can walk by himself. It was from morning until Asr time continuing. So after Asr we pray and he said we must go and make Takbir to take it down. So Alhamdulillah 3 days he was maybe one dekar(1,000m) from there come near road. And we begin to make Takbir. Suddenly finish the fire.

Next, second time it was before ... It is more near to Lefke. And really it was big and even there was helicopter coming taking water & throwing but still fire. This time it came more near it was nearly maghrib, before maghrib half an hour. So if they cannot stop it with the helicopter, helicopter nighttime they cannot work, and it is between mountains so the car cannot go there - only by helicopter. It was really black smoke. And also we can't go up mountain, the sea is down. But we stayed there, 20 men, making takbir after all smoke became white.

The third time it was last year. It was, he was not so strong. Also we went - it was this time very bad. So we went from very far he want make takbir but it was nighttime. After this people they said, after 2 hours it finished also. This is every word from Allah, gives special power but people must believe, be believers to do this. So this few of this, what he was left around Mawlana he went back to Lefke. He said "I am weak person." But if people want to go out he can make dua for people. And this two last years, he was very nearly 70 percent of his time making dua. Because this world or this people, world, Islam for to... Allah giving light to people all around the world, because he was given many times.......from his irshad from this Saint.

Another miracle also this: many people, maybe more than 10.000 maybe 20.000 but I hear more than 1000 people they were saying about "we see this holy man in our dream." Some of them - "I see before one year", some before two years, some of them before 5 years. Even I saw one before 20 years she was..... and I saw in my dream. Even in dream he is giving irshad/ guidance, giving hidaya/gifts for people.

This is what ayat ordering to be with them - the true people, the trustworthy people Alhamdulillah we find them. Insha'Allah we take their order to continue on their way. Because Prophet (saws) saying, "the signs of mu'min if he speaks, he speaks true. If he promise he will do. If he is giving something he will keep for you." This is mu'min, believer's signs. And for munafiq also three signs. If he speaks, he speaks lie. If he promise, he doesn't make. If you give him something, he denies it, you can't trust him or you cannot work with him. If he works, if you are partner with somebody, somebody for dunya business, he is doing this -you are happy with him? No! You must be not happy with him. So all of us, insha'Allah we are mu'min. We are believer. Do what we promise, for Allah, for Prophet, for Mawlana, for Awliya'.

Well of course, many stories. The biggest musiba, disaster for murid his Master to pass away. Yes, really not an easy one. It is the biggest one. But this is Allah's will. And they are happy to leave this world and to be with Prophet, with awliya', with sahaba, with all good people in Jannat. Because....... they are in jannat for this area. But, we are accepting this from because they are coming from Allah, they are going same ways. All of us we will be way, our way always, for believer and nonbeliever, to akhirat. Everybody they will reach. Nobody lives forever. Forever of course, after this test pass away, we will live forever, the real life. Alhamdulillah they are preparing us for this real life. So we promised them, to go after them, their way, their teaching, what they were doing, what they were saying and advising us to do. We must follow this. Especially to not go behind your ego. Ego is a big enemy for us.

Once, Mawlana he was - long time ago - it was more than 30 years ago, in Damascus. Every 15 days he was coming to Lebanon and making sohbat, Mawlana he was making sohbat one a day, sometime for 5 times sohbah he was making. When he was strong, like river coming, this strong - oceans, strong. He was every time speaking about: to not follow your ego, to not be with ego. Every time he was speaking about ego. One of these people, ignorant people, - this Sheikh not knowing anything else to teach us, only ego?"

Even when he said this, his ego was speaking. Because they are not there to take ego away. All the time he was speaking about ego. Maybe 5 days he was speaking about ego.

After this, tajalli is changing. Mawlana was making people can't explain this, was completely changed from 1 station to another 5 stations. If sometimes we see in this bigger... all before 20 years, cannot believe that this is Mawlana. .....age 20, and the last 2 years he was only like all holy, only his body, being no connection with dunya. Alhamdulillah this dunya it was all baraka coming for his followers. All the time he was praying for them. Alhamdulillah we have been insha'Allah his grave it will be more and more stronger. His spirituality is with us...... what madad is coming, we believe in this 100%. This is real belief.

Who are not feeling spirituality in Islam, they are.... pity for them. For Islam, specially it is strong in spirituality. But Muslims they are not knowing this. Non Muslims, they try to be spiritual, but without Islam also they cannot find, only dry statue. They put, full of statues, people and speak with them. Like this No way! Yesterday one group in one church they were putting dogs on chairs. "What nobody hear?" Nobody... so, we would like to be people they said. Alhamdulillah, when you come to Islam you find quickly spiritual power. That is wealth. May we more understand and more value.

Wa min Allahi t-Tawfiq .Al Fatiha.

Thank you for letting us speaks here. Alhamdulillah.

# 11. Who Created Death and Life

Monday, June 30, 2014.

As-salamu alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuhu

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Wa s-salatu wa ssalamu ala Rasulina Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, Madad Ya Mashayikhina, madad Ya Sh Abdullah Daghistani, madad Ya Sh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim "Alladhi khalaqa I-mawta wa I-hayata liyabluwakum ayyukum ahsanu 'amalan" (67:2). We read the Surah Tabarak just now. Allah Azza wa Jalla created life and death They are things that are created. It means they didn't come by themselves. Just like He created everyone, Allah created death - man has to take that road. The world is a place for trading and profit. Many people have opportunities. They say; "I won't do it today, I'm still young I will do it later." shaitan keeps them busy. You never know, sometimes death comes when you are young. Death reaches them, they pass away without doing anything. But Allah Azza wa Jalla said that the praying of a young person compared to an old person is much better. Our Master Prophet (sas) says; "(Decorated) with these young ones, I feel happy in the presence of Allah, that I look beautiful and majestic."

Among us, there are many people coming and going, young and old ones, rich and poor ones. Many say there were many rich people who were not able to do anything, they went to the other world. The things they did, the good deeds that's what remains for them. If a person enables the doing of something good - If Allah willed good for that person Allah makes him do charity. After that whatever you do, death shall come. When death comes, the medicine becomes a poison. It means medicines won't help. On the contrary it becomes poison for people. But if he still has time to live, Allah protects him. Even the snake passes by him without even biting him. The lion passes by but does not harm. The car looked like it will hit him just a minute ago, but in one second he is saved. Like this, it happens when Allah wants. But when death comes no matter what he does, it is futile.

For this reason, the person who financed this building, mashaAllah may Allah bless him, yesterday evening passed away. Because of him we make this short sohbah. Our deceased brother Ahmet Tunca Effendi went through a lot of illnesses. It means there is a lesson to be learned in everything. MashaAllah Allah gave it to him. Allah gave him wealth, property but... thanks to Allah he didn't use it for bad intentions. He made continuous service. Also this place is a charity from him. It means the barakah goes to him. He might have made charity in other places, probably he did because he was generous. He was a generous and a modest man. We ask mercy for him, with Allah's permission.

He could have done more but... of course people even if they are old, if they are sick, still they don't believe they are going to die. He could have done so much more. But still we say Shukur Allah, Allah willed this much. With the barakah of Sheikh Effendi, because.... he was following Sheikh Effendi for almost 20-25 years. He achieved quite good adab. He was raised to high levels. Sheikh Effendi loved him. Also it is a wisdom of Allah. Almost 2 months after Sheikh Effendi, he also went to meet Sheikh Effendi inshallah.

This means, the ones, who take tariqa promise from Sheikh Effendi will definitely be together in the akhira because you are together with the one you love. He also loved Sheikh Effendi so much. He was determined, he even bought a house from this area. He used to come and go all the time, he had so much love. He had so much love for Sh Effendi and for us also.

His belief was strong, he prayed five times, he made a lot of charity too. May Allah give him a place in paradise Inshallah. May Allah give everyone the chance to make more charity. There is no end to doing charity and good deeds. What you give you shall find there (akhira). Don't think they'll give after you pass away. It's difficult. Not everyone has a destiny like that. Because your children, sometimes they're bad mannered, sometimes they are good mannered. If you leave behind a bad mannered child, don't hope any good will come after you pass away. You have to do charity, so that it becomes sadaqa jariya, and it

follows you. We read an ayat: "Allah, He created death and life." (67:2) These are not coming from the eternal world. No, they are created like human beings are, like this world. Also death and life - they are created by Allah Azza wa Jalla. Many things people they cannot understand. Islam, the most... Islam - the most perfect religion. For this, there are many things you cannot find in another. For they are coming slowly slowly. And the last one Qur'an is a heavenly religion, last one Islam teaching. Maybe from other, we cannot hear.

Death and life - it is created, creation from Allah. Even, time, also creation. Even light, dark - everything is creation from Allah. Many people, their thought, they will not die. Even until last minute, they still hoping they will not die. But it is for everybody, and you must appreciate this time, your time, to do every good thing, to not leave it to after. Don't say "tomorrow I can do this." Because you don't know if it is good or not good, you can live until tomorrow. Because it is creation from Allah - death. For everybody, they have time. When time coming, if he is young, if he is middle-aged, or if he is old. Every time can be pass away. If somebody die young but he is doing good thing and worshipping and believe, he is the most valuable for the Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, for Allah. Prophet is happy with them in front of Allah. Because Allah Azza wa Jalla, He is looking for young people - their worshipping the most precious. But for other people also every time can be. It is not surprise.

Somewhere many people, they are surprised at that. No, no surprise. Allah Azza wa Jalla, He giving certain time, and when time finishes, nobody can help him. Even if you take medicine, this medicine can turn into poison for you. Not working, no, opposite coming poison. But if he not die, Allah prevent everything from him. Even poisonous snake cannot come near you and go away. Or many thing can happen. Last minute, last second you can survive many thing. You must know this, you must not be afraid from. Somebody now... here many people, I hear, they have phobia from death. Many people now. I come - "I have something, I'm afraid to die." There is Turkish saying "afraid not useful for death". If you afraid your death, if you afraid or not afraid, when time coming, you will go, of course. For this, don't be afraid. You'll be ready. What afraid? To afraid - you didn't do anything good for akhirat. You didn't do; you don't worship, you don't believe. You are making bad thing for people. If you are afraid from this, ok. But if you are afraid from that, it's not useful for you. When time coming, we will go. If you afraid, you will not be 20 year, 30 year more. Because you are afraid from that, they will give you life? No. This is nonsense. But to afraid to whom? To go to death and you have something wrong with you.

We spoke this for - yesterday (the one) who built this mosque, he passed away, Ahmet Tunca. And he was nearly 25 years with Mawlana. And he was humble and he was rich man but he was very humble. In life he was loving Mawlana, Mawlana loving him. Alhamdulillah, he made this place, maybe he made other place maybe like this. Many place. But he can still, because he is rich, he can do more and more. But what happened? Even he was very ill and very... not very old. But it's Prophet (sas) said "Between 60 and 70 majority of my ummah, they are passing away". He was 69 year old. But he still, he was knowing all this.

But Allah only give him barakat of Mawlana to do this thing and many things. Even many thing that we didn't know what he done. He was generous man.

It's good to do by yourself. Don't leave this for your son or for your inheritor. Of course, what you, you must be for your son, for your family also. Prophet (sas) said "Don't give everything, look after your poor people". No. You must give, but what you do, you must do also for yourself. If you have capacity to do, you can do by yourself. Better to leave it behind you. Sometimes many people, their children, their sons; not everybody to be like that.

So better what you give, you by yourself, you find it in akhira. Allah make him, he is also loving Mawlana. And nearly after two months, he pass away. He will meet Mawlana In-sha'Allah . Because Mawlana and hadith shareef saying: "The men who love a man, he will be with him in akhira." And alhamdulillah, he 25 years with Mawlana and quickly after him, he will meet him In-sha'Allah . Allah make his maqam in Jannat In-sha'Allah .

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

### 12. Ramadan

#### Tuesday, July 1, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Tariqatuna s-sohba wa-l khairu fi-l jami'a. Ramadan mubarak In-sha'Allah .

We had no chance yesterday, we talked about something else. It's the 4th day of Ramadan today. MashaAllah it is a very good month; very holy, blessed, abundant month. Allah Azza wa Jalla has given His believing servants all goodness, beauties, blessings. Everything that is beautiful He has given to His believing servants, both apparent and hidden. Fasting is a beautiful worship. It is a worship to discipline your ego. However, as much as worship is difficult, as much peace comes to a man. It gives the peace of defeating the ego. A man feels very good - a Muslim, the one fasting in Ramadan, the one who believes. Who doesn't believe, it passes like normal days to him. But when Ramadan comes to a believer, no matter where he is on earth, Allah puts that beautiful feeling inside him. Fasting during the day, tarawih at night, sahur - each has its sawab (reward). Good deeds are written. Ranks are increased.

We were in London and returned just last week. You know, when Ramadan came, Sheikh Effendi used to go to London a few days before Ramadan. He would spend Ramadan there. He was there all the time. He stayed there even after Ramadan. Ramadan was like a holiday every day. It was like a holiday for people. At night he would come after iftar, lead taraweeh, give sohbat. They would talk, then it would be morning. At nights, mostly tahajjud. Until other prayers are made, it was sahur already. After sahur a prayer, a morning prayer, then work. So nearly more than 16 hours of the day all of them would spend in worship, in lovely talk and Allah's love. Everybody tells about it, nobody can forget those days. Then Sheikh Effendi was... There's no one who doesn't change except Allah. Everything else changes. Sheikh Effendi was young then. He would give 5-6 sohbas a day. Not a 5-minute sohba like ours.

That time was the time full of abundance, blessing and light. That's why, many people became Muslim. Even unbelievers became Muslim. Who was on a wrong way found the way. Muslims. There are many Muslims. However, many people don't know about Islam. With that blessing, with that abundance, that miracle, all of them, most people came to the right way. This is the blessing of Ramadan, the blessing of

Sheikh Effendi. So Ramadan is a gift given by Allah Azza wa Jalla to His believing servants. May Allah let all of us keep on this beautiful way with our families. May there be guidance for other Muslims as well. May there be guidance for Muslims. May they come to the right way. This is a beautiful way of Allah, the way of love.

May non-Muslim ones who have goodness in their hearts, who have mercy, come to Islam with the blessing of this month, In-sha'Allah . Because it is not easy to come to Islam. Who has no mercy, who has no cleanliness cannot come. Therefore, may good people become Muslim In-sha'Allah . Most people are not on the right way - says Allah Azza wa Jalla. May those who are good come with the blessing of this Ramadan Insha'Allah . Because it is Allah's pleasure. He said He won't guide everyone. He let only some of the people be guided. He showed this beautiful way to them. May Allah not let us obey our egos. May He not let us fall from the right way. Don't give fatwa to do as you like by obeying your ego and say you're Muslim. Keep and protect the right way.

Today is the 4th day of Ramadan. Ramadan, it is a holy month, holy month - it is a gift from Allah. For whom? For believers. This month, it is month of rahmah - mercy, baraka, wideness and light, and hudhr -peace, wisdom. This month's special gift for believers who they believe in Allah, Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, for all prophets, sallAllahu alaihum wa sallam - not some of them. We accept all of them. And it is difficult, not easy. Because we are fasting, not eating anything until sunset, and in this hot. Even not hot in some European country, it is very long day. It is not easy, but it is... how much it is difficult, it is more sweet. Why? Because you are taking your ego under your feet. You control your ego. This is one of the wisdoms of fasting. Ramadan fasting month. 30 days or 29 days sometimes. And night time also we pray more, 20 rakat. We pray. Some of them they said they are not respecting sunnah. Some of them maybe praying 2 rakat, some of them 4 rakat, but the most of our brothers who is knowing everything - arabs - 8 rakat, they pray. You must pray 20 rakat to be... You are free, you can you can pray as much as you like but Allah, He give you present for you to take more baraka, to take more mercy from Him. Take for baraka to pray 20. You pray 8 rakat and after you go and speak until sahur, or sometime before sahur and you sleep before sahur.

No. You must pray sunnah. It is also present from Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, to give you more reward and to be your higher position. After this, we pray, we sleep, we pray tahajjud also. After tahajjud, we make sahur.

This is 3 things for Ramadan it is most important: to fasting, and when you break your fast also reward, you pray tarawih also reward with jamaat. After you pray nightpraying, sahur. You must do sahur because Prophet, sallAllahu alaihu wa sallam, ordered it is baraka. All orders of Allah Azza wa Jalla and Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, it is baraka and for your benefit. They are not need for you. And they give you. Take this gold, take this diamond for you. You say - "No, I don't want this." And they are giving, and they are happy if you are taking. If you are not taking, also they will not lose anything. But they all to make this believer to take more and more from generosity of Allah Azza wa Jalla. Ramadan everywhere, it is nice for who believes and who knows Ramadan from believers. But many believers, they are not knowing Ramadan. Ramadan also, he doesn't know them, not affecting them. But when you believe in Ramadan and for Allah you are fasting, even you are in middle of the worst unbeliever people but you believe, you also, you feel this nice feeling.

Mawlana, you know, when he was going to London, especially going before Ramadan and whole month of Ramadan he was there. It was like feast. People, they were sleeping in Peckham and other places, one on each other, so crowded, packed. And they were very happy. Everyday like feast for them. Mawlana, he was very strong, you know, that time. They were coming all around the world. People from England also, they coming from far distance staying 3 days, 4 days. Some of them staying all month with Mawlana. But it was real concentration of love of Allah, love of Prophet, love of Awliya. He was coming maybe making breakfast, another place coming for tarawih, after tarawih sohba or qasida or something. After going to house making tahajjud. After making sahur before praying fajr together. And for all days it was long sohbat. He was giving maybe 5-6 sohbat.

It was mashaAllah like river, not like me only 10 minute. But it was ocean of light, baraka, and mercy, and peace that people were coming. Non-Muslim, they become Muslim, many of them. Even from Muslim, because Muslim also say Muslim - they are worse than non-Muslim, some of them. Not believe at all. Because not teaching them from childhood or they was in Western country. They forget everything. They were coming again, and they became strong iman, belief.

It was many people when I was there. I was saying come to Ramadan but it come not like Mawlana. Mawlana is only once. Who was with him, it is his luck. But alhamdulillah we are following him. We are following. We are happy with Ramadan, with Allah, with Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam. This is from his teaching. He teached us to be, to know what are our good for us, (and what) it is not good for us. Good to follow them, Prophet and awliya. Not good to follow your ego. This month, it is month of patience and to put control on your ego. Don't make fatwa excuse for yourself. "I can do this, I can do that." No, you must follow what Allah Azza wa Jalla saying. It is very important. One of this good teaching Mawlana teaching us. If you follow this, you'll be high and be happy. You will be respected from people. And you will be loved for Allah, for Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam. Allah make us from these people.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

# 13. Naqshbandi Tariqa

#### Wednesday, July 2, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad Ya Masha'ikhina, madad Ya Sheikh Abdullah Fa'iz Daghestani, madad Ya Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohbah wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

May the blessings of Ramadan be upon us In-sha'Allah . As we said, Ramadan is a month of beauty. It is a month of peace, blessings, blessings and faith for Muslims. A Muslim should know what Allah orders. Muslims are mostly naive. Like our Prophet said, most of the people of paradise are naive. He says "Aktharu ahl-ul jannat bulh". "Bulh" meaning naive, almost stupid, easily deceived. Who can be deceived? The man who has no owner. The man who's not attached to anywhere. As soon as he hears something from someone, he says this man is speaking right.

Here they make assemblies of dhikr. Ladies recite tawhid. Hundreds of thousands of scholars have said it's nothing to recite tawhid in jamaat. One man, an imitation scholar came on television and said it's not acceptable. He stopped the assembly. He stopped the assembly from reciting tawhid. So without knowing, they believe one man and don't listen to so many scholars. That time the man perished because he prevented so many people getting reward. And he commits a sin by stopping the assembly of tawhid without understanding and without asking about it. Why is that? Because he's not from tariqa. People of tariqa, support from our Prophet comes to them. They receive guidance from him. When they receive that guidance, they don't do bad or wrong with the permission of Allah.

There are thousands of hadith, more than a hundred ayats which say - remember Allah. But they leave everything and listen to one ignorant man, a bad scholar who will enter hell twice. He prevents so many people from doing good. Shukr to Allah, we took from Sheikh Effendi and Masha'ikh. They gave us support. The sohbas, advice, and knowledge given by Sheikh Effendi will be enough for 100 years for all -both for dunya and akhira. He tells not to be deceived by such people. This is one kind. The second one is even worse - these people that say they'll make jihad. First of all, there is adab, proper way, conditions and methods of making jihad. You can't say you will make jihad all by yourself. You will commit a sin and remain in hell forever. Because for a Muslim... It is said in every hadith of our Prophet and in the last, the most famous Last Sermon which is the strongest of all hadith - they call it mutawatir. It is a khutba - hadith spoken in front of 124 thousand sahabas. Blood, goods, honor, everything belonging to a Muslim is a sin for other Muslims to touch. As much as to the living, there should be as much respect to the dead. We believe in this. This is the creed of ahlu s-sunnah wa l-jam'at. Those outside this are called "kharij". Kharij meaning they left. They say "rafida". These are the ones who don't accept sharia. These are crazy communities. We don't follow them. Naqshbandi Tariqa is Islamic Sharia itself, it is its core. The core itself. It's not even a tiny bit out of sharia.

If jihad is to be made, it can't be done by a single man. Or it can't be by saying "I'll make jihad". There is order, government above you. You are under their orders. If they say, of course you'll make. It can't work as you wish. How will it work? As you are, Allah sends such person to be your leader. If the time comes, it will happen. But by desolating all the nation and oppressing them in order to rescue them from oppression you become 1000 times worse than the (first) oppressor.

Such is the condition of rafida and khariji people. They are out of ahl-us-sunnah wa-l jam'a. People of tariga are never out; all of them are in ahl-us sunnah wa-l jam'a. They believe in and respect the Prophet and all sahabas/companions. Because swearing at a sahaba leads to the Prophet turning his face away on the Day of Resurrection, and this leads to Allah cursing that man. Allah curses the one who swears at sahaba. This is an advice of Ramadan, and it is very important. You will harm him a lot. A servant's right is very important. As we say: someone harming a Muslim or killing him on purpose, will fall into eternal hell. Let him boast and swear as much as he wants in this world. Wild people. It is said in Qur'an "Wa'idha l-wuhushu hushirat" (81:5) We have read this ayat many times. We read this ayat hundreds of times but we didn't understand it. May Allah increase his magam, our father said it 3-5 months before his death. "Wuhushu hushirat", wild ones became many. We thought "wuhoosh" are wild animals. No, wild animals are like kitty cats next to wild people. Even the worst snake, as soon as it hears the voice of a man, it crawls away. It won't stay close, it won't follow after you to hunt you. There's nothing like this. But these wild ones go after men; live ones and even dead ones can't escape from them. We are never together with them.

We never approve what they do. What is approval for? It's not for our egos. It is a command of Allah. If you see a bad man, change him with your hand, if you can. Of course, we can't. How to change? You should change with your tongue. If you can't at least you should dislike. You don't do it for them to relax. Let them suffer their punishment by themselves.

Today we are speak about also Ramadan. It is the most nice, most peaceful month, most baraka and full of light month. Allah give us understanding for it, to be happy with Ramadan. Allah give us everything for benefit of Muslim for happiness, to be happy, but people they are cheated by wrong people. Who are these people? Because Muslim people, they are very pure, very pure, naive people. Simple, simple people. And

Prophet, sallallahu alaihi wa sallam he was saying one hadith: most of Paradise people from these simple people. So Muslim people it is even coming to be like idiot. Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, most of Ahlu I-Jannah, al bulh. Bulh that meaning, it means simple, and to be like a no-mind. So many of Muslim people, you can cheat them very easily.

How have, we can keep ourself from not to be cheated, to follow 'alim, mashsha'ikh from Tariqa, because Tariqa connecting to Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam. Who is not in Tariqa, they're not connecting to Prophet sallahu alaihi wa sallam, so they make by their ego, following ego, and what they understand is from what they read and most of them they not read the right book. They not accepting many of Sahaba, not accepting. Ulama, only they have what they, very few ulama and these scholars, their description, Prophet described them as bad scholars. Bad scholar, Prophet sallahu alaihi wa sallam was saying, he will be punished twice in Jahannum. Double in Hell, because one, he is knowing what he do & other one because he is not following.

There was people they were reading La ilaha illa'Llah together, every time for Ramadan or for other things. Once one of them hear from television 'this is bid'a, don't do this', and when they tell these people, they all stop to do this. This is very small example from these bad people, what they can do. And this making people to not have reward from what they were doing. And there is thousands of ulama they are not saying anything, and they are telling people to do this (not do dhikr). They are not doing this. Only one idiot coming from TV, saying this, all these people they are not doing anymore dhikr. And there is thousands of hadith, hundreds of ayah, Allah said, say - La ilaha illa 'Llah; say, remember Allah. Who doing this, they have much reward from Allah but people only from one, hearing, they are believing. How to keep yourself away from this thing? To follow Tariqa.

Alhamdulillah, we are following Naqshbandi Tariqa. It is the most distinguished Tariqa, (the one) most following Sharia, even, it is heart of Sharia. No different, not at all different. What is to follow your sheikh? Your murshid tell you what to do what is right, what is wrong and they are by order of Prophet and Allah Azza wa Jalla.

We are looking around and we are seeing many people they are saying we must make jihad, we must make this. First, you must, if you must make jihad, you make jihad (against) your ego. Who are making jihad, you are making jihad for your ego - you cannot do this for your ego. For Allah you can make jihad but jihad you cannot make by yourself. You take something and go to kill people? No. Hadith from the last khutbah of Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam he was saying that you cannot kill your brother, Muslim brother, you cannot touch his property, you cannot touch his wife or children. You must leave exact and this is very strong hadith because Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam was saying this in front of more than 100,000 Sahaba in Hajju I-Wada. So nobody can say this wrong, this is weak, this is not true. How they deny this? I don't know.

So if they are (making) jihad, they must be following your, who are Muslim, Sultan/Khalifa. Now we don't have khalifa, we cannot do. Just what we can do is to keep ourself in peace with people. As-sulhu khairun (4:128) to this, but first to fight your ego. Because everywhere who is fighting now they were claiming they will take people from oppressor to freedom from these people and, they will bring better. But they were thousand times worse than this oppressor. People they ask, why, what we do, about this? We wish if nothing happened we are happy with this oppressor. Eh, how you are saying this? You are doing good, this? No. And there was ayat, wa idha l-wuhushu hushirat (81:5). I read more than thousand times this. Since childhood we are reading this. We not understanding what meaning, just we thought for Day of Judgment wild animals they will come and (be) together. Maulana Sheikh he was teaching before 4,5 months ago, he was saying "wa idha l-wuhushu hushirat", that wild wahshi/beast to come together. This he said, this is peoplebeast, not what we was thinking. But really, now these people, they are beast, not only in some places in world, everywhere. These beasts coming together. The wild animal it is not so dangerous like this.

Even the most terrible, poison snake, also if it see you he run away. He not following to eat you. These people they are following not even alive people, dead people also, they not survive from what they done. How we can accept this? We are not accepting this. There's two - or we are Naqshbandi Tariqa, Ahl as-Sunnah wa I Jama'a, Alhamdulillah, and this is big favour from Allah. Who is out of Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jama'a they are most.. they are not respecting Islam, they are not respecting Prophet, they are not respecting Sahaba. They calling them many thing, they have name. Who is outside Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jama'a, we are not accepting them. We cannot do anything, but by tongue we are saying we are not accepting. If you cannot say by your tongue, even by your heart you must say - 'this is not good, we are not accept this, not for our ego, this is for Allah Azza wa Jalla'.

Allah keep us safe from this fitna, big fitna this. Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, he was mentioning this it will happen, last days of dunya. Alhamdulillah the last days of dunya coming, In-sha'Allah . We are believing for Mahdi alaihi salam, and other, what Maulana say. Slowly, slowly coming. It is boiling now. War, it will be what Maulana Sheikh said. And just what we will do? We keep away from fitna and don't interfere with anything. Keep your family, your Tariqa brother together. And who like advice, you can give them advice to be with Tariqa. Because In-sha'Allah , Allah save us here and Hereafter. And most important Akhirah, here also not. We are going to Allah. Just we are changing from door-to-door. It's not important, but important thing to be, to not go, if you do something wrong to give your Muslim brother, you are forever in Hell. If you take something from them, you also be in Hell, because Allah warning you.

So be very careful, very aware from doing bad things against Allah's Order, Prophet's, sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, order.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq Al Fatiha.

### 14. Don't Smoke

#### Thursday, July 3, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi Rasulullah, madad Ya Mashayikhina, madad Ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fil jam'iyya.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. "Kulu Wa Ashrabu Wa La Tusrifu" (7:31) "Eat, drink and don't be excessive." (7:31) Aayatul Karima. He says: Eat, drink, and don't be excessive.

This is the order of Ramadan, Islam's order. To control the ego fasting is a must. It is a nice worship, The ego can only be controlled by fasting. When Allah Azza wa Jall, created the ego, He said; "Who are you, Who am I?" The ego said "You are You, I am me." He (awj) threw him to suffer. After 3 months, the ego said the same thing. Finally He (awj) left the ego hungry. Then when He asked "Who are you, Who am I?" the ego said, You are Allah Azza wa Jalla.

Fasting is a beautiful blessing that Allah gives to control the ego. Eat, drink, don't be excessive. When you eat, eat properly, within limits. Leave space for breath, for water and for food. Allah gave everything a measure. There is nothing without a reckoning/calculation and a measure. "Calculation" He says. "Allah created days, months and calculation" He says again. If you only eat food without drinking, without leaving space for breathing. It is harmful for the body. If you eat and drink too much, then you cannot breathe, no space for breath. It is also a need. But breath is not just from the lungs. When the stomach gets bigger it represses the breath also, you cannot breathe.

People are ambitious. They are also greedy. Because of his ambition, nothing can fulfill him. Even if he fills his stomach, because of greed sometimes people eat until they explode. They don't care. Actually after you are full - our Master (sas) says; even before you are full, stop eating. After we are full... we are eating the same amount as if we are still hungry. Keeping the middle path is the best. Don't stay too hungry either. In old times it was good to stay hungry, especially dervishes. Now nobody is able to do this. But do not eat too much, it harms the body - not only the body, but it harms the spirituality even more, if you eat too much.

This month of Ramadan is a beautiful month; an opportunity to get rid of bad habits. In the old times when the 3 holy months started alcoholics stopped drinking. At least

they could stop during Ramadan. Nobody does that now. Nobody respects that. They complain about it. You have to complain to your own nafs. Complain about yourself. Everybody is responsible for their own deeds. You get what you deserve. Most people are addicted to smoking. These summer months are Mashallah 17-18 hours of fasting. They can stop (smoking) a few hours more. If you are able to make 18 hours without smoking, the rest of the time you can sleep. If you don't smoke, you can easily complete your fasting. You will be protected from a big trouble. For this reason, if there are people who did not intend to stop smoking - this Ramadan, even from now on - if they make intention, Allah will help them. It will feel easy.

This way you get rid of a bad habit. Also you gain your health. Because they say smoking is not haram, but ... if you think about it well, it is a haram. Someone, who is clever should not say: " Smoking is not haram."

If for nothing else - that smell, dirty smell disturbs the people around you. Secondly it is a waste of money. I mean with that money, a poor person spends at least 10 lira daily for cigarettes, if he spends that 10 lira for something else, if he bought bread it is enough for his family. It is bad for your health. It causes all kinds of illnesses, It contains all kinds of poisons. It is not right to say it is not a sin. If you smoke poison you die. It is a sin. To smoke poison is not halal. Nobody can say poison is halal. You cannot smoke and say it is halal for poison that kills people. Because it is bad. It kills people. You are committing suicide which is a sin. It is one of the biggest sins. The month of Ramadan is a good, big opportunity to get rid of bad habits. We all make mistakes, wrong doings. Nobody is perfect. Inshallah in this month we get rid of this at least. Ayatul karima, saying Allah "Kulu Wa shrabu Wa La Tusrifu" (7:31) "eat and drink and do not waste". Before Ramadan this is good Ayah, for everything good, but specially for Ramadan to control your ego. Because ego only by hunger you can control it. When Allah created ego He was saying "who are you, who I Am?" Ego every time saying "I am I" until Allah making many difficulties for ego. Nothing can affect for ego until for 3 months in hunger, after when coming saying "ok You are my Lord I am Your servant." Ramadan is good for these things. When you eat in Ramadan even, you must leave place for food, place for water, place for air also. So if you only put food you need water also. Without water you cannot, it will be bad for your body. If you put only water and food, you are full. No place for air. It is also bad for your breathing. You must leave some place, for this. Even your breath from lungs but also this affect.

What Allah (awj) everything He make it by measure, by counting everything. Have special measurement you must follow this. If you follow this, you'll be happy. Because your body rest and when your body rest you can make more worshipping; you can make ibada more. But if something bad in your stomach full, you cannot only, you want to get rid of this food. Food, if you eat more it is not good for mankind. Mankind they must eat enough for them, until to be full up. But now many people they are eating more than full up. They eat once, maybe one spoon, one plate more after they finish eating. All the time in every advice and Hadith and other, they say you must eat very small, but nowadays people they cannot do this.

Even for this we are saying if you are finished, don't take more. Eat enough for you, leave place for water and for air also. And Ramadan it is a month to get rid of many bad habits. Old time people they were more respecting each other and more respect for these holy days, holy months. Since 40-50 years they forget this also. Because before when the 3 holy months coming, there was... if anyone had a bad habit like drink, or doing bad things, even steal or... When there were the 3 months they were not doing anything until finish. But these days even in Ramadan we saw them drinking and alcohol and others not fasting. They have no respect. And after they are complaining every time, for government, they complain for family. This is from your hand, what you've done. Allah is not oppressor but what you deserve Allah gives you. You make by yourself. Don't complain for this and that. Only complain for yourself.

But other people also from who are praying or Muslim people... in Ramadan there is big opportunity for leaving smoking cigarettes. Cigarettes or another thing also. Many people and Muslims also they have this bad habit. It is not good. Don't say... No excuse for this. You are coming. Allah gives you all these good things and you are not happy. You must smoke cigarettes or another thing? Phuh aleykum! Like Mawlana spitting on these people. It is big shame. In Ramadan it is time to get rid of this bad habit. I don't want to hear from anybody you are doing this bad things. Ramadan you are fasting now here, nearly 18 hours and maybe 7 hours you are sleeping. Only 1 hour you can for smoking. If you forget this 1 hour, you will get rid of smoking also.

No excuse for you. You must even if you do not have the intention to make it from 1st Ramadan, now and all until end of Ramadan you get rid of this bad habit and you can feel better for everything, spiritually and physically also. Because this cigarette they said, haram or not haram. But I think it is haram because it has many things - not only one thing to be haram - many things. First of all without anything if somebody smokes near you, you feel very bad headache. Very bad smelling. Even he is not smoking, when he is coming, everything coming from him smelling smoke - very ugly smell. You say this for these people who some of them they don't realize themselves. But from smoking once Mawlana telling some brother, he was driving him in his car, telling him "What is this? You put here a goat?" It was smelling very bad, like urine of goat. After this, when this man heard this, he was 3 packet, 60 cigarettes a day he was smoking, he throw it out and not smoking anymore. And from here I tell these people also there is worse than cigarettes also. They are doing it I am hearing in Europe or other countries. It is no excuse for you! Allah give you everything. Don't follow your ego. Don't follow who is giving you fatwa to do this. This is haram and bad behaviour for Allah, for Prophet (saws) for Awliya'. Because Allah made you in very good condition, everything good. Many people they cannot find even one piece of bread to eat. You have everything but still you are complaining you are not happy, so you must smoke to be happy. What is this? Allah by sake of Allah and Prophet (saws), Mawlana and Ramadan take this bad habit from us insha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq . Al-Fatiha.

# 15. Come To the Right Way

#### Friday, July 4, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad Ya Mashaikhina fi t-Tariqati n-Naqshibandiyya, madad Ya Sheikh Abdullah Faiz ad-Daghestani, madad Ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khairu fi l-jam'iyya.

Today is holy Friday. It's the first Friday of Ramadan. A holiday. Allah Azza wa Jalla has made Friday a holiday for Muslims. There is an hour of acceptance in this day. It's the hour when prayers are accepted. We will pray here today as well In-sha'Allah . We will pray for the Nation of Muhammad to come to the right way In-sha'Allah . It is not according to our wishes, not according to our desires, but according to the wish of Allah. If our wishes are according to His wish, that brings happiness to people.

If you see a man on the right way, if you see a perfect man, he has achieved the mercy of Allah. Who preserves himself from sins, he is given the mercy of Allah. Allah is merciful to that man. Because some people... most people, not some people, they commit sins with a big appetite. Fasting is the most difficult thing for them. However, beloved servants of Allah... Leave fasting aside... Based on what Hz. Ali said in winter. Our Master said one thing, and everyone else then told their 3 good things. Everyone said different things. When it was Hz. Ali's turn, "Serving the guests" - he said first he loved to serve guests. And nowadays, most people don't like to serve guests. They don't like guests, not to mention serving them.

Secondly, he loved to fast in summer. Fasting is difficult and it is more difficult in summer. It is hot here, there it's twice as hot. Hz. Ali, a beloved servant of Allah, he loved it too. Our normal sinful people don't like it, none of them like fasting. And thirdly, he said darb-ul saif, making jihad on the way of Allah, sacrificing his ego. He never ran away from jihad. Hz. Ali made jihad when it was time. When it wasn't, he stepped aside. When there was permission, it was made. When there was no permission, it wasn't made. But all these 3 things are difficult things.

As we said, these are favours of Allah for men to avoid sins and do good things. People of this time want to sin. Our Prophet says "If you stop fasting one day on purpose, even if you fast until the end of your life, you won't reach its virtue". "Wa tahsabunahu hayyinan wa huwa 'inda Allahi adhimun"(24:15)ayatul karima (to you it's as nothing but to Allah it's great) Allah Azza wa Jalla says in Quran. People think it's a very simple thing. They stop fasting, don't pray, don't do anything. It seems very easy to them. But

it is very big and great for Allah Azza wa Jalla. It is not good to underestimate the command of Allah. Certainly, a man will get both physical and spiritual harm for it. Allah never oppresses anyone. Everyone suffers from their own deeds.

It is the month of Ramadan. If you commit sins, don't show your sins to people. If you can't fast, eat at home. Don't eat outside in the street, everywhere. This is a big manifestation. To underestimate these beautiful things given by Allah is a big mistake. People who do this bad thing will regret a lot afterwards. When they enter the presence of Allah, they will be with Allah. Nowhere to run away. As we say, if you can't do, at least show respect, show adab to this virtuous month, to the orders of Allah. If you can't fast, don't oppose it. People are afraid of people, but not afraid of Allah. And Allah is the Eternal One. You won't be able to escape. There's no other God. Only Allah. He is present when you are alive, and after you pass away, Allah will be present, the Everlasting. Therefore, be cautious. Don't miss His beautiful favours. Allah Azza wa Jalla is favouring you. Go ahead, take this beauty. But you say you don't want it and oppose it. You are doing a bad thing. You know yourselves. That's why we said in the beginning of Juma that we want the hour of acceptance so that these people, the Nation of Muhammad, to receive guidance, see the right way. May they do at least as much as they can. Today Juma, Friday, and it is first Friday of Ramadan, the holy month. Ramadan, it is very holy month for Ummatu Muhammad and Friday also the holy day for Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, for his Ummah. And Friday, there is one hour, it is hidden between the 24 hours (when) Allah accept your dua, your praying, what you want. He give you. We pray to Allah to give Ummati Muhammad, to lead them to right way because Islam is not what they doing this, who they claiming they are Muslim. It is not like this, Islam.

Islam, the purest religion and who following Islam he (will) be happy here and Hereafter also. Allah give His Mercy for us, to avoid us to make sins. In Quran there is ayah: wa man taqi s-sayyi'ati yawma'idhin faqad rahimtahu (40:9). When You make us to avoid sin You make it blessed and mercy for these people. But most people they are happy with what they are doing. (It) is sin. Many of them not fasting, not praying, or some of them they said we are praying but they are doing wrong thing for other people, for Muslim, for non-Muslim, for everything not ordered by Islam. Many wrong ways, very few people they are following right way. Right way it is difficult but it is blessed way. When you happy with this you are not happy to do sins. Even, the most what they don't like, these people, (is) fasting. But the holy people they liking to be fasting. Some of them fasting whole year, some of them twice a week or one day fasting, one day not fasting. And Hazrat Ali, karamallahu wajh, he was saying 'I like 3 things from this dunya, this life,' because Prophet, sallallau alaihi wa sallam, was saying 'I love 3 things' so every Sahaba was saying - Hz Abu Bakr saying, 3 things, Hz Umar he was also saying, after Hz Uthman and coming to Hz Ali, karamallahu wajh that 'I like from this life, from this world, 3 things. I like to be generous with guests, to make them happy

with every good thing for them'. These days people they even don't like guests, not to even serve good things. Very few people they like guests. Second one, he said, 'I like to be fasting in summer'. Summer you see now, here very hot but in Mecca, Madina, twice, double hot from here. But he was saying 'I like to fast in summer'. And third one to, darb us-sayf, to throw, cut with sword. Three things, it is very difficult but he was liking this, not for his ego, for Allah; to be happy with Allah.

We read in the hadith sharif, Allah He is happy with these people who praying and fasting and He say to angel, 'Look these people, they are doing this'. Prophet in khutbah, we were saying, he said, 'You must do this good thing to be happy with Allah'. So Hazrat Ali, karamAllahu wajh, he was doing this for Allah, for sake of Allah. And for fasting, if you didn't fast one day in Ramadan, not other day. Ramadan you must

fast. If you don't fast without any excuse, you must make (up) one day. But before you do one day, if you don't have any excuse, you must make 60 days for kaffarah (penance). But Prophet sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam said, 'Even if you do this, you fast with your knowing this is haram, this is not good. If you fast not only sixty days, until end of life you cannot take reward for one day of Ramadan. People they think it is easy. The Ayatu I-karima, "watahabunahu hayyinan wa huwa 'inda Allahi adhim" (24:15). People they thought it is very easy, very simple to not do this, and it is okay, you can do this but in front of Allah it is very huge things - not easy, not simple as you think. Allah give you all this and you are making very, 'I don't care' you said. It is not right, this. You will be judged for this in Akhirah and Allah, He know what He do with you. Even you cannot do praying or you cannot fast it is not good to go in front of people and do drinking and eating in Ramadan. People now they are making worse than this, they drink

alcohol even, in Ramadan. So we cannot do anything. But Allah - they cannot escape from Allah Azza wa Jalla, here or Hereafter, no place to escape.

For this we are from beginning of sohbah we pray: In-sha'Allah today to be time of accepting du'a to make Ummati Muhammad to come to right way, In-sha'Allah . We are not happy to see people they are out of right way. no. It is really hurting people. You cannot say, 'go to hell' to these people. No. We want them all to be in Paradise, In-sha'Allah , to come to right way. Allah give them guidance, and Allah give all our people also good understanding, long life, happy life, with health and wealth and not to be in need to anybody. And to be in thabbitna ala l-haqq (steadfast on Truth),

Ya Allah. bi hurmati l-surat Al Fatiha.

### 16. Generosity

#### Monday, July 7, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad Ya Mashaikhina fi Tariqati Naqshbandiyya, madad Ya Abdullah Daghestani, madad Ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim alHaqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Allah loves generous people. Worship consists of two parts, which mean the requirements of faith, requirements of Islam: saying shahada, praying, giving zakat. Zakat is an important worship. Giving it has nothing to do with generosity, in fact - it is obligatory for people, obligatory to give. That's why, when you give, you should do it with joy. Don't give with your hand shaking. It is like when there is a bad illness in your body or a tumor, when it is taken out of your body, you become healthy; that zakat money is like this among your possessions, it is bad. If you keep it, just like an illness poisons the body, it is a poison for you in your possessions, because it's not your money. Bad. It is bad. You won't see any goodness in what you eat as well. If you give it, your possessions will increase. They won't decrease.

As we said, it doesn't belong to you. If you keep it among your possessions and wealth, you will have committed theft. Evil will come to you from all sides. You commit a sin. But a generous person can give more when his zakat is little by adding more to it. He can give as much as he wants. He should give with the intention of zakat. He can give more than 2,5% as his zakat. Allah knows. Allah knows its calculation. Allah will accept with the intention of zakat. If you give all your possessions with the intention of sadaqa, it won't substitute for zakat. It won't remove your obligation. You should give as zakat. If it becomes more when you give zakat, it will become sadaqa with intention of zakat. But you will have received the virtues of that obligation.

If you are generous, Allah Azza wa Jalla is the Most Generous, He will certainly give you from His neverending never-finishing treasures. But the ego doesn't want this for man and it loves greediness. Allah and the Prophet love generosity. The ego, shaitan, desires, loves greediness. They want everything for themselves so that others can't have it. These beautiful rules exist in Islam too. It warns people so that they don't obey their ego and perish, so that they don't let the poison in.

Then people have this story of this happening, that happening; "I did this, I did that. Why did I become like this?" No one sees his mistake and no one addresses the mistake. We are in such time, when you can say "You made such mistake" only to a few people, not to everyone; if you say "You're mistaken" to others, you won't see that man again. That's why we manage by saying "You're fine. Allah knows why it happened." We can't tell anyone their mistakes. We're in such a time - no one accepts advice. That's why we manage somehow. But people should see their mistakes. We mention various things in these sohbahs.

In-sha'Allah all of us... we speak to our own egos before yours. As we said, it is in everyone's ego. "Shuhhun muta'an" - A man is greedy. He doesn't want to give. But you should overcome your ego.

You should give to good places. You should give to an appropriate place. Because people of this time, even if you give money to the poorest man he will go out and buy useless things while his children are stay hungry. He will take care of his ego's desires, such as cigarettes, and other useless things, which exist now.

In old times, a man in the countryside could live with 2 goats. Now even with 200 goats, a man can't survive. That's why, when you give to these people, pay attention that it goes to a proper place. Paying for gambling debts or other debts of someone is neither zakat nor sadaqa. It is not even humanity. You should pay attention to this. When you are generous and distribute money everywhere possible, it's not generosity anymore. It is profligacy. It should be in its proper place. Everything is good in its place.

Today we speak about generosity. Generosity, it is the best attribute for mankind. Allah is The Most Generous, Allah - Prophet also, the most in this universe. Awliya Allah, Sultan, mashsha'ikh, all of them, they are generous people. We speak for generosity because Islam main 5 things, two of them, it is to be generous. One of them to give zakat. Zakat it is order, fard/obligatory. First to be Muslim you must say: Ashhadu an la ilaha illa'Llah wa ash-hadu anna Muhammadan abduhu wa rasuluh.

Second, to pray. Prayer also, it is main for Islam. Third, to give zakat. What is zakat? This is to clean your money. To clean what you have from money or from animal, or land; land for only growing, not with housing, or house, no need also. You can look for this in book, or ask after. But main thing, to give zakat. To give zakat, it is not generosity from you. Don't think, 'I am very generous, I give zakat'. For you to be proud, no. Zakat, it is obligatory for you. And what Allah only said. For gold or other same, similar quantities from money, you must give zakat for this, 2.5% for this money. For sheep and other also, they have another counting. But when you give this you clean your money, what you have. Like if you have any bad thing in your body, how when it goes away, you be happy and you be at rest. This money, 2.5% in what you own, when you give this you clean your money. And when you make this, money growing more, Allah give baraka for this money.

And if you don't give, it is like poison. Like poisoning your money even if you thought "Oh, it is good, I didn't give it. Why I will give? Maybe I have 100,000. I give 2,500 - what is this? This is too much. I am thanking myself, not Allah - because you cannot thank Allah for doing wrong thing - I keep this money with me. If I give these people, why I will give?" No, Allah not give baraka for you. Maybe you put if you thought you are winning 2,500, "I win this, if I give it was gone." But no, it is wrong, you make many wrong things. First, you didn't give - this is not yours. Now you are thief because this for Allah, to give for other people, not you. One year after one year, every year you must give 2.5%. If you give, Allah give baraka and it will be more and more and more. And this is for normal people. But for other people they can give like Mawlana was saying, as much as you like for zakat, for intention of zakat. To give zakat, if you give for 100,000 50,000 sadaga, you cannot cover for zakat, you must say this is intention for zakat. But if you say for zakat, you give 20%, or 10%, or 5% for zakat, all it will be Allah rewarding you like zakat. Because reward of obligatory is more and more than non-obligatory - like sadaga or other things - because zakat, fard. So you can give without being afraid it will become less. And Allah Azza wa Jalla, if everybody giving this it will be enough for all Muslims. Muslims all around, it is enough for them. And it is only 2.5%. The last government in this world they take VAT (value added tax), maybe less than 5% and it is taken every day. This only for one year. It is nothing, but people they are giving VAT, for tax. But when you give for charity for poor people, for order of Allah, they are not giving this. They are making wrong. And when you give you must force yourself, your ego. Never ego likes to be generous. They are greedy, stingy. Everybody they have this. What can you do? You must give without being afraid. You must force yourself, especially for zakat but after zakat, for sadaga, for every thing. You must give.

But when you give don't give for nonsense thing. Many people these day they are not, they don't have any responsibility. People nowadays, they don't have any satisfaction. Those days, 2,3 goat, it was enough for one village man - he living whole life. Now, 200 not enough for man. When you give sadaqa for somebody, if you give money, quickly going, taking nonsense things, not taking bread for children. He take cigarette for himself, he take nonsense, maybe he play gambling. Be careful when you give sadaqa to reach right, to be for charity, exactly. Don't be cheated by people. If they are in any doubt, that doing wrong thing, it is not sadaqa for them, no zakat for them. Allah keep us away from our ego's bad desire, In-sha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

# 17. The Life of Dunya

#### Tuesday, July 8, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi Rasulillah, madad Ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya. Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Allahu Ta'ala said in his Book: "The life of this world is but play, diversion, adornment and boasting to one another, competition in increase of wealth and children" (57:20) Ayatul karima, it shows how Allah presents this world, how He describes it, how He shows it to humanity. It is shown briefly in Quran. Our lives in this world are like a game. It's like a theatre, a play.

Games, entertainment, collecting money having more children, showing off to people - worldly life is like this. At the beginning it is very fresh, beautiful. The crops spring fresh, then in the end they dry, they harvest it and finish. It becomes straw and flies away. Really when you look years are going one by one. Year 2014 began, we are already in the seventh month. We were saying, winter will pass, it already passed. Spring came, spring passes also. Now its summer. You see suddenly it is over. Holy three months passed. Ramadan came. It shall pass too. Life is passing quickly. People are not aware of it. How does it end? There are two kinds of end to this. For the ones who don't know Allah, there is torment and hell in the end. There is forgiveness for the ones who obey Allah's orders, and do what Allah tells them to do. There is mercy from Allah for them. There is Allah's consent. It means there are two kinds.

I mean really this world, suddenly comes to an end. Bitter, sweet, good, bad, illness nothing is stable for human beings. The only one, who doesn't change is Allah Azza wa Jalla. Because He is the Creator. He creates everything. The one who creates you, gives you life, beauty, ugliness, illnesses, giving everything... is Allah Azza wa Jalla. Except Him, everybody changes. According to their age, their condition, there is a constant change. He says this openly in Quranul Karim Allah Azza wa Jalla is never afraid or shy from anyone. He shows people the right way. But people do not want it. He says in the following verse: "Sabiqu ila maghfiratin min rabbikum wa jannatin 'arduha" (57:21) Run to the heavens. Try. The vastness of the heaven, is like the space between heaven and earth.

When we say heaven and earth this world has no value. It is not even a piece of dust. There are such big heavens, Allah Azza wa Jalla promises to people who follow the right path. But the ones, who don't come to the right way, who are rebellious against Allah, who do not show respect to the Prophet (sas), who make fun of the Awliya, say bad things about them, He promises them a strong torment and hell. Allah is inviting. If you do not accept, it is your fault. In addition to this if you have bad manners and if you say -Allah did not want me on this path, you get hit two times stronger. Do not dare to bargain Allah. If you try, you will be sorry. Allah Azza wa Jalla is the right above all the righteous.

Don't speak like philosophers. Don't say it's not in our hands, it's not in our feet. Allah said: Allah's promise and His word is Haqq. Whoever wants it, if they show effort, Allah helps them. Today we speak about this life. For what we are living for? How we are living in this world? Allah sent us for this world. Allah He is in Quran saying what it is, this life. He explains. He said it is like play, like theatre. "Wa Lahwun" (57:20) Play and joy and to collect money, to collect property, to have many children - Enjoyment of this life. It is like this – life - for Muslims, for believers or non believers. At the end all together it is like wheat, first coming green. After it becomes big. After it becomes yellow. After they cut it and make it small, small and it will be finished. Life is like this. Only "mata'u l-ghururi" (illusion) (57:20).

Like something to be proud, and it is not worth to be proud. And it is really like this life. Now when you become more older and older you feel this. Before it was to be from one year to second year, very slowly

you feel. But when you coming you are sad, sometimes you wondering if last year it was like this or before last year. Because you said, the year or 2014 it was before, nearly 7 months. And it was, people they were saying "we are coming spring, winter it will be finished." It finished quickly. Spring also it went quickly.

Now summer also it will be. Years, very fast they're going. And people, even Allah not saying bad thing for people, just warning them. It is quickly, your life, going, but you are not feeling. Only you are proud to collect money, to enjoy yourself. No! But this is true life, I said, for mu'min or believer and for non believer. He explain the Ayat.

There are 2 ends for these people. One of them to be bad, because not believing and Allah will punish them. Other one will give them forgiveness and to be happy with them, Ridwan. Allah when He is happy with you, it is the most, the top of what believers want - to be Allah happy with them. And Allah saying "O people run, I open for you, I open forgiveness."Maghfiratin min Rabbikum wa jannatin" (57:21). 'And paradise - the width of this paradise like between earth and Heavens.' It is meaning this world it is like dust, even not like dust compared to Paradise. And Allah He is promising this. People who are believing in Allah and obeying His order and loving Prophet (saws) and respecting him. And they love Awliya' Allah, the beloved servants of Allah, and also respect them - Allah gives them this good reward. And Allah He is promising, who is doing this, He will give. So, everybody can do this. Many people they

are making philosophy. They are saying "everything Allah He is giving, He not let us to do this." This is like not good behaviour, bad behaviour for people. This is not true, this is not respectful saying; bad manners. Because Allah He is not like anybody. Allah not changing. Allah He is the only Truth. Who below Allah. Only truth Allah. The real One. So He said, "go do this, you can do." Don't say Allah He didn't give permission. Not permit you, me, to do this. No, when Allah He said in Quran, His words. So everybody they can be believers. But from their ego, shaytan, they prevent them to be on right way.

This is what we are believing. If you don't believe like this, you are not a right believer. Don't say "what is this." Many people they are going around they are saying wrong things. It is not democracy. You cannot say anything for Allah. You cannot put your opinions in front of Allah's word. If you have something in your heart, ok it is, there is. But when you say with your tongue, it is very dangerous. Because in heart, everybody, shaytan waswas/whispering. It is Prophet (saws) Hadith, he said, "Everybody has something in his heart saying wrong thing. But don't say this with your tongue. If you say with your tongue, you will be punished for this." And you will be not beloved servant for Allah.

The most important thing is Allah to be happy with you. Allah makes us to be happy with His beloved servant and Prophet (saws) to be happy with him - the most important thing.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq Al-Fatiha.

# 18. Allah's Orders Are Easy

#### Wednesday, July 9, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad Ya Masha'ikina, madad Ya Abdullah Daghestani, madad Ya Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa lkhayru fi jam'iyya.

"La yukallifu Allahu nafsan illa wusaha" (2:286) Allah doesn't order anything that man can't do. Man is ready to do everything in order to satisfy the desires of his ego. He's fine with oppression, he's fine with insult, he's fine with tiredness just in order to satisfy the bad desires of his ego. Bad or good, he's fine with everything for his ego.

Things ordered by Allah Azza wa Jalla are not difficult. Allah didn't give a burden that we can't lift. He doesn't. There are many ayats about this and many hadith. They make an excuse by saying it's difficult in order to avoid it. All of what they say is a lie. In order to satisfy the desires of their ego, they could worship 100 times more, with no complaint. But when it comes to real worship, that is difficult for people.

Allah said "Make it easy, don't make it difficult". Also our Prophet said "Yassiru wala tu'assiru, bashshiru wala tunaffiru." "Make it easy (don't make it hard), make it pleasant (spread good news not bad), don't frighten". That's why, we don't have to make our worship difficult. Do as much as is ordered. Everyone can pray and fast, except those who are sick. Travellers are excepted too - but most of the time travelling people fast too. Not to fast for someone with faith, to stop fasting, is the most difficult thing for someone who is used to fasting. When a doctor prescribes it, and one can't manage it, one falls apart. We saw this with Hajji Anne and others. They were very upset about it, they fell apart. They have this sadness despite the permission. And when many other people say that they can't fast, it is just a lie. Even our Prophet says "If you sleep for an hour or two in the afternoon, it makes fasting easier and you can get up for night prayers more easily."

As we said, Allah does not need your worship and fasting, nor does our Prophet need what you do. They tell you to do this out of mercy for you and for your own benefit. There's no one in this world who will protect your interest. There must always be a trap. Even if they give you advice, people of this world, if there were goodness in it, they would do it themselves. But Allah Azza wa Jalla, our Prophet, saints, and pious people, become happy for you when you do goodness, when you worship and follow advice. They become happy that you are rescued, that you have entered the way of Allah, the way of Truth and that the number of good people has become more. This is from the love for Allah. You will be someone loved, for the pleasure of Allah.

You should make your children love fasting In-sha'Allah . If you reward them for a halfday fast, that will be a good thing. They will remember it. Slowly slowly they will start to love this worship. A kind of yeast will

have been put inside the person. That's why, when a child who fasted half days grows up, he doesn't stop fasting even if he's in a bad company. Many people can stop praying, but when they stop fasting, they feel worse from inside. Praying is very important, but fasting is a sign that one's faith is stronger. Fasting is difficult but the result is good. What do they say? Patience is bitter, but the outcome is sweet. It's bitter in the beginning, but in the end it's sweet. And fasting is a matter of patience. Shukr to Allah, people who believe, people who fast, taste from that beauty. They taste that beauty with iftar/break-fast. Hadith shareef says that a fasting man has two kinds of joy. First at the time of iftar. It is indeed a beautiful time. I don't think other people can find such beauty. It is something that not-fasting people look for and can't find. They are not aware of it and look somewhere else. The second joy is when you meet Allah. Allah Azza wa Jalla will give million fold beauty to that person when he makes iftar. May Allah grant it to all Muslims, may they come to the right way Insha'Allah . Allah Azza wa Jalla, He is saying in Quran, He is not ordering something you cannot do, you cannot carry.

Everything He orders, it is not difficult. Never. It is not difficult at all. Because people for their ego they're doing everything to satisfy their desire. They can get tired and be without sleep, not sleeping, running,

thirsty and hungry. To do for what? To make their ego happy. Even people swearing on them, they making every bad word for them, it is nothing for them. For their desire they're suffering and they're carrying everything, everybody's work but not complaining. Just quickly going behind to take this step just to make ego happy but they never be happy of course. For Allah, they are not doing one percent and still complaining. But Allah Azza wa Jalla, He said, because He is Creator, 'We (Allah) are not giving people something that they cannot carry or We are not oppressor'. You can do easily what Allah order. Especially for everybody, first - they can pray; second - they can fast Ramadan. And there is Hajj, Zakat - this is for rich people. Also Allah not making poor people to do this. If they have money they can do. But for praying and fasting, it is not difficult at all. What it making difficult, because for Allah and Prophet and awliya they are not in need for your worshipping or for your praying, for your fasting. They are not in need but you, you are in need for this.

And when you do this they are happy. They are happy because you are doing this and you coming to right way and you get benefit. For dunya, I don't think anyone give advice for you 100% for your benefit. If they have this advice, who give you this advice, first he can do this for himself. Very real people and they must be like awliyaullah to give you advice for dunya also. But from normal people who are giving advice 'you can

do this work, you can reach, you can take this, you be happy', I don't think dunya people, they cannot do this. But for your benefit for Akhirah they (awliyaullah) be happy how much you getting - you're praying, you're making more worshipping, you're happy with Allah. Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, awliya, the beloved people of Allah, they are more happy and happy for you because you become good for Allah and for Islam, for your ummah. They are happy, they be very happy for this. But if you going wrong way, they are the first to be sad for you and for ummah also, because you coming out from the right way. So you must be careful to obey Allah's Order. It is not difficult. Really, it is not difficult. More difficult to go wrong way - it is more difficult from each, every side. It is more difficult (than) to be in right way, the straight way. In straight way you are more safe, you are more happy. In going out of the way many dangers for you and you will never be happy. People they have one aim in this world, life to be happy. And they are trying everything, ego taking them for every thing, but when coming through very wide, big way, right nice way coming, (they are) quickly going other side. Do not choose this way for

people. But it is happiness in this way (the right way). And happiness it is continue, not (just) in this short life, eternal life also, you must be happy. If you are not happy in that life, it is nothing here. Here just balloon of lies to show you we are happy, we are good, we are enjoying. But no, don't believe. There is no happiness out of this right way, way of Prophet, sallalhu alaihi wa sallam and his followers.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq Al-Fatiha.

### 19. The Way to Allah

#### Thursday, July 10, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad Ya Masha'ikhina, madad Ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Daghestani, madad Ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Tariqat means the way of religion. It means the right way, the way, which comes from our Prophet and leads to Allah. It comes from a pure source with Allah's permission. That's why now is the time of much fitna. It's the last times, the time of fitna. Don't interfere in everything much in this time. As Sheikh Effendi advised, stay more at home, at your place when you have no work. You'll be more secure. "Hadhal zaman zaman as-suqut, wa munazamatul buyut". Stay at home, don't cause problems for yourself by proclaiming your opinion. No use. It's enough if you correct yourself.

"Fitna, kaqita'i I-layli I-muzlim" - said our Master about last times. It's like the darkest time of night. It is not clear what can happen to you. Don't interfere in everything. Whatever happens to a person happens as a result of his own deeds. Sheikh Effendi tells us not to interfere. Mind your own business. Nobody understands advice or listens anyway. They talk and don't listen. Nobody listens so there's no need to talk at all. Advice is for Allah. But people don't understand advice anymore. Stay away from crowded places. You can dislike what people do only with your heart and tongue. If you see something you don't like, if you hear it, it's disliked, not good; we don't accept it. You should wish that Allah changes it. Of course, this is all you can do. There's nothing else. People don't listen anymore. The more you try to do good, the less people understand. That's why, you should manage like this. Our way is open, whoever wishes can come. There's no need to talk much today. Allah is ordering it so. The order of Allah, the order of the Prophet: "Whoever wants to talk goodness should talk. Whoever doesn't want to talk goodness, should keep quiet". That's why many people don't talk good. That's why keeping quiet is better. Today we are speaking -Tariga it is the way for Allah. Tarigatuna s-sohba wa-l khairu fil jama'iya. Tariga it is Islam's way, Prophet's way. Meaning or tariga means 'way' and it is not going to - 'the right way' it means, Prophet's way. It is coming from the Prophet (saws). And we are not changing what he said, just to say right what he was saying.

Because many people nowadays, fitna days, dangerous days, the last time before Qiyama/Judgment. These days, Prophet was aware (warning) of these days, it is like black night it is even daytime, but it is

from fitna, from darkness everywhere coming. Make the children to be - people are like drunk, they don't know who to believe, who are.. what happened, what is, what we will do. But Mawlana every time he was telling "don't go, if it is not necessary to go around people. Just stay in your house and keep quiet." This is what it is ordered these days. Because people there is fitna. Every minute can be trouble for you. So better if you speak to somebody, not to speak with anger or with not good words. Getting problems for you. Because this is fitna time, bad, very bad time. Everywhere around the world very bad days, now. But it must be like this, because it is the last time for dunya. And Mahdi (as) he will come only when it is like, big problem, big fitna. So but what we will do, Mawlana he was telling and Prophet (saws), to be quiet and to be away from people. Don't go in gathering places, big crowded places. Every time he was giving this advice for murid, Mawlana - to not go in crowded places, to not go with bad people. Even if you see something wrong, you can say by your tongue or by your heart it is not good; we do not accept this; this is against what Allah ordered; we are not accepting this. This is enough. Allah keeps you safe insha'Allah. For the sake of this month and Prophet (saws).

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al Fatiha

# 20. The Right Way

#### Friday, July 11, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Dastur Ya Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad Ya Mashayikhina, madad Ya Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani dastur.

May Allah not deprive us of these ways. These ways are not granted to everyone. It's not easy to follow the way shown and loved by Allah. Most people are going off the right way while thinking that they are on the right way. The warning of our Prophet: people will divide into many sects, they will split into pieces and from 73 groups only 1 will survive. The Sahabas asked how we will know (which is the one). Our Master said that the group with the majority of people is the one on the right way. Shukr to Allah, there are many miracles of our Prophet, so many that they can't be counted. All of his sayings are miracles. All the miracles he told about have happened, shukr to Allah. That means that people on the right way since the time of our Prophet are in the majority. The majority are the followers in his way. From that time up to now, madhhabs/schools of Law have been existing - for about 1300 years.

People following these madhhabs, true madhhabs, are always in the majority. Though they keep quiet, they are still in the majority. Those who make fitna a lot, shaitan doesn't leave them. They do it knowingly, it is not that they don't know; all of them go out of the right way by the deception of shaitan. They think other ways are right. That's why, there is a new group appearing every day and people think this one is right or this one is wrong. The right ones are those following these true madhhabs. They are on the right way. Others who don't accept the madhhabs are never on the right way because they follow their egos. They are trying to arrange the religion according to their desires. They are temporary. There were a lot like them before. But this fitna has to happen as we are in the last time. The time when Mahdi, alaihi s-salam, appears is close. All fitna and evil should appear so that Mahdi, alaihi s-salam, can clear them. Our Sheikh Effendi was waiting for him day and night.

We will wait too by the permission of Allah, because people have questions in their minds whether it will happen or not. How will it happen? Could we have imagined anything of what has happened? No one would have ever guessed what has happened in the last 15, 20 years. Even in the last 20 years - in this world, very big changes have happened since 20 - 25 years. After the communism ended, many many changes occurred People didn't imagine such changes.

Everything is in Allah's hands. If Allah wishes, you can't do anything. He can destroy people even with water - the softest, the least harmful thing you can imagine, suddenly you cannot protect against it by Allah's power. According to the belief of Ahlul Sunnah wa-I Jama'at, Mahdi, alaihi s-salam, will come, Isa, alaihi s-salam will come. It's written in Qur'an that he will descend for the second time and fill this world with justice. How will it be filled with justice? Only if there are pure Muslims, will it be filled - only if there's Islam. This will happen by the permission of Allah. This is the good news. In-sha'Allah , the time is close. People are worried - "What will happen to us?" Don't think about it. As long as you are on the right way, like Sheikh Effendi said "good for us, bad for them". Don't be sad. "La tahzan inna Allaha ma'ana"(9:40) Our Prophet said to Hz. Abu Bakr in the cave. It is a verse from Qur'an. "Don't be sad, Allah is with us".

As long as Allah is with us, there's nothing to be afraid of. Allah is with us here and everywhere. There's nowhere where Allah is not present. His being with us is not against us. We are with Allah, we're not against Him. This is the biggest blessing. That's why don't fear and don't be sad at all. Good from everything will be for us by permission of Allah. Don't let the tiniest bit of sadness into your heart. Let your faith be strong. With permission of Allah, we will reach the beautiful days with Mahdi, alaihi s-salam. As Sheikh Effendi said, beautiful days will come. As this time is full of blood, storms, suffering, and injustice everywhere, when Mahdi, alaihi s-salam, comes, "Yamlau l-ardha 'adlan wa qista" - he will fill this world with justice and goodness. What's the most beautiful thing in this world? Sheikh Effendi told us - It's justice. To pay everyone their rights. If everyone's happy with their rights, there's nothing better than this. Now everyone wants to grab others' rights. Disrespect is on a sharp increase. Nothing like justice has remained. They call it the Court of Justice in Europe, when it comes to their interest, they call it justice immediately. They never show justice to those who don't accept their religion or their philosophy. There's no justice in this world now. But when Mahdi, alaihi salam, appears, justice will come by permission of Allah. Today we are speaking about - we are in right way Alhamdulillah. A way of...what Allah is happy with this way. Many people they are going out of the right way. But don't worry you are in the right way. Why we are sure of this? Because Prophet (saws) he was mentioning in Hadith and Prophet (saws) he has many miracles, thousands, more than 10 thousand miracles. And everything he said it happened. And he was saying for sahaba/companions - when the last times approach it will be divided, the ummah, into many small pieces at least 73 parts. Only one part is on the right way, in Jannat, going to Paradise. The others they are all wrong; they are going to hell. They asked: "These many parts, how we can know which one is right?" Prophet (saws) he said "it's very easy, the right part is the largest one, the biggest part.

The others are small, small like parasites." Coming going, coming going from the time of Prophet (saws) but now it is more. The most (clear) sign for these parts is, they are not accepting haqq madhhab, right madhhab. Hanafi, Shafa'i, Maliki, Hanbali - These

are the 4 right madhhabs. Who do not follow these, and now these days there are many people they are not accepting madhhabs. Leave Tariga - tariga they(these people) are not accepting at all - 4 madhhabs because this madhhabs nearly from 100 years after Prophet (saws) beginning, and they collected very carefully and very... very carefully. There were people, not like these days, one by one, one by one were asking and making this madhhabs and they were accepting this. Now these people they are not accepting this. So now no right part of this ummah what Prophet (saws) mentioned. It is this Ahl as-Sunna wa-I Jama'at madhhab part of 4 madhhabs. And it is obligatory for every Muslim to follow this. Not saying "I am.. I can read from Quran and I can give my opinion." Your opinion now is only by your ego, by your desire. We are hearing what they are giving fatwa, even now they are giving fatwa - you can break your fast, if you are in London or Europe, like Mecca. How you can break your fast and the sun is in the middle of the sky? One of these fatwa they are giving. This he was not accepting madhhab. They are reformist, they like to destroy Islam. You can feel them good, but no they are just trying to destroy. And other people they are also. They said "you are not following Islam. We are the followers of Islam." And they are killing people and making big fitna. No, we are not accepting them. We are happy we are in the part of Prophet (saws) saying about it. And it is coming since 1400 years, same many people coming and going around like parasites but still the majority is following and loving what Prophet (saws) was mentioning and ordering. Even this majority they're doing practicing or not practicing but still they are the majority. Because the most important thing is to be loved by Allah and Prophet (saws). And in this majority we are seeing, you cannot imagine if this man he can pray or he is following Prophet or Allah. You see him very modern and you feel - but he has this love for Allah for Prophet. Even if small he has, it is enough for him. Others who say "we are following shari'a, we are the right people, we are this we are that." - but they don't have love for Prophet or for Allah. Only what they have they love their ego. And this is why people they hate them and quickly they are coming and going like bubbles.

But it must be like this, because time approached for Mahdi (as). Mahdi (as) also, he must clean all this dirt from the world. Mahdi (as) he and Isa (as) what Mawlana all the time he was giving good tiding for us -giving good tiding they will come. And it is in Ahl as-Sunnah wa-I Jama'at religious belief. Who are not in this right, they are not accepting this. They said "he is coming, or like not like material. He will be like only saying or something." They are giving many word on this, but no! Prophet's many Hadiths gave good tiding for this - for Mahdi (as) for Isa (as). And they're waiting until time to be ... we are ready for them and Allah gives them permission to come.

Many people they are say how you cannot imagine this, it cannot be. Since 25 years many things happened nobody can imagine to be something like this. It is Allah's wish. When He wants something quickly it happens; nobody can stop His Divinely Will. Even water, water is very soft and very tender and very good thing. Even from His water He can destroy all this world. Nobody can say, 'stop' in front of Allah's will. So don't say "this is not true." It is true because Prophet's (saws) miracle - he was telling everything that happened and insha'Allah this also it will happen. Because the world is very bad now. Fitna trouble, blood, every bad thing here in this world. But don't be worried. Don't be worried we are in good place because we are with Allah. When you are with Allah, don't worry. If you are against Allah that time you worry. With Allah don't be worried. Allah He is... Only Allah not changing. So when you are with Him all the time you will be in good. But don't be against Him. Love Allah, love Prophet (saws) don't say "I am this, I am that" and don't give your opinion against Allah's will.

Mawlana Sheikh every time he said "what happened it is good for us, it is bad for them." This is what he said all the time in the last years. Because many trouble coming also, don't be worried. Be with Allah don't worry. Be happy insha'Allah. Allah keeps us safe from all this fitna and to be with Mahdi (as) the real khalifa of Prophet (saws). And under his order - what he orders we do. We do not do what others ordering us.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

# 21. With Difficulty Comes Ease (94:5)

#### Monday, July 14, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad Ya Mashayikhina, madad Ya Sheikh Abdullah Daghestani, madad Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

In sha Allah, we will have good sohbas. Our assemblies will be good by Allah's permission. We have gathered for the pleasure of Allah. May it be good In sha Allah."**Fa'inna ma'a l-'usri yusran. Inna ma'a l-'usri yusran"(94:5,6)** This discipline of the ego is similar to the discipline of a person. You have to teach discipline and educate your ego before all. It is, of course, difficult. But when you get used to it, it becomes easy. It is like this in everything. People with families, those who have children, when they continuously allow their children too much in order for them to be at ease and not to suffer, in the end, those children get used to that comfort and want everything. The more you give, the more they want. That's why, when you educate your child, everything should be according to its methods.

Allah Azza wa Jalla has given only as much burden as a person can lift. You should teach your child how to pray when your child is 7 years old. Teach him when he reaches the age of 7. When he is 10 and doesn't pray, you should beat him lightly. You should discipline. Of course, one shouldn't do quickly. A man understands by being told again and again. When he doesn't understand it, it has no meaning, but a man beats his child, of course, just lightly. Now they have brought up something new, you can't spank. Moreover, in Europe if a man hits a child, they take the child away. They use this as a pretext for a community to collapse. They take the kids and give them away to other people. The people they give them to are completely bad. Why do they give to them? It's shaitan, these all are instructions of shaitan. Only shaitan can do these bad things to a person.

There is wisdom and benefit in everything Allah says, everything our Prophet orders. When they follow it, communities are at ease. The achieve balance. Otherwise, as we said a while ago, they spoil people, they give more and more - never enough. Give as much as the ego wants. Throw as much wood into the fire, pour in petrol. It won't be enough. It will ask if there's more. That's why, the discipline of the ego, the discipline of children is very important. Of course, children are beautiful, you should love and please them. But some things are hard for a child. He should read. Reading Qur'an or praying is difficult for a child. If you let the child play from morning until evening, he won't say anything. Let him do some task, it will become difficult. But it's necessary. It's a good thing to teach a child discipline, work or craft. This should be done. Even if a man doesn't need it, these things are done for a child to learn responsibility and value. When you say "I am rich, no need for anything for the child. I have everything I need. Let him do whatever he wants" that child will grow spoiled. It is important is to make sure that a child knows the value of everything. He should know the value of Allah's blessings. It is an issue for children and adults. We talked for children today but it is important for adults too. Children should respect adults, feel for the small ones, not abuse animals, be compassionate to them.

Talking about compassion - people are keeping dogs now. They are becoming the servants of their dogs. They walk them for 3-5 hours a day. They take them out, let them make waste - run after them with a bag to clean it. They keep cats. Everywhere full of mice but they give food. Food not enough, they bring ready catfood. This means people don't know adab and how things should be done. Islam teaches it. Islam teaches a beautiful way. Masha'ikh, Sheikh Effendi used to advise on beautiful matters but most people do as they like.

Certainly, people and animals should not go outside the purpose of their creation. You are a person. Rather than serving a dog, buy a few sheep and serve them. There's no use of that animal (dog) to you. It's neither useful to you, nor to your children. Keeping a dog inside the house, or even outside, all the same, it's not necessary, if not needed. A dog is good only for guarding or for shepherding. It's not good for other things. It's just an animal because its saliva is dirty. You can't pray where it touched. If you eat, you'll get sick. And it's not good to keep at home, angels won't enter the house - a hadith of our Prophet. These are the deeds of shaitan. He shows beautifully, in fact, it's not, it's not good from all sides. You should do useful things. If it's not useful, leave it to itself.

Today we speak about: everything - it is very difficult. After difficulty becomes easy by "Fa inna ma'al 'usri yusra. Inna ma'al 'usri yusra." (94:5-6) It is Allah saying in Qur'an, swearing by- after difficulty coming ease. But if you're not doing this difficult thing, it will be nothing easy for you. Even it looks like easy, but it is... all life it will be bad for you. Therefore, even for your ego, you must train your ego to be, learn to live with difficulty. When you teach to live with difficulty after, slowly, slowly, everything becomes easy for you. This for everything, especially for murid and especially for even children also. Because nowadays people, they love their children too much and they are giving them everything to not be tired, to not be harmed, not to be... to be all the time happy. They don't want them to be unhappy at all.

So they are giving them everything and still these children, they are not happy. Why? Because they are not knowing difficult thing. They thought all life like this. When you do this for your children, you make bad for them. Because life and people, they are not like you. They are your children, you cannot keep them all life in front of you in house and serve them. No. They will grow and they will go out and they will find very difficult life for them. And even it is, they all are not good for you even. You thought you are doing good. Because they are not knowing, they thought it is obligatory for you to make them all time serve them to be make them happy, not shout to them, not to say to them "come take this, help me". No. They thought it must be like this, and they are not happy with you even.

So you must teach children difficulty also. You must do some work, some lessons, to send them to work with people. But must be good people. Because sometimes they send them without knowing who, send them to some people become taking their bad attribute or bad habit. So first, you must look and see these people. After, you can... Of course, you must love them but sometimes even when they - for praying 7 years it must be. Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, warning when coming to 7 year old, you must tell them "to come pray with us". Many people, they are even people they cannot say to their children "come". They are lazy to say this. Until 10 years, after 10 years they must pray. If not praying, sometimes you can shout them, sometimes you can beat them. Of course, when you beat them, not so hard. And the family, they are not doing, of course, this so hard. But when you do this in Europe or other country, they are shaitan, they want, waiting for this to take children from family and give them to another family, they say better family. They give them the worst family. They take them from, to special, to shaitan people to make them to destroy community.

This is what shaitan, he wants to do. Because right way only Islam way. And after, beyond this they can do everything. They are not ashaming from anything at all. So they can do this. Even many people they doing, not helping people. Helping or loving to be with animals, animals like dogs and cats. They are giving them, serving them. They are servant for dog, for cat, or for who is not - they must serve for people. People, they are serving them. But In Islam: everything Allah give rights and what to He... what for what He created them. This is the teaching of Islam and teaching of sufism and tariga - to give everything what they must do, what Allah created them for it. Allah created woman to be woman. He created man to be man. He created dog to be dog, to help, to guard house, to guard sheep. Not to be in house and people serve them, give them best food. Even they are not giving food from what they eat, they bring them special food also. For cat also. For cat Allah give, created them to hand these mouse or other thing. But people, they are still feeding them and make them to be not useful. Allah everything He created with wisdom. And every creature, they are happy with what Allah created them. Only mankind not happy. Why they are not happy? Because they have too much, and they are not taught by good way. Only they taught to be for their ego, be ego happy, not they been taught.

And it is never ego can be happy. (It) wants more and more and more. Like fire, if you put wood, ok. You can put more. If you put petrol, also no problem. Just wood when you put, it's making more and more; But

when you don't put, it is finished. This is what Allah Azza wa Jalla saying: "With difficulty, it will be easier after".

So In-sha'Allah, Allah make people to understand their ego to not be unhappy when something wrong or something difficult coming in front of them, not to complain just to say (it is) for Allah. Allah can help them. Alhamdulillah, because everything's from Allah. When you pray for Allah, He is Merciful, He can help you. But when you are making shouting and making problem, you can shout as you like nothing can happen for you.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

### 22. Allah Loves the Thankful

#### Tuesday, July 15, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya sadati as'habi RasulAllah. madad Ya Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Dagestani, madad Ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohbah wa Ikhayru fi jam'iyya.

Alhamdulillah wa sh-shukrulillah. We praise and thank Allah. As much as we thank, it's never enough. If we thank Allah for each of our atoms a thousand times, if we thank until the end of our lives, it's still not enough. There's not enough shukr for this grant and favour of Allah. Certainly, Allah is not in need of our thankfulness and worship. However, when we become aware of that goodness and thank Allah, it becomes a characteristic Allah likes (in us). Allah Azza wa Jalla loves thankfulness. **"W Allahu yuhibbu sh-shakireen" (Hadith).** Allah loves those who are thankful. Allah loves also those who are patient. Allah loves those who are praising. Whom does Allah not love? **"Fa'inn Allaha la yuhibbu l-kafireena" (3:32)** Allah Azza wa Jalla doesn't love unbelievers.

There's a Hadith Qudsi: "If all of you, everything existing in this world, everything existing on this planet, if you worship Me, it's not useful at all." Certainly Allah Azza wa Jalla created everything Himself. If all of you leave belief and rebel, that won't affect Allah Azza wa Jalla at all either. But these things are useful for you. Allah Azza wa Jalla is showing you these beautiful ways in order to grant you benefits. And shaitan is showing the bad way. May we be on the way of thankfulness In-sha'Allah. May we not complain. May we be patient and not complain.

If you are favored, be thankful and praising. Alhamdulillah - praising. Praising in all conditions - "Alhamdullilahi 'ala kulli hal." Shukr, for favours you should give thanks. Because Allah Azza wa Jalla says that He will give more when He is thanked. And He is showing the way of thankfulness for beautiful blessings, Allah's gifts. Be thankful so that they increase. What are the gifts? What are blessings? Is it only money and possessions? Those are blessings too but real blessing is health and faith. These are the biggest blessings. You should be thankful for them for them to last. Don't complain. As we said, complaints bring no benefit. And it is something Allah doesn't like. "My servant is complaining about Me". If someone comes and complains about you saying you're so and so, will you like it? No. Because Allah Azza wa Jalla gave everything, there's nothing to complain about. You should be patient. With Allah's permission, you'll see its reward. If you don't find it in dunya, you'll find it in akhira. Shukr to Allah for bringing us to this beautiful place. While thanking Allah, you should

thank people as well. Man lam yashkuru n-nasa lam yashkuru Allah. Who doesn't thank people doesn't thank Allah. The greatest man we should thank is, of course, the one who was the means for us to gather in this beautiful place; who showed the right and beautiful way here from everywhere in the world, our Sheikh, our Sultan, our father. Sheikh Nazim Hz. We thank him. We are thankful for him. May Allah increase his station continuously In-sha'Allah . May his rank multiply every day In-sha'Allah . And after this, of course, you should thank who brought you to this way. In-sha'Allah , they will thank you too. You will bring other people to these beautiful ways. The pure right way shown by Islam and our Prophet is the way shown by Sheikh Effendi with Allah's permission. There are complaints, of course. Complaints are not about Sheikh Effendi. Sheikh Effendi is showing the right way, But there are many people who obey their egos. May Allah not let anyone obey their ego. May Allah protect us from the evil of our ego. This way, tariga exists for the disciplining of the ego. Following a murshid is for disciplining your ego with this way. Alhamdulillah today we speak about to be thankful for who gives us everything, everything. The best thing, who gives this? Allah (awj). You must be thankful to Him for every part from our human being, for even one hair one drop of water, one of blood. For everything we must be thankful for Him. He give this, the biggest gift for us Alhamdulillah. Allah needs our thankfulness? No! He said in Hadith Qudsi, the Divinely saying: "If all this world, all this universe, they become in one heart, and they would be obeying Me and worshipping Me and doing all that and all good things, Nothing changes for Me not one drop." Because He is the Creator. "And all, if all this world, all this universe, coming against Me, disobeying, and they make every bad thing, anything happening to Me?" Of course He said "No". Not even one smallest part, nothing changes at all. Because Allah, He is the Creator.

But Allah He loves the people who are thanking: "Inna Allaha yuhibbu sh-shakirin." (Hadith) Allah loves these people. Allah loves patient people also. "Allahu yuhibbu ssabirina" (3:146) And He loves obedient people also. Allah loves them. Allah He loves good attributes, good people. Allah He is loving them. Who (are) the people He does not love?" Fa'innAllaha la yuhibbul-kafirin"(3:32) Allah not like unbeliever people.

This is written in the Quran very clear. Nobody can say this or that. Allah He said "I don't like unbeliever people." Why He not like unbeliever people? Because they are not thankful for Him. Because He gives everything and they are not thankful and they are making disobedience and denying Him. So He does not like them. Allah only likes the people who are thanking for everything. There are two kinds of thanking in Arabic letters: Shukr and Hamd. Shukru- Lillah, He said when you get good things. For every good thing you have, from good things, not only money or fortune, good things also to be in good health and to be in right way also. The biggest good thing, to be like this. For this every time you must say "Thank You Allah." Ash- Shukrulillah. Other one, Al Hamdulillah. Al Hamdulillah also thanking but this you use "Al Hamdulillah 'ala kulli hal." - for every thing (state) you say Alhamdulillah.

Even if you are ill or something. Somebody asking you "how are you?" You will not say Shukrulillah. You say Alhamdulillah. Alhamdulillah you say for everything you say. You must say this. Because Allah when you say Shukru- lillah, He gives you more and more. "La'in shakartum la azidannakum" (14:7) If you thanking/Shukr Lillah, Allah gives from what you have of good things, gives you more and more. But if you don't want something not so good you must also say Alhamdulillah- Thank You Allah, Alhamdulillah. Alhamdulillah He gives us all these good, nice situations with nice, following the right nicest way you can find. Coming pure from Prophet (saws), and we are... After Allah you must thank also for who, like Prophet (saws), shukran Ya Rasulallah, for Mawlana also he gave us all this nice meetings and collecting all these people to teach them the right way - between all these wrong way - pure Islam, pure Tariqa. And he was doing his best, so we must be thanking for him every time - for Mawlana Sheikh.

Every time we are making dua Allah make his maqam higher and higher. Insha'Allah, because when he is becoming higher he is taking us also with him, giving more power, spiritual power also, to give power for our belief, our iman. Because iman, it is most important. Many surah in Quran, you are for this Arab, he said don't say we are becoming mu'min(believer). You are only Muslim. Because who says "Ash'hadu an la Ilaha illa Allah, wa ash'hadu ana Muhammadun 'abduhu wa Rasulu, become Muslim. Muslim, it is not iman - not coming yet to his heart. Iman, coming by this murshid and following the right way. But if you are not following this way, your whole life you are Muslim, you are Muslim but there is higher from being Muslim, to be Mu'min also, to be Awliya' Allah. So insha'Allah Mawlana we are thanking for him because he is supporting us spiritually to make our belief our iman stronger and stronger. Thank you for him. Al-hamdulillah wa Sh-shukrulillah

Wa min Allahi t-Tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

# 23. The Battle of Badr

#### Wednesday, July 16, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi Rasulillah, madad Ya Masha'ikhina, madad Ya Sh Abdullah Fa'izi d-Daghistani, madad Ya Mawlana Shaykh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tarigatuna s sobbah wa Lkhayru fi jam'iwa

Tariqatuna s-sohbah wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

The month of Ramadan is such a holy month, so many blessings are coming in this month. After the prophethood of our Master the Prophet (sas) it is such a holy month both spiritually and physically. The Qur'an also descended in this month. The first battle of Badr was in this month. It started on the 8th day of Ramadan, on the 17th day the actual battle took place. Allah, made His Prophet (sas) victorious against falsehood. Because, the Quraysh non-believers were not keeping quiet. They were envious of our Prophet (sas). They were looking for an chance to declare war and finish the job. Those idiots attempted to fight against Allah, right from the start. Although our Prophet(sas) invited them to Islam, they tried hard from the very beginning to get rid of him. They tried. They could not succeed. Finally, in this Battle of Badr, they came in full force. They united all their physical and material power.

Their commander, by Allah's hikmah/wisdom was Abu Jahl (Father of Ignorance)- so that it was obvious that they were on the wrong path. Their military commander was Abu Jahl. You know this: there was a caravan - Abu Sufyan made trade between Damascus and Mecca. The Muslims wanted to capture the riches of this caravan. But Abu Sufyan was a smart and a wicked man. He informed Quraysh that the Muslims will plunder our caravan. When they heard the news, they were just waiting for an excuse. They immediately put together an army of almost 1000 soldiers. They set out. After that, because Abu Sufyan was a wicked man he played another trick. He escaped and took a road, which the Muslims did not see. He sent the news to the unbelievers that you don't need to come, I am safe, I am coming. But the non-believers were just looking for an excuse to attack. Starting with Abu Jahl, they said 'No, we will go anyway. We've set out with all these soldiers. We'll finish them and come back. We will go to Badr, there we will sacrifice animals for our idols and drink wine. We will play and have fun then we will kill the Muslims and come back.'

The Battle of Badr is known as Yawmu I-Furqan. Furqan means, the day that separates/ discriminates. With Allah's permission although they had all that power, Muslim soldiers only had one shield and 2 horses. They (Quraish) had 100 horses, 600 shields. In the end, this is of course a very long story, in short, all the 60 sanabid Quraysh, meaning the wildest of the non-believers of Quraysh including Abu Jahl were killed by the Muslims at Badr. They threw all of them in the well. Our Prophet (sas) stood next to the well. He addressed them saying " O you, who are inside this well, have you seen what Allah says is Haqq/true? "We witnessed" said our Prophet (sas). He is Allah, you can not stand against Allah. Stop being stubborn. Be on the way of Allah. They went to hell. The Companions, who came with our Prophet (sas) 313 Sahaba/companions reached the highest maqam (rank). 14 Muslims were martyred. Their sins (the Muslim fighters) were forgiven, both the past ones and the future ones. This is special for the people of Badr only. There are also 313 Nabi Mursal (who had the rank of both Prophet and Messenger). There are 313 Awliya. They all reached that degree. They won because they were on the way of Haqq. They became beloved companions of our Prophet (sas); they all

became Allah's beloved servants.

With the barakah of Ramadan, the day of Badr is a beautiful day. The names of the sahaba/companions of Badr - if you put their names in your house, it blesses your houses. You can also find the printed version. With Allah's permission it protects. They are Allah's beloved servants, they have barakah. We pay respect to these people. You ask their barakah, madad. We as Ahli s-Sunnah wa Jamaat, this order comes directly from our Prophet (sas). The crazy sects of today, they don't pay respect. They will pass away without getting any respect.

Today we speak about Ramadan, it is very holy month and many good things happen in this month. Specially, Quran, Allah give in this month for Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam. Another, many things happened but there is a big, big victory for Islam - Badr. Badr, war of Badr. It is Yawm al-Furgan, they call it. For what 'furgan'? Making divide between kufr/unbeliever and believer. Very small quantity of Sahaba/Companions and Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam. It was beginning, this 8th of Ramadan, first because there was caravan from Quraysh going to Damascus, bringing many goods and this Quraysh was taking everything from (belonging to) the Muslims in Mecca. They were not giving what they have, so Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam said, we must take this (caravan) to give for these poor people because everything was taken by this Quraysh. And their commander, he was Abu Sufyan, for this caravan, and he was clever man. He quickly sent one man to Mecca to seek help. When coming to Mecca, he was crooked, that is, making play. He cut his shirt and cut nose of his camel and he said, 'Oh these Muslims were attacking me and attack our caravan, O people come, save your money, your goods'. So quickly, because these people they were very proud, very angry, Quraysh people, quickly, they come, nearly thousand people. And it was 100 horsemen, 700 camels, 600 (men with) shields. So they were going and the commander for these unbelievers he was the worst enemy for Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, Abu Jahl, Abu Jahl meaning, 'father of ignorance'.

Because he know but he not believe, so he is ignorant. Who they are not believer, they are ignorant, even if they are professors, or doctors, or teachers, or they know everything but still they are called by Allah -ignorant people. So quickly, being proud and angry, quickly, they went to meet, to fight against Islam because they were waiting to destroy Islam since Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam was in Mecca. Many times they want to take him out from his life, to finish everything but they couldn't, because they are ignorant - They not know Allah helping. So they went, but Abu Sufyan he was also a very clever man, he managed to run away from Muslims. He saved his caravan and sending news for this army

of unbelievers, for mushrik Quraysh, kuffar Quraysh, 'Don't come, no need to make war, I am safe'. But those who are proud and in anger, Abu jahl and his followers, they said, 'no, we must go and fight and destroy Islam and finish this and we will come, we will drink alcohol, we will make dance, ladies, play and make every bad thing. And after we finish from Muslims, after this we come back'.

They were ignorant people. So many things happened - this is long story. Many people they know. The end of this was that all these, Abu Jahl and 60 people like him, the worst enemy for Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, for Islam, they have been killed. And they were thrown into well, all of them, because to not be making illness or something, they throw them, nearly 60 or 70 people in well. After Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam come and tell them, 'O people in this well, you see now who Allah promised, it is right, you know this now,' and Alhamdulillah, we are knowing this and, 'this is your end'. Because after death, everybody, they will know the truth. Hazrat Ali many time was saying, 'People sleeping, when they die, they awake'. So these people, all people, they thought it is nothing, but when dying, they will be seeing everything and they will regret it or they will be happy.

So, it was like this. And many wisdoms from this war, especially for Muslims who was supporting Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam. 313 - the number of Prophet-Messengers (Nabi Mursal). They have, Allah sent 124,000 Prophets but the biggest ones, they are 313. So the Sahaba they were also there, the awliya also, they have this number.

And Allah forgave them for their sins, what they did before and what will be done after -It is only special for them and for Prophet sallallahu alaih wa sallam of course, yes, but for human being, only for this, because Allah forgive them for what before, what after. Must be make tauba, astaghfar. But for these Sahaba/companions, Allah give them this honour. And they are honourable and they have baraka. Even if something happened, you can read their name and get baraka for your house or you may write. Many writing name of these Sahaba. You can hang in your house and it is baraka for house, for every(thing). Allah honoured these people - Sahaba, Awliya, Prophet and we are Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jama'a, we believe for this. But nowadays there is wrong people, they are not respecting. If they are not respecting, they know Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, what he said for these mushrik in well, 'You see now what is right, what is wrong'. These people will see because Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam was honouring Sahaba, honouring prophets, honouring and giving respect for human beings and even for dead Muslim. Even if you find one bone, also, they have to respect. In hadith, Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam he said respect this bone - not awliya only - if he is Muslim you must respect for this. How people they are destroying Sahaba maqams, they are destroying every(thing) and they are saying this is not good, but this, many people like them, coming and going and it will be gone. For sake of Prophet, sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, we are In-sha'Allah with Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam. As he said, 'You see this and we see this'. Alhamdulillah.

Wa min Allahi t-taufiq. Al Fatiha.

### 24. l'tikaf

### Thursday, July 17, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad Ya RasulAllah, madad Ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad Ya Masha'ikhina,

madad Ya Sh Abdullah Fa'iz ad-Daghestani, madad Ya Mawlana Sh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani , dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

In-sha'Allah today again a blessed day of Ramadan. Our sohbah will be on Ramadan again. Today is the 19th, tomorrow is the 20th. There are 10 days left until the end of Ramadan. Our Master would roll up his bed when Ramadan started. He would sleep very little. He spent more time in worship. All that he did was to worship anyway, but then he would do more.

This is the month of abundance. Food for the body is not important. What is important is the food for the soul. That's why, this month gives strength to your soul. Even if you're hungry your soul is nurtured. After the 20th, i'tikaf is done. I'tikaf begins. I'tikaf is in the last 10 days of Ramadan. Our Prophet himself used to do it every year. There was one time he didn't do it because of war or something else. The next year he did his i'tikaf for 20 days. It is a very virtuous worship. If not even one man in a country does it, the people of that country will carry the guilt. If one person does it, all of them will be released from the duty of i'tikaf. If one doesn't, everyone will be guilty. This year shukr to Allah, more people everywhere doing it. It was less before. Now more people know. MashaAllah, it's done in many mosques. Everywhere, here and in Turkey, in Islamic countries i'tikaf is done. And i'tikaf should be done by men in a mosque, in a mosque where the adhan is called 5 times and the jama'at is coming. For women, it should be done in the home. They should do in their homes but for men, it can't be done at home. It is obligatory to do in a mosque, in a place where 5 prayers are made in order to be accepted. Otherwise not possible.

I'tikaf is of several types. I'tikaf done in Ramadan, the one done in the last 10 days, is the most virtuous and full of reward/thawab. But when you enter a mosque at any time, when entering you can make intention for i'tikaf. You should make an intention for i'tikaf for the whole year every time you enter the mosque. You receive that virtue. The virtue of that i'tikaf is big. If you want, you can do i'tikaf some other day, one day not in Ramadan. But as we said, the main i'tikaf is done in Ramadan, in the last 10 days. No need to wander outside the mosque. No need to talk about worldly things - just a little. You need to carry out Allah's orders more and talk about them. Read Qur'an, do tasbih. If worldly conversation is

limited, it is better. It's more virtuous without worldly talk. I'tikaf means sitting separately, and like seclusion, it is done to be closer to Allah, to be further from people and to be closer to Allah. The virtue of i'tikaf is very big. There is a Hadith Sharif about a man who does it. Hz Hussain the son of Hz Ali, the grandson of our Prophet, Shaheed/Martyr of Karbala said that someone who does i'tikaf receives the reward of 2 hajjs and 2 umras. Allah Azza wa Jalla gives that much reward for i'tikaf. And this is a gift from Allah to Muslim people.

May the i'tikaf of those who are doing it be blessed In-sha'Allah . May Allah favour us with it for many years. May Allah make it easy. May i'tikaf done this year add strength to Islam, to true Muslims, to Muslims on the right way, to Ahl-ul Sunnah wa-I Jama'a, to people of this Tariqa, which comes from our Prophet. Let us make an intention that people who are not on the right way come to it In-sha'Allah . They are deceived and may they not deceive us. May Allah protect all of us from their evil, from the evil of shaitan and from the evil of human shaitans. May we be under protection In-sha'Allah . May the i'tikaf of these people be blessed. May the maqam of our Sheikh increase. May his himmat/spiritual power be present In-sha'Allah .

Today also we are speaking about Ramadan. Ramadan is very holy month. You, we, are fasting. We are getting hungry. We are getting thirsty. We are feeling very tired. SubhanAllah, You are like this, you are very tired, very thirsty but when you put water after break-fast maghrib, quickly feel coming all your strength again for you. After 5 minute (you) become like before, better than before also. This is not

important to feed your body. Body, many people, they have very strong body. They make taking special medicine, special tablet and 8 hours going to gym to make funny shape for their body. It is not important. This is not giving you any benefit for akhira. Because after, in earth if you have made 16 hours in gym and your body like very strange shape, also this small worm they will eat you. This is not our aim. Our aim, when you are thirsty, you are hungry, you are tired in Ramadan, this is giving strength for your spiritual being. This, the most important thing is this.

Without the spiritual, you are nothing. No. And Allah give in Ramadan many things to do your feeling more stronger, more happy. Why? Because your spiritual going up. For this, you feel happiness. Happiness coming from spiritual not from to fill your stomach, to be fat or to be just eating for your body. No, for you must eat for your spiritual. Even when you are eating, this is for to be strong for worshipping for Allah. For this intention you must eat also.

Alhamdulillah, Ramadan nearly 2 parts finished, only 1 part - 10 days left. In Ramadan, Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, he was sleeping very little. And when coming the last 10 days, he taking his bed, nearly close it, but he stayed in the mosque making i'tikaf. I'tikaf meaning to stay in the mosque for last 10 days of Ramadan. Prophet,

sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, every year he was doing this. Once (when) he was in war not doing, second (the next) year he make it 20 days. Because he couldn't do one Ramadan so he was doing 20 days (double). But normally doing only 10 days, last 10 days of Ramadan. And it is obligatory for - if some country, there is Muslim country, city - even one man do this, it is enough for other people. Or if not doing in this city this one man, all these Muslim in this area, they are blamed for not doing. But if one man, it is enough. But alhamdulillah now we see many people doing this. Before it was very rare. Now alhamdulillah many people, they like to do i'tikaf. And i'tikaf, it is to be in mosque where praying 5 times and making adhan and praying 5 times. You can make i'tikaf - I'tikaf only in mosque. You cannot, for men, you cannot do in house. But for ladies, they must do in their house. How to do i'tikaf? They making niyah after maghrib or after fajr, from fajr. They nawait-ul i'tikaf and sitting in mosque not going out, only for wudu or for eating and so not speaking many thing for enjoying like every day speaking. If they in need for speaking, they can speak. But not making like coffee shop, you're speaking with friend or... No. Just sitting and making... You can read a book from words of awliya or sahaba or Prophet's, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, Hadith or Qur'an of course you must read. You make, you read tasbih, tahlil. 10 days like this. Not going out of area of mosque.

This is for Ramadan but for i'tikaf, it is also you can do i'tikaf every time. When you are coming to mosque, you make an intention nawait-us sunnat-ul i'tikaf, Allah give you, reward you for this. After Ramadan you can sit 1 day in mosque for i'tikaf also. But most important one Ramadan i'tikaf because Prophet (sas) doing this. But for others also Allah give opportunity to do, to take from His Mercy, from His Generosity. Every time He is doing, giving you opportunity to do, to take from His endless treasures. He said "Take it".

But you people lazy to take it. Even when you are coming to mosque, you can say nawaitus sunnat-ul i'tikaf. In many Turkish mosques, they have everything, in coming in door, with the writing to remind you: Nawait-us sunnat-ul i'tikaf.

Alhamdulillah Ramadan very blessed, very nice, very beautiful month. And many people, they are doing now i'tikaf. In-sha'Allah to be intention for them to keep real Muslim, ahlus Sunnah wa-I Jam'at Muslim, tariqat Muslim, safe from fitna of this time and to make Allah Azza wa Jalla give hidaya/guidance these, to these people they are going out of right way of Islam - to make them to come back In-sha'Allah . Because they are cheated and they are not knowing. Like we are saying, Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, when they were harming him, they were not knowing. They are (if they were) knowing they will (would) be in this way In-sha'Allah .

Allah make Mawlana's daraja/degree higher and higher and to look, to make him look for us all the time with His mercy and His power In-sha'Allah and to support us In-sha'Allah.

Bi hurmati Ramadan,

bi hurmati Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam,

bi hurmati s-surat-ul Fatiha.

## 25. Laylat al-Qadr

### Friday, July 18, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati As'habi Rasulillah, madad ya Masha'ikhina fi t-Tariqati n-Naqshbandiya madad ya Mawlana Sh Abdullah Fa'iz ad-Daghistani, madad ya Sh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Inshallah these holy days, beautiful days by the himmah/spiritual power of our Sheikh all these people are gathering. Their power is increasing. Day by day their power is increasing. Now we are in the last 10 days of Ramadan. In the past, in old mosques, they had a beautiful custom, called Farewell. They used to read farewell poems, sing songs (qasida) As if we are saying farewell to someone or something we love when he is leaving. Every year people used to read farewell poems, sing songs (qasida) in the last days of Ramadan, in tarawih. May Allah let all of us reach so many more Ramadans inshallah. Inshallah the people, who come to hidayat/guidance increase. The way of the Sheikh is the way of light and way of Haqq/Truth. Inshallah there will be lots of people coming to hidayat. Next week we have Laylatul Qadr as it is usually on the 27th. Our Master (sas) says: it can be in any day of the year but it is usually in Ramadan. It is more often after the 20th day of Ramadan - It is more often in those nights.

Sometimes it can be within the 1st of Ramadan until the 20th but usually, like our Master (sas) said: it can be in the last 10 days. It is usually on odd numbers such as 21, 23, 25, 27, 29. Allah Azza wa Jalla has hidden the day as we said before. So consider each night as if it were Laylatul Qadr . The respected ones said like that. Consider everyone as Khidr, do not disrespect people. Do not look down on people, do not underestimate anyone. Allah Azza wa Jalla... Khidr can take any form. Anyway, sometimes you meet him in the shape of a human being. They said this so that you will have good manners with everyone. The same for Laylatul Qadr, because... the most precious night is Laylatul Qadr. Laylatul Qadr is the night when the Quran was sent. "It is better than one thousand night" He says -Ayatul karima. Only the night of Mawlid can be like that night. Sulaiman Chelebi Hz said this in his poem - the Mawlid. He calls Laylatul Qadr "the most similar to it" to the night our Prophet (sas), was born. It means that this night can take you to any kind of happiness. For this reason "in these last ten days, search for it!" says our Master(sas) in a Hadith. Most of the time these nights are short. You wake up for tahajjud and the night ends quickly. Inshallah that barakah will descend on us.

Also we have the zakat issue. Zakat is given once a year. The reason why we give it in Ramadan is so we do not forget. That's why they said it in Ramadan. Before (Ramadan) zakat was a fard, obligation. there was zakatul fitr, in Turkish - Fitre. It was paid in Ramadan, that's why we give zakat during Ramadan. What we call zakatul fitr like our Master (sas) informed us in the hadith "the fasting of Ramadan stays in between heaven and earth, when we give zakatul fitr it ascends to Allah. Allah accepts it (the fasting)."

Everybody has to give it. The poor ones, the rich ones, everyone will give. How will the poor give? The rich gives the poor his zakatul fitr, from that the poor gives fitr. That means the fitr, the rich gives is not the same as the fitre the poor gives. As we said, Allah does not burden anyone, with more than he can carry. Allah is merciful. That's why, for

all the members of the family - you have to give for your children as well - You have to give fitre for everyone. As we said the poor ones can give 3 lira or 5 lira. For the rich 20 lira or more. 20 lira is not much

for a rich person. There is no limit. The more he gives, the more blessings are given to him. If he thinks to be stingy and give 15 lira instead of 20 he will not gain anything. Instead of 20 liras, if he gives 50 liras the reward of fitre is big. Because you can give fitre until the prayer of Eid. You can give until eid morning. If ou don't it is not fitre anymore, it is considered as sadaqa. The reward of sadaqa is different. The reward of zakatul fitr is different. There is a big difference between them. Between Fard, wajib, sunnah, nafila, there is a big difference. If you pray fard prayers, if you pray the nafila and do not make intention for fard the responsibility of fard prayer remains. That's why you have to intend for fard, in fard prayers. Then you can get its reward. There is a great reward for it.

These are the gifts of Allah, spiritual food. Allah gives us all these beauties. The unbelievers, who are not on the right path even if they are rich, they spend money in shopping centers, markets. They waste money. There is no gain, they don't gain anything. Their souls are going deeper into darkness. They are more stressed. They think with money, this and that, they can be happy. But on the contrary, they are not aware that they torture themselves. The right way is the way of Islam - the way Allah shows, the way Allah offers us. Buyurun alin diyor - Allah (awj) says "Here you are, take it." He does not leave anyone out, he invites everyone in. "W Allahu yad'u ila dari s-salam" (10:25) Allah invites everyone to peace, the land of peace. This way is leading to the land of peace. You are winning in so many ways on this path. Otherwise if you fight with Allah, you always lose, you cannot win anything.

Today Juma mubarak day, Friday, and Ramadan also. Now coming the most holy night around the year, Night of Qadr, Laylatul Qadr. It is night which Qur'an, Allah sent Qur'an to Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, this night. It is very valuable, the most valuable night in Qur'an also. It is better than a thousand months. He said, Suratul Qadr, Allah explained how it is. Thousand months nearly I think 80 years. So it is better than meaning - from whole life - one night, it is better from whole life for mankind. It is valuable like this and Allah gave this night for believer Muslim, mumin. But not saying which night exactly. But mostly coming in 27th of Ramadan. Prophet said many years coming in this night. But it is all around year also - you can find it sometimes. But mostly in Ramadan. From beginning of Ramadan until end of Ramadan. But also Prophet says, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, look for this night after 20<sup>th</sup> of Ramadan. Especially in the single (odd) nights like 21, 23, 25, 27, 29. It must be this night. Why Allah hide it like this? Because to give value for every night - to be seeing every night you think it is Night of Qadr, to make worship, to respect this night. Every night you must be worshipping you don't make wrong thing. Because night, it is every bad thing in nighttime, coming more and more. Every badness, it is mostly coming nighttime. For this, Allah also hide this night to be, to not do wrong things in this night, every night around the year.

There is saying for valuable people from masha'ikh, to think every night like Night of Qadr and to think every man, every human being to be like Khidr. Khidr alaihi salam is coming around people (with) different shape. So somebody not happy with somebody and he swore on him or he make bad thing for him, after he find who this he was Khidr. How he will be ashamed. So for this to respect mankind, Allah made him to go around people. And these Masha'ikh say look for everybody like Khidr - to respect human being. Allah teaching by Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam, by His awliya how to be good mannered, to good behave for people, for community. And another subject in this end of Ramadan also, there is zakatul fitr, meaning we give zakat. Not this for money (wealthy), this for everybody, for poor or for not poor, rich people - for everybody. How poor people they will give? Because they must. Rich people give to poor people and they can take from this giving for their fitr. And this is, Prophet sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam saying, for fasting. It is when you fast, it is on up (it stays) between the sky and earth. To give (by giving) this sadaqa it going to heaven, your fasting. So it is important. And it was before zakat, before ordering zakat in Ramadan. So for this, zakat also they give in Ramadan.

But this is for everybody. You can give - poor people - little quantity. But for rich men, it is between 20 Lira or less little bit, 15 or 20, but if you give more it is better. Because Allah accept it like zakatul fitr and it is (bringing more) rewarding more than normal sadaqa. And it must be before salatul Eid. If make it before, it is accepted as zakatul fitr. But if not given, give after salat, praying, Eid praying, it is (becomes) normal sadaqa. And it is two different very comparing, sadaqa or to give zakatul fitr. Obligatory is very high reward from Allah. If other, little. So In-sha'Allah they are happy to be in this good way, light way. Lights. Allah give lights for everybody. And when you give sadaqa or zakat or what Allah orders, you take burden from your shoulders. It is like making you heavy this. But you when you give it, you are coming free and you feel better. Because it is spiritual power. What you do for Allah, Allah

gives you spiritual power. And when you have spiritual power, you'll be more happy, more light and more good with your people, your community. But other people who are not liking this way, they are trying their best to be happy, to be making themselves happy.

But when they are making wrong things, it is coming more heavy and heavy for them. Not, they cannot be strong spiritually. Spiritually only with worshipping you can do this. But other they are trying. They are

not knowing Allah is not happy with them. And He is not help them. Only when they are making each step they are doing wrong coming heavy for them. Coming heavy for them until they become unlighted,

darkness from their face, from their heart; spiritually darkness for them. And they are miserable in this life and after this life.

Allah give them hidayat/guidance and Allah In-sha'Allah this with Mawlana Sheikh's baraka more and more people coming. Because his way, it is open way, not closed. And he make this way will be grow and grow and grow because right way. Or who is coming out of this way, they will come In-sha'Allah to be most powerful again, In-sha'Allah , for Islam, for Ahlu s-Sunnah wa I-Jam'at, for Naqshbandi tariqa In-sha'Allah

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

### 26. The Sweet Life

### Monday, July 21, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadat As'habi Rasululla

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadat As'habi Rasulullah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullahi d-Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

In sha Allah, beautiful associations are happening. These gatherings are good associations, MashaAllah! There is goodness in gathering people together. Recently someone was saying: What we are doing? We are fasting, we are praying, morning, noon, afternoon, evening, night (prayers). We spend our day like this. The second day is like this, the third same.

Days are passing. What else is there to be done? There is nothing else to do better than this. Shukr Allah, He has given us everything. We are spending our time with prayer, worship, and fasting. This is the best way (to spend time). This life (style) Allah loves, our Prophet loves, hayatun tayyiba (good life), this is the clean life. The believer, when the time of one prayer passes, he longs to meet the next. These are the servants Allah loves, our Prophet loves. Prayer is finished, they wait for the next prayer coming. They are the beloved servants of Allah. And for the servant Allah loves, the most desirable aim to reach in this world is the Rida (pleasure) of Allah, so they reach it. That is something beautiful. People are not aware of this thing, the meaning of this life. The reason they are living for, people are not aware of it. Life is not for your pleasure, desires, or to go after the wants of the ego. Allah didn't create you for this. Allah created you, and we say that He is giving your provision. You are eating, then you are praying, you are doing your work, that is also for Allah's Rida. You are doing all these so that it helps bless your provision/rizg. If you work to obtain rizg for your children, so that they can have halal food, this is also counted as praying. Then you pray and one after one you pray five time prayers, that's all. "Wa ma khalaqtu l-jinna wa l-insa illa liya'buduni"(51:56) says Allah Azza wa Jalla, "I created men and jinn so that they worship Me," says Allah Azza wa Jalla. For nothing else. When our Prophet was tired, he used to pray. The time of prayer was coming, he used to say to Hazrat Bilal (ra), "Arihna ya Bilal" - "Give us respite, Ya Bilal. Make us relieved". That is to say: "Call the adhan so we can pray and be relieved." A holy one used to say to his servant when he had difficulties: "Let me make ablution and pray two rakaats to be relieved." Comfort and beauty lies with the Rida/Pleasure of Allah. And this is the way Sheikh Effendi showed us, the way of our Prophet. This way is more clear/open in the days of Ramadan. It is happiness for us, Shukr Allah.

We say shukr, we are thanking Allah. We are thanking our Prophet, and thanking awliya that they didn't leave us to our nafs/egos. They accepted us to follow them. Today we speak about somebody saying, nearly, not knowing what is best but, saying we are eating, drinking, and after we pray fajr, zuhr. After fajr coming zuhr, after zuhr, asr, maghrib, isha. Going like this and days same. It is going like monotone. Same, monotonous. Alhamdulillah, if it is like this we are very happy. It must be like this. This is what Allah ordered for people to do. It is not wrong, it is -Alhamdulillah. Nothing wrong with this. This is the sweet life. This is what Allah ordered. To do what He want, it is to be beloved for him. And this is what is the aim of our life, to make Allah happy with us, not to be angry. It is aim of life to obey Allah Azza wa Jalla and obey Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam. What he show us - this right way and this nice, sweet life.

When you do this, you be light. Light coming on you and darkness going away. Even in middle of day if darkness coming on somebody he is miserable, he is very sad. Nothing can make him happy because they don't know aim of life. They thought they are coming just to enjoy themself and it is only this. No, this, to enjoy themself, for life to enjoy, only for animal. They are not enjoying, even, they are just enjoying to eat and drink and to grow it. After they will slaughter and they will be.. They are not worried. They don't know why they are coming but even these animal, they know their Creator, Allah Azza wa Jalla, and they are worshipping, making tasbih for Him. For every animal, every creature, they are praising Allah Azza wa Jalla. Only mankind, they are not obeying. The most of mankind, they are un-obeying for Allah, (not) obeying for Allah. They are thinking they have mind and they want to measure this by their mind. How we can measure this? Before 50 years, people were thinking very different from now. Before 100 years, it was completely different from these days. Before 200 years... so you cannot say: my mind it is good. After you people will come they will say you were crazy to think like this. So Allah show the best way what to do. And His order, Allah saying, I create human being and jinn to be worshipping for Him. Alhamdulillah, when you do worshipping you see - if you are tired, you be relaxed.

Prophet (sas) when he was tired or something nearly time of praying, he was saying to Bilal Habashi the muezzin, (radiallahu anhu), 'O Bilal, make us to be relaxed, make Azan to pray'. When they are praying, they are feeling stronger, more. When somebody of big awliya also sometimes he was not happy, quickly asking for servant, bring water to make wudu, and I will pray 2 rakat. This, what not good only, it is going quickly. So to pray and to worship, it is the best way to be happy here and hereafter.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

## 27. The Biggest Favour

### Tuesday, July 22, 2014.

As-salamu alaikum.Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim.

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faizi d-Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah wa Ikhayru fi jam'iyya.

There are various types of people in this world. Allah created them different but didn't grant guidance to all of them. Even those who are given guidance, who reached the right religion, run after this world. They left the way of Allah and are following the way of dunya. Allah didn't create us to follow this world. If you go after this world, you should do it for provision; in order to eat halal, to strengthen your body, for the guidance and goodness of your children, for the pleasure of Allah. But anyway Allah gives your rizq/provision to you. He gives blessings. You can manage with just little. If they're blessed a man can do with just little. His stomach will be full, he'll have a house and everything, and he will live in comfort.

All the deeds of a Muslim, the one who follows the way of Allah, are good says our Prophet. He says Muslims are astonishing, I am astonished by their condition. Allah has made all their deeds to be good. Everything they do is good for them, it becomes blessed, it becomes beautiful. Even troubles turn out to be good for them eventually. Other things that they may not like, become means for goodness. That's why, the more Muslims are on the way of Allah and try to do what He commanded, the better it is for them. Sheikh Effendi used to say that being alive to say la ilaha illAllah once in a year is better than lying a year in the grave. Because Allah Azza wa Jalla gives its sawab/reward from His own treasures. He grants goodness then. No need to wish for a person to pass away when he is sick. There can't be such a wish for Allah. We should wish for Allah to give peace and health of faith. That's it. Though there are many sick people, Sheikh Effendi used to say that having a breath with faith is better than lying in the grave. May those sick ones be patient. When Allah gives it, when their death comes, they will go with patience, and reach goodness again.

Certainly in akhirah and in the grave reward is still given. If a man leaves teachings or good children behind him and they pray after him, it is still very useful. The goodness of it reaches the man anyway. If he makes a fountain or a mosque, or leaves something useful for Muslims, his book of deeds will be open until qiyama. Goodness will be written in it. He will have his sawab. But as we say, while a man is living, he should think about akhira as well. He should know the value of each moment. Each breath, each bite, each drop of water is sawab for Muslims. As we said, from the moment one gets up in the morning, he should make intention that everything to be for Allah. His every step will bring goodness with Allah's permission. Of course, Muslim people don't go to casinos or pubs, or any bad paths. If they go, this isn't for the pleasure of Allah. But a normal Muslim doesn't go there.

Work he does, a path he walks, people he visits, everything he does brings goodness for him for pleasing Allah.

The treasures of Allah don't finish. Allah is the most generous of all and He loves generous ones. That's why, He gives these grants to His Muslim servants. That's why, you must know their value while you are alive. Don't forget everything and Allah. Always remember Allah. As you remember Allah, He remembers you. All your work will be beautiful, good. Your sawab will increase. Your book of deeds will be full. Allah created human beings and He gave them understanding to know good from bad things. But many people, most human beings are out of the right way of Allah. Allah showed the good and right way, but people they are not accepting this. Even when they are born as Muslims and on the right way. Most of them also they leave the right way. They are thinking - "these who are not believing are better than us." And they try to do like them. And then they are ashamed, some of them, that they are Muslims. Many people are ashamed to pray, to look like Muslims. They try to imitate non-Muslim people. But Allah gave the best favours to these people. Other people they don't have this chance. Alhamdulillah we are born from Muslim fathers, Muslim mothers. Most of us, but some also Allah give hidaya/gift for many people Alhamdulillah with the baraka of Mawlana Sheikh. And this favour it is the biggest favour, good for human beings. Prophet (saws) he was saying "I am wondering for these mu'mins. All what he does it is going for good. Everything he does Allah makes it good for him." Even he has bad accident or some illness or desires. Any bad thing happens to him, or any good thing happens to him all coming and at the end it is good for him. Allah rewarding him. Because this life it is a very short life, but mu'min every chance, Allah gives it for the mu'mins/believers. And Mawlana he was saying when you are alive and saying "La Ilaha illa Allah" is better than 1000 years underground dead. So you must take this opportunity to do the best for yourself. For your Akhira, for your life, real life. Everything you do, you must make intention for Allah. Even if you go from your house to work, to any place. From morning you say "Bismillah r-Rahman r-Rahim, I intend to do all in this day for Allah." Allah will reward you for everything you do.

Of course normal mu'min he is not going to go to pub or go to gambling or go to bad place. So normal, everywhere he all day until he goes to sleep Allah will reward him for what he does. For himself. And when you will sleep also make 2 rakaat and pray, make dua, read some Surah of Quran and then sleep. All night also Allah rewards you for this also. So all your life you will be insha'Allah rewarded by Allah and you become beloved person for Him. And this is what we need. What our soul, our... everything in our body - when the soul is good everything it will be good. But when your heart, your soul is not good everything it will be bad. So Alhamdulillah Allah (awj) He gave us the chance to be alive and can do every good. So insha'Allah we are happy. We are thanking Him for this and we are praying to make us go in this way, not changing our way. And keep us away from every badness, every bad thing, every bad people. For the sake of Allah, for Ramadan and for Mawlana Sheikh.

Bi Hurmati l-Fatiha.

## 28. For The Sake of Allah

### Wednesday, July 23, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faizi d-Daghestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim alHaqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

We reached the holy days, shukr to Allah. This night is holy too. May its blessings be upon us In sha Allah. Allah knows of course which night it is. The Sahabas (Companions) asked our Prophet(saw) which night it is. He said sometimes it is the 23<sup>rd</sup>. When others asked - 24<sup>th</sup>, and so on... It varies of course. As it's not the same every year. It is not clear. It's hidden, but if we do with the intention of it, its blessings will be upon us In sha Allah. Show respect for that night. Awliya, our Prophet, Sahabas respected this night. We shall respect it too and revive with the intention of the Night of Power- Laylatul Qadr tonight In sha Allah. May it be good, blessed and may it reach many.

How is the Night of Power? Our Master said sometimes it's rainy, sometimes not. All of it is right. Because as it is not on the same day, it happens on different days. Different manifestations appear. That's why, it is necessary to assume every night is the Night of Power and respect it at least a little. It's necessary to be careful about yourself, to respect the night and protect yourself from sins, to worship Allah, to donate on the way of Allah. There are many things Allah loves and the most loved thing is generosity. Allah bestows on those who feed others. He looks at them with the eyes of mercy and grants them. Once Hz. Ali didn't have food at home. An ayat from Qur'an came down about him then (76:7-11). Of course, in old times the Sahabas and our Prophet didn't run after money. So when they had money, they'd give it away as sadaga or charity. Sometimes they'd be left with nothing. So in such time Hz. Hassan and Hz. Huseyn were hungry. Hz. Ali sold something and bought flour with it. He made some bread and when they sat to eat, there was a knock at the door. A poor man came. Hz. Ali had made 3 breads. He had made 3 for his children and himself. When there was knocking at the door, he gave 2 away to the poor man. So children were left with only 1 bread and there was nothing for him.

Same thing the next day. Same thing on the third day. Afterwards, he attained such a big sawab/reward that an ayat in Qur'an came down for them (76:7-11). They were people who loved feeding poor people. They were fearing Allah. They were giving for the sake of Allah. They didn't expect thanks in return. They expected neither money, nor thanks for the things they did. Of course, it'd be good if people thanked them.

They didn't want even that. If you feed someone, it should be nice and welcoming to eat. It is a table of Allah. A table of Allah. Eat so that it be strength for you and faith for us In-sha'Allah our faith gets stronger. The most disliked thing by Allah Azza wa Jalla is expecting something in return for doing something. Of course, you expect its return from Allah. This can be expecting thanks from the one you did goodness to. Say "not at all". But they don't want thanks or even higher ranks. They do it, sincerely, for the sake of Allah, the Purest. They say "no need for thanks". But there are some people who ask for something in return. It is said in Glorious Qur'an that their deeds are void then (2:264). If you ask something in return, you say "I did it, see what I did for you", that goodness won't be accepted. You are saying to someone you don't know, that he's eating your food. Don't say. It's not a nice characteristic. You give for the sake of Allah, that's nice. Don't spoil that thing. Say: Eat for Allah, enjoy it. Wish that it becomes light and faith.

It is loved by our Prophet to give food to all, to poor people, to visitors; both to rich and poor. There are people who give food only to rich men for showing off. They don't care about poor ones. It's not nice either. You should give to everyone. Give both to rich and poor. Let your table be open. May Allah grant blessings In-sha'Allah . Alhamdulillah, tonight we are reaching Lailatu I-Qadr, the most holy night. The 27<sup>th</sup> of Ramadan, the famous for Lailatu I-Qadr but it is not every year coming. Many year coming in 27th, but most of the time coming but many time coming from other days also. Sometimes Sahaba, they were asking Prophet(saw), when Lailatu I-Qadr? Sometimes he said 23<sup>rd</sup>. Next time other people asking, 24th he said. They ask how it look like? He said, it must be raining. Next year asking - it is not raining. Because all his saying, they must be true, - because this night changing. Not in one certain night but it's changing. So Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam every time was saying different thing, so. But he is never telling Sahaba even which night it is. But when he said, in this night, make this dua', Allahumma inni as'aluka lafuww wa l-afiyah Allahumma inni as'aluka l-afuww wa l-afiyah. This is the best dua, praying to forgive us. Allah forgive us and give us health. This is the most important thing to think, for mu'min, for human being. Afuww meaning, you must be in right way, so Allah is happy with you and He forgive you. And other, to be in good health. The most precious thing in this life, these two things. Other it is coming, going, but if you have this you be happy, no problem for you. And Allah Azza wa Jalla and Prophet sallallhu alaihi wa sallam, they like generous, specially to give food for people. And Sayyidina Ali, karram Allahu wajh, Allah make ayah in Quran for them (Surah Insan:7-11) and his wife Fatimatu z-Zahra (ra), for her children also, because once they were making bread. They were not eating many thing because they are not looking for money, Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam or Sahaba, even if they have money, quickly they give for sadaga, for people. So after, they cannot find sometimes something to eat. Once, like this time Sayyidina Ali has nothing. He went to sell something from his house to bring food for children. In day, Sayyidatuna Fatimatu z-Zahra(ra), she had cooked 3 bread, two for them and one for children. When they want to eat, the door, it was knocked. Somebody coming, 'I am very hungry, I am dying from hunger, please give me for sake of Allah'. Quickly they give two, what they will eat, for them, bread for this man.

Next day like this, third day like this, and after Allah sent ayat, surah for this, in Quran (76:7-11), commending these people. They are liking to feed people and they don't want anything from these people who they are feeding, even no thanks. They don't want (them) even to thank them for this. This we are giving for sake of Allah and we are afraid from the Last Day, very heavy day, this is Qiyamah, Yawm alQiyamah. But Allah, He give them Paradise. And He give them shade in Paradise and cool thing, very nice place for them. So even when they are doing this Allah rewarding them until Qiyamah. Everybody read this surah (Insan 76) they remember them. Sayyidina Ali and his family, karamAllahu wajh, radiallahu anha.

So when you give food you must give for Allah, for poor people - even it is not important poor, not poor people - everybody, you can give. But don't do something (so that) it is for your good-doing. What is this? Say, 'oh look, I give you this, it is my food, you must be happy for me, I am doing this'. This is what Allah, He not liking this. In Quran also, He said, these people who doing this, they spoil what good thing they have done (2:264). So only, you are giving and giving, shaitan and your ego to spoil your good-doing. Just, when you give, you must be happy these people eating and Allah sending for you. And Allah can. Many people, rich people they have not million, they have billion, they cannot do what one normal man doing for people. They have everything, money, but they cannot give. So you must be happy Allah can let you to make all these good things. So don't be foolish to make your good thing to go for nothing. So just give and be happy when those people eating. Prophet(saw) was saying when you make soup put one pot of water on it and keep for more people.

Give for your neighbour, for other, because when you put water, it may, with this food, it will be more and more. And Maulana also he was liking to feed people. Some people they coming midnight. When he was strong because we were sleeping, or Hajja Anne was sleeping, he give them special by his hand, he prepared food for them. And Alhamdulillah, this is baraka. Allah give In sha Allah, to give us this baraka for whole life In-sha'Allah we can feed people. Everything, it is not so difficult when Allah want, In sha Allah, for everybody, one, two. When we was in Damascus, we was as small children. That time, it was not like this. Many people know, that is, all guest coming, few guests maybe in one week coming 7, 8 or 10 people, so Hajja Anne she was cooking and there was 4 people around us 'Go you give, take for this lady, take this, this for old man', she was giving. If no guest in house, every time she was sending this. And Alhamdulillah, now growing, In-sha'Allah for Maulana, for whole world he was enough. From each, very far country by his baraka they had something to eat.

Alhamdulillah, this is favour from Allah. Alhamdulillah, Allah continue this baraka, for him, for us, for all our followers, In-sha'Allah. Give more and more and more, give them baraka, In-sha'Allah.

#### Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

### 29. Bad Thoughts

#### Thursday, July 24, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faizi Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

In-sha'Allah ,we'll have beautiful gatherings. May all of us get benefit from the goodness of these holy days In sha Allah. When a man decides to do good, many obstacles arise. But when he goes to do something bad, he can do it easily because there are no obstacles. Moreover, there are things that encourage this. His ego, desire, shaitan don't create obstacles for him in doing bad. However, Allah Azza wa Jalla has shown a way against them. He has shown very beautiful ways for a man to fight against them, not to follow and not to become a slave to them. There are bad thoughts. This is a bad thing, but this is because Allah gave man a mind to think and act which other creatures don't have, only man. Jinn and angels also have it. Allah won't let angels do bad. They are completely innocent and don't

interfere with badness. Jinn are like people. They can be good ones or bad ones. If a man intends and decides to do something bad, but doesn't do it and stops, it will not be counted as a sin. Moreover, he will get rewarded for it. But of course, his ego and shaitan keep giving bad thoughts to that man. They want him to do and think bad, think impossible things. And how do people do this? Our Prophet says that there's no sin in what enters a man's heart or, his bad thoughts unless he says it and does it. No sin for him because it's not in his control. It's given. Different people, if they look, even at a stone, they will think about different things. If they look at something, they remember something else. That's why Allah has forgiven them for it. He doesn't allow angels to record it as a sin or a fault. But when they do what they think about, they commit a sin. Moreover, they should keep their thought to their self, for it is only when they speak about it, it becomes a sin. It remains inside and disappears. However, when you speak about it to everyone, you commit a sin and put bad thoughts and ideas into other people's minds. Bury them and let them go. Allah has forgiven them. Remain calm. People must not think it's a sin, when they think about this and that. No, it's not a sin. Our Prophet says it's not a sin. Bad thoughts, memories, whatever comes to your mind, they are not sins, unless you say you think such and such. Then you are committing a sin. You're committing a sin and harming yourself. When you talk about your thought it gets bigger. Otherwise it remains inside. Many bad thoughts come, nothing can happen from them. Be relaxed. Its good tidings from our Prophets(saw)

Think whatever you want. Important, it remains covered, let it go. We are, Alhamdulillah, in the holy days, the end Ramadan, one month nearly finished. Last night was Lailatu l-Qadr. Alhamdulillah, Allah give all this favour for us and we are thankful to Him. He is showing us the nice way, and nice action, and nice life, what we may do. Of course shaitan and his followers, when you want to do a good thing, they try very hard to not let you do good things. It is difficult to do good things, what Allah likes, what Prophet likes, all the time it is difficult, not easy. Even calling jihad and to fight against your ego, against shaitan, to be mujahid. Many times in Quran, that you must fight against them because they are making war on you. The most terrible enemy who now, in the world? Many bad people, many terrorist people, many tyrants. Which one the most terrible enemy? Not one of them, only your ego. The most terrible enemy for you, your ego. If you are winning on your ego, everything, it is easy, nothing can make you afraid from it. And most terrible ego, if you win on it, you are hero. But if you are fighting against people and your ego owning you and controlling you, you are nothing. Allah shows many ways to help you against shaitan, against ego and to be in right way. They are fighting, they are trying very hard. Allah also shows a way against them. Specially they are making bad thought in your mind, in your heart. Because human beings, Allah give them mind to Allah think. Allah give for jinn also because created many creations. animals, fish, birds. Everything Allah created but only He give mind for human beings, and for jinn, and for angels. But angels, they are innocent, Allah made them to not do anything wrong. Only they are worshipping and doing what Allah wants from them. For human beings and jinn, they have good and bad. And good ones, they are obeying Allah and Prophet and awliya. The bad ones are following their ego. So Allah shows us and helps us with what you think in your mind and in your heart, bad thoughts. To try to do something, to make a plan to do a bad thing but when you don't do this, Allah even is rewarding you, when you are not doing this. Many people, all people have these bad thoughts. Unless you are doing what this bad thought is telling you, or following this, nothing, it is not bad. Allah forgives for this. But if you do this bad thought, Allah punishes you. But if you're not doing, Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, he said it's nothing, ok, don't be worried for this.

If you think a bad thought and told people, it is also not good, so you can be punished for this. The bad thoughts you have come from each side, from everything. Even you look at a wall, you think a bad thought. You look at a stone, your thought every time is coming from each side, every side. Many thoughts, so don't be worried for this. You only forget this. Even you mustn't say with your tongue. Just don't care for what you thought, about this bad thought. This comes from shaitan, from ego, from everywhere. So, no problem for this. Problem, to tell people or to write or to do what you thought. Why it is like this? Because it is first harming you, before other people. But when you forget it, it is like you put it in a grave and threw dust on it, it finishes. Everv this, time you do it is going away from you, heaviness. But if you tell people, 'I thought like this, I thought like t his, bad thought', no need for this, harming you and harming people. So Prophet (saw) giving good tidings that it is nothing, don't be worried. Allah will not punish you for your thought. At least, until you do a bad thing, action. For thought without coming on your tongue, or your hand, or your action, it is nothing. Alhamdulillah, this is good tiding against shaitan and his followers.

Wa min Allahi t-taufiq. Al Fatiha.

## 30. Khalifatu l-Mu'minin

### Friday, July 25, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadat-i As'habi Rasulullah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faizi d-Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur! Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

This is the last Friday of Ramadan. May its goodness, blessings be upon us, and on the Ummah/Nation of Muhammad! May Allah send to all Ummah of Muhammad, a leader. Now the Eid is coming but we see in most places it is not like Eid but death is raining on people, bombs are falling. If it is asked why it is like this - there is no head, Muslims don't have a leader. There is no Khalifa. The khalifa was with the Ottomans. Nowadays men from here or there are emerging to claim "I am Khalifa, I am this!" No you are not Khalifa. The Khalifa rules with justice. The Khalifa can't be elected by a committee of black birds. The religion of Islam is not a toy/game. By the Will of Allah, it has been 100 years, it is almost 100 years that there is no Khalifa Because when Ittihat and Terakki (who became Young Turks) was ruling, then the Khalifa had no more authority to rule. By Allah's Will it has been 100 years, for the appearance of Mahdi alaihi s-salam, corruption is everywhere, fighting, killing is everywhere. Who is dying, who is killing, no need for why. May Allah be pleased with them, our Palestinian brothers when something is happening mashaAllah they shout their voices high. But in other places there are even more people dying, no one knows about them. Troubles are everywhere, not only in the Muslim community, all Muslims are in trouble. Troubles are everywhere, because there is no Khalifa for Muslims. All become contemptible/oppressed - They have no value. They are being shot, being killed, no one is interfering.

They are just shouting, screaming (in vain) but no result, no conclusion. As our Sheikh Effendi said, not by shouting, screaming, but all Muslims should pray/ask the Lord in mosques and in their homes - May Allah send us a Khalifa, so that he may save us from all these troubles and contempt. Because the nation of unbelief is one. The oppression shedding Muslim blood, are all together bound to each other. Muslims are killing with no need. Those who are killing Muslims belong to them(world of unbelief). They shouldn't think that because they are calling themselves Muslim they are safe. No they are in same category (killing Muslims).

May Allah protect us from all this mischief and corruption, in the whole Islamic world. Because Muslims, no matter where they are, they can feel the pain and troubles of the other Muslims. All Muslims must ask for a Master from Allah! When we are united, under one head no one can harm us. Sheikh Effendi used to give China as an example. They have one leader over them, they are doing as they like, cutting, killing, oppressing... Neither the European court of human rights nor the justice of the west can say anything to them. They can say nothing! They have one head, but they all belong to unbelief. He is against Islam like his people. They are all one nation. What shall we do? Here, we have Allah with us. Allah is the Greatest. As a blessing to Muslims Allah is with them, with Muslims. Allah is not with unbelievers. **"Fa'inna Llaha la yuhibbu l-kafirina" (3:32)** says the verse. With clear evidence from al-Quran, 'Allah doesn't love unbelievers.' - people, animals, or humans.

Allah is clearly saying that He doesn't love unbelievers. You must be happy for this! Allah loves believers, He loves Muslims. Though they are oppressed in the end He puts them in His Paradise. This is nothing next to the reward given, the reward for martyrdom. But if you say you are Muslim and then kill Muslims you can neither have martyrdom, nor Paradise but will be in Hell with the unbelievers forever. This must be made known to them, who are those fighting people. Our Prophet has said, in wartime, not only not to kill (innocent) people but not to cut even trees. He has said not to harm old people, women, and children. This has been said clearly, but they are not listening. Then let them be as they do! Allah... Who they imitate, they will follow. Today Juma, last Juma for Ramadan and after 3 days, In-sha'Allah , Monday I think, it will be Eid Feast for Muslims. But many place in Muslim World they are suffering from very bad condition, very bad attacking from enemy, from terrorist. Specially, they are doing this for believers. All of the world, they are attacking Muslim and believer people. When you look around the world, it is only in Muslim places. Why this?

Because they don't have khalifa. Khalifatu l-Muminin, they kicked him out and they are finished. But not finished, and still khalifa with Ahli Uthman, because they are responsible when Sultan Selim bring khalifa from Egypt, to Ottoman. He take from Abbasi khalifa, he give him. Until when this Ottoman giving khalifa to who will be khalifa of Selim, it's still in khilafah with Ottoman. So many people they are going around saying 'I am Khalifatu I-Muminin, I am Amiru I-Muminin'. No, you cannot be. Because to be khalifa you must take from this and you must be like, deserving this. Khalifa, he was looking for all his followers as his children, not making zulm, oppression. No, doing justice. And to give decision to punishment, one, it must be real court and real knowledge people to do this - not people from street. Just, they say 'You do this', and quickly they killing him. No, you cannot do this. You are not khalifa, you are not anything. And it is since 100 years when the kick this khalifa from his throne. All Muslim World and it is the biggest area they have, and it is the best area, Allah, He give them and they have big population but they are nothing. Nobody care about them, nobody listen to them. They doing everything to them which they cannot do. They (Muslims) are just miserable and just looking - shouting and looking. Nothing happens. This, you must think, why this? This because you're not following (Islam).

You are following them, you are following the non-believer people, (their) tradition, their laws, what they want to do, and you are separate (not united). And then who sent khalifa (away)? Of course, non-believer people. Because when one (united) people, it will shake all the world. They cannot do anything if there is khalifa. Mawlana Sheikh, every time giving example from China - count more than 100 billion and only following one man. And they are doing worst for people in everything. For everything they are doing the worst. But for Human Rights, no European, they can say anything to them. Not any government, any country from world, they cannot say anything to them. Why? Because they have one big (group), and they are not believer. These two, specially for them, they can do anything. But if you are Muslim, they are coming and doing every bad thing for you and they are saying 'we are doing this for you, for your goodness'. They killing, they divide and destroy whole country. They are doing for what? For us. No! Allah, He said, don't trust in these people, you must look for khalifa. And how we can do? We cannot do anything. No, you can do, Mawlana Sheikh saying, you must make dua in mosque, in house, everywhere to send, Allah for us, khalifa. And In-sha'Allah, Allah take this miserable situation from us. And khalifa, from since 100, we said the condition (until) now, to prepare for Mahdi alaihi salam. He will be khalifa, Mahdi alaihi salam. This, from Ottoman, he will give them the khilafa for him, and he will be khalifa and In-sha'Allah whole world they will be Muslim and Alhamdulillah, all - there's two kind, Muslim and non-Muslim, non-believer. And they are all same, even these terrorist people, who killing Muslim also, they are also with them because they are doing what the non-believer, they cannot do. If they do, every people, they shouting for them. But when Muslim killing old people and children, women, making worst for women, for children even, we ashamed to say what they are doing, nobody saying anything to them.

Allah said: inna Llaha la yuhibbu l-kafirin (28:76). Allah, He doesn't like non-believer. Why? Because He don't like, He only love Muslim. Allah, He said in Quran: inna Llaha la yuhibbu l-kafirin. And who look like kafir, non-believer, they will be with them. And Muslim who are killed by these people and nonbeliever people, they are shaheed/martyr. Allah, He love them and He will reward them in Janna/paradise and they will be very happy for this. This is what Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam, our Mashsha'ikh, Ahl as-Sunnah wa l-Jama'a teaching us, for this. So, **"la tahzan inallaha ma'ana" (9:40).** So don't be sorry/sad, Allah with us. Allah not with non-believer, Alhamdulillah.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq-Al Fatiha.

# 31. Safety in Heavenly Knowledge

### Thursday, July 31, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya sadati ashabi RasulAllah. Madad ya Mashaikhina fi t-tariqati Naqshibandiyat-il Aliyya. Madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

In-sha'Allah we'll have a blessed sohbat. Eid is now over. We entered the month of Shawwal. May it be blessed insha Allah.We passed these last three months nicely with the gifts of Allah. Following them, Allah Azza wa Jalla promised great rewards for those who fast 6 days of Shawwal as well. The month of Shawwal is a difficult month.Pay attention to giving sadaqa. May all possible evil stay away from us In sha Allah. Allah Azza wa Jalla created people. All of them are a similar type but given different ranks.The highest rank belongs to the Prophets. Neither the awliya, nor Sahaba can reach the rank of a prophet. Allah made their rank different. And the highest of the prophets is our Prophet, then Ulu I-Azm, these great prophets. After them 313 Nabi Mursal, the messengers. They have both prophecy and books. Each of them has a book sent by Allah, like the Quran, some of which are three pages, some are 10 pages, some are 100 pages, some are larger than the Quran, some are 2000 - 3000 pages. This is the arrangement of Allah Azzawa Jalla. People are given everything with a plan and an arrangement. Why were the prophets sent? There are people who think deeply there are people called philosophers. They assume

they think deeply. Then why is there a need for these prophets(saw)? Because mind and logic go up to a certain limit. Prophets are above that. They come in order to teach people this. That's why, not everything can be described by mind and logic. Knowledge is above them. There are many points which mind, logic and philosophy cannot reach. These are the lowest of the low. Nothing very important. There's no

use in someone impressive who calls himself a professor but doesn't call upon Allah. He doesn't benefit himself or others. Prophets are the representatives of Allah. They teach people from the knowledge of Allah, true knowledge. This is the important thing. What is knowledge for? True knowledge is the knowledge useful for the hereafter. If you have knowledge of this world, you become a champion and possess the best things, but you don't prepare for the hereafter, you are bankrupt.

Life is short, like the blink of an eye, although they don't believe it when we say so. It ends in a moment. When someone looks at his photo of 10 years ago, he is surprised at his black hair and beard. Before, he was a slim young man, and before that he was

like a child. Then you become surprised that time passed by so quickly. That's why knowledge of the hereafter as taught by the prophets is important. Everything they teach is beautiful. Even if you are sick, Allah will give you its reward for Allah. Nothing is useless, if you believe in Allah. But if you don't believe in Allah, if you don't believe in His prophets, everything is useless. Suffer as much as you will, gain as much as you will; gain or lose, it won't have any benefit. How is it then? You have to plug into the socket so that you come closer to Allah and become His beloved servant. In-sha'Allah blessings from all these holy days will be upon us. Heavy months come sometimes. But Sheikh Efendi used to say as long as you believe, all of them are for your benefit. There can't be any harm. Hadith of our Prophet is also like this. Everything is good for believer. There's nothing bad. а Today Alhamdulillah, we finish three holy months and we finished feast of Eid al Fitr. Three days, and now we are in Shawwal month. Arabic month and Arabic calendar. Important for Allah Azza wa Jalla, for Prophet(saw), for religion, this Arabic moon calendar. All holy days. Not holidays to go on holiday, holy for Allah. Real holy days are in these months. Alhamdulillah, Allah gave us in these months many holy days. And still, for Shawwal even, there is sunnah to fast 6 days after Ramadan, in Shawwal. From the first till the end of Shawwal you can fast these days. And also this is a gift from Allah for believers, for mu'min to continue this reward from Allah.

Alhamdulillah, we are thankful to Him because there is also in holy calendar or Arabic calendar some months, they are very holy, some months they are good, some months it is little bit make trouble. Shawwal it is from heavy months but Alhamdulillah, we believe in Allah and Prophet (saw) it is good, mubashshir, good tidings. Everything for mu'min it is good. Even illness or poorness or everything, it is good for mu'min. So, no problem, Alhamdulillah. But also we may give more sadaqa to be more easy this month. This is from knowledge, from Allah's knowledge. Allah, how He taught us this? By Prophet (saws). By Prophets, Allah created people and He made them in levels. Not everybody, everyone same like the other. The highest level prophets all Prophets but the highest one Prophet Muhammad (saws). After him there are 7 Ulu l-Azm, they are most strong Prophets. After, 313 prophets and they have message from Allah. And there are only 124 Prophets without message. They are looking for other Prophets' messages when they are coming and they do what they are ordered there.

So Allah Azza wa Jalla why He sent prophets? There are many people they think they are clever, very clever they can do anything. They are thinking they are big thinkers, and there are philosophers and they write books. Because this knowledge has limits and after this limit Prophets, they are teaching the real knowledge because what these people are teaching, it is only for a short time if you can benefit. From some of it, you cannot even benefit. It is like poison making you destroy your eternal life. It is so low. The high knowledge it is from Prophet (saws), from all Prophets (saws). Their teachings are from Allah's knowledge to save you from Hell, from Judgement Day. But

these people for a very short period, maybe they can have benefit. What benefit? Material benefit and it is very short. Maybe even years and years also quickly finish. But eternal it is all the time, benefit coming. Allah's knowledge helps you to be happy here and hereafter. But material knowledge especially without belief, of non-believers is destroying you, here before Last Day. But even people from Muslims, they can take what is good to help people from this knowledge, but not take the other side because they are saying, "as-sam fi d-dasam". Saying in Arabic, the poison is in the butter. People they like to eat butter and without knowing they put poison and are eating. They say they thought they're getting benefit and after they are dying, going. So you must be careful, very careful to not imitate these people who are not believers. Only take what can benefit you from this. From others leave it, you are not obligated. To make these people happy you destroy your eternal life? It is not from good thinking.

Wa Min Allahi at-Tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

### **32.** Beware of Extremists

### Friday, August 1, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati As'habi RasulAllah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faizi Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur.

Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Ad-dinu n-nasiha. Religion is advice. In fact it is obligatory to give advice here. And it is obligatory to listen too. It's obligatory to accept the truth. Hadhrat Ali Effendi said that the sign of craziness is "imma ifrat, imma tafrik", meaning you go from one extreme to the other. And in our religion of Islam - "ad-dina lwasata", you have to be in the middle. That's why nowadays we can see everywhere people are going to extremes. This is not a smart thing. A smart person won't do bad things when he gets angry. He has to know the real meaning. Also does it comply with the command of Allah? While you think you're doing good, in fact, you're doing bad. You destroy both yourself and others.

Why am I telling this? Nowadays, we see that fitna is everywhere, all around the world. Some people are being oppressed, very oppressed. When they stand up to stop that oppression, they do much worse. They do a useless thing then. They have strength, huge weapons in their hands. You destroy and kill people. Then, as if it's not enough, you destroy the houses of Allah. You blow them into air, you blow up the graves. Our Prophet says to respect even the bones of the dead, deceased Muslims. You blow up beloved servants of Allah. Not only alive, but also dead people can't escape from your oppression. Do you think what you do is good? Or you think you will succeed in it?

I don't know if he did as much as you, but Genghis Khan destroyed with the Mongol armies too. In less than a year, nothing was left. This man was thousand, ten thousand times stronger than you. In 3-5 years, he destroyed everything. Now, it's not even known where his palace or his grave is. Now ask where he is now. It's unknown. And are you going to be eternal by oppressing? In contrast, there is the Ottoman Empire, which goes on the right way and makes people live in justice, goodness and mercy on the way of Allah. Khalifas of the Prophet, Khalifat-ul Muslimeen, they were lasting for 700 years. They didn't oppress anyone. People used to ask for help from Ottomans everywhere. They went even to India. Ottomans went to Malaysia and Indonesia in order to help Muslims over there. Anyone who heard the name of Ottomans would start trembling. There was no unbeliever who wasn't afraid of them. Many years passed since then.

This oppression can't go on like this. They say "Az-zulmu la yadum". (Oppression doesn't last) It's a known truth. You say you are ahl-us sunnah. Ahlu s-sunnah can't be like this. Or you have gone out of ahlu ssunnah. Who doesn't know madhhabs and shariah can't be from ahlu s-sunnah. Ahl-us sunnah are the people who don't do harm to what Allah has ordered. Oppression is zulumat. Zulumat is darkness. The more you oppress, the more you become harmed. Who do we tell this to? We tell this because there are many deceived people. Who has gone there is stuck, no goodness from them. I don't think they'll do good. Because who does oppression is cursed by Allah. He can't be saved because he has oppressed and killed Muslims. He will go to eternal hell.

But there are many deceived young people from Central Asia. Somehow many people are deceived in that region. Our Prophet was not like this. Our Prophet and Qur'an describes them as the biggest unbelievers, the biggest hypocrites. Don't be deceived by them. Don't be among them. Nothing can be attained with bombs, guns and weapons. It is with justice, beauty and guidance. The more you oppress, the more troubles come onto you, the more people following you will be destroyed. That's because we hear many people being deceived.

Our Prophet says, he was Arab but Arabs are not from him. Who are the worst unbelievers? The unbelievers of Quraysh. Our people assume they are saints when they see Arabs. These Arabs don't believe in saints. I don't understand how you see them as saints then. I get angry here but with a reason because we know what is inside and outside them. Everyone sees it now. As our Prophet said, he was Arab, but Arabs are not from him. The Prophet is ahead of Arabs, he doesn't accept them. He says to follow whoever is on the right way. He says "walaw 'abdan habashiyyan", meaning even if it is a black man on the right way, follow him. But if he's from Quraysh and unbeliever, don't follow. It is obligatory to listen to what our Prophet says. That's why, be cautious, don't destroy yourself. Aiming to become a shahid, don't become dirty, don't be like a carcass. Because the one who oppresses Muslims on purpose will go to eternal hell. Our Prophet says so. May Allah protect all of us. May Allah give understanding to these people. And we are not afraid of anyone. Allah is with us. He is not with the oppressors. Today we speak about to be extreme. Hz Ali he was saying from the side of madness - "imma ifrat imma tafrik" - to go to the end of this side or you must be in the right in the middle. Allah said in Quran, "We created you "Ja'alnakum 'Ummatan Wasatan" (2:143) "We make you a middle Nation"- to be in the middle not to be extreme. Extreme is not good. Why we say this? Because these days there is big fitna around us. And people... there was oppression, they have been oppressed for many years. And other

people came and said, "we will save you from this." And beginning war. But what happened? The old oppression it is now very light from what happened now, from these people who they said "we will save

you." They make oppression for these people 100 times more. Of course you have oppression, but when you do this, you are making people to say "how it was nice in the old days."

And these people they are making oppression for every people, even that people, not the same from their oppression. And even House of Allah, mosques, they are blowing up. How you can do this? Prophet (said) (swas) even one bone of Muslim if it is old, maybe 10 year 100 years, you must take it and put it (bury) again, respecting it. How you do this and you are saying "we are Muslims, we are saving you?" This is not Ahlu s-Sunnah. Ahlu s-Sunnah they are not like this.

There are two kinds of Muslims. Ahlu s-Sunnah and the others they are all extremists, all! What you have out of Ahlu s-Sunnah - they are extremist. We accept Sayyidina Abu Bakr as-Siddig, we accept S. Omar, we accept S. Osman, we accept S. Ali (kAw). And we accept and respect Ahlu I-Bayt. This is the etiquette of Ahlu s- Sunnah wa I-Jamaat. Who saying not respecting and saying this is this and that, they are out of Ahlu s-Sunnah, they are extremist. Which kind of part, this is extreme of Islam, Muslim, not Islam, Muslim. Because Islam is one. The right Islam....Islam is away (far) from these people. Especially nonMuslim people quickly they say "Islam." But Islam is different and Muslims are different. Islam is the purest religion, because it comes from Allah (awj). But Muslims they are weak against their egos, against their people. They can make...they are following Islam maybe 5%, not 100%, but after people say "this is Islam". No! This is not Islam. And to...those who think we are strong, we are good fighters, we have good weapons, we quickly we take and kill, destroy everything, and we will be here. No they don't think because oppression is not going to continue - for a very short time it is. Because before these people, before a 1000 year or 900 something like this, there was Genghis Khan Mongol Emperor, he came to all this area, and he destroyed Samarkand, Bukhara to Baghdad, even everything he destroyed. Hulagu he was destroying Baghdad and throwing all books in Tigris (river). But how many years he was in power? Maybe only 2 years he was in this area. After what happened, finished! Even now they don't know where is his grave. They looked saying "maybe here, maybe here. No palace, nothing."

But compared to this there is another good example - Ottoman Empire. There was Ahlu s-Sunnah wa IJamaa they were respecting Prophet, Awliya', sahaba, all the sahaba. And respecting Ahlu I-Bayt, Ahlu tTariqa. And they had justice and mercy. So they were 700 years in power. You can imagine? It is the longest Empire since.. in history. Why? Because there was justice. With justice it continues with oppression it is a very short time. For a very short time it continues. Because they (Ottomans) were respecting all sahaba and others, so Alhamdulillah it was a long and nice for Ahlu s-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa', and they were fighting all ahlu I-bida' who wanted to make fitna in Islam. They were fighting against them, nobody could hear their voice. And besides them they were fighting also non-believers because they were attacking them because shaytan doesn't like Prophet's (saws) flag to be high. And there was Khalifa of Muslims, Khalifa of Prophet (saws) defending Islam and Muslims. Even in India, they were defending Muslims in Indonesia also. Everywhere they were hearing the word... the name of Ottoman, they were afraid. They cannot do anything against Islam. Why? Because Allah supports them, Prophet (saws) support them. Why we say this? We are not saying for these people who are not fighting because these fighting people they are finished now. I don't know if... They are cursed from Allah. Because they are making not acceptable things. But we say this for many people from Asia, from Pakistan from other people they want to join them they thought they are right. No! Don't go there. They are not right. These people in Quran and Prophet (saws) he was saying. In Quran "Al A'rabu ashaddu kufran wa nifagan" (9:97) Hypocrites, these Arabs. These people, especially these people. And our non-Arab people, when they saw one Arab saying something, they thought he is a saint. How do you say he is a saint? They don't believe in saints. Why believe them? Prophet (saws) he said "I am Arab, but the Arabs are not from me." And he was saying, the most enemies to him they were his tribe, Quraysh. Kuffar Quraysh they are the most famous for this. And Prophet (saws) he was saying also, to follow negro, habashi, man who is on right way, taking you to Allah. If he is, you must follow him. But if he is from Quraysh and Arab and he is making bad things, don't follow him. So, this is opening.

Don't be cheated by who is saying "we are Arab, we are knowing Quran." They don't know anything. Even they don't know how to read it. We are in big fitna days. So we are "Ad-dinu n-nasiha" (Hadith) Din/religion is to give advice. And to give advice is obligatory, and to listen to this advice it is also obligatory. So we are advising our people - Don't be cheated and you are thinking you're going to be shahid. No! You are not going to be shahid if you do these things. Only you are a murderer and you will be judged like this. And who kills a Muslim with oppression, he will be in hell forever. This is what is written in The Quran and what the Prophet (saws) said in Hadiths. So don't be cheated and come to Ahlu s-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa' even if they don't have weapons for what they have now in their hands. They are with Allah, they are more powerful than these people who have everything. Alhamdulillah we are not afraid, because Allah is with us and insha'Allah not against us.

Alhamdulillah, wa min Allahi t-Tawfiq Al Fatiha.

## 33. Attributes of Awliya

#### Monday, August 4, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad, ya Sadati Ashabi Rasulillah, madad, ya Mashayikhina fi t-tariqati n-Naqshibandiya, madad ya Shaykh Abdullah Faiz adDaghistani, madad ya Shaykh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohba, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Man is created with the characteristic of wildness. Allah, Azza wa Jalla, sent prophets in order to teach man how to turn that characteristic into a good, useful thing. After the time of the prophets came those who followed their ways, after them came saints and scholars. They came one after one, to teach what the prophets had taught. Man should never be idle. When he is idle, he begins to do bad things. To begin, he will deny Allah or, try to suit Allah's commands to his own whims and his own ideas, saying, "this is Allah's wish".

This becomes the fitna of shaytan, what his nafs and his desire are asking. Therefore, it is important to have a murshid. A murshid is a person whose wish is to do Allah's command. These are people whom Allah appointed to show others the way, to give them guidance. Shaytan does not love these people. Shaytan does not like them, and they also do not like those that shaytan loves. They call them mushrik, or whatever. Some say mushrik, some say something else. Shaytan and his friends do not like these people. But they are people beloved to Allah and His Prophet. It is written about them: "A la inna awliya-Allahi la khawfun 'alayhim wa la hum vahzanun"(10:36). There is no fear for those who are Friends of Allah, nor any sorrow. Allah does not cause them to be distressed, nor does He cause them to be fearful. Nothing else matters to them except to be with Allah Almighty. They fear only Allah and the Holy Prophet. Besides this they fear nothing. What causes them sorrow is when people are carried away by shaytan, when they are caught by the devil. Nothing else causes them sadness, no personal concern is distressing to these people. Not illness, nor hunger or thirst. They do not grieve about themselves. However, these days there are many who spread false teachings. This happens in every age, of course as shaytan keeps changing his appearance. If it always stayed the same, everyone would know it. But nowadays philosophy is gaining strength and disputation, and what is called theology; shaytan engages in those things and manages to destroy people's belief.

Those are their means, therefore we warn our people that murshids are beloved servants of Allah and His Prophet. From the time of the Holy Prophet to this day, they have passed on from one shaykh to the next, from one murshid to the next. What they took from that ocean they distributed it step by step to this present day. They are not the kind of people who come across a handful of water and then dry up. So, you must know their value. You must know the value of these saintly people.

Do not be cheated by those people who nowadays have no murshid. In any case, it is clear who is the true murshid, who is the false one, who is shaytan's friend and who is Allah's friend. May Allah not part us from this path. May Allah guide those leaving this way. Let them come to this way, insha'Allah He sorts out their minds. We are speaking about Awliya'Allah. One of their sifat, attributes, it is said, 'murshid', who gives irshad. Meaning who is showing you the right way. Who is showing you the right way, these people they are servants of Allah, Allah loves them.

They are coming continuously from Prophet (saws) because Allah sent Prophets and Companions and Awliya'Allah and real mashsha'ikh from Allah since the beginning, from Adam (as). And these people, what they want is only to take people to right way, to not let them go with shaytan, with satan. These people, they are since Prophet (saws) millions, because at any time we have 124.000 Awliya'Allah. Any minute when somebody passing, again another one coming behind him. So, since Prophet (saws) there's millions, they came and passed away. These people, who they are? How you can describe these people? Shaytan was loving them? No, shaytan was hating them and who hates these people and speaks against them are friends of shaytan, nobody else. Billions of mu'mins and Muslims are coming through Prophet (saws) until now, maybe more than billions, they came and passed away. The old ones loving them and they were showing people the right way. For this, shaytan was hating them and his followers also hating. Allah loves them, Prophet (saws) also loves them. They are loved by Allah and by Prophet (saws). And they are not saying anything for themselves (nothing matters to them) and they are not afraid from anything and they are not sorry for anything, for themselves.

They are only afraid from Allah, and if Allah is with them, they are happy and not sorry or anxious to be hungry or ill or anything else for themselves, no. They don't care about themselves. Only they care for ummah, Prophet's (saws) nation, to not let them to go the wrong way, behind shaytan and his followers. This makes them sad. Other things, no, nothing for themselves. So they are not like what they, these mushriks say, no! Because they are not even wanting anything for themselves. Only for dua, they are making dua for Muslimeen, nation of Prophet (saws). And how these people these days making bad advising and cheating people. "Who cheats us they are not from us," said Prophet (saws). So these people, they are cheating people and you cannot take advise from books or from these people who don't have roots.Only they come like mushroom and they will go again. So be very careful, these days this poison is around the world. Shaytan and his followers are trying to destroy the right way of Islam. Alhamdulillah, Allah is with us. We are not afraid because He Is Malik al-Mulk! He is the Owner of this whole universe.

Nothing can be done without Him. Alhamdulillah, we are happy we are with Him, not against Him, not with shaytan. And we are advising our people who are away from this road to come to find a real murshid / guide, to keep away from shaytan and his followers and to save themselves for Akhira, for eternal life.

This life it is either, whatever happens it will be only short period and after, the real life, is forever. We will be insha'Allah, happy. Insha'Allah with Prophet (saws), with Awliya'Allah, with beloved people for Allah in Jannah and with others insha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi t-Tawfiq Al Fatiha.

### 34. The Real Belief

#### Tuesday, August 5, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaikhina fi t-tariqati n-Naqshbandiyya, madad ya Mawlana Sh. Abdullah Dagestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna assohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

May our gatherings, these good gatherings, be everlasting insha Allah. These s ohbats are for strenghtening faith for all of us, insha Allah, rather than empty speech and as Sheikh Efendi ordered. If the intention is sincere, it will certainly give benefit. Sohbat is Sheikh Efendi's order to give people advice about Allah. May it be good, In sha Allah. Faith, What is faith? Faith has conditions; faith in the existence of Allah and the prophets. People are saying they are believers. Believing is one thing, being a Muslim is another thing. One who says shahada becomes Muslim, that is a big favour of Allah. Of course, there are conditions in Islam. There are obligations and duties to perform. If you perform fard (obligtory worship) Allah gives very big favours, He grants the reward for it. The gifts, rewards, levels and stations that He gives for fard are not attained by other worship like nafl (extra) prayers.

How shall we explain fard? Fard is like a real big-carat diamond. Others are like silver or low carat gold. But the main is fard with which you receive greater reward. Doing fard is a condition of Islam. First fard is shahada. When you say it, you are done with first condition of Islam. What is second? Igamatu s-salah, praying. Praying is fard. Praying is a pillar of religion. As we said, rewards and favour that Allah gives are from His greatness and generosity. He gives without decreasing because everything is in Allah's hands. If He gives the world, Allah Azza wa Jalla doesn't make anything decrease, hasha. Such is Allah's favour. Everything in His hands, as we said. Should it decrease as much as atom, it won't work. Hasha. It doesn't fit Allah's attributes. Impossible. Among impossible things is to believe in the decreasing of Allah. It's impossible. But when fard is not done, it has its punishment. It is seen as a sin. Allah gives punishment according to it. When fard is done, Allah Azza wa Jalla gives unlimited favours, and a man earns them. But if not done, then there is punishment for it. The third is fasting. Fasting of Ramadan is fard. All others are optional. It is fard to fast in Ramadan only. It is 30 or sometimes 29 days. 29 or 30 days a year in 360 days as a lunar month is shorter. It is not even 1/10 of a year that you fast. And Allah

Azza wa Jalla says, "Fasting is Mine. I know the favours I grant for fasting". There is also punishment for a man when he doesn't fast. Besides punishment there is penance, when you feel regret. If you don't fast one day, you have to fast 60 days for penance.

Moreover, our Prophet says if a man breaks even one of his fasts in Ramadan on purpose he can't reach its goodness even if he fasts up to the end of his life. This is something else. These are all wisdoms of Allah. You should do what Allah orders and these are the conditions of faith. Faith means belief. If Allah ordered it, you should do so. Then paying zakat is also fard. When you give it, you earn the biggest reward. Then your possessions increase with Allah's permission. If you don't give, it's like theft and subject to punishment by Allah. The fifth of course, is pilgrimage. Zakat and hajj are not fard for the poor. If Allah doesn't give, Allah doesn't oblige. And praying is not fard for the mad, "idha akhadha ma awhab asqata ma awjab." If one does something imperfectly, he is absolved from fasting and praying, if he is insane or a small child, or not in sane mind. The rest, zakat and hajj are not fard for a man without money. But for the one with money, they are fard. They too have to do this. If they don't, they'll be punished and lose a great reward. So we explained one part of faith here. Faith includes these, but of course faith is a very big matter. Bit by bit we will explain more In sha Allah. Today we speak about Iman (faith), what is Iman and what is Islam. To have Iman is to believe real belief. But when do you believe? When you say: ash'hadu an la Ilaha illa Allah wa ash'hadu anna Muhammadan abduhu wa Rasuluhu, you are Muslim. Iman, it is more strong, it is to be a more strong believer. But until you do this, you must follow what Allah ordered. There is Iman, to believe in Allah, Prophets, His books, His angels and gadar (destiny). And to believe that you will come again.

After your death Allah will make you bring your whole body again, and you will be again alive. No reincarnation. This is what you must know, in Islam there is no reincarnation. Allah, not poor one to make only five souls, coming from one to one to one, no! This is ridiculous. When you say this, you are out of Iman, you are out of Islam. So this is Iman, but when you believe in this, of course this is only very small part of Iman. But to make Iman more strong you must first accept all the pillars of Islam.

First one you say ash'hadu an la Ilaha illa Allah wa ash'hadu anna Muhammadan abduhu wa Rasuluhu and you are Muslim. This is one. Second one is praying, salat. This also is obligatory for a Muslim. Obligatory, what we must do. Allah gives to pray 5 times a day. When you pray obligatory prayers it is very precious. There are many types of worshipping but the highest one is fard, meaning obligatory. To pray 5 times a day is obligatory. If you pray this, Allah, He rewards you from His endless treasures and He will be happy with you and give you all the baraka and satisfaction. This is what awliyaullah say, what Prophet (saws) was saying.

Specially Mawlana, he was asking people "are you praying?" lf he is not praying, "You must pray," he told them. Even when they ask for dua for themselves, for praying, he said, "You are praying?" If he said, "no," he said "you must pray, if you are not praying even the most holy awliva, Allah is not accepting from them dua." If you are asking for dua, if not praying He is not accepting. It is very important, praying. If you pray obligatory prayer He gives like diamond. Other worshipping, sunnah or nafila, it is less, like gold or like silver. But the most precious is to make obligatory. If you don't do this, Allah, He said He will punish you. So you lose things. You lose all these gifts from Allah, from the Most Generous Creator. He is the only Creator and you will be punished. Allah He knows how He will punish. Second obligatory one is to fast Ramadan. And Allah, He said, "It is for Me and only I reward for fasting. Nobody knows how much I can give." And it is only obligatory for Ramadan. We fast many times in the year, but the obligatory (fast) it is one month.

Sometimes it is 30 days, sometimes it is 29 days. So in days, it is very short. And it is nice when you make it. And Allah He rewards from His endless treasures.

Prophet (saw) saying if you missed one day knowingly, not fasting one day in Ramadan, and if after you regret it and say "I must fast," then you must fast one day, and 60 days for penance. Even for this, Prophet (saws) he is saying "if this man is fasting from this day until he is dying, he cannot reach what Allah gives him for fasting one day in Ramadan. So it is very precious thing Allah gives to people, but people they don't know the wisdom. This is the wisdom.

What is after this? There is zakat. Zakat and Hajj are only for rich people. For poor people they don't have, they cannot give. Even no need for praying or fasting for children, or for mad people because Allah didn't give mind to mad people and small children before they are teenagers they don't have responsibility. So Allah when He gives something He rewards for it. Allah He gave this wisdom and people they must know. What is this wisdom? This is Iman. They must not question it and when they do this their Iman, their belief becomes more strong. And this is little bit to describe about belief, Iman. Insha'Allah it is not ocean, it is oceans. But now just a little bit we can say, in this short time.

Wa min Allahi at-tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

## 35. The Good Advice

#### Wednesday, August 6, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi lAwwalina wa lakhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Mashayikhina fi t-Tariqati nNaqshibandiyya, madad ya Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah Faizi d-Dağıstani, madad ya Shaykh Muhammed Nazım el-Haqqani, dastoor. Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

This is a prayer of our Prophet (sas): Allahumma inna naudhu bika min shururi anfusina wa min sayyiati a'malina. It is a beautiful prayer, a very beautiful prayer. May Allah protect us from the badness of our ego, may Allah protect us from bad deeds. We should not do bad actions. A person believes something is good but if he listens to his ego and acts according to his ego it ends badly. But when he acts according to Allah's will, he fights against his ego then it becomes good. We do something and think we did something good. No, it is not goodness, you did it to satisfy your ego. That becomes a bad deed, when you think you did good. It means, if you did someone a favour, do not rub it in, do not remind him. Do not spoil your good deeds. **"Do not invalidate your charity by reminders" (2:264).** You both remind him and poke him. "I did this, I did that" That poor man cannot

say anything so he keeps silent, but Allah sees everything. That deed will not be accepted by Allah Azza wa Jalla. Of course whoever you are, doesn't matter, whether you say "I'm a scholar, I'm an awliya," you have to accept advice. Advice is for Allah. The person who is giving advice, may Allah be pleased with him, he also gives advice for the sake of Allah. He has to be careful about the advice he gives, whether it is in keeping with Islam or not. You may say something from your own mind, you might say it will be better this way. Ok, what you say may be very nice. but. it does not fit with Islam. If it does not suit the situation it will not be accepted. May Allah be pleased wit them.

Everytime someone hears advice he must not be offended. Most people do not like taking advice. Normally a believer should not offend or be offended by advice. If it is suitable, if what he says is right, then we respect it, if not, Allah bless him, you can say it's his opinion, in his mind it was better. There is no need to be angry with that man. He gave an advice for Allah, he thought this way is better. For this reason, on such issues it is not good to get angry or keep a grudge. Allah knows.

It is a test from Allah Azza wa Jalla, He made the man speak to train your ego. So do not be offended. You can say may Allah bless you, you are right. You say ok, you will check the situation. If he accepts you can say, the situation is like this, But some people who give advice, they don't accept taking advice that. themselves. You say ok, let it pass to not break his heart. So this way, you crush your ego and you will gain goodness. As we said everybody needs advice. In the past, people used to take advice, nowadays nobody takes any advice. Like we said before, most of the advice comes from theirown opinions. Such advice is not acceptable. There is Prophet's (sas) hadith, praying "Allahumma inna na'udhu bika min shururi anfusina wa sayyi'ati a'malina". We are getting afraid from our ego. Allah keep our ego and our bad actions away from us. This is very good, very nice saying from Prophet's (sas) praying. Alhamdulillah, because the ego does every bad thing, every time we must obey advice from people, from big, from old, from young. Who gives advice for us, we can accept and we must be happy. Don't say, "I am scholar, I am sheikh, I am doctor, I am engineer, this man, he is not understanding." No, you must look because they give precious things; advice. Before, in old times they were saying for an advice, you can give 1000 camels. It is an Arabic saying, but I think it was for making people accept advice. Don't be proud, when somebody is saying something to you, you must look at it. Many times they say, Alhamdulillah if you accept, you'll be good in front of Allah and Pro phet (sas) and Awliya. But some of them of course, they give advice, but it's not advice, it is a bad thing, rubbish thing. How is this advice? They say, "Why are you fasting in summertime? It's too hot, and you are ill, you are like this, like that. It will

make problems for your health, for your body, for your mind". This is not advice. What they say is advice for ego, not against ego. Or if they see you giving sadaqa or zakat, "Why you give these people? You are better to keep for you, yourself, for your children. No need to give this." This is also not advice. Many people, specially dunya people, materialist people, what they give is not advice. This is only rubbish, they have millions of advices like this to keep you away from right way, to make your ego bigger and bigger.

Some people, they are also giving good advice, sometimes they can have wrong ideas, but even this, because they have good intention, Allah rewards them for this. But you know their situation of Islam is not with your opinion but even this, when you do this with good intention Allah rewards you for this. And to be listening to this and saying, "ok, Alhamdulillah, thank you, you gave me good advice, you make your ego down and you'll be happy with this one who gave advice and you'll be happy.

On the other side, if you are very proud and say "what are you doing, why are you saying this?" So you become angry and this man also will become angry. So it will be your ego, your shaytan and everything bad, it will be happy, and you will not be happy. So you must accept from our brother, from our relative, or who are in right way and

you know them, they have good intention when they say something. You must be happy with it, even if it is right or wrong, it is ok, because all is coming by good intention not with something under it, no, it is just a pure thing. Many people they have everything, these material people, you can see they come for benefit of dunya and benefit for their self and their ego. Alhamdulillah, Mawlana many years he was speaking against ego, to be in adab, good manners. This is good manners and this is what Mawlana he was teaching us. So you must be careful for this. Don't mixup materialist people with the pure people.

Wa min Allahi at-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

# 36. Object and Be Thrown Out

### Thursday, August 7, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salātu wa s-salāmu 'ala Rasūlina Muhammadin Sayyidi lawwalīna wa l-ākhirīn. Madad ya RasūlAllāh, madad ya Sādātı Ashābı Rasūlillah, madad ya Mashaykhina, madad ya Shaykh Abdullah Daghistāni, madad ya Shaykh Muhammad Nāzim al-Haqqāni, Dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

May Allah protect us from the evil of our nafs, In sha Allah. The nafs of man is constantly bringing him down causing him dishonour if he follows it. The nafs. should follow you, and you should do what Allah has commanded. You must leave what shaytan orders you to do. What is shaytan's command? He is commanding you to be proud and arrogant, saying, no one else is better than you, no one more beautiful or more clever than you. In this way he tricks people. Allah has created mankind to be as He wishes them to be. There is no interfering with His acts. If Allah has willed something, it will be. If your nafs or shaytan wants something, it does not happen. Allah created Adam, alayhi s-salām. Shaytan did not like this. Even before the soul entered his body, when he was just a shape of clay, shaytan came by to look at and was annoved by what he saw of Adam, alayhi s-salām. him When Allah commanded him to prostrate (make sajda) before Adam, he left all the many blessings granted to him by Allah Almighty and just followed his nafs and became deserving of hell and a cursed creature till the Day of Resurrection. Shaytan did not create himself, Allah created him, but he did not obey what Allah destined for him. He overstepped Allah's command. He said, "I am better than him." He said to Allah, Azza wa Jalla, "You created me from fire while You created him from clay".

Allah, Azza wa Jalla, is the Creator of all things, and you are not ashamed to offer him your advice? Astaghfirullah. It is the degree of extreme ignorance, stupidity and idiocy. If Allah has decreed something you must submit to it, comply with it. Do not object. They say: Do not object, you will be thrown out. If you object, you will be thrown out. This is a very big lesson; this happened even before mankind came into being, when Adam alayhi s-salām was the only one and before anyone else was with him. It is a very big warning and a strong advice for mankind that this shaytan was more knowledgeable than all who claim to have knowledge, who is a million times more knowledgeable than they, who knew everything. Talk about worship and piety, not an inch of ground was left where he had not made sajda. Shaytan was such a creature. May he get what he deserves, "alayhi ma yastahaq". Shaykh Efendi did not like to say "may he be cursed" in case aheaviness came upon the assembly. Instead he would say: "alayhi ma yastahaq", he should receive his just desserts.

Therefore this is a strong warning to everybody. When Allah, Azza wa Jalla, has decreed a matter, when our Holy Prophet has spoken, "wa mā kāna li-mu'minin wa lā mu'minatin idhā gađá Allahu wa rasūluhu amrān 'an yakūna lahum al-khiyaratu min amrihim" (33:36) There is a verse that if Allah and His Prophet have spoken, beware of opening your mouth, don't talk back. This is a mercy from Allah to those companions or whoever was present, that they should not become like shaytan, not voice any objection. Many things happen, man, normal people can manage with their minds, more or less. Most people can't even manage their daily affairs, their livelihood, this, that or other thing. They can't manage themselves properly. They will say one thing and then, Oh, I forgot! Allah, Allah, how could you forget? You promised. We told you this, we entrusted this to you, you were going to do this or that. I forgot, he says. You forget everything you are to do. So is there any sense in you opposing what Allah has commanded or decreed? Submit to it and follow. In submission, in following there is salvation. If you obey, not your nafs but Allah and His Prophet you will be liberated, feel ease. You will become untroubled. But no, now they talk of democracy. Each one will voice his own opinion, his own thoughts. Nothing comes of it but the usual chaos. You are a shepherd, you are a farmer, you are a grocer, you work in a factory, you make shoes, you shine shoes, you are a taximan - go attend to your own work. Look to what you are doing and pay attention. Do your work well. Allah loves a man who does his work well. "Inna Allaha ta'ala yuhibbu idha 'amila ahadukum 'amalan an yutqinahu." If a person does something, he should do it with care, he should do it well. If he shines shoes, let him do it well, if he does it well, people will come to him and ask him to shine their shoes. If he is a taxi driver and he drives well, everyone will call for him to drive them. If he is a doctor or a dentist or whatever. If everyone looks after his own line of work, and performs well whatever work Allah has given him to do, he will be at ease in this world and in the world to come.

You firstly follow our Holy Prophet. Then you follow those who came after him, his Companions. You follow the mashsha'ikh and your own shaykh, whatever he s ays. Follow whoever he has appointed, relax. Don't go developing ideas. No, it was like this, and like that. Does Allah Almighty not know about these things? Does He ask you about it? This is a matter, may Allah prevent it, by which man may fall into great sinfulness.

Give thanks to Allah and accept. Don't object to anyone. Do your own work. Allah grants you great gifts on account of your obedience, and gives you a great reward as obedience is very important. So many verses stress this: "Aţī`ū Allaha wa aţī`ū arrasūla". There are dozens of such verses. Obedience is very important. People who are obedient are people who are acceptable. But of course, you must be obedient in Allah's way. You are not expected to be obedient in the way of evil. "Lā ta'ata li

makhlūqin fī ma'siyati I-Khāliq". We are all creation, we are all created beings. Our Creator is Allah Almighty, Allah Azza wa Jalla. We have no right to object to Him. To obey His commands carries great reward. It is our most important duty to obey His commands. If you do not obey His command, you are rebellious and have left the way. Allah give us good understanding to keep our ego away from us, not to follow ego. Insha'Allah ego must follow us. Ego, it is not easy. Every time it is like water, when you hold in your hand it quickly likes to go from here and there. It is good to make it follow you.

If following, Alhamdulillah, you will be safe from shaytan and its followers. First, many things Allah ordered, but ego does not obey. Specially, to follow what Prophet (saws) saying, what Allah ordered. Ego and shaytan, make many tricks to go away from these orders and to show people another way. Allah Azza wa Jalla, when He created Adam (as), shaytan, was not happy with this, even when his soul not coming yet in mud brick, clay, he was coming and lookingand he was not Paradise, happy. Every time looking, looking. After when Allah Azza wa Jalla ordered him to make sajda, prostrate for Adam, he was very angry. He even was so angry he destroyed everything. Allah gave him from His favours, the highest position. Before becoming shaytan he was named Azazil. He was like Gabriel, like Mika'il, big angel and the highest station he had in Divine Presence of Allah but when Allah ordering him, from his jealousy, from his proudness he said, "You created me from fire and you created this from mud, clay. I am better than him." And what this is, is bad behaviour Allah. for Allah doesn't know what He is doing? When he said this, like objecting for Allah's doing and astaghfirullah, Allah not knowing and he is knowing. What this is, is bad behaviour. And he was very big scholar, he knew everything. All knowledge Allah gave, he was knowing it. And, he was worshipping. You cannot find even one 10 cm, he did not bow in it, pray there. But this is not enough.

What is more important? More important is to obey. If you obey, you will be successful but if you are not obeying what Allah Azza wa Jalla saying and Prophet (saws) ordering, and Awliya, you will be in trouble. You will be in trouble and not happy because you are following your ego, you are following shaytan. You don't know what you are doing when you say, "Don't order me something like this, I know better than you." And when you say this you can be exactly like shaytan.

So, don't object. There is in Arabic, words, "la ta'tarid, tan'tarid." Don't object, you will be thrown out. It is very big example even before all human beings coming to this world, only Adam (as) he was, this happened. But it is the first lesson for people, for human beings to not object to Allah and Prophet (saws) and Awliya, the beloved people for Allah. Don't object tothem. You can object for other things, but this what Allah ordered, if you object you will b thrown out and forever you will lose. It is dangerous. Allah He created many people and these days people have this expression through democracy. Everybody must say his opinion. You can say your opinion, but you don't know. You are shepherd, you are driver, you are like a hairdresser, or doctor, others. We have thousands of jobs. Even your job, you are not doing well. How you are coming to say something you don't know and you give ideas for everything? Allah created every person for special mission. Allah gave them special jobs. Who is following what he is doing and try to make it good, Allah is happy with him even. Prophet (saws) saying, "If you do something you must do it perfect, the best. Don't do it without (it being) good. It must be excellent. But people now, they are not looking after what they are doing in their jobs, just giving ideas "this must like this, this must be like that." Even if you give them job or something like this, because of many things they have, they forget to do what you ordered them.

They are not doing what they must do, many of them they forget, but when coming something important, they must give their ideas. This, your idea is not necessary for this good and important matter. You must only listen and obey for Allah, for Prophet (saws) and for His beloved people. This is the important thing, you mustn't obey what is against Allah and Prophet (saws). This is important. Not obeying these people (awliya) and objecting for Allah, most people, they are doing this.

So be careful and if you "Isma'u wa'u (ismallahu) wa idha ra'aytu fa antafi'u". And to obey in many verses in Quran, the most important thing is to obey. Ati'ullaha wa Rasula. If you are not obeying what Allah ordered so nothing for you, you are obeying shaytan. There are 2 kinds, you must obey Allah or you obey shaytan. And for this you be careful, don't obey your ego, don't obey shaytan, obey Allah. "Ati'ullaha wa Rasula Fa'inna Allaha La Yuhibbu AlKafirina" (3:32).

Allah ordered you to obey Allah and Prophet (saws) but if you go away Allah He does not like, not love non-believers. So, it is dangerous. Be careful.

Wa min Allahi at-tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

## 37. The Time Comes Near

### Friday, August 8, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As salatu wa s-salamu 'ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi lAwwalina wa l-Akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaikhina, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Dagestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani. Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi l-jam'iyyah.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim. "Iqtarabati as-saatu"(54:1) Ayat-ul karima says Judgement Day is approaching. Many people now say that Judgement Day is still far. Well, common people can say that but learned people shouldn't oppose what is said in Qur'an. Allah Azza wa Jalla is saying that Judgement Day is close. Don't say "No, it's yet far". The Day of Judgement is indeed close. It doesn't matter if Judgement Day is near or not, it is important for a man to know about Judgement Day and Allah, to believe in Allah.

The Day of Judgement is certainly near. All of its signs have appeared. Allah Azza wa Jalla set a timeframe for everything in this world. There is a plan for everything and everyone. Years, months, days, all of them have been calculated. Everyone's breath has been calculated also. Every bite of food is calculated; how much will be eaten, how much will be drunk. All of it is calculated. You can't take more by force even, it won't go. It will go until some limit, but then, itwon't take anymore. A man will just die at that time. So everything has a calculation. And Judgement Day for this world has come near. Everything, all of what is happening now are signs of the end. A Muslim shouldn't be scared of it, he shouln't be afraid. Things foretold by Allah are appearing. Although some things are shown bad as long as a man believes in Allah and does what He orders, no harm will touch a Muslim. As we said, Muslims are of two kinds. First, the followers of sunnah of our Prophet, following his actions and words; followers of teachings of the saints and scholars of Ahl-ul Sunnah wa-I Jama'a. These are going to be saved. No matter how much trouble there is, by Allah's permission they'll have neither fear, nor sadness. And the second type, all Muslims who are outside this description. They are doing things according to their minds and desires. That's not important. They're around. They're always around since the beginning of Islam to its end because shaytan is never unoccupied. He never leaves people at ease. There is ayat about it; they assume they are doing good, they assume they're earning rewards but they are losing the most.

As our Prophet said, they are a minority. Ahl-ul Sunnah wa-I Jama'a is always in the majority. Because a Muslim is gentle and pure. A gentle and pure man keeps quiet. Some people make noise and raise trouble. All the country becomes bothered. If you gather them, they won't add up to even 1% of population but they appear like 99%, they seem a lot. They are not important. Don't believe them or follow their way. Don't like what they do, it doesn't fit with Islam. Who is out of Ahl-ul Sunnah wa-I jama'a has strayed from the way. Our Prophet says: man shazza faqad shazza fi n-nari abada. Who loses or confuses his way will find himself in hell. He will go to eternal hell. That's why, don't follow them, don't trust them. Don't lean towards them saying they are Muslim. Whoever they are, as we said, they don't accept our four madhhabs. Whoever is out of these four madhhabs, he is out of Ahl-ul Sunnah. Don't lean towards them, don't be fond of them. Stay away from them because Muslims are gentle and pure, easily deceived.

If they don't go with them, they incline towards them and say they're doing right. Don't say that, then it will happen to you. This world is going towards Judgement Day. Since recent days it became a big mess. It's the same in terms of fighting and even worse in terms of economy. And this is bigger than the biggest thing; they are fighting with each other more than with unbelievers. Allah's wisdom, one of the signs is that when great saints change their realm, something happens for sure. Sheikh Abdullah Daghestani passed away on the 3rd of October, 1973. Either a week or 3 days later a big war started in Middle East between Arabs and Palestinians. That shook the world very much. Big things happened. And after Sheikh Efendi, it became a mess. People are confused what's happening, they don't have a clue. But everything is in the hands of Allah. That's why, don't say it will be or not by comparing it in your mind. This world is a world of probabilities. Everything is possible. It can't be that nothing happens. That's why, don't say it will happen to us or it won't. Allah shows mercy to merciful people. That's why don't be merciless to others. Allah will protect you when you are merciful, when you help others. You'll be saved only by this. It is a great goodness to help all Muslim people, brothers, all those who have a loss. Shukr to Allah, being merciful has remained from the Ottomans. An attribute of Ahl-ul Sunnah wa-l Jama'a is kept in Anatolia.

They are helping everywhere, but people who are helped are being ungrateful. We're hearing this too. They say they are helping for a reason. Let them say so. Allah knows. As long as Allah knows, no harm will come with Allah's permission. We expect neither gratefulness, nor something else from you. We ask from Allah. May Allah protect us. May Ottomans become the head for Muslims. Mahdi alaihi salam will receive the amanat from them. Insha'Allah it's near. Since Sheikh Efendi's passing away, everywhere became a mess.

As we said, no need for being sad. This is a sign. Insha'Allah the time is near. May Allah send a head for Muslims soon. May we get rid of these confused people. May we get

rid of the world of unbelief. There's no other escape from it because there are many traps, they are ready to kill Muslims. But Allah is with Muslims, especially with Ahl-ul Sunnah wa-I Jama'a, that's why, we have no fear, we have no sadness. Everything is going to be fine with Allah's permission. It will be like Allah commands. Allah helps those who are with Him. Audhu Billah min al shavtan al raiim Bismillahi r-Rahman r-Rahim "Aqtarabati As-Sa`atu" (54:1) Allah is telling in this verse, "Time it is approaching." What is time? Time of Judgement Day. He said this in Quran, since Prophet (saws) more than 14 centuries. Now many people they said "no, no Judgement Day is very far. It is not so close." When somebody, Mawlana or another saying it is the end of time, many people who they think they are clever are saying, "no, there is long time, maybe 10.000 years, 100.000, 1.000.000 years after maybe will come Judgement Day." No, no, Allah the Creator, Who created this world, this universe, everything, now there is no other creator, He put a calculation and He put years, months, days, seconds and He just knows what is time and He said, "it is near," so, you don't know better than Him. When you see somebody, Muslim scholars also, they said "maybe it is not so near. It is more, we can make it 1000 years, 2000 years after". No, because everything He, Allah Azza wa Jalla said, some signs for Judgement Day.

Many times they were asking Prophet (saws) about Judgement Day. He didn't say, he was just giving signs. Because if you tell it nobody will work, nobody will do anything I think. So Prophet (saws) was saying "if you know tomorrow is Judgement Day if you have work to do, even you plan something you must do, don't stop, don't be lazy because when you do this, for Allah also. You do this, Allah rewards you for this, not only for worshipping. But it is a secret, when the time is, but it is near. It is near because you see all what Prophet (saws) was telling will happen. Nearly most of them happened. Very few things still, the big signs, especially for Isa (as) to come from Heaven and Sayyidina al Mahdi (as). And there is big sign, it will be when coming one of them, all of them, quickly in few years will come after this, it's only half a century maybe, for Qiyamah. But many signs for this, and there is one sign they are not telling but, it happened when one of our Mashshayikh passing away, every time something happens.

When Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah Daghastani changed his world for Akhira, it was 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 1973. After 3 days began a big war in Syria and Egypt with Israel. And it was really affecting the whole world. Making many crises, but it was not time for Mahdi (as) I think there was still time, but this time, when Mawlana passing away and many big things happened. Many troubles happened now, also around us in this area. All the world here is fighting, but there is also big economic crisis and everywhere with the countries they are fighting between themselves or with neighbours. It will be more and more than this. But we are not afraid, because this is what Allah Azza wa Jalla was telling. When the time approaches, it will be many troubles, many things, until Mahdi (as) coming and Isa (as) comes from Heaven. But Alhamdulillah, don't worry

because we are following Prophet (saws), and we are happy with his teachings, we are following his sunnah and his teachings. We are Ahl-I Sunnah wa-I Jama'a, we are following 4 maz'habs. Ahl-I Sunnah wa-I Jama'a they are the majority.

Prophet (saws) was mentioning this in Hadith, "You must be with majority." The majority is with Ahl-I Sunnah wa-I Jama'a because they are peaceful people, quiet people. You thought those who are out of Ahl-I Sunnah wa-I Jama'a are too many people? No they are not many people but they are making too much voice but Allah is with Ahl-I Sunnah wa-I Jama'a. Peaceful and not harming anybody. Sometimes the people they said, "not even harming an ant". When an ant is coming they like not to pass on them, they are looking out for them. How can they harm people? No, this is Ahl-I Sunnah wa-I Jama'a. Allah gave them in their heart marhama, mercy, compassion and love. Others, there's 2 kinds of Muslim: Ahl al Sunnah and out of Ahl al Sunnah. The others since their childhood they are feeding them envy, hatred and to be cruel. Who is outside of Ahl-I Sunnah, they are teaching this to them. For who? For Ahl-I Sunnah and for other people also. This is what they teach. Alhamdulillah, we don't have this. We only love for Allah. Prophet (saws) he said in many Hadith "no, you cannot be believer if you don't love your brother like yourself." How is the teaching and others from where did they bring this hate for Muslims, for mu'min? I don't know.

So don't be worried Alhamdulillah. And many things happened around us, but Alhamdulillah, our ancestors are Ottomans and they were helping, but they were not getting any thanks from the people whom they were ruling, even until now they are swearing on them. Now also, this Alhamdulillah, Anatolian government they also are helping, but also I hear from many people, these people they said they are making this especially for their benefit. No matter, Allah He knows, no need for all these people to know. Allah when He knows, He keeps our country safe because it must be head for Islam. And this is the capital for Ottomans and it must be in safety so Allah He put good people these days for this. Allah keeps them away from every badness insha'Allah, because many things, it is not easy. Like fire everywhere, coming from inside, from outside, just to destroy the head. It is head. Mawlana was saying they don't want to let themcome up, when they come up, nobody can stop them. For this they are trying their best to finish. Allah He knows best and He's promised. Insha'Allah Mahdi (as) comes and takes his amanah from Istanbul and saves the Muslims. And I think it is very near time insha'Allah. Allah makes us to help him. To take all these people, to make Muslims, pure Islam insha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi at-tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

## 38. Be Young

#### Sunday, August 10, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi lawwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi Rasulillah, madad ya Mashaikhina, madad ya Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah Faizi d-Daghistani, madad ya Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Anyone can attend our sohbahs. In-sha'Allah everyone gets benefit, especially the young ones. Young age is such a big favour, a big favour that Allah gives to people. Youth is power, benefaction, abundance. You should not use it for bad ways. Young people are loved by Allah. Muslims, servants, young people on the way of truth, are the ones most loved by Allah. The old ones are also like that, but the old ones, who were not on the right way and then turned to the right way, it is different. The ones on Allah's way when they are young, what Allah tells them to do, who do they follow Allah's orders, they are the beloved servants of Allah. These people are the most beloved to Allah. Young age is a big blessing. You appreciate it when you get older. Some people may die before getting old. It is never certain if one will get old. Even when they are young, before they get old, they leave this world, they die and go. For this reason, we have to know its value, we have value each moment.

We have to obey Allah, have love for Allah. I mean we must not forget Allah. If you are constantly with Allah, all your actions, everything you do is counted as a good deed. It is not a difficult thing to do. But shaitan makes it look difficult. Shaitan's actions are more difficult. Running after money, cheating people, killing someone, stealing something, these are not easy things. But shaitan makes them appear as if they are attractive things. People think doing bad is easy. Actually it is difficult. For a normal person, for a believer it is very difficult to do badness. Not easy at all. Sometimes you see nonsense news in the papers. You see a man and say, 'Allah Allah, how difficult this man's situation is'. But he is used to it, he doesn't care. He does a lot of bad actions, he doesn't care. But for a normal person it is such a difficult thing. A normal person cannot live with that shame but the followers of shaitan, they don't care, they just satisfy their ego, doesn't matter where it leads. They don't care if it is halal (allowed) or haram (forbidden).

So as we say, to be on Allah's way is not a difficult thing. Shaitan makes it look difficult, but it is the easiest. The most appropriate thing for human nature is to follow Allah's orders, and obey the orders of religion. When you obey, you benefit both materially and spiritually. You find peace. When we say peace, it means, you are peaceful inside. This is something that people nowadays cannot find. They say they are not peaceful, troubled. Feeling troubled comes of course from disobedience to Allah's orders. When you disobey

you will have difficulty. For example, take a car. There are thousands of parts inside. If you remove one of them, just one part, look and see if the car will work. How is it going to work? Maybe it works in a funny way. It may move pushing and pulling it. It may run, shaking, stopping. But if you put that part in, it's flawless, it moves easily without any problems.

Nowadays people are troubled. Are you strict about keeping Allah's orders? 'Ah, we do it, our hearts are clean, I make dua, I make dua a lot'. No praying, no namaz. Fasting, 'this year it's very hot, it is difficult'. No fasting. Anything else? Well, 'we are pure, clean inside'. It is like a car with 4 wheels and no engine. You have to push it by hand, that way it can move. But if you do what Allah tells you, the car runs perfectly, you can easily go in all directions. That's the way it is. For this reason, everyone should learn Allah's orders from a young age so that they find a place in your heart.

That's why Allah blesses the young ones. In order to attract them to the good way, He gives them more rewards. The reward given to a young one is greater than what an old one gets because with becoming old, he doesn't have anything else to do. Most people when they retire, they go to mosque, to Juma. But young ones, they pass a thousand evils before standing up for salat. He can only come after defeating all the evil. That one is the actual hero, the brave person. So that is how Allah rewards.

He makes all this war against his ego, against his desires. He does as Allah orders, in return, Allah rewards him. He gives from His endless treasures. He is generous. The most Generous of the generous, Allah Azza wa Jall gives. May Allah count us all among the young ones. If you are 100 years old, you say 'l'm young', with Allah's permission you are counted as young. If you say 'l'm old, I can't stand up, I can't go,' and such, you become old. But if you say 'l'm young,' with Allah's permission you get its virtue. Really nobody should let themselves go. If you say, 'l'm old, I'm sick,' you really get sick. Sheikh Efendi used to say all the time to people 'you are young'. He asked a 50 year old man how old he was and said, 'you're not 50, you're 30, 35 years old, maximum.' He used to make such jokes up to the end. 'I'm 60 years old, how can you be this age?' he used to say. This of course is a joke. But there is always a wisdom, in what the awliya say. I mean, don't count yourself as old. Always keep moving, make an effort, act as if you are young. Don't be lazy.

Today we speak about being young. Prophet, sallallahu alaihi wa sallam and Allah, Azza wa Jalla praised young believers. They are most precious for them. To be young and to be worshipping and following what Allah ordered, it is not easy because, when young, everything is strong and the ego is big and everything is like fire. He can do anything, but when just following what Allah ordered, then they are precious for Him. To follow their ego, shaitan and ego make it easy but really, it is not easy. If you cheat people, if you lie, if you kill people, if you steal from people and do bad things, it is not easy. It is very difficult for normal people to do it but those who are following their ego and shaitan, it is very easy for them to do what they are doing. Cheating people and stealing and making every bad thing, it is very easy for them. But for real good people it is not easy. Even when you se in the newspaper or TV, some people are doing something bad and sometime you feel

very bad, you put yourself in support of them, but they are not caring, they are doing this normally. If they are caught they are sorry to be caught, but not because they are doing this wrong thing. It is not easy for normal people, for good people to do what they are doing. For normal people it is easy to follow what Allah orders. Allah is ordering every good thing for benefit of human beings.

When you do good things, it is good for you spiritually and physically and psychologically, because if you do this, you are happy. Maybe it is difficult for your ego. For those who are following their egos, it is difficult to pray all their life. To fast, it is also difficult for them. You must do this. Allah Who is creating you and put this order for you, if you do it, you will be satisfied and happy your whole life. But some people they say 'we're doing, but we are not so good.' Something is wrong with you. You are not doing all that Allah is ordering. You are doing something and leaving something, it is not like this. It must be complete.

Like example of a car. There is the engine and many things inside. If you take one of these cars, maybe it can run, still running, but how it is running? Stopping and going or shaking and doing something wrong. Even, if you take out one part, 'its small, no need for it, why all this inside engine? This is too much, we can throw it out.' So, something will be wrong there. Sometimes maybe stops completely, sometimes it is shaking, sometimes it is making funny noises. So even for an engine it is like this. How you are not even making 5% from what Allah is ordering and you are saying 'it is not good.' Even Allah He does not want 100%, if do 20% it is enough for you even, but people they are not doing 1% from this and saying 'we are not good.' We ask what are you doing? They say, 'we are praying but not praying 5 times, just making dua and reading some ayah without praying and our heart it is clean.' If it's clean, only, to have a clean heart it is like a 4-wheel car without engine. By your hand you can push it. It is like this. It is important, to do what Allah is saying and ordering, you will be happy. Happy here and happy hereafter also. In real life, in Paradise, In sha'Allah. And for this you must teach from young age, our children. Even young people to come to right way because Allah Azza wa Jalla, He likes young ones. So, we insha'Allah all our life, we must be young. You must be following as if we are young and do what Allah ordered without stopping or saying 'we are tired, we are old people, we are sick people, we are ill'. No, it is not good.

Mawlana, all the time he was joking when asking somebody 'how old are you?' and when he said '57,' 'no, no! I am 60,' he would say, 'you must be 30'. Wisdom in this joke even, to feel you are young and you must follow what young people are doing, without being tired. And it is really, many people now we see who are not in Islam, they said, 'we are feeling and doing like we are young', even after 60 years they become strong people also. So it is a wisdom. And Allah accept us as if we are doing as young people, insha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi at-Tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

# **39. Be Awake for Akhirat**

#### Monday, August 11, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi I-awwalina wa I-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadatı Ashabı Rasulillah, madad ya Mashayikhina, madad ya Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah Faizi d-Daghıstani, madad ya Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohba, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Do not keep away from the jama'at, from the community. Yadu-llahi ma'a l-jama'a, Allah's Hand, His Strength is with the community, Allah's support is over the community. Do not stay all by yourself. Do not stray far from the caravan. The caravan crossing the desert goes as a group. In the old days a caravan would set out and whoever intended to travel would join the group. There were camel drivers, there were servants and guards, because in the old days it was not so easy. There were many bandits and robbers about.

The caravan could be travelling for the sake of trade or for other purposes. The people travelling with it were certain to carry money or precious objects with them. That is why sometimes 300, 500, even 1000 people travelled in one caravan. They were accompanied by guards with weapons and defended by an armed escort. After all they were travelling mostly through the desert, although part of their journey passed through non-desert areas. It was dangerous for a caravan to cross the desert. If left behind there, certainly, bandits would find you, and if they didn't, you would die from hunger and thirst. If separated from the caravan, you would be lost. Therefore, this caravan is the caravan of Allah's beloved servants, the caravan of our Holy Prophet. Don't stay away from it, catch up with them. Be together with them. They will bring you to salvation. Yunus Emre, the holy one, expresses this very nicely: Days and nights have come, are passing, do not stray far from the caravan, he says. For this journey is the journey of life, just like you will suffer harm if you separate from the caravan passing through the desert. The best you can hope for is to stay alive, that is enough for you. Whoever strays from the caravan will lose his life and his belongings. Therefore, take care, so that you may not end up in a state of regret. Do not be heedless because man sometimes is heedless and falls asleep. The caravan is crowded, how should they know you fell asleep and got left behind? They may pass on and you will die. That is how it is in this world. If you fall asleep and are heedless of Allah, if you neglect what Allah has commanded you to do, suddenly you will look around and find that death has come upon you without warning, and then you wake up. But it is too late to do anything at this point. No use. Always pay attention, don't be heedless, neglectful. Heedlessness is not a good thing. In the Qur'an heedlessness, ghaflah, is mentioned in several verses. In none of these, is heedlessness described as a good thing and people in heedlessness, they will come to a harmful end, will suffer loss. Don't be heedless. Be mindful. Regret at the very end is of no benefit. Now you move about here in heedlessness, death comes and you go. But you will find nothing in the hereafter except regret. They say, there is no benefit in regret at the very end. In the hereafter, be as regretful as you like, it will do you no good.

Be awake in this world. By being awake we don't mean the watchfulness of the captain saving his ship that is not what we mean here. Save your soul and go in faith. People give this phrase another meaning. Be watchful, they think it means one who is sharp and alert, and cheats people in order to pass his time in this temporary world in comfort. That is not being watchful. But being awake is for the hereafter. We must pay attention to that, insha'Allah. Allah ordering, saying Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam. Especially we say: Tariqatuna al sohba wa-l khairu fi-l jam'iya, to keep together as jama'a. "Yadullah ma' al jama'a." Allah, His Power, Hand, is with gathering people, jama'a, company. Company, it is for Allah. It is to be with Prophet and his followers and the Awliya' Allah, the mashsha'ikh, murshids. They are beloved people of Allah. This is company. They save you from bad things especially a bad end. In old times, there was caravan going by desert, or going by many places because it was not regular travelling. Road and cars, no. They were going by camel, by horse, by donkey, walking. They are gathering and they are going, maybe 100 people, 200 people by camel. Even sometimes 1000 people, they are going together. And they are going by desert. And if they were alone, they were attacked by thieves and by robbers. So they were going a thousand people and they have guards with them, and they have this man who has camels to show them the road.

Every person, they were knowing when someone will travel so, they said "On this day this caravan will be leaving for Damascus, this coming to Mecca this day, this going for Yemen." So every person who wants to go, preparing, he say, 'I'm going with them'. And he will be safe because, all together. But if somebody going by himself, it will be very dangerous. Many times not coming back at all because it was old times, everywhere, there was somebody cutting the road and robbing people. Some of the robbers would steal them, some of them would steal and kill them also. Even sometimes, they take them and sell them as slaves. So it was so dangerous to go by self.

This, our travelling, we are travelling for life. We are all not stopping, like Yunus Emre, he has a good poem in Turkish, he is very famous. He said "we are travelling day and night, day and night, so you think you are sitting but you are also travelling for Akhirah. For eternal life. We are in big travel and we are in good, strong caravan with Awliya' Allah and with Prophet (saws). We are travelling with them, so don't be heedless. Heedless people when caravan is going, some of them maybe are asleep in the desert. Of course it is very huge, sometimes they are not knowing this, they forget the one out there. So if you would be heedless and sleeping they are going without you and not looking. And maybe 99% chance, he will be finished. So you must be awake. Don't be heedless because if you don't look after yourself other people, it is difficult for them to look after you. You must be awake to continue this travelling to eternal life because many people they are heedless and when they are dying, awakening, "What were we doing? We have good chance, we have good thing but we were heedless and we didn't do anything. We are very sorry."If you are sorry now, no benefit for your sorry. After that you will see and you will regret it, because you didn't do what you can do in your life. And you were with a good caravan but you were heedless and you destroyed yourself, by not being awake.

Many times after this caravan also there is one coming behind them, to look if anybody there. Saying to them, "Go, for what you are waiting, quickly go there." Sometimes they say, "yes I am coming" after, again sleeping and finished. Good example for our life. We are in a very good caravan, Alhamdulillah, but we mustn't be heedless because heedlessness is not good attribute. Many places in Quran, Allah was saying "Wa Hum Fi Ghaflatin Mu`riduna" (21:1) Many timesthey are heedless and they are deep (in heedlessness). So many places you must be awake. Awake for Akhirah, because there is a saying also in Turkish and Arabic, to be awake is to be very clever. But clever for dunya. No, never. This is not so good thing for dunya, you must be awake for Akhirah, because you must awaken before death because everybody awakens when they are dead. When they are waking, some of them happy, many of them not happy because they lost good opportunity to do good thing. And Allah was giving them every opportunity to do.

Allah makes us awake all time, insha'Allah, to not follow our ego, to be heedless and to sleep and be with shaytan. Insha'Allah, Allah keep us away from these people, to be with Awliya' Allah, mashsha'ikh In sha Allah.

Wa min Allahi at-Tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

### 40. Above Every Knower is One More Knowing (12:76) Tuesday, August 12, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Sayyidina Muhammadin Sayyidi lAwwalina wa l-Akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaikhina, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Daghestani, dastur, madad y a Mawlana Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani. Tarigatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

#### Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

"wafawga kulli dhi ilmin alimun" (12:76). Knowledge has no end. From the knowledge of Allah, "wama uteetum mina al `ilmi illa galeela" (17:85). Of knowledge you learned very little. Knowledge is the knowledge of Allah. Knowledge given to mankind is not even a spot; it is so little that it can't be seen next to the knowledge of Allah. Yet people boast, claiming they are scholars saying, "We know this, we do that". They always speak about it. In fact, they know nothing. They learned very little from what Allah taught. So don't get proud, the more you talk about your learning so others should not boast, the more are there people, more educated and more knowledgeable than you. No need to boast like this. It is not reasonable, arrogance. It is very big foolishness to say "I know this, I do this," because there is certainly someone who has far better knowledge, and there's someone who knows far more than that. Allah created everything beautiful. Allah Azza wa Jalla created the best, in the best form. We are in the middle of summer now. We are in the hottest days. There are many smart, and foolish people who complain about hot weather. Allah Azza wa Jalla made these days the hottest. He made the hotter days of the year. It may please you or not, be enjoyable or not, but what Allah says, happens. Allah created it so. This has wisdom in it. Nothing was created without wisdom. People say fruit will appear, this and that. Allah's creature is useful for everything. It's useful not only for the trees, soil and grass, but also for people. This season, the season created by Allah is useful for the body of man. You complain about it being too hot, but certainly, Allah created it considering your need. If there was no need, He would make it always cool. And it is to remind about something. During our Master's time it wasn't like now. You are sitting here in your house, complaining about hotness. Think about our Master. It's twice as hot where they lived. That aside, an order came for our Prophet to go to war, an order to fight against unbelievers. It was hot like this, even hotter. All of the Sahaba got ready and went, some of them said it was too hot. If that's too hot, think about hell. Hell is much hotter than this. All of them went, but some people felt lazy. Afterwards they regretted it. Then an ayat came down for them revealing their regret in not going. An avat came down about them, (Tawba:112). Truly, the repentance of thosepeople, Sahaba, was accepted. And this hotness has its benefit. Coldness has benefits too. If you live in this world, your ego should suffer a bit. You should be patient and tolerant. Otherwise, it's neither hot, nor cold. Only in Paradise, in Akhira. This world we live in, is short time. And when it's hot for few days you should be patient. When it's cold, you should bear it. You should be patient and thank Allah.

That beautiful life is in Akhira where there's neither sun to burn your head, nor cold to freeze you. A beautiful, eternal and true life is there. In all meanings. At least, you will live an eternal life with a beautiful weather, like that of spring. Here we'll have a couple of cold and a couple of hot days and pass away. Don't complain. Make shukr to Allah for having a healthy life. But our Master has an advice as well. "Don't sit much under the sun'. Our Master wouldn't advise this. Especially in such hotness, he ordered to keep away from sun. Don't listen to foolish Europeans, it's not allowed to lie under the sun naked like lizards the whole day. That will harm you. It will make you sick. Pay attention to this as well. As we said, this is the knowledge of Allah and He's saying it through the tongue of our Prophet, not to walk much under the sun. And if you walk, put something on your head. Direct sun is not good. Ordinary things you do in the morning or evening are ok, but don't believe that direct sun is good just because sun is useful everywhere you are. That's why, insha'Allah it will be healthy. It will be healthy for all of us. Allah is saying in Quran there is knowledge above, or who says, "I am a scholar, I am knowing," there is above him one who knows more than him. And Allah Azza wa Jalla is saying you only get very little bit from knowledge. From knowledge of Allah it is not like one drop, not like one atom, what we know is nothing at all. And those people, these scholars and professors they are happy "we are knowing everything." No, you don't know. If you know so much even, Allah sends one who knows better than you. This is Allah's saying and He is the Creator and He is not like ordinary people. He created us and He created those who have more knowledge than you. So don't say you are proud "I know everything." Don't think this is right. Many things they think they are knowing, they are knowing wrong. And they are happy with this. No, it is Allah what He gives to the smallest people, He can make you ashamed of yourself to say "I am knowing". Alhamdulillah, we are now in summertime and it is the middle of summer and it is hot, very hot. Many people are complaining. Scholar, or not scholar, or ordinary people. So they are thinking they know better than Allah. Allah is the Creator. He created summer, winter, autumn, spring. Everything is created by Allah. When He creates anything He creates it the best. They cannot be better because He is Ahsanu I-Khaligin, the Best Creator. And when He does something people they are not understanding, they are complaining, "it is so hot, it is like this, like that." Allah created this summer to be hot. And specially these days it is very hot. Many people they thought it is for fruit, for wheat, for other things. No, not only for that. It is also for human beings, for the benefit of human beings. To be very hot, or to be hot, or to be cold. We are living in temporary life. It is not life forever, here. Just to make you, physically also, it is good for us, this what happened.

Spiritually also. Spiritually to tolerate and to be patient with what happens around you. And physically to give some benefit to your body because He knows best. And you must be patient, because this life is temporary. Real life cold also is good for human beings, for body, for spiritual and for physical also. Really, when it is so, so hot or so cold people are not liking this. They are getting uncomfortable so, many people they are opening air conditioning and in winter time they are putting heating to make it good for them. But it must be also, you should feel hot and you should feel cold, it is a benefit for you. And to know this temporary life, it must be like this. And it is a very short time, not so long time. Even 100 years it is quickly passing from comparing to permanent life, eternal life. And just 100 years, 80 years, 90 years, it is not so long. Some people they thought it is so long to be 100 years old. It is not so, this is very short also. In Jannat/Paradise it is opposite of this. There is no sun, no hot, no cold. Like spring, very sweet weather. Everywhere is green with fruits and trees of Paradise. And it is forever. So we must be patient in this life to get this, what Allah promised for us. And it is, Allah said in The Quran, don't say it is so hot, Hell/Jahannam, it is more hot than this. Prophet (saws) in these days, Allah ordering him to follow this army of unbelievers, they said they were coming, so they are prepare and going. It must be exactly like these days, in August I think. And where Prophet (saws) living, in Madina, it is double the heat from now. Nobody liked to go but when the order coming, Sahaba they are going. Only three they were not going and they were very regretful. After Allah forgave them after 2 or 3 months. And there is avah for that. So it was not easy. But for order of Allah, even in this heat they were going not complaining, not saying anything. Quickly going for Allah. So you must be happy, don't complain with this weather. You must be happy all the time, you must be thankful to Allah.

There is also knowledge from Prophet (saws). Now we said Europeans they like too much to be in the sun like lizards. Taking everything off. So Prophet (saws) said, "don't go too much in the sun. The sun is not so good for people. Little bit, you must put something on you to protect yourself from the sun. Not too much. Allah showing the good way. Prophet (saws) he is showing every good thing for human beings, but human beings are not understanding. They don't want to be in right way, or to take advice. Allah makes us to listen to advice and obey, insha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi at-Tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

## 41. Do Not Fear Death

#### Wednesday, August 13, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As-salātu wa s-salāmu 'ala Rasūlinā Muhammadin Sayyidi lawwalīn wa lākhirīn. Madad ya RasūlAllāh, madad ya Sādāti Ashābi Rasūlillah, madad ya Mashayikhinā, madad ya Mawlānā Shaykh Abdullah Faizi d-Daghistāni, madad ya Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nāzim al-Haqqānī, dastur. Tariqatunā s-sohba, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Sohba means to say good things, In sha'Allah. As Shaykh Effendi used to say: yawmun jadīd, rizqun jadīd. With every new day Allah sends us new provision. Insha'Allah today's new sohba will provide all of us with spiritual nourishment. When a dead person is laid in his grave, there are often people present who scream and shout and cry loudly. Shouting and loud crying is not permitted. It is torment for the deceased but of course there is no objection in grieving quietly, weeping by oneself.

There is wisdom in forbidding this. A mourner's loud crying and shouting, and tearing out his hair for the person shows that he believes he himself will not die and the one deceased will never see him again. However the deceased addresses him in the speech of the dead, saying, "you are so very upset, do not be so sad. I am a traveller, and you too are a traveller". My ticket was cut a bit before yours. I was called to my destination a bit ahead of you but you will follow me. There is no need to be upset, to be so distressed. You are all heading for that destination". Nobody will stay in this world forever. Throwing earth over the dead person who is in his grave, carries a reward. You can think of yourself at this time, as if you too are being covered with this earth since you also will go to the hereafter. Do not fear death. If you do good deeds, if you do as Allah has commanded then death should not make you afraid. The deceased was not the only one who died. No one will remain. Where you now live, many, many people lived before you. Many people lived in these places. Thousands, millions of people lived there and not one of them remains in the place he once occupied. When his power is cut off, when the Angel of Death comes to him he can no longer move his hand or foot, and all his power is gone. They lift you from your place and take you to the afterlife, and place you in your grave. Then it is the turn of the one coming after you. He lives there for a while, and then he too must die. No one can live forever. In tariga, we practice tafakkur ul-mawt, contemplation of death. You must remember death every day, at least 7 times in order not to have the fear of death. Every day, 7 times you must think of your own death.

Death is Allah's command. Allah has made every thing good, so this too He has made good. You must accept this, to not be afraid of death. One may say "I am so strong, I am so powerful, I am a champion, I am a chief, I am a man who makes people tremble, I am one who is much loved," all of them must go. All he could take with him was a white piece of cloth, his wrap-up sheet. Nothing else he could take along. In this shroud may be a hero, or a coward, or anything else. When he is wrapped up in his shroud it is not known who he was. Important is the memory of that person, that people might say after him that he was a good man. Most important is that Allah knows you were a good person. Yesterday has slipped from your hand, it is gone. You can do nothing about yesterday. Tomorrow has not come yet, it has not yet appeared. It is not even clear whether you will live until tomorrow. So you must make the most of today, of this present moment. You must think this way every day. People now say, let's live like this in the future, let's do this, build this road and build this city, it will be a good thing 20, 30 years from now. Who will be alive in 20 or 30 years? Don't be sad for them.

A poet said: After our time many roses and flowers will bloom, but we will not be there. Friends will commune in flower-gardens, but we will not be there. Whatever blossom, let it bloom, it'll be not our affair. This poet had the right idea; this will be, that will be. You must give thanks for all. By Allah's wisdom we are coming to the Last Times. Each day makes us long for the one just passed. Each day makes us think of the previous day. Therefore, be content, and bow down yourhead in acceptance of Allah's decree. As we said before, we must not be afraid of death, it is Allah's command. But that is only if you keep Allah's commandments, then you will have no fear. Who will be afraid of death? Those who oppress people, who betray and deceive people, those who do evil things, they should be afraid.

Who is on the right way, no fear for them, by Allah's leave. Today we speak to not be afraid from death. Why? about: Many people, specially the nonbelievers, they are making shouting, crying with hig voice, we are losing these – our father, mother or relative. They are shouting and crying. Don't be like this, because the dead man is saying "why you are shouting and crying like this? I am travelling just before you." All of us we are travellers, we have ticket. Some of them before, some of them after. So insha'Allah, the good people will all be together. "Don't be sad," he said this,"we are going same place". If you are shouting and crying like non-believers, you will look like you believe you will not be dead also. No, you also will be dead. Everybody is going to the same place. Those who are shouting and crying they thought they will not be dying? But it looks like many people, when you are in life they cannot believe they will die. And when somebody is dying, they are crying so much. They thought they will be separate forever. No, it is for everybody. It is same way to go for everybody but some of them going before, some of them going after.

It is like this. Allah sent people for a short time. Like a school or like class, after, they will be examined and they will go where they deserve. Many people before us, they were living in this area. Many before them also, they were living in the same area. Many people before them also, they are coming and going, nobody can stay forever here. So when we throw earth when burying somebody, you must think yourself to be there. You are throwing this for yourself. You must know, you must believe. It is not bad to die. When Allah puts this order for you, you will die. But if you are in right way don't be afraid, you'll be happy, you will meet all good people because you are following them. You must be very happy, don't be worried. Many times you see in news people saying, "after 20 years it will be like this, a very good city. After 50 years it will be like this, like that." And you are thinking "after 20 years I'll be 100 years old so I cannot be there." Sometimes you feel sorry. Don't feel sorry at all! Because it is a temporary life and before you also there were people and after you there will be people.

Mawlana said now it is end of the time, it is not getting better. Every day is going to be worse and worse. Once he even said that the people who are living, sometimes coming to graves and saying to these people, "O you are lucky, you are dead before this happened. We are not so lucky like you." But you be patient and be in right way, following what Allah ordered. It is order of Allah, you have to continue your life here as He wishes and you must obey, to be happy here and hereafter, In sha'Allah.

Once one poem was saying, "O it will be after us, roses and flowers and we'll not see it. But there will be rose and flower gardens and our friends they will speak there and they'll be happy but we will not see it". No need to see it. And better is with Allah, he has better than this, insha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi at-Tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

## 42. The Worst of Voices

### (31:19) Thursday, August 14, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As-salātu wa s-salāmu 'ala Rasūlinā Muhammadin Sayyidi lawwalīn wa l-ākhirīn. Madad ya RasūlAllāh, madad ya Sādāti Ashābi Rasūlillah, madad ya Mashayikhinā, madad ya Mawlānā Shaykh Abdullah d-Daghistāni, madad ya Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nāzim al-Haqqānī, dastur. Tariqatunā s-sohba, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

We must pay attention to what we do so that it might not be in vain. You must remember Allah constantly and you must live according to how Allah wishes you to live. If you do this, all your affairs will turn out well, for when you have attained Allah's good pleasure, all your actions are considered as worship. Don't let yourself be gripped by your nafs, the greatest enemy is your nafs.

Our Master, the Holy Prophet said: If you love a person, love him, but not too much. In your love, don't go to the extreme and give him all your secrets. Don't reveal to that person all that you know. One day he may turn into your enemy, and he may then harm you. He says, don't let your guard down completely. Most of the time our Holy Prophet did not speak about certain things he was planning; for instance, if there was to be a battle, he told no one about it. Once heset out from Medina and traveled for a few days, then the Companions saw him turn around and head in the opposite direction, our Holy Prophet, so that no one might spoil his plan. When too many people share a secret it is spoilt. So, don't trust your own nafs and, as your nafs is your greatest enemy, don't follow it, and don't tell everything. Don't trust your nafs. Don't say, "I am ok, my nafs is alright, I can rely on my nafs in every matter," because as soon as you let your nafs free, it cannot resist and returns to its former state. Shaykh Efendi used to tell a good story concerning this matter. Once there lived on a farm a donkey, a dog, a cat and a rooster - a few animals. The owner of the farm was a bit of a tyrant, and he tormented the animals. These got together and agreed among themselves to run away one day. They would go and live on their own, they said, in a different place. There is plenty of food all around. We don't need to stay with that man. So together, they all ran away.

They went to a faraway mountain top. When the famer saw that they had gone, he wondered: Allah, Allah, where did they go? Did anyone steal them, what could have happened? While he looked for them, they passed over quite a distance. They left the

farm far behind. To begin with they said: don't make any noise. If he hears us he will come after us and take us back. So they were all very quiet. But the donkey was accustomed to shouting loudly, or braying, as it is called. The worst of all voices is that of the donkey, says the Holy Qur'an. It is similar to the voice of the mushrikin, the unbelievers. He raises his voice often and stirs things up. Once he starts braying, you can hear him over a distance of 10 km. You may think he has something very important to communicate, but it is of absolutely no importance. So they went on. The donkey said, "I want to bray just a little," "Oh no," they said, "if you start, he will find us right away. Don't do it!" So, he restrained his nafs.

They traveled on for a bit, past a few more hilltops. Then the donkey said, "I can't stand it any more, I am going to have to bray." With much pleading, they got him to keep quiet, barely. They went on for a while then he could stand it no longer, and he said, "I can't keep it any more," and he began to bray at the top of his lungs so that the hills and mountains rang. The man heard him right away, came after them, caught them and led them off. In just this way most people cannot resist their nafs. They may pray once or twice, fast a little - some people, and say, I have now repented. Then they say, let's do just a little bit and they fall back into their old ways. They must be careful. They must not rely on their nafs. The nafs always likes to bray, always likes its bad habits. Therefore, you must not indulge it too much, for you can never trust it. Be careful. Today we speak about our ego. The ego, it is enemy and you can train it to be your servant. Prophet, salallahu alaihi wa sallam was saying to be careful when you love somebody, normal people of course, not beloved people for Allah. If you have many friends, when they love each other, they say to them everything. Secrets and everything. Too much loving. Prophet, salallahu alaihi wa sallam: "Don't be like this." You must be normal, in moderation. If you hate somebody, you must also not hate them too much. Prophet salallahu alaihi wa sallam said, "maybe this, your friend sometimes he can become enemy for you, and he knowseverything about you, he is harming you more than enemy." And for enemy, "maybe you are too much enemy for him, sometimes becoming a friend to you, so you will be very sorry to make these bad things for him". You must be careful and not say your secret to everybody.

When you want to do something, only you must know this because, if it is coming out of you, becoming not-secret. Quickly spreads. Prophet, salallahu alaihi wa sallam, when he wanted to go to war or some place he wasn't saying to Sahaba where he is going. He just say, "you prepare yourself, we are going. And after going 3 miles, 10 miles away from Madina, he was going to opposite side of where he wants to go, after turning to go where he wants. This is a teaching for us. You must be careful, especially from your ego. You must be, not too much friend with him, not too much give your secret to your ego. Must be every time.

Mawlana, he was telling one story, little bit funny. Ego, it is like a donkey. One time there was a farm and many animals inside. Especially, there was a donkey, and dog

and others, like goat, or something like this. And the farmer he was tough for them and they said, "we are fed up from this man, so we must run away from this farm. Outside, we are eating grass, we can find everything. No need to be with this man to make us tired and beat us". So they agreed to go away. All together go away, but they said to themselves, "this man, he will know where we are, don't shout, don't make any voice." Everybody said, "yes". They were going very far from the farm and farmer was looking for them. He didn't find, because no voice, nothing. After many miles, donkey was shouting very bad, and braying. So he said, "I must bray." They said, "don't do this, it is very bad, he quickly can find us". In Quran, Allah said: "The worst voice, donkey's voice." And it is giving big voice, but only, not nice and giving bad thing. And it is like unbeliever, they making big voice but nothing good from them. He said, "ok, ok, I am happy now, no need to make this voice." After little bit, maybe 3 - 4 hours, he again said "I must bray and shout." They said, "no, please, remind you." He said "ok," but after 2 hours he said, "I cannot manage anymore". Beginning with the highest voice. The mountain was shaking and making echo. Farm man, he come quickly, take them away again to where they were.

Many people they cannot. Once, two, three times they can stop their ego. After, little bit from here, little bit from there, finish, again. After, they regret it. After, again they say, we want to make this. Like this, but we must be careful to not give our ego this chance. You must go away from this dunya and the bad ego and shaytan. To go away from this, go to nice place, insha'Allah. When you go away from this zalim, oppressor-farmer - it is like oppressor-farmer, this shaytan. He make every time oppression for us, for people, but if you are free from him you will be happy, insha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi at-Tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

### 43. Addabanī Rabbī fa Ahsana Ta'dībī Friday, August 15, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu.

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashai'khina, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Daghestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani. Audhu Billahi min ash-shaytani rrajim. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Our tariqa is with sohba, goodness is with association. In-sha'Allah these are associations of goodness. Here in the house of Allah, in a place where Allah is remembered, it is association of goodness. Our Prophet, Allah taught the most beautiful adab to our Prophet. "Addabani Rabbi fa ahsana ta'dibi" it is said in a hadith through the tongue of our Prophet. Adab is a beautiful thing. Adab is good morality, beauty, delicacy. A man is a man only with adab. A man without adab is called an animal. What is adab? Adab is to show respect, to revere and to respect firstly, Allah Azza wa Jalla. With Allah, you have to show the greatest adab towards Allah.

How is adab shown towards Allah? By thankfulness for everything He gives and showing satisfaction. Second, it is to respect our Prophet. You should love him more than yourself, more than your mother and father, more than everything else. This too is adab. To whom to show adab thirdly? To all Sahabas, prophets, believers, scholars; to everyone higher than you. You should show adab to them. You should respect the deceased ones as much as the living ones, praying for them. Sending a good prayer for them is the biggest gift for them. Muslims should learn this. They should learn this. Any Muslim who doesn't show adab falls into the category of animals. Allah created everyone in ranks. There are many ayats on it. One is "Inna Allaha istafa Adama wanuhan wa aala Ibrahima wa aala Imrana 'ala al-alamina" (3:33). Allah didn't speak about the families of Adam alaihi salam. Nuh alaihi salam; He made the families of Ibrahim alaihi salam, Imran alaihi salam great. He respected them and placed them above people. He placed them in a higher rank.

This means if you show lesser respect for everyone, it won't be shirk. Allah Azza wa Jalla is showing, adab is not shirk. Adab is an attribute loved by Allah, an attribute suitable to people. A man without adab is an animal. We can say just this, we can't say more. Adab is a very beautiful thing. Among people as well, much respect is shown to a good mannered man, one with adab than a bad person, who is less loved. He is hated by everyone. Allah loves people with good manners, with soft manners and those who are merciful. Mercy is also from adab. A rude man is not loved by others.

May Allah teach Muslims this truth insha'Allah, because they want to make Muslims far from this. This is all shaitan's work. Ahl-ul Sunnah wa-I Jama'a, the 4 madhhabs are ordering what we said and, ordering this because it is the order of Allah and our Prophet. They can't order otherwise. And those ordering other than this receive their orders from shaitan. They follow him. May Allah protect us, the Muslims from them insha'Allah.

Tariqatuna al sohba wal khair fi-l jamia'. To say this is what Sheikh Bahauddin Naqshband, Imam al Tariqatu n-Naqshbandia was saying in every sohba. Our way is to make speech/sohba, good speech for advice. and the best thing is gathering with ikhwan/brothers, or with friends to be together to remember Allah and remember good things. And this is gathering for Allah, Alhamdulillah, we are happy to be with you, all coming from around the world, from near or from very far away. But all coming for Allah, gathering for Allah. And Allah He loves these meetings. And this meeting especially, is teaching good behaviour, adab.

Prophet (saws) said: "Addabani Rabbi fa ahsana ta'dibi". "Allah taught me to be goodbehaved and He is the best to do it. He did the best for me. (He taught me excellently). Nobody is above Prophet (saws) in good manners. He has all the good manners. And he is teaching believers, Muslims to be good-behaved, to be good mannered. For whom first? For Allah. You must be good behaved for Allah and accept what He is giving for you, you must be happy, you must be satisfied. Don't be against Him. Second for Prophet (saws). Prophet (saws), you must respect him more than anything in this world. You must love him more than yourself, more than your children, your family, your mother and father. This is good behaviour towards Prophet (saws). To love him like this and to accept what he is ordering and he is saying. After him you must love Sahaba, all Sahaba. You cannot judge, these Sahaba good,

these not good. It is not good behaviour to separate Sahaba. Just, you only look at yourself. You cannot say that he was wrong, he was right, because they are taught by Prophet (saws). And Prophet (saws) saying, "My century it is the best century from this ummah, until Khulafa' al Rashidin." This Prophet (saws) said, if you do not accept this, you are not accepting Prophet (saws). You are making very big disobedience and bad manners and are badly behaved towards Prophet (saws).

After, you must respect those who are coming after Sahaba, century by century and those who are beloved people for Allah like Awliya'Allah, scholars, 'alim, who are teachinggood things. Especially we must follow from the 4 madhhabs, one of them. And when you do this you are not making shirk, what people say. Some people are saying this is shirk. No it is not shirk because, Allah loves some people and even Quran was mentioning it. People some of them high, some of them lower. But all of them are Allah's servants.

So, you cannot say if somebody loves Prophet or loves awliya' or Sahaba, "you are in shirk". You cannot say this because even for a dead Muslim, you must be respectful. You must be respectful for all elderly people, you must be merciful for small people. Good manners are the best for human being. Allah gave this, good behaviour for mankind and not anything else. Who are animals are not behaving good. They don't have adab, they don't have manners, they are just animals. And who is not following good behaviour and manners they are like animals. And it is not good for human beings. Many people they are saying, "we are human beings," but when you are not doing like human beings, to be with good behaviour and as Allah and Prophet ordering, and love, you are not deserving to be mankind. You will be like animals.

Who likes to be like animal? Nobody. But when you don't like this you must behave like human beings. What Allah ordered and what Prophet (saws) ordered. And it is the best teaching from Prophet (saws). Insha'Allah, in Tariqa, this way is all for teaching people adab, to teach people good behaviour and good manners. Allah makes Muslims to be awake and to be good behaving through following Prophet (saws), especially following his behaviour.

Wa sallu 'ala an-Nabi, w'Alhamdulillahi Rabbi Al 'Alamin. Al Fatiha.

# 44. We All Follow Mawlana's Orders

### Monday, August 18, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaikhina, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Dagestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Our tariqa is with sohba, and goodness is in association. This association, our jama'a is brothers. People gathered by our Sheikh, Muslims to Muslims are brothers and brotherhood of tariqat is more important, a key matter. Shaitan is the first one between them. He envies the beloved servants of Allah and doesn't want such beautiful traits. Shaitan and those who follow him want neither Muslims, nor the brotherhood of Muslims or tariqa. They want them to be enemies of each other.

It is the order of our Prophet: a Muslim should love another Muslim. Whatever you want for yourself, you have to wish that for your brother too. You can want but your ego doesn't. Shaitan doesn't want at all because when shaitan was kicked out of heaven, he asked to be left until Qiyamah and promised to mislead all people. Shaitan tries his best to mislead those who enter the right way. Don't befriend shaitan. Your friend is Allah, the Prophet. They are the real friends. Can you be friends with a snake, with a poisonous snake? Can you be in the same place with it? No. As for your ego, poisonous snake becomes weak next to your even the most ego. There are some imposters, some people who stay with snakes now but probably they do it without sleeping day and night. That is possible not for one in a thousand, but one in a million cases. They are imposters. However saints can be amongst them. They don't care and they don't get approached, with Allah's permission. Ego is the same. Those people govern their egos. There is nothing they are scared of. They fear no one except Allah. They don't hesitate with anyone. They don't care if someone accuses them and say they did this and that because they do what Allah orders. They are the most relaxed people in the world. Shukr to Allah, Sheikh Efendi gathered these people. There are millions with Allah's permission. Certainly shaitan doesn't like it and always wants to make fitna. May Allah keep him away,

In sha'Allah. May Allah Azza wa Jalla keep shaitan far from us. Shukr to Allah, everyone obeyed the order of Sheikh Efendi so far. Who didn't obey are maybe 1 or 2. Of course

that happens too. They may be deceived by shaitan or ego, or they may have another reason. Obligation is not from us, it's a matter mentioned by Sheikh Efendi.

Shukr to Allah, with the miracle of Sheikh Efendi, everyone, young and old, whatever Sheikh Efendi ordered, they agreed because it is a matter of ego. There are old people, new people, those who are bigger than us. Even they accepted the order of Sheikh Efendi without any objection. And shaitan doesn't like it. He's trying to do some things but with Allah's permission we are not afraid and not worried. It is not an easy job. Even if Sheikh Efendi put a stone here, it would have spiritual power.

That is why, even if they complain and do other things, nothing happens. We have neither worry nor fear, thanks to Allah. Some people say they said this and that on the internet. I told them not to talk about it. It's not good. That's the new invention of shaitan. They used to fight with swords in old times. Then machine guns appeared and bravery disappeared. And now it is not like a gun, not even like a normal bomb. It's the newest nuclear bomb of shaitan. If it goes somewhere, it destroys a whole country.

That is the reason I don't want in our tariga to hear that someone said this and that on the internet. They bring news and I said don't tell me. I don't want to hear it. Sheikh Efendi didn't like such things. One person says something and they assume that everyone is saying that. In fact, it's not true. The best thing is to not look at it, not to think badly and not to spy. There is ayat on it. You think bad and say they said this and You that. can't deal with what you must do vourself. And if you're bothered with this, you make complete harm. That's why whoever that is and whatever they say, don't answer them. Don't even look, which is better. With Allah's permission our Sheikh has a power to protect us from that nuclear bomb of shaitan. That's why, instead of looking at it, giving short replies, its better not to look at all. You'll be more secure and safe. Mind your own ego. Nothing else is required. We are all brothers - new ones and old ones. There's nothing like "you are old, I am new". That is a grace and big blessing of Allah that we are all gathered in this beautiful way. We see that people sacrifice their lives and possessions. They are going towards bad way. They are killing Muslims, doing everything to destroy Muslims and their name. Nevertheless, you can't offend your Muslim brother. We are trying to teach this in Tariga.

Thank Allah you entered this Tariqa. It is a beautiful way of our Prophet. You are going on his true way. You are going towards him. Support is coming from him. Make shukr for this blessing given by him. There's no need to say something like "you are old, I am new". Old ones should teach the new ones. New ones should respect the old. Like this we pass it and we go just as Sheikh Efendi said because people are tired of these wild people. They want to follow a beautiful way like this. In sha'Allah with the power/himmat of our Sheikh, we won't separate from this way even if our life reaches its end, In-sha'Allah, we'll increase.

The way of Sheikh Efendi is a way of our Prophet. May people come to the right way. May they be saved from ignorance and from harming themselves In-sha'Allah. They'll be saved both in this world and in akhira. Tariqat as-sohba is to give lessons and lecture and advice. And insha'Allah, fi-l jami'a is to be gathering. It is the best thing. This is what Sheikh Bahauddin Naqshbandi was saying in every sohba. And this, to be gathering good people was what Mawlana wanted and hetried to do all his life. With whom he was gathering? His whole life he was gathering with good people. Since his youth he was travelling everywhere and gathering with people. Good people were coming to him. But other people, those not good, bad people, they were hating him. And they were doing bad things. Sometimes swearing, sometimes standing, behaving badly. And they were not returning. Why? Because those who must gather with him, they must be good people. Bad people, they were hating him and were swearing and doing everything even accusing him to be a spy, to be like this, to accuse him of lying, many things. He still was travelling but when coming the next time to this village, bad people of course, they were not coming at all. Only good people, they were coming. And it was like this until the end of his life. Good people, they were coming to him. They loved him. Bad people were not loving him. Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam was saying, to be Muslim one must love his brothers in Islam, like himself, at least to wish for them what he wishes for himself. This is honor of Prophet SallAllahu alaihi wa sallam. But the one who was hating all human beings, he is shaitan. Allah kicked him out from Paradise, since then he swore, he said, "Leave me until Judgment Day, I will make all these human beings to come with me to hell". Allah Azza wa Jalla said "Go, who follows you, they will be with you". He sent him but not all people will go with him. He said only those who follow shaitan, they will be in hell with him. Shaitan, he hates mankind. And he hates especially the Muslims to be together, good people to gather. It is his worst. Who can take them out of belief and to be away from Islam, he takes them. They are with their friend now. But who does not follow him, he tries to make enmity between those Muslims.

And this is what is happening now in these days in the world. But Mawlana, he was gathering all good people. Millions of these people. And he was alhamdulillah, like a magnet pulling good people to him. And when he changed for akhira, in-sha'Allah he said to be together again. Alhamdulillah his order, it was followed by everyone alhamdulillah. And this is what shaitan not like. He tries to do something here and there. But alhamdulillah all our brothers, older brothers, younger, who, they are very long with mashsha'ikh and they are more knowledgeable than me and more older, all, they are not saying anything. They accept and this was a test for them, Alhamdulillah, or by baraka of Mawlana they passed this test. It's not easy to accept because the ego and other and many things, they make people to avoid this but alhamdulillah, this is karama from Mawlana to make all these people accept and they are happy and no objection, alhamdulillah. There is of course little bit here and there but they are not from real followers of Mawlana. There was maybe one or two, they are coming later years, maybe 5, 6 years ago. And they went again. So it's not important. The are travelling between mashsha'ikh many times and they are not responsible, they have some problem. So this is nothing. But the main followers of Mawlana from ulama. from scholars. from government people. from highest stations, and there are poor people. All they are accepting and they are happy to follow Mawlana's order.

And this is shaitan, he will blow up from his anger. Alhamdulillah. So many people, they try to make fitna, especially from internet. I don't like this internet from beginning. Even I cannot open. Sometimes they say people, they have something, some people, they do for me. I never see it. But this internet, it is big fitna and big weapon for shaitan. Before there was fighting with sword and not firing machine gun or something. When machine gun coming, they said it finished the bravery.

Now this television and other, it was like this. But now this not like gun, it is like atom bomb, this internet. We see it. They destroy all these countries only with this internet. All Arab countries. What happened now? Once they are making one news, all people becoming crazy. They destroy everything. You cannot stop. This, shaitan help you with this. If sending this message for you, don't tell me this. I'm not looking for this and I'm not happy. And if you see something like this, don't answer. No order from me. Don't answer this message even they are swearing or what they are doing. If you like to see, you see. But, better to not see and better never accept to answer anyone. Allah Azza wa Jalla saying "Inna ba'd adh-dhanni ithm" Don't think bad for people and don't spy and this is what Allah ordered. So shaitan orders must be exactly opposite of this. So don't believe this internet news or what they write and don't answer. Especially this for ladies or girls, Don't speak in this machine. It is very bad. I hear very bad stories from this. You must keep your virtue, yes. Now the girls or others speaking everything. It is very bad thing. It is really shaitan's atom bomb these days. Allah keep us away from this. But alhamdulillah from baraka of Mawlana they accept us. Even if Mawlana puts here a stone, we must accept. They put us and we are trying to do something and we are sure and insha' Allah what Mawlana has done, it will be continued and people, they will come for hidayah, for this right way more and more. Because it is the way of Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam. Coming from him. And he's showing the right way. People are not knowing what they are doing, really, they don't know. Because they are taking and killing people and being killed by people. For what? For nothing. And they will be punished. We must, we are teaching to have mercy and to follow orders of Islam and Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam.

We are here, in our jama'a, there are many people. From long time they are following Mawlana and there are new people also. So the new people, they will learn from old people. And old people, they must take care of our people to not be saying "I am old,

you are young. You must be like this, like that." No. But by mercy and by politeness to be together insha'Allah for helping each other and following orders of Allah Azza wa Jalla, Prophet and Mawlana insha'Allah. And it will be better and better in-sha'Allah. We are accepting what Allah done. It is like this, life. Nobody living for others, Allah knows how many years we can carry this thing. As much as we are living insha'Allah, we try to follow this order insha'Allah. Allah bring together all these Muslim. And we are alhamdulillah here, all kinds of Muslim. Arab, Turk, Pakistan, Iran and many, American even, Palestinian, European. All they are here. We are not making difference. We like them to be in way of Prophet, sallAllahu alaihi wa sallam. Real way. Not following their ego and after they say

'this is Islam'. They are liars. May Allah improve them.

Al-Fatiha.

## 45. The Divine Trade

#### Wednesday, August 20, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasūlAllah, madad ya Sādātı Ashābı Rasulillāh, madad ya Mashaykhina, madad ya Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nāzim al-Haqqāni, dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohba, wa l-khayru fī jam'iyya.

May Allah always keep us busy performing good works. May Allah keep us busy with actions He loves. May He make us love such actions. May He make us cherish the straight path, for if He does not, our nafs will never like and never want any of those things. If Allah wills a thing, man cannot do anything but that. Thanks to Allah for having created us in this way, for compelling us towards performing good works, for making us like goodness, and appreciate the company of good people. These are very good things, whic we must take good care of. These are things that we need for the afterlife; that we deposit in our storehouse for the trade of the hereafter, as supplies, transport and so on. They serve as trading goods in the afterlife. Do not miss out on any opportunity that presents itself. Even the slightest bit of good, try to do it. Every act that you perform, do it for Allah's sake.

Even animals. if you feed an animal living in the streets, feed it for the sake of Allah's good pleasure. Whatever you do, do it for the sake of gaining Allah's good pleasure. Do and collect for the afterlife. We collect good deeds, but now in the world it is not so easy to store up such goods. There are thieves, or things may rot, a mouse may get into it and eat it up, it may get damp and turn mouldy; these are things that need to be safeguarded. Once there was a man - in the old days, people here used to do their harvesting not as it is done nowadays. Now a great big machine, in a couple of hours or half a day, does the work a man would do in a month. Then he is free and can go off to do all kinds of improper things. Harm will come from lazy men. Man should not remain lazy. So this man went about his harvest, piling it up like this. It took quite some time, and when he was done he was in good spirits. "Oh," he said, he did not say thanks to Allah, he said, "now I can go and have a drink". So he took his bottle, sat down with his wine and began to drink, pondering his work. He had completed a big task, and was happy it had turned out well. "Oh, now I am rich," he said, "now I will begin to enjoy myself". By the evening he was quite drunk. Night fell and it grew cool. He said, "I'll light a little fire to keep me warm". But a drunk man doesn't know what he does. He lit his fire, as well, set his harvest ablaze. All his great harvest was destroyed.

The next day there was no harvest, and winter was coming, so he began gathering up from the ground little bits of corn that hadn't quite burnt to ash. These he tried to collect. This story is about our life in the hereafter: we go on collecting good deeds, but finally, we cannot hold out any longer and we yield to our nafs and we ruin everything. Therefore, we must be careful that everything we do, it is for Allah, that we guard it, so that it does not fall prey to our nafs. Do not fall into heedlessness. Heedlessness is not a good thing. You are on a difficult road, at the edge of a cliff. Any moment your foot may slip and you will fall and perish. You must take great care for that. Don't say: but I have done all this, I am an accomplished person. Don't say: I have spent all my life doing this. Be careful! Shaytan has many tricks. He intends to ruin you, to bring you down. If he finds even the slightest opportunity right away he will drag you down. May Allah keep us safe from them. May our good works be continuous, in-sha'Allah. May they be guarded and protected. We do not trust our nafs. All our good works we entrust to our Shaykh, in-sha'Allah, so that he may keep us safe. We are doing what Allah likes, alhamdulillah. Alhamdulillah, we are following Allah's order, Prophet's way and way of Awliyaullah. We are happy because Allah, He is doing what He likes to do. And alhamdulillah, He put us in this way, He liked to put us this way. Few people, they are coming to right way, we are happy. And when you are in right way, you are going for Akhira. You must do whatever you can do. Don't be lazy. No, everything you do for Allah, with intention for Allah, Allah rewards you and makes your good-doing count more and more. A trader, he not saying this is not good, this good. When he see some benefit for him, he can put everything. Quickly, he take and make it double, or triple, more and more. Never mind. He is happy. So we are happy and Allah rewards us more than ten times, hundred times. Don't say it is enough. No, because Allah's favour is coming to you. You must be happy for everything. For spiritual favour or material, or what Allah give for you from halal and good thing. You must be happy, you must accept. Don't say it is too much, it is enough, no. What you can do, do, because we are going to a place, there is nothing you can do there, only what you bring from this side. It is big favour. So you must take this to other side. But in this dunya also, you must keep this in right place. Don't destroy it, because in dunya, when somebody bringing goods he must be careful. When you put it in some place, it must be strong place. To be away from fire, to be away from thieves, away from insect or from mouse, rat. Everything you must keep carefully. This trader, he puts it very carefully, keeps it very carefully.

We also, we must keep our doing from thieves. Thief, he is shaitan and ego and other things. They are all trying to take this, what you have, to leave you without anything. There is one story about farmer. Old time farmers, they were cutting wheat by their hand. And to cut one field, maybe, he need one month to cut it. Not like these days, nowadays, in 2 hours you can cut for one month. What they were doing? Cutting first by hand, after, they dried it, they crush it and take from inside. So it was long and heavy work but it was good because Allah gave baraka for them. Mawlana Sheikh saying after reaping, ploughing earth with cows. More baraka, more better, it was.

And it was to keep people busy. Now they do what they do in one month, in 2 hours. After they are empty, they are going to make every bad thing. But this man, also he was happy. That year it was too much, so much wheat. And he was making like small hill and he was looking, and he was very happy. And he said "I'm very happy today," he bring one bottle alcohol. He was drinking. He drink and drink and become drunk. And it was little bit cold. And he said "I must make fire because too cold, I will be more enjoying myself." And when he made fire, it was all firing this wheat. All hill, it was finished, at once. And next, when he woke up, he said, "What we will do? We must look for something for winter". Bringing one small bag and looking for no burning thing. Putting, to collect for his winter. So we are also like this. We are doing very good thing, we are filling our whole depot. After we doing something wrong, all going away. But this man, only for one winter maybe, he will be half hungry. But for us, we are going to Akhira, it will be too bad for us. When you are going with all good things, Allah rewards you, but when you finish everything, there's many thing to finish everything also, so it will be terrible for people.

For this, you must be careful from our ego and from shaitan, to not follow them and destroy what we are doing. Allah keep us away from our ego and our shaitan. Don't say: I have too much thing. Allah, He can do everything. All at once you may not have even one gram from good things. Allah keep us and we are doing this and In-sha'Allah, we are not happy about ourselves, our egos. What we are doing, we are just trying to put in another place, safer place. We are putting with Prophet salallahu alaihi wa sallam, with Awliya In-sha'Allah to keep this for us because we are weak, we cannot keep it. Allah accept this from us, In-sha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

## 46. Purely For Allah

### Sunday, September 28, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi I-awwalina wa I-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaykhina, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammed Nazim alHaqqani dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa I-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Our tariqa exists with sohba, and goodness is with association. Sohbas are knowledge. To ask for knowledge is fard. It is fard for everyone. And these assemblies of sohba are the assemblies of knowledge. Scholars, the scholars among the umma/nation of our Prophet, the pious good scholars, are similar to the Prophets of Bani Israil. Of course, they can't reach the level of Prophets, but they nearly reach their level. Our Prophet says they are similar to them. Scholars are people on a very high level in the presence of Allah. And they should be true scholars in order to reach that level. Because scholars are of two kinds: One is beloved by Allah, they keep Islam as pure as in "ala lillahi d-dinu l-khalis" (39:3), scholars who teach people Islam and religion for Allah without adding anything to it. Nothing. The most important is that they don't expect anything in return from others. They shouldn't expect material reward. But they can expect spiritual reward. We do this for Allah, Allah will reward. We ask from Allah, we ask for our reward from Allah. Who give knowledge for money, for financial benefit, their knowledge is useless. They are not scholars. Those people are ignorant. Because you teach about Allah, while you yourself are not for Allah. You entered this path for money and benefit. That means the biggest foolishness. It means your knowledge is useless to you.

A scholar means he knows the reward that is given by Allah; he knows that Allah gives and what happens. Allah is certainly there and He gives everything. Otherwise, when you expect from people, you are not scholar but ignorant instead. The benefit of this world is temporary, it has no value. In the presence of Allah, a scholar is on the highest level for Him. The difference between a servant and a scholar, the difference between a person who worships all his life and a person who shows the right way is like the difference between our Prophet and his umma, says our Prophet. There is such a difference. The level of scholars is much higher. Why is this matter being given so much importance? Because if most of the people go after an ignorantman called a scholar, all of them will confuse their way. They'll perish. But those who follow a true scholar, even those who lost their ways will find it back and earn their akhira. They will rescue themselves. It's not important to be rescued in this world. One can live with little as well. But in akhira it's not like this. If you are destroyed, you'll end up in a terrible place. Allah ordered scholars to teach people their knowledge as their zakat. Zakat of knowledge is to teach it. Therefore, it's not acceptable to avoid teaching when you know. It's your duty, the duty of a scholar. If you are a scholar, you should do it.

If an ignorant man who's not a scholar says "I want this much money for teaching people", he's not a scholar at all. But if a scholar is favoured by Allah, then it comes from Allah. It's ok and not binding. But if he teaches only for benefit, neither his knowledge is useful, nor of use for him either. Neither beneficial for people, nor for himself. May true scholars increase In-sha'Allah . Everywhere is full with ignorant people. They say ignorant is brave. A brave ignorant man calls himself a scholar and makes fatwa. What fatwa can you give? He is truly brave. Brave against Allah, not against people, but brave against Allah. Allah will question. He will question you.

You don't see but you promise too much and make fatwa, as you are ignorant and don't believe. You confuse people from their right way. But the true scholar is ahl-ul taqwa. What is taqwa? It is to fear Allah. Fearing like "Am I far from the orders of Allah? Am I doing what Allah ordered, or am I doing it wrong?" It is being in continuous fear of Allah. They fear Allah and show mercy to people, teach them good things. Others don't fear Allah, they fear people. The taqwa scholar fears Allah, therefore, he's not afraid of anyone else and doesn't hesitate. He says Allah, and carries out Allah's orders, he doesn't care about others. A true scholar is like this. As we said, people **"Ia yakhafuna lawmata la'im"(5:54)** people can blame as much as they want, be angry as much as they can, insult as much they want, he won't get frustrated. He says "I'm with Allah. Allah is my witness, Allah is with me".

The other one's not afraid of Allah, he's afraid of everyone. He says "I should do what they want. I should give fatwa on what they say". May Allah protect us from such people. Tarigatuna s-sohba wa-l khairu fi jamia. This Sayyidina Shah Nagshband al-Bukhari saying, and it is sohba to... Sohba, what is sohba? Ilim, ilim - knowledge. Knowledge, it is obligatory for every Muslim and Muslima to learn it. And it is from childhood until end of life. We must follow sohba. When you are in sohba, following sohba, or you read sohba, or you read good book, you are taking the knowledge, and you are doing the order of Allah's Prophet (saw). And who teaching this good knowledge, ulama, scholars of umma of Prophet (saw), Prophet he said "They are like prophets of Bani Israil." Same high station, level. Of course, prophets, they have, because they are prophets, they have highest levels but normally it is like same level for ulama of Prophet (saw), umma of Muhammad (saw). And it is very important to find good alim. Because when you follow real alim, he'll take you to pure Islam and "ala Lillahi d-din-ul khalis" (39:3), this is from Qur'an, to be pure religion for Allah. These alim, they are teaching this. And they are very valuable present of Allah Azza wa Jalla and Prophet (saw) because they are saving people from bad end, and take them to high station. Even in dunya also, they are teaching them the best way to live. They give them good advice for everything; for drinking, for eating, for sleeping, for what they are doing. These scholars, they can give you the best advice. And these scholars, they are only pure for benefit... They don't want benefit from people. Pure benefit they accept from Allah Azza wa Jalla.

Who accepting something, read to be scholar and to be rich or to be, get benefit from people because speaking very well or looking good, it is not good scholars. There are two kinds of scholars - These who want something from people, they are not pure for Allah. And when it is mixed, it is very bad. The first condition for alim, the basic and the very important thing before knowledge or everything - only to be forAllah. Pure for Allah everything. Nothing for benefit from people. When you want benefit from people, it is your waste of your years what you study, what you are doing. For this one they must begin from first day of school for knowledge to teach this student who wants to be alim, scholar to be for Allah only. And when you want from Allah, Allah give you. He is more generous one. Only generous. Real generous. Because He has everything. And He said "My servant, he don't want from anybody, only from Me". So He gives without... you don't know from where coming. And it's acceptable. But to say for people "You must pay for me because I'm coming to teach you this. And you must give me money... Give me something other." or you want benefit, it is not acceptable at all for alim and it is very important to know this. And who is not doing this, they are not scholar, not alim. They are jahl, meaning ignorant. Ignorant. Why they are ignorant? Because they are not believing what they teaching. They teaching something, they say "You must", Allah create everything, and you go to people to help you. Allah, He helps you. They don't know this and there is a saying "al-jahl jasoor" ignorant is brave. Because for money or for benefit they can give you any advice you want or give you what fatwa you like. Everything they can give you. And it is brave because the end of this, what they are doing - big punishment. And they don't believe this. For this, they are ignorant. But real scholars, they are afraid from Allah. They are ahl-ul taqwa. And they cannot do anything against Allah order or what Prophet (saw) showing. They are looking very carefully.

But others, they are brave. And really it is not brave. Brave all against Allah but they are afraid of people, from what these people will say, "What I will lose? What benefit I can lose? It will be, maybe I get poor and I cannot get married. I cannot do anything so I must make these people happy to help me". But the real scholar, they are afraid from Allah but they are not afraid from people. Real brave these people. Because when Allah saying something, even whole world, they will be against these scholars, they are not afraid. They are afraid only from, real afraid from Him. Because everything in His hand, He's doing. But other people, if Allah protect you, whole world, they cannot do anything for you. This is real brave and this is what must scholar teach people. And we are in need for these real scholars. And they have very high station. Sahabas asking Prophet (saw) difference between worship, whole life they are worshipping and for scholars. He said "It looks like between Prophet and like umma. It is so big difference".

The scholar has very high station. And to sit one hour with real alim, there's some hadith, it's like acceptable hajj, and there're many many hadith about this, what Allah give for people who are sitting in knowledge sohba majlis. Allah make our people and In-sha'Allah many scholars, many alims, real alims coming from Mawlana baraka all around the world. I've been in Bashkiriya in Russia. Many people there in madrasa for teaching ilim. Alhamdulillah they are good. Everywhere we are going, they are many alhamdulillah. In-sha'Allah this will be the seed for this In-sha'Allah , for teaching real Islam. This is our intention, In-sha'Allah Allah accept and make it acceptable for everyone.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

## 47. Allah Likes the Truthful

### Monday, September 29, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya RasulAllah, as-salatu wa s-salamu ala Sayyidina Muhammad Sayyidi lawwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Mashayikhana, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, Dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Audhu billahi min ash-shavtani r-raiim. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. "Mina I-Mu'uminina Rijalun Sadagu Ma 'Ahadu Allaha 'Alayhi Faminhum Man Qada Nahbahu Wa Minhum Man Yantaziru Wa Ma Baddalu Tabdila" (33:23) This holy verse is describing mu'min/believers. They are the ones who are "men". Who is a "man"? He is trustworthy. He is truthful. If he gives a promise, he does not go back on his word. To whom did they promise? To Allah. They did not change. They don't run away from their word. Men don't change their word. They did not change. And like this they are waiting for Allah's order. Some of them passed away, some of them are waiting, but there is no change. This is the attribute Allah loves. That is why they are called "man". Who is not like that is not a man. The characteristic that Allah does not like, that awliya/saints and prophets do not have, is lying. Allah never likes lying. A mu'min/believer cannot be a liar, does not say lies. There is a Hadith Sharif that if a person always says truth, and never lies, that person will be written as sadig/trustworthy in Allah's Divine Presence. If another person does the opposite, always lying, always lying, then what happens in the end? He will be written as "liar" in Allah's Divine Presence. Lying is not a good characteristic, not an acceptable characteristic. And people don't like liars also. A believer never says lies but a person whose faith is not complete, will lie of course. To lie is not good of course. Only in a few situations there is permission to lie and that is during war. If you are fighting with enemy, you can't say where you are. You must trick them. That is something else. Also if two people are not talking to each other, you will say, "he loves you", although it is not true. Even if he doesn't like him, that is okay. That lying is acceptable. But if you use religion to lie, and say - I am this, I am that, that is very dangerous. You might win in this worthless dunya, but in akhira you will go to hell.

Because Prophet said - my whole nation will go to paradise. The nations of other Prophets(AS), some will go heaven, some hell. Who is the nation of our Prophet? The ones who accept our Prophet. Those who say, "I am not from his nation", then they will not be counted as his nation. Then they are either from the nation of Isa or Musa and Allah knows what will happen to them. If you don't accept, you can do as you like.

But if the nation of our Prophet do sins, they will go to hell and be cleaned then go to paradise. But to keep yourself from sins is better than to burn thousands of years in hell just because of this short dunya. Make some effort in this short dunya so you will be accepted in Allah's Divine Presence. And you will be beloved in dunya also. Otherwise, you will not be liked by anyone. You will be cheating everyone. That is why lying is not liked by anyone.

Because our Prophet was called - Amin/honest, Sadiq/trustworthy. Our Prophet never had that bad characteristic. Everyone accepts this. Since he was young, he was called - Muhammad al-Amin. And we are the nation of our Prophet. That means we must follow him. We must not do the things he dislikes. We must try to have the attributes that he likes and accepts. We must be like that. These attributes are loved by everyone. Whether you accept or not, these characteristics are loved. Our Prophet shows the right way. Be true and don't lie.

We read this ayah/verse – "Minal Mu'minina Rijalun Sadaqu Ma Ahadu Allaha Alayhi Faminhum Man Qada Nahbahu Wa MinhumMan Yantaziru Wama Baddalu Tabdila" (33:23) Allah praises these men whoare sadaqu...truthful. Truthful and they are behind what they promised. And some of them passed away and some of them still waiting, never changing, never turning back. This is the attribute of 'man'. To say 'man', it is highest station for human being. Rijalullah - the men of Allah. These men, they are not afraid from anything. Not afraid from anyone. This is what Allah's Prophet salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam loves. They are not lying. What they say is truth. Because the truth is attribute of Prophet salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam. For all prophets, for all awliya Allah/saints.

This attribute, very few people have it. And it is most beautiful attribute. Because you are trusting these people. You give everything, you give your life, you give your treasure, you give everything when you find someone like him, like this people. And they are not changing, not lying. You can never find any awliya or prophet saying any lie. Even if they kill them, they are not changing. Lying is the worst thing in the Divine Presence of Allah. And the Prophet (sws) and even normal people are not liking a liar. Allah 'aza wa jalla said, there is hadith from Prophet (sws) - The man... they are not even saying "man" for these people.

Some person, if he still continues to say lies and not truth, and it becomes like a habit for him, Allah 'aza wa jal write him to be a liar - this man is a liar. What was his name, Samir or Sameer, something like this, he was liar Sameer. Something like this, he is continuing to lie. And liars are the ones far from Allah. And other men, they still continue to say truth and speak right until they write in Divine Presence of Allah -he is truthful, Sadiq. Sadiq is an attribute of Prophet salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam. And before he became a prophet, and from childhood, they are calling him - Muhammad al-Amin, Muhammad as-Sadiq - The truthful, the trustworthy Muhammad salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam. And it is nice because you cannot find even one drop or one atom to be... he must be very trustful. And because all this universe Allah created for him and he, no need to say any un-truth. Everything, as-Sadiq al-Amin. We are believing in this. But satan is a liar. He beginning to lie from jannah/paradise until taking Adam and Hawa from jannah with lying.

You see how a lie becomes bad. From our father Adam and Hawa/Eve, it took them from jannah. It is not good attribute. You must be careful from this. But there is some place that you can only do, very few place to help in war, when you are fighting with enemy, you cannot tell them truth that we are here or there. Maybe you can show them you are somewhere but you go away from there because they will kill you. And it will be not benefit for Islam, so you can do, cheating them. And to make between Muslims who are fighting together, if I go to one of them - this man loves you, this person is not bad, you must be together, Also this. But if you do only for your benefit, it is very bad. It is not good because this life very short. Mu'min/believers not lying.bBut Muslim, when we say Muslim, he can do anything. Prophet salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam said - other nations who are not following me, Prophet (sws), some of them in hell, some of them in paradise, but my ummah all in paradise. Who is ummah? Who believe in Prophet (sws). If he not believe, he is free, he can go where he wants, many options. But the best one to be with Prophet (sws) because his whole ummah in jannah, even sinners. But sinners they will be punished hundred years, thousand years, hundred thousand years in hell.

After, they come to paradise also. But other nations, some of them will be in paradise, others will be forever in hell. So the option is open. For this we are saying - the liar, the level of lying, the level of his lying, if it is too much, especially if lying in court. They call it - shahid zoor. Lying in court is the worst one. It's like drinking alcohol or zina/adultery, it is from kaba'ir/big sins. So until he finishes his punishment, after that he comes to paradise. But no need to be thousands of years in hell to make a small amount of lying. You must be careful and you must be believer. And you must be first one to be a 'man'. Man...even ladies they are truthful, they are like man. This is what Allah saying. Prophet (sws) praising to be a 'man'.

Wa min Allah it-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

### 48. Dhul Hijjah

### Wednesday, October 1, 2014.

As-salamu alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh. As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Sayyidina Muhammadin Sayyidi I-awwalina wa I-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah. Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Madad ya Mashaykhina dastur, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa I-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Now it is the month of Dhul Hijjah. Ash'huru hurum - forbidden months, these are respected months. Dhul Qa'da, Dhul Hijjah, Muharram and separate from these, Rajab. Four months that are respected for Allah. They are respected for Muslims. It is a sin to fight, to start a fight in these months. You can't start a fight, but if you are attacked, it's ok, you can defend yourself. People nowadays say they are Muslim, and without shame don't accept the forbidden months, don't recognize the respected months, don't respect people, don't respect mosques, and call themselves, without anything, Muslim. May Allah protect from their evil. Because it is the end of times. These will happen. All has been foretold they should happen. May Allah protect our people from their evil. May they not fall in their traps, may they not believe them. How many days we're speaking, I wanted to tell. It's nearly Eid already, and this month, fasting in the beginning of Dhul Hijjah, from the 1st to the 9th is big sawab/reward/ It is the sunnah of our Prophet. Our Prophet used to fast. Who doesn't fast this should at least fast on the 8th and the 9th. Who can't fast on the 8th, if he fasts on the day of Arafa, it is big sawab. It is a virtuous day. Pilgrims are standing on Arafat on that day. Pilgrims don't need to fast. During hajj they don't need to fast on the day of Arafa because they should only worship. It is difficult there. Even our Prophet didn't fast. Sahabas thought the Prophet would fast on the day of Arafa. They asked if he did. A man said "No. I gave him milk, our Prophet drank it." Because hajj is both travel and the hardest of worship. The worship of hajj is done once in a lifetime. It is fard for people. If you do it once, it's enough. But most people don't see it as obligatory because of one time or don't give it any importance. They say "I'll do it later". For those who have money, and are healthy, it is obligatory. They shouldn't delay. It was the same in old times. People of old times had more hardship then. It was more difficult to go from one place to another. Most people couldn't reach and died on the way. Very long distances. That's why, very few people used to go. Now is the same. Allah has put obstacles like visa, a lottery etc. Obstacles appear, that's not important. Important is to make intention. If you couldn't go this year, if you have money, make intention for next year In-sha'Allah . Advice from Sheikh Efendi; if someone makes

such an intention and saves 10 or 20 liras every day, if not in a year, then in 2, if not in 2 then in 3 years, he can collect money for hajj. That is possible too.

It is very important - the worship of hajj - of course, for those who can afford. And it is all right for those who couldn't save up. However, one is travelling all around the world, and when it comes to hajj, he doesn't go, he carries its sin. As we said, he should apply for it. If he's picked, he goes. If not, he's not responsible. May Allah give the chance to all of us because hajj washes sins away - it's the hadith of our Prophet. Nothing remains with permission of Allah. Just like a baby is born out of his mother's womb, one becomes sinless like this after hajj. And shaitan doesn't like it. He starts immediately to interfere with pilgrims. They start earning sins before even returning from haji. May Allah protect In-sha'Allah . Today is the 7th day, tomorrow is the 8th In-sha'Allah . Tomorrow pilgrims will put on ihram and head towards Arafa. On the day of Arafa we will be here In-sha'Allah fasting, and wazifa for that day is 1,000 ikhlas, 1,000 la ilaha illAllah, 1,000 salawat In-sha'Allah . This is the worship. If you give sadaga and zakat apart from this, it will be more sawab. Making charity in such holy days is very virtuous and brings much more sawab. On Eid, those who have enough money for an animal to slaughter, which is at least 10,000 lira, or 100 grams of gold, which is 8-10,000 lira, should slaughter, it is wajib. If he slaughters, and he is in need, he will have both the reward of slaughtering an animal and eaten its meat. He can eat it for the whole year and not give away. If he gives away a little of it, that will be sawab too. If he doesn't want to, Allah doesn't want to put anyone in hardship. The man can live for 3-4 months with the meat of the slaughtered animal without buying more. Meat he'll buy will cost the same anyhow. The animal for slaughtering is 500-600 lira. That's why, he'll both earn sawab and bring provision to his home. He'll have carried out Allah's order. May Allah bless it. Alhamdulillah, we are Muslim. Long time I want to speak about for what to do in these 10 days of, 9 days of first of Dhul Hijjah. Dhul Hijjah... Dhul Qa'da, Dhul Hijjah, Dhul Qa'da, Dhul Hijjah, Muharram, and these 3 months together and Rajab - holy months. It is haram, meaning to do bad things, it is forbidden. Every time forbidden but especially to fight in these months, it is sin for Muslim, forbidden to fight in these 4 months. But if somebody attacks you, you can fight, you can defend and fight them, fight back. It is not, what you making war against people in this month without respecting order of Allah and respecting these holy 4 months, it is big sin, not good. Nowadays, these people, they are saying they are making everybody kafir and they are fighting in this month. And they not respecting no month, no prophet, no human being, no Muslim, no Muslim, no child. They are not respecting anything and they say "We are Muslim". How it is? It is question mark. It is summary. But after this you can think for this and to find connection between what happened there and what happened in every non-Muslim world against Islam. How it is connection like this pulling together to make people away from Islam? Allah make Muslim youth to not fall in this trap. It is big trap and many of people, they are going for, and to not fall in this you must follow the right way. And right way, it is ahl-ul sunnah wa-l jamaa and tariqa, especially Naqshbandi tariqa. Allah keep us in the right way.

In these 9 days to be fasting, it is sunnah of Prophet (saw). And it is big reward for this. Prophet (saw) was fasting every time. If you're not fasting 9 days, you can fast 8th and 9th, also it is holy. Because in 8th hajjis, pilgrims, they are going to Arafa, to making, wearing ihram and going to Arafa. If you're not... 8th, 9th you cannot, you can even 1 day. You can fast in 9th Because Arafa, yawm-ul Arafa. It is very holy day. But who, they are in hajj, no need for them to fast. Even Prophet (saw), when he was in hajj, he wasn't doing, he wasn't fasting. He not fasting because some sahaba, they were asking together if he, Prophet (saw) fast. Because they have adab, they have good manners, not asking Prophet (saw) "Are you fasting?" No, you say asking to who near him. They said "No. I gave him milk, he was drinking it". Because it is so heavy worship to be in hajj. It is not easy. It is really maybe the hardest worship for Muslims. It is once for life, not for year. For whole life, it is one, it is obligatory. But because it is only once in life, people, they not feeling it is necessary, I think. Many people, they have money, they have health, but not going to hajj. They are going everywhere in the world for touristic visit, visiting everywhere but when coming to hajj, they're not going. Because it is not important for them. Because of "only if I want or like", but it is one of main pillars of Islam. Who has the ability and has money, he can, he must go. Because if he didn't go, he will be responsible for this in akhira. But in dunya also haji, it is really, it is very difficult, very hard. But it is make who going to hajj, pilgrim, to be clean from his sins like baby when coming from his mother, first born.

How it is no sin for him, who going to hajj, it is same like this. It is to take all this heaviness from people and Allah give them millions of reward there and He give because you are His guest. Who is man who is generous man, when you come to his house, if he gives you every good thing, and after when you are going out, also giving some present for you. So Allah Azza wa Jalla is the Generous of generous all. How He will reward you? He'll give you only you are going there, you must run to go there to take this. Who, they are feeling they are rich and they are proud, they must go there to take this benefit and to thank Allah for His favours for them. And the most favour to be called by Allah to come to His House to take from His Generosity.

But it was from old time to go to hajj, it's not easy, it was difficult. Now that is also same. Nowadays many people, they cannot, they cannot take all people, they're making lottery, so nobody, very few maybe. In Turkey there are 1 million people waiting. Only taking maybe 700 thousand. So if Allah wants you to come to His house, you can come. If not, it is your intention, it must be. You must write your name there, and when you write and your intention to go, Allah reward you. If you couldn't go and you pass away, same I think. Because of course, Prophet (saw) said "Inna ma'al a'malu bin-niyat", your intention and you're ready to go, but it is not, you cannot do anything. So Allah reward you as same of hajj. And for worshipping, Arafa day 1,000 ikhlas sharif,

and 1,000 la Ilaha illa Allah and 1,000 salawat sharifa In-sha'Allah . In Eid also there is qurban to cut, to slaughter one qurban. Who has certain amount of money, it must be nearly 100 gram of gold, meaning between 8,000 I think, Turkish lira, like 4,000 dollars. Who has this, he can slaughter. And slaughter, it is for Hanafi madhhab wajib. Strong after fard - wajib. But for Shafi, no wajib, there sunnah. Because of this, Shafi not cutting too much. When I was in Arab countries, very few people, they were cutting. But in Hanafi madhhab - wajib. We must cut. Wajib meaning must, must do it.

So, and it is not bad for people, who are they even they have small money, like this money. Because if you slaughter... There is 3 kind of slaughtering; one you can slaughter and send for every people to eat. Other one, you slaughter and you eat half for you, half for to give for people. But if you're not so rich, little bit poor, you can eat all for yourself. You can keep it in the fridge. For 6 months you can eat this meat. So it is good, you make your worship to cutting, slaughtering sheep. And after you can live with this 6 months. Alhamdulillah, not heavy burden for poor people also. Allah give all good thing for believer Muslim people, and they are lucky. Because Allah make them in this right way. Because other people they are criticizing Muslims "You are doing bad thing for animal and you are cutting animal, you are doing this, you are..." But they are doing this for order of Allah and this animal, they are not feeling anything. Because they are for Allah, they are happy and because they are for worshipping, and Bismillah, Allahu Akbar - we're doing this, they are very happy because they are coming for ibadah, for worshipping. And Allah created "wa ma khalaqtul jinna wal insa illa liya'budu..." (51:56) (He did not make men and jinn except to worship Him) Allah everything, they're making dhikr. And these animals, they are very humble, very nice, very clean animals, they are happy. They are happy to... because they are feeling this. And Allah gave them this feeling. So don't be listening to these people, they are making to destroy your belief, destroy your iman. Don't, this is very important point. Don't object for Allah's order. This is Allah's order. Don't say it's poor, pity. No. He's happy for this. And this alhamdulillah for ibadah, for worshipping. For this ibadah, it is very good. So it is, don't listen to these idiot people. They are doing the worst. You know better what they do. How they cut, how they make... We know what they're doing with animals. But when for ibadah, shaitan making these people especially to come against Islam to make criticizing and make some weak people to say wrong thing for this. And it is sin for them without, without knowing they're doing sin, these people. Because it's Allah's order, don't object it, don't comment. No comment for this. Allah keep us from these bad people.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

### 49. Raw, Cooked, Burned

### Thursday, October 2, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi Rasulillah, madad ya Mashayikhina, madad Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Allahumma inna na'udhu bika min shururi anfusina wa min sayyi'ati a'malina - We seek refuge in You from our self, our ego. We seek refuge in you from our bad actions. The ego never leaves you alone for one moment. That is why a person cannot overcome his ego by himself. How can he overcome it? Allahumma la takilna ila anfusina tarfata 'ayn wa la aqalla min dhalik. O Allah, don't leave us to our ego

even for the blink of an eye. That is the Hadith Sharif. If we were left by ourselves, our ego would have destroyed and finished us a long time ago. That is why we should always remember Allah. Don't leave your ego free, even for the blink of an eye. Always remember Allah, trust in Allah, ask for help from Allah.

The first lesson of tariqa is to kill the ego, to control the ego. If you come to tariqa, you must leave your ego. That means you shouldn't continue to think like you did before. If Allah doesn't like the things your ego likes, you must not like them either. The ego has many diseases. Like Mawlana said - man is raw. Tariqa cooks people. Mawlana Jalaluddin Rumi says - I was raw, then cooked, then burned. You must burn in dunya/this world, so Inshallah you will not burn in akhira/afterlife. Even if people treat you badly, you must not get upset. Say - my ego deserves more than this. My ego is so bad, it deserves more than what this man did or said. Don't be upset with him. Just like a piece of iron is put in fire and hit with a hammer until all dirtiness is gone and it is clean. It becomes a sharp sword. It becomes a knife. It becomes something good. But as long as it is iron, it will rust and be useless. Everyone's ego is like that. It comes and goes. But the ego becomes worse as you get older. Becomes worse, bigger, more of a monster, more of a dragon, and it swallows you and goes. If you don't start training your ego while it is small, nothing can stand against it. And it has already swallowed and finished him. There is no such thing that - I am old, so I am saved. As you become older, ego becomes worse. May Allah not leave anyone to their egos. This is the benefit of our Sheikh, our tariga. The Sheikh teaches but if you don't accept, it is up to you. Like in schools - Nowadays they don't fail anyone. In the past some students repeated the same class for 2 years, 3 years. They cannot pass easily. But now they pass everyone whether they study well or not. There is no failing the class nowadays. It is the same in tariga. You can stay for years, but if you don't want to learn, it is up to you. But if you do what Sheikh tells you, you will win. And you will not be sitting around aimless. And you won't regret.

Today we are saying... Prophet (sws) praying - O Allah, don't let us to follow our bad ego, and do bad actions. We are putting ourselves in the hand of Allah to protect us from this. And it is not easy to do it. Also Prophet (sws) prayed - Allahumma la takilna ila anfusana tarfata 'ayn wal aqalla dhalik. Don't leave us to our ego even for one second. In one second, you can lose everything. Every time you must remember Allah 'aza wa jalla. The ego is not an easy thing. It is controlling everybody. And tariqa is to protect people from ego. It is the first benefit of tariqa - when you are following tariqa, you will protect yourself - if you are really following. Because in tariqa also, Sheikh shows you what to do.

But if you are not doing, you cannot blame tariqa. I am in tariqa 50 years, I am in tariqa 40 years, but your ego is like pharaoh. What is the benefit? Because tariqa is for spiritual and it is very kind thing now. Nowadays, like in school. I don't know how it is in Europe, but in old times, in primary school, if you are not working hard, not working hard, only little bit, not so hard, you can go up for another class. But if not studying, lazy, not doing anything, you will be in this class 1 year, 2 years, 3 years. After 3 years they throw you from school. But nowadays, this system is changed. Everybody can pass. Whether good or bad in exam, he will pass. But one going to higher school, they will not accept him, because there is exam. If he can pass, he can take. If not, he will be down.

Our tariga is nowadays like this. Everybody can do what they like. If they like to finish their ego, they can follow orders of sheikh. If they are happy with ego, they can follow their ego. And it will be grow withthem. When they are going over their ego, they will be bigger, bigger, like monster. It is following them. Don't say, I am very old in tariqa. It is not important. The important thing to be cooked in tariqa. Because everyone coming raw. You cannot eat raw meat. Maybe you eat bread even, you cannot eat it raw, when it is not cooked, dough. Maybe you can eat 1 or 2 pieces but it is not good. But when it is cooked, it will be very delicious, and you eat, and it will be healthy for you, for your body, but if not doing, you will have stomach ache and it is not good. So everybody raw in this tariqa, and slowly slowly cooked. Even Mawlana Jalaluddin Rumi said - I was raw, I was cooked and burned. So it must be burned at the end, so not to be left anything from your ego. Just clear. And it is also for when you see somebody not happy with you saying something bad for you, don't be angry for them. Don't blame them. Even you must say - my ego is worse than this. It is very little what he said for my ego. It is real, my ego is not good, so you cannot blame this man. To see everybody good like this. This is teaching of tariqa. And when it is like this, like you are in oven for iron also. When they put iron, and make it with hammer, many times, and at the end becoming very good sword or knife. But without this, it will be nothing, just piece of iron, rusted. And nobody looking for it. But when it is in fire like this, so it will become a good thing. So don't be love to be rest, nobody harm you, and you are angry for everything. Only be accepting of this and say - it is for my ego and it is coming from Allah, it is good. Inshallah Allah makes this because it is not easy as we said in the beginning. It is with help of Allah we can

do, Inshallah. But we must accept our ego as the worse thing.

Wa min Allah it-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

# 50. Hajj-ul Akbar

### Friday, October 3, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As salatu wa s-salamu 'ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaykhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faizi Daghestani madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna ssohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Today is a holy day. Friday is a holiday. It is a holiday given to our Prophet and his ummah. Friday today is Arafa day as well. Tomorrow will be Hajj-ul Akbar, and it is waqfa (Arafa). At this time, all pilgrims become Hajjis, they are standing for waqfa. It means they became hajji on Arafat. Our Prophet calls it "alhajju arafa" (The Hajj is Arafa). Even if someone's there for stealing, he stands on Arafa and becomes a hajji. It is such a holy place there. May Allah accept their prayers. In-sha'Allah we'll have their good prayers too, for all the nation of Muhammad. Their prayers are accepted. These are the beautiful gifts of Allah. People don't know the value. Shaitan is making them fight with each other by leaving the orders of Allah, the words of Allah and the beautiful things Allah gave them. Don't pay attention to what they say - he said this, he said that, he said this about you." Shukr to Allah, we don't want to hear any news like this. We don't want any news of what's going around or of the world. Shukr to Allah, we don't follow news either and we are relaxed. If you follow the news, most people have become neurotic because of it. Half of the nation takes medicine. Half the people are walking about crazy. Why do you care about what's happened somewhere else? Will something happen to you if you think about it? No, it won't. Mind your own business. Correct yourself.

There are many things one should do for one's akhira. And life is very short. Even if it's 100 years, it still is short. It is short compared to eternity. Only by doing good deeds, will you be satisfied in this world too. You'll be satisfied in this world before akhira. As long as you carry out the orders of Allah, you'll be satisfied. Don't say "They said this, they said that. Why did he look at me like that? Why did he treat me this badly?" Everything is from Allah. This world is a world of tests. Now you're talking about this, and we are all people; they say "insan/people" is derived from "nisyan", meaning 'to forget'. Mankind forgets. Forgetting is good from one side and bad from another side. The good side is that a person forgets pain quickly. If this doesn't happen, a man would perish completely. Four months ago when we lost our Sheikh Efendi, our pain then and now; that pain is gone. However, what you shouldn't forget - Don't forget the orders of Allah. Don't forget to carry them out. When you forget them, it is bad.

Allah has put benefit in everything. There is a useful side and a bad side. He put man on trial - he can choose either the good or the bad side. "Faman sha' falyu'min waman sha' falyakfur"(18:29) "Who wants, let him believe; who wants, let him disbelieve." A man knows for himself. Allah has shown it. Allah doesn't oppress anyone. He could make a person believe. Because it is what Allah said. Allah is the Creator, He knows the best. So He gave the choice to man in order not to oppress, and that is known to Himself. Forget trying to know His knowledge, a man can't reach even an atom of an atom of an atom of His knowledge. People now think they have reached the highest point in science and knowledge. You are nothing. Nothing. You are not even zero. That's why, Allah doesn't oppress you - You can believe, if you want. You can do good, if you want. You can do bad as well. Your ego prevents you, shaitan prevents you. Shaitans around you stop you.

That's why, don't sell your akhira for this world. These people are not worthy. Let it be a million people, you won't find a real man among them. History repeats itself. It's been the same since Adam alaihi salam until now. Those who follow dunya, follow it for gain, of course. What gain do they have? Saving their life, this is a big gain according to them. They'll leave you in a moment and won't look back. But those who love you for Allah, they will sacrifice their lives but won't leave you. And that's the alternative. Don't assume that if you do what people like, they will protect you. Don't think they will go against Allah to protect you Even if they protect you, it is because of some gain. They don't do anything without gain. But who is for Allah, he will give his everything and won't fear. That's why - Be on the way of Allah, be on the way of the Prophet, be on the way of saints. Follow the one you were ordered to follow. Know whom to follow. This is important. Don't measure by yourself. We are people who rely on Allah. We will continue on this way of Sheikh Efendi In-sha'Allah . We have no claim. The only claim of ours is In-sha'Allah to carry out His order, to keep on this way. Who wishes can continue, who doesn't wish is free. No forcing anyone, everyone knows for himself. If they find a better door, they can go. Most people now do what this person or that person is saying. We do what Allah says, we do what the Prophet said. We don't do anything for ego. We can't send someone away because he loves someone else. This door is open to everyone. Welcome to anyone who comes. Farewell to anyone who leaves.

Many kinds of people are coming. We do it for Allah so we have no complaints. All types of people are coming and they are saying all kinds of things. One day three people said - "If you're not doing like this, leave the sheikhhood". If we were under your command, we'd leave it. We will leave sheikhhood only when we lie down by the feet of Sheikh Efendi. Otherwise not. If you don't like it, there are many sheikhs who call themself sheikh. Grandsheikh called them mutamashaikh. There are many who claim to be shaikhs. Who wishes can go. We are like this.

As our Prophet(saw) said, "I was born from a mother just like you and I am from you and don't have any claims to know the unseen or that I can do this or that." We follow the orders of Sheikh Efendi. In-sha'Allah if we made mistakes in what we did, then you can tell us. Otherwise, we don't have anything to be upset with. As long as we speak truth, it's all right. Of course, there are people coming and going. And we can't repeat what everybody says. It will become gossip. We just keep it to ourselves. Our ego deserves even more. We should hit our ego on the head again and again. Therefore, this comes as a test to us from Mashaikh. Being hit, it will accomplish something In-sha'Allah. May Allah not separate us from the right way. Our belief and faith in our Sheikh is strong. With Allah's permission, this way is the right way, and will go on till the end of times. They say the candle of a liar burns until nighttime. That's why, we have no fear. Anyone can say whatever they want. And from now on, I don't want anyone to open this matter. We don't have any give-and-take with anyone anyhow. We are clean. A villain is the one who fears. We don't have any villainy. We stand behind our words. It can't go crooked, the path of Islam is straight. As it is illustrated by our Prophet, it is tarigul mustageem. Our Prophet says "Don't separate from the right way". May Allah keep us on the right way. Alhamdulillah, today is very holy day. Especially Friday, it is a feast for Prophet (saw), for his ummah. Allah give him the best day, Friday, in a week. Every Friday, it is feast, Eid. And today it is more very holy because it is Arafat day. When Arafa on Juma day, it is Eid-ul Hajj-ul Akbar. Hajj-ul Akbar meaning, it is equal to 70 hajjs. If you go to 70 years for hajj, in one Hajjul Akbar, it is like this. It is gift from Allah for hajji, for people to make them happy. Every 7 years or some years become Hajj-ul Akbar.

So they are now this time, I think exact like this time it must be, they are making, praying dhur - asr together making jamaa-I taqdeem. For Hanafi madhhab, only once they can do - in hajj. No other times. But we are 4 haqq madhhabs. They can make jamaa. But when you are in safar/traveling when you are in visiting more than 3 days, for other madhhabs you cannot do this. But many people, they are doing. So it is very important. But for Hanafi, they are making dhur and asr before in dhur time, for maghrib after maghrib; not praying maghrib in time. They're praying after, later with isha. Maghrib-isha in Muzdalifah.

So alhamdulillah now this time they're praying I think dhur-asr, and they are making du'a, waqfa. Allah In-sha'Allah accept what they're making, their du'a for khair Insha'Allah, for all people. Allah accept their hajj and give them baraka also In-sha'Allah. Alhamdulillah every time more people, they like to go but it is not possible. Because a place, little place. Only maybe for 5 million - 6 million people all that they go there. But if they leave it maybe it must be every time nearly 15 million, 20 million. So it is... Nobody can make it but Allah, His guests. He can able to do everything. But people, of course, their belief, it is not so strong. So alhamdulillah also these people also going. It is wisdom because when Ibrahim, alaihi salam, and his son Ismail, they built Ka'ba, Allah tell Ibrahim, alaihi salam, to make adhan and to call people. And he said "Nobody here". "Just you call adhan and make... call people." When he make, he heard many voices "Labbaik, labbaik Allahumma labbaik." It was the souls of mumins, who they are, Allah give them chance to go to be hajji. Everyone who will go there, he'll say "Labbaik". But if somebody, they couldn't say "Labbaik", so they couldn't go (hajj). But Allah make something to prevent them to come - visa or other, to be ill, you don't have money, something like this. And it is only for who has money able to go there. It is fard, obligatory for them. For others not obligatory.

Alhamdulillah, Allah make this good, nice thing for people, for benefit of people. Allah created people and give them to be, to know what is good, what is bad. Allah's not oppressor for to make people, they said"You make us to not go, or You make us to be believer, You make us to pray". Allah didn't prevent anybody from praying, from doing good things. And He put something; either you can do good, or you can do bad. How it is? This is from Allah's knowledge. "Allah knowledge. How it is?" we can say. No. It is billion times impossible to know even one atom from Allah knowledge. Allah not giving any His knowledge, very very few. And it is like this, now people, they thought "We are the most knowledgeable people. We know everything." You don't know anything. You don't know anything. And you become make philosophy to say "I am knowing, and why Allah doing this? Why He doing that?" What you will if He, Allah make you to not breathe, to not drink? You can't do anything. You cannot do anything. You cannot judge for Allah. Allah, He knows what He does and He's not oppressor. He said in Qur'an "wa ma Rabbuka bi zallamil lil-abid" (41:46) So it is for yourself; you can do good, you can do bad. And you will be responsible for this. And you will be punished, and you will be rewarded for this. Allah, He is saying only truth. Wa-I Haqq. If we say another thing, all Qur'an saying this. How we can say another different from this? You cannot say. Don't be lazy. Your life, it is short. So don't be wasted to do bad things, to follow bad people, to waste your time in nothing, nonsense thing. You must be careful. Everything Allah, He wants to reward you. Every step you do, you can do good things. Even your life, if you live 100 years, it is not enough to finish what Allah give you to make for yourself. You can do everything for good. Don't be lazy. You must help people and especially your around to know the truth. But it is also, you can reward for this. But you cannot force them. Because Allah, He said "Faman shaa falyu'min faman shaa falyakfur"(18:29) Who wants to be believer, he can be. And who wants to be non-believer, also. You cannot force them. "fa'innaka la tahdi man ahbabta" (28:56) You also, you cannot guide for good thing who you love. Maybe you love somebody, you want him to be in right way. No, you cannot do. He's free. He can do what he wants. Alhamdulillah, we are following Mawlana's order. This is the important thing. And he is giving order, and many people, they're making panic. They said "These people, they're doing this. That people doing that." I told them: don't tell me about what they are doing, what they want to do." We are not afraid. We don't care what for people, only what we want - Allah Azza wa Jalla. Who wants to go with another people, they can go. You are free. But what we're doing here, we're following Mawlana's order. He ordered us to be here and to be his successor. And we are only doing this. I don't want this. I never asked for this. I never asked for paper. Never asked for anything. And it is not easy. I'm not happy to be. Only what happy, for Allah order we can do.

Many people, they speak many things. But it is, alhamdulillah, we accept everything. Because my ego, it deserves worse than this. In one day three people, they were saying from different places; from different places they were saying "Leave this. If you don't do this, you leave this mashaikha, to be a sheikh." I said "It is not easy for you." You or all whole world, they said "You leave this." We cannot leave, only what we can leave, when I sleep under his feet In-sha'Allah in magam there. Only that time we can leave mashaikha. Because it is not for order of people to leave it or do what people, they like. What we're doing, only what Allah Azza wa Jalla write, and what Prophet (saw) and what Mawlana, he was doing. We try to do. Maybe people, because they are seeing quiet man here, they can force him to do what they want him to do. No, it is not. You cannot do this. Why you cannot do this? Because it is important thing, and behind us - Mawlana. When he put somebody in his place, he will look. It is not our responsibility. People who like to be here, they can be here. If people, they not like to be and they are not feeling anything, there is many people claiming to be sheikh. Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah, he was every time saying "mutamasheikh". Mutamasheikh - claiming to be sheikh. And who is not listening to Mawlana' order, they are mutamasheikh. For this, they can do anything, everything. Even all people not coming here, it still, nothing it will be. And I am not feeling sad, not feeling bad. Because Allah Azza wa Jalla, He said "If whole world, they'll be against Allah, nothing happens for them. Everything can, people be good, also nothing happen for Allah."

So In-sha'Allah, we are trying to be satisfied. And what Allah gives, we are happy. And we are happy also with people who are coming. Welcome, they are welcome. Because they are obeying Mawlana order. And I not speak too much, and I don't like demagogue. Mawlana every time, he was saying for demagogue. What's the meaning you know? Demagogy. This is making philosophy to cheat people. And he was saying one story. Every time he was worried, nothing well, he's telling this story. There was in old time village. It was so far, and people in village, they are not coming to city or coming to... Only they were living whole life in village and dying. They are satisfied in village and happy. Nowadays, they destroy the village. They make every people to come to cities. And it is making people corruption, making very bad things. These people, they were in nature. Once a man, he is a crook, coming to them and he don't have anything to do. He saw one mosque but no imam. He said "I am imam". And he was making imam for them many years. After they sent for this village real imam from Asitane. He come, look. He said "What is this? He don't know anything." He said "You don't know anything". And he tell people "You don't know anything from Islam, to make praying, people". He said "No, you don't know anything. I know. We can make test. And these people, they'll be jury." So he said ok. They said "Ok, you write in this blackboard, Bagara, cow." He was, this imam, he was good writing, very nice writing,

calligraphy making 'Baqara'. Very nice. He said "Maybe this, you will make it very bad writing, so I will be In-sha'Allah , quickly, I'll be winner." Other one, he taking a pen and he make it beginning to draw a cow. Cow with milk breasts. He said "Which one cow?" They said "This is, of course." Demagogy's like this. So Allah keep our people away from these people. Because they are.. who is really connecting with Mawlana, his heart, he knows the truth. And In-sha'Allah we are not afraid from anything, from anyone. It is real. It is truth. And who like to come, can. For bayah, many people, they said "You make bayah." Of course, who are coming here can be. But who are not here, we accept their bayah also from far. Once I said Mawlana I make bayah in telephone. He said "Of course, if somebody make shahada in telephone, and not acceptable, ok?" Also who like to when he come, he can do. If not, he's far away 1000 of km away, also it's acceptable. As we said, we accept Mawlana order and it is acceptable for them. Their intention is very important thing.

Allah keep us away from bad people. Because there's good people, they are cheated by bad people also. We know this very well. Very well. You must be, don't listen to around you. If you are sheikh, you listen to your heart only.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfi. Al-Fatiha.

## 51. Eid Al Adha

#### Saturday, October 4, 2014.

Sheep give birth once a year and usually give birth to one lamb. Some give birth to two, but mostly one lamb. So many are being slaughtered, yet not finishing. So many sheep are everywhere. How can it be? Allah has given barakah/blessings for this animal. There are other harmful animals. They are forbidden for us. They give birth twice a year, and each time give birth to 20 babies. But still it is not plentiful. It was not given blessings. It has been decreed forbidden to eat. If you eat them, you will have strange illnesses. And it has no blessings. On the other hand, if you eat from meat that you have been ordered to slaughter, it will give you shifa/health. It will give you blessings, with Allah's permission.

The important thing, the good tradition, it is better to slaughter at your home, but according to the new lifestyle, most people are living in apartments, so it is difficult to slaughter at home, so they are sending to poor countries. That is also good. It is better to slaughter at your home, but the niyyah/intention is important. If they have that intention, Allah will give their ajir/reward. Their duty, worship will be accepted. They will receive that blessing. This Eid ul-Adha was granted to Ibrahim alayhi s-salam when he was ordered in the dream to cut Hz. Ismail. It was a test. Allah does not order this type of thing. It was a test. He even touched his neck with the knife, but it didn't cut. Instead, Allah azza wa jalla sent a big ram and he slaughtered that. After that it became tradition. And Ibrahim (as) was a blessed Prophet, from the great Prophets, our Prophet's(saw) great forefather. It is with his blessings and Allah's permission that these animals never finish. May Allah let us reach many more Eids. Let's perform this religious duty inshallah.

Today, alhamdulillah, is Eid ul-Adha for Hajj, of course, but very few people can go for Hajj, but all can cut sheep. Many people can do this. Whoever has a certain amount of money, they can do this. Every day they slaughter thousands, ten thousands of animals for eating. And nobody saying anything. But when Muslims doing this by the order of Allah, even in Muslim countries some people are objecting -"why youare doing this to this poor animal?" "Why are you cutting them?" Of course in unbelieving countries, it is worse, attacking Islam, attacking this order. But for non-Muslims, it is normal. You cannot say anything because the biggest sin - laysa ba'da kufur zamb -There is no sin beyond not believing in Islam. The biggest sin is to not to believe in Islam. When you are not believing in Islam, what you do after that is nothing. Because you are non-Muslim, you are not obligated to do what Islam orders. But for Islam, they are cheating Muslim people. The say - all this ten thousand, hundred thousand sheep, they are cutting, why they do this, what is this wild, violence, you are doing this for this poor (animal)? But every day, they are killing hundred thousand, they are not saying anything for this. But when Allah orders, satan is making fitna. But it is not like this, it is order of Allah. And Allah 'azza wa jalla gave barakah for these animals - sheep or cow. Allah created them and there is a secret when Allah put barakah. What does barakah mean - you put small amount and it is enough for everybody. These animals are like this. You know this because they are repeating every time, but it's okay to repeat once again. Sheep or cows, especially cows, need two or one and half year to give birth to another one. For sheep, in one year, they give birth to baby once. It is only one or sometimes two (babies). But you can see sheep everywhere. Why? Because Allah created them and He put barakah for them, they are not going to finish.

But these dirty animals, they can give birth twice or three times a year, and each time give birth to 20 babies. And each one becomes 300 kg, but no barakah for them. And when they eat this, they become ill.

Illnesses coming from these animals for everyone who is eating. Coming illnesses and coming spiritual illnesses also. But sheep are mubarak, blessed ones. Why? Because Ibrahim (as), when the order came to slaughter his son, it was a test for him. He was a very merciful person, but he must do it. And he even put the knife on the neck of Sayyidina Ismail, but the knife not cutting because everything is by the order of Allah. Allah didn't give order to cut, so it didn't cut. And instead of him, Allah sent a big sheep. And from that time, it became obligatory...or like an order for Muslims to slaughter sheep. Ibrahim(as) is mubarak, blessed. And the barakah coming from him, that's why not finishing until Day of Judgment.

So don't worry, these animals are happy to be slaughtered for worship. And they are not feeling any pain. But there are some ignorant butchers. When you cut, must only cut 4 things - 2 blood vessels, and one airway, and one food passageway. Just cut and leave it like this. Don't rush to crush its neck. When you crush the neck, it is very horrible for them and it is makruh. Because the blood cannot come out, they become paralyzed. So it is painful for sheep, and not good to eat with the blood. All the blood must come out of its body. And you know in Islam, blood is forbidden to eat. Alhamdulillah, with barakah of Mawlana, Allah gives us many more years to reach Sayyidina Mahdi also.

Wa min Allah it-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

## 52. Don't Lose Hope

### Tuesday, October 7, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaykhina, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Mawlana Shaykh he was every time saying "my son Hajj Mehmet, he can never be handsome." Every time fixing my turban, Alhamdulillah. You must look for what makes you at rest and comfortable. Allah Azza wa Jalla is saying in Qur'an: there are some people who can make mistakes without knowing and commit a sin without knowing. He says to our Prophet "If they come to you and repent, Allah will forgive their mistakes and sins". And of course, our Prophet is always present. He's present when we make salawat to him. Most of the time, people without knowing can be doing wrong or committing a sin assuming they are doing good. It happens very often. It has a solution too. Allah has opened the doors of repentance up until the sun will rise from the west towards the east. Now it rises from the east. It will happen the opposite way. Until then the doors of repentance are open. Becauseafter having seen such a big miracle and to continue committing sins will bring no forgiveness for a man. However, in this time no matter how much sin you do, don't be hopeless. Don't lose hope of Allah's mercy. Allah is forgiving. Repent when you commit a sin. "I am forgiving, I will forgive" He says. "If My servant comes with a mountain of sins, if he comes again and again I will forgive him" says Allah Azza wa Jalla. The door of forgiveness, the door of pardon, the door of granting is open. How will it happen? One should repent and not accept the mistake he's done as right, he should say he has committed a sin. "Walam yusirru 'ala ma fa'alu" (3:135) Ayat-ul karima. They shouldn't persist in what they did. You committed a sin, it's not a shame. If you're embarrassed in front of people, don't be. That's not an embarrassment. Embarrassment in religion is from faith. You should feel embarrassed when you do bad. But in this world, there's nothing to be embarrassed about by asking forgiveness of Allah. You can ask to be forgiven, for forgiveness of Allah, all the time. If you follow someone you don't know right, if you follow him without knowing, for Allah's pleasure - and your heart is pure and sincere. you follow him for Allah's pleasure but that man is not sincere. Anyway if you did it for Allah's pleasure, Allah will give you according to your purpose and intention. But if you find out that the man is a liar, that he's not good, not by presumption but by seeing, presumption is not good, you have to leave him. If you follow him without knowing him, even if that person is bad your deeds are acceptable, your levels increase.

But if you find out that this man is bad and his actions are not right, may Allah correct him, you can go to the right way to someone else. It is like this.

Persisting is not good. Stubbornness is a bad attribute, it's an attribute of shaitan. How many ayats in Qur'an there are about it. **"Kaffarin aneedin"(50:24)** Aneed - stubbornness. He's showing them and describing them. People are being stubborn even though they know this man; they're not coming to the right way. Stubbornness is not nice. When you see the truth, no need to feel embarrassed, to think about your ego. Ego should be below all. Don't be embarrassed from your ego. Don't be embarrassed from these people who're not embarrassed from Allah too. That's the right way.

When you see the right way, Allah's forgiveness door is open. You should pray to come across pious servants of Allah by saying "May Allah accept, if I did right. If it's not right, I did it for Allah's pleasure, and from now on I will do for Allah's pleasure In-sha'Allah ". Allah (awj) in Quran He said, "whom they do something without knowing, they thought they are doing good, but they don't know they are doing a bad thing. If they come to you, - in Quran is speaking to Prophet (saws) - and they want to be forgiven. Allah, He forgives them." It is very good Bushra'... good tiding! Good tiding for whole mankind, not only for Muslims. For whole mankind. Because they are not knowing what they are doing. But if they have wrong or mistake or bad acting like a mountain, and they come and they want to be forgiven, Allah forgives them. Until when? Every time, until they are dying. Before dying also if they accept to be forgiven and ask to be forgiven, Allah forgives them. Allah He said "you do mistake, I am the Forgiver. Don't be... loose your hope." The door of forgiveness it is open until when? As we said until death. But there is also for whole mankind until the sun rises from the West, from sunset.

How it will be, this? It is big miracle. Big miracle when Judgement Day approaches, there are many, seven or eight big miracles. After this, but especially after the sun comes from sunset (the West) - it will not come from the sunrise side, place, side, it will come from another side. And it will, no any forgiveness after this. Why? Because there cannot be a miracle bigger from this for whole people. For whole billions of people will see this. But after this, no! If you make a mistake, there is no forgiveness for you. But nowadays you can make every mistake, Allah.. and when you want to be forgiven, Allah forgives you. Good tiding, but also "Wa lam yusirru ala ma fa'alu."(3:135) They make mistakes they want to be forgiven from Allah. Allah forgives them. But don't say "this is what I do it is right." And don't insist on this. No! If you say this it is not acceptable. Because you are not accepting what Allah is saying. Allah says "it is wrong". It is wrong. You cannot say, "I insist, it is right! But also I want to be forgiven from Allah." No! You can make mistake and be forgiven for it, you can... For human beings it is from childhood until death, every time all people they can make mistakes. All people! Except who? Prophet(saws). Prophet! Even Awliya' also.

Why they make this? Allah give them the honour to "yubaddilu sayyiati li hasanat" change their mistakes when they make every time, we are weak people, we make mistakes. Allah changes their mistakes, of course they are doing without knowing. Allah He specially makes

for them to do this and Allah forgives them and changes to good actions. And if you are doing something without knowing and you maybe you thought it is right. You make, many things you make work or you make other things. You thought you are doing good, but something is wrong inside. Allah gives you for your intention. Even many people now, these days 100 million people. We have 100 thousand people they are claiming they are Shaykhs and many people are following. But some of them very real right one. if they are following sincerely Allah accepts their following and rewards them for this. But if they are seeing it is wrong, they must change to a better one. And if they insist for this they will be in the same station. But for who following many millions of this follower their Iman is stronger then their Shaykh's a thousand time more. Real, this what we are saying, and it is real. And Allah rewards them for this. It is ok, just to maybe for their baraka Allah gives their Shaykh hidaya/guidance to be on the right way.

But if some people it is, really not acceptable what they are doing especially what we gave example of this. If your Shaykh telling you to go and kill some people. If your Shaykh telling you to drink alcohol. If your Shaykh is making special things for what is not in Sharia', don't follow this. You can change. But other don't look for too much. You must follow Tariqa, Allah for baraka of these good people Allah protects Tariqa and protects their Shaykh to be on right way insha'Allah.

The most important thing, is to not be stubborn. Stubborn it is really a habit, a character of non-Muslim -especially the character of kuffar Quraish. They were knowing that Prophet (saws) he is Prophet but from their proudness and their stubbornness, they did not accept. Even when they are dying not saying anything. Saying "we know we cannot say this." It is from shaytan's also character to be stubborn. When you see right, Haqq, you must accept. This is also from adab of Tariga. And Allah said, "Wa Lam Yusirru" (3:135) They are not stubborn, in what they are doing wrong, insisting. So, Allah forgives them. Allah, why He said for every people, He said "Come We can forgive you?" But He also added something not to be doing it again. Don't insist in your wrong thing in what you are doing. Come! We are accepting your apology, your asking forgiveness, repentance. And what Allah accepts, what Prophet (saws) accepts, of course we must all accept. We are not to be enemies for each other. No, we must be in good relation to make our a'malna takun ahsan, actions to be better. This is what Tariga, first adab of Tariga - good behaviour of Tariga: To accept right and to not be enemy for each other forever for something you insist for this. Don't insist because everything is clear. Alhamdulillah. "Al haramu bayyin, wal halalu bayyin" (Hadith) (The (haram and halal are clear) Everything it is clear. Allah makes us to follow the good right way insha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi t-Tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

## 53. Jail

#### Wednesday, October 8, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaykhina, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani dastur. Tariqatuna as-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Eid al-Adha is over, holy Eid al-Adha. It's the second Eid since Sheikh Effendi reached a higher maqam. May his aspirations be realized In-sha'Allah . He always helps those who believe in Him and ask for support. He doesn't forget anyone. In-sha'Allah those who follow Him truthfully will not forget Sheikh Effendi either. Shaitan wants them to forget.

Most Eids, as Sheikh Effendi always went on trips, most of the Eids we were not together with Sheikh Effendi. In the last years we were together. He always used to run after brothers for service. On Eid ulAdha since our childhood, Sheikh Effendi mostly went to Hajj. He would take pilgrims with him. Therefore, only in these last years could we be together with Sheikh Effendi. It is nearly 40 years later - It was Eid ul-Adha of 1976. We were in Syria with Hajji Anne, and it was the 1st day of Eid ul-Adha. Let me tell an old story. It should be like a story so that it can be like an advice to people, so that they pay attention what to follow and whom to be with. So two of our brothers on Eid-ul Adha there, one had something to pick up, and the other had a car. He asked him to give a lift and asked me to come along. "How shall we go?" There was a right way but they didn't take the right way but decided to go by the illegal one. Allah's Wisdom. Until we reached the destination, the car was so old, these people did everything to put us into troubles. We went on that road at 160-180 for nearly 200km in that old car. Then we reached some place, they said it's the border. There was a barricade anyway. Syrian secret police were waiting there. They asked where we were going and arrested us. They threw us straight into a cell, on Eid.

And they used to fire cannon every day on Eid there in Homs. Homs is a holy city. Khalid ibn Waleed is there. Sheikh Effendi stayed for a year in that holy place. The first day it was so difficult that every second seemed like an hour. A minute was passing like a day. Such a difficult thing, not easy at all. We were in a cell for 15 days, then they took us to a prison. It seemed comfortable to be imprisoned for us then. It seemed like a 5-star hotel to us. But the friends were released, I was left alone there. A huge ward with 200 people.

Shukr to Allah, we came out after 15 days from there too. As we said, with the help of Sheikh Effendi, it was like a test there in order to see everything. Whoever you go to, whoever you are with. There were 200 people there; if you ask any of them, all of them were innocent. No guilty man. We were the only guilty one. But Allah doesn't oppress anyone. Just we were going by an illegal route, they didn't let us go. We took punishment for that. Everyone, when he does something knowingly or not knowing, its harm will touch him anyway. When done knowingly, more punishment comes. When done without knowing, punishment is light but still is given to take a lesson so that one pays attention not to turn in such a way next time. The least thought, a bad thought or wrong movement to reach somewhere, has a certain punishment. Nobody can come and take an innocent man from his house. It's very rare. Only if someone's like Yusuf, alaihi salam, only then and that's not 1 out of 1000, but maybe 1 out of 10,000 in this time. Otherwise, nobody accepts his guilt, just as we said 200 people all of them say they are not guilty - "It was a mistake, they found drugs on me. I didn't have it. It wasn't mine but someone else's." This and that, it happens like this. If a man says "I did this. I should not do such a thing again", he will take his punishment and have his lesson. He won't be lying there for no reason. When a man advances in goodness, he becomes higher than angels. Angels don't have any badness but a man has. Shaitan pulls a man, and an angel pulls a man. If he leaves shaitan, he'll become an angel. He'll go ahead of angels because angels don't have bad thoughts. But a man has an ego, shaitan, and desires, as we said. These always persuade him to do bad. Angels are not like this. If a man wants to be relaxed, he should leave badness. He won't be afraid. When you fear Allah, you don't fear anyone else. When you do what Allah orders, you won't fear either soldiers, or police, or other people. You are relaxed. But if you don't fear Allah, you fear everyone. Then, when you fear everyone, you are below not only angels, but also animals. May Allah not leave us to our egos. May we be together with good people In-sha'Allah.

It was yesterday last day for Eid, Feast of Eid ul Adha. And it is the second feast without his, Mawlana's physical. He is not with us now, but spiritually he is always with us, Alhamdulillah. It was many... even when we were young or child very little...very few feasts Mawlana he was with us. Because he was the whole time going around for giving his blessings for murid and for people to tell them to come to right way.

So many feasts he was not with us. Especially before '73 whole Eidul Adha, he was going to Hajj. He was bringing Hajjis from Cyprus to Damascus, after they take them to Hajj. And nearly 2 months he is notthere. After, also he was in London or in Europe or other. Many Eid we weren't together just few years, the last years, we were together Alhamdulillah. There are many feasts, and especially I remember one it was 1976, feast, Eid ul Adha. I tell this to make example for what happened to me, for people who are not, they don't have real responsibility. It was first day of Eid, and there were two of our, older than me of course, they are. No need to say their names. It was Eid and first day and this one of them he borrowed from somebody money in Lebanon and the other he bought a car. And it was an old car. So they said "we must go to Lebanon to bring this money." "Ok." I

was 19 years old and happy to go with car to Lebanon. But, there was right way, good way. You go by customs and by police and stamp your passport going. But, "No need for this, we know - and they don't know - a road, smuggler road, we can go there and it is easy." And it is not - only maybe 20 km between each other. So they went. They go to this border, to the way for smugglers and it was barricaded by Syrian police. Quickly they catch us and they put in dungeon; 15 days in dungeon, 15 days in prison. Alhamdulillah after I know this it was a test from Mawlana because the car is very old, and the driver doesn't know how to drive and he drove 100 mph. And so Alhamdulillah nothing happened on the road, but there it was really difficult because closed in a very small room, and closed - no sun, nothing, and every minute, every second like one hour you feel it, really! One minute it's like one hour, one day. It was really, it was one, we're looking "what is this? It is not going this.. clock, watch? Not going, what happened for this?" And it was like this. It was really horrible.

After, 15 days they took us to real prison. Big one, it was for us after this, like 5 star hotels. 200 people there, everybody speaking and they...But they, these 2 people, they took them out. Only I was there for 15 days again. And when you ask from all these 200 people, what did you do? He said "I am here for something I didn't do." Like, nobody, all innocent. Innocent! All innocent, they put all 200 people innocent.. Only I was there... So, what is the lesson from this? When you are going with wrong people, you are going to wrong way, you will be punished! This is, only small lesson from Mawlana. And he was in London. Only Hajji Anne my mother after 15 days she knows I'm in prison. So, it is like this.

When you do something wrong you must be punished. Don't ask "why Allah making this for me, why me?" Many Christians they say "why me?" they're looking for "why me? There are many people who are doing this. Only I am doing this wrong?" You do wrong, you will be punished. Don't be afraid when you are not doing anything wrong. When you are right, nobody is afraid. Al khai'nu khaif - the betrayer he is all the time afraid because all the time he is thinking this, "will be knowing I am betraying and he will beat me, or will kill me, or he will be angry with me." All the time feeling bad for his level of this, what he does, bad doing. But if you are clean, you are not afraid, you are not from anyone. If you are not afraid from Allah you're not doing wrong things. You are only afraid from Allah, you are not afraid from any army or anybody or any people because you know, you are clean. But if you are afraid from people and not afraid from Allah it is problem. Because when you are clean you are doing everything good you are better than angels. Because angels they only can do good, they cannot do bad things. But you, you have a choice to be a devil or you to be angel, or to be saint or to

be better. Everything Allah put in your self. If you are doing good, you will be higher than angels. But if you are not afraid from Allah and you are afraid from people and you are doing wrong thing, you are lower than animal.

So, it is a lesson for everybody, it is what you do, you're punished. You don't ask yourself, "why this happened for me?" There is of course something wrong with you. Don't... S. Yusuf "Wa ma 'ubarri'u nafsi 'inna n-nafsa a'ammaratun bis-su'i"(12:53) "I am not saying I am clean, my ego it is ordering to do bad things." (12:53) So everybody can be doing wrong things, but Allah (awj) " Kull ibn Adam khatta', wa ana I ghaffar" (Hadith). Allah says "All human beings they can do wrong but I am Who forgives them." Allah forgives us for what we do, with knowing or without knowing.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

### 54. Contentment

### Thursday, October 9, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaykhina, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

What is the biggest wealth? The biggest wealth is contentment. For a person it is enough to have spiritual wealth instead of material wealth. If a man owns this world, if this world belongs to a man, and he is not content with it, he'll still be poor, still in a miserable condition as if he doesn't have anything. He will think about how much more he can take. If you give him, he'll never be full. He won't be full, a greedy person. A man without contentment is a greedy man. He can be as rich as he wants. If he has no contentment, he will live with sorrow until the end of his life. Allah gives everything to him, but when a man is not content, he's a poor man.

Not only in money, contentment should be in everything. Whatever Allah gives you, you should be content with it, you should be pleased. You should show contentment with what Allah gives. You should be thankful so that Allah increases it. Allah deemed you worthy of this favour, so you should thank Him. If you say "No, it's little, it's useless, it's ugly", then you come against Allah. You will be away from Allah's love. Moreover, Allah will be upset. If you give someone a present, and the recipient says "What's this? What kind of present is it?" and throws it back at you, will you be happy or angry with the person? You'll be angry and won't give anything to him again. Allah will give, but He won't give the most important thing. He won't give contentment. If there's no contentment, as we said, if one owns the whole world, if the world belongs to him, he won't have any taste. He won't be in comfort. He'll ask if there's more. It is a very important point. You should be thankful for what Allah gives, you should be pleased. How long will you live anyway? It will be enough for you. Allah knows you better than you do. He will give whatever you need. He will. Don't look at what others have at all. This is a bad characteristic. Don't say "I want what this person has, I don't want what that person has." It's a big shame to look at what others have. It's not nice. Old people used to teach, if their children looked at others' things, they'd say "Don't look, my son. It belongs to someone else. Look at what you've got. It's enough for you." But now it's not like that. As we said, every country had a different structure in old times. Now the whole world is the same. All of them want the same thing, all of them think the same way. If one does something, others want to do it too.

Whereas there is a normal school, a state school; they say "No, it doesn't suit us" and they want to put them in different schools. You can't afford it. You can only take care of your household. No need to cut from it for the other. They put them in private classes. All of them will study. And what they learn is 20-25 different subjects. Nothing else. Even if everyone studies there, there're still many jobs to be done by people. But no, they still persist whether they are able to study or not. What is this? There is no contentment, no content. Allah gives a certain capacity and intelligence to a child. He can learn that much. If he can't study, he can do arts. But no, they're not content with that either. "I want my son to become an engineer." "I want mine to become a doctor." He couldn't pass this year, I will put him in a private class next year. He must earn more points to enroll next year". It becomes worse the next year.

While they say after, later, they waste money and have no result. Allah told you from the beginning, be content. "I gave this mind to this child". Look accordingly. Don't look at others. Don't deal with other things. Don't do whatever you like. Be content. A person on the level of contentment is relaxed. Rebellious ones, who don't want, they can persist as much as they like. May Allah keep this far from people. It becomes a bad illness. Some people came the other day, two ladies from Antalya. They said "Our mother had cancer. We sold all our possessions for her treatment." She died. Why did you sell? Government is paying which it should anyhow. They said "The government has said she can't be treated. We want treatment". When they say "can't be." Allah creates a reason for people to pass away from this world. No need for you to put your provision into it. This is something else. But this is a more complicated matter. Because doctors ask for too much money. And when there's money, they use it until it's finished by buying this and that. A man doesn't know. He pays out of necessity. But if he's on the level of contentment, no need for all these. Contentment is comfort. If you see that it's fate, be content with it. That is the important thing.

Today we speak about to be satisfied. Kana', satisfied, content. It is the best thing Allah gave, this favour for people. But few people they accept this. When somebody has this attribute, even he has nothing, he has this attribute, he is happy. Happy because, "this what I have it is enough for me. Alhamdulillah Allah gave me this, I am very happy." It is a big blessing from Allah. But if you don't have this, especially in these days, if you are very rich billionaire even, you will be not happy because you will say "this is not enough for me, I want more, I want more..." If they give you the whole world also, if you don't have this attribute it is also not enough. He is suffering, suffering until the end of his life. He is not satisfied with anything. "I want this, I want that, I want everything." If they give you, "No it is not enough! I must more, more and more."

But it is not from good attribute - shaytan, from ego, from bad behaviour. The good behaviour is to accept what Allah (awj) gives you and to thank for what He gives. If you are not thanking, Allah is not happy with you. Somebody gives you a present, or you give somebody a present, and he looks and says "What is this? This is rubbish! Take this from me." You will be happy with him? No, never. You will say "You take this and not giving anything anymore." Allah (awj) also, when you do this, if you're not giving even what He is giving you. He takes the most important part of this, the satisfaction from this. So, you will be suffering until you are dying. As Prophet (saws) said "If man - for human being, it is attribute for everybody but, it is Islam and Tariqa make it to come down. - Human being if you give him one value of gold he wants another one. And it is his eyes, you cannot fill his eyes from gold. From what do you fill his eyes? Only from dust." (Hadith) When he dies and put him in dust, now it's ok. He is full and satisfied he cannot do anything. But when he is in life, if he has this bad manner and nobody teach him to be satisfied, he will never be happy.

In the old times people they were happy more than these days, because every country they have a special culture, they have special things to do. But now in modern times everywhere in the world, nearly same. Where you go, you feel same problem. What the people they want, is the same thing. And I think from this media and internet everything coming same. They want their children to go to school and they want private school better, even they don't have enough money to do this. And the worse they want their children to be study in University. But for University they must be more clever. There is examination and some of them they don't have enough degree to be in University. So they insist "No, no my son he must be Doctor. He must be engineer, he must be something like this. And it is in University maybe only 20 or 30 kind of work, or all these millions of people they do this nobody else can make other work.

So Allah gave everybody. Who is very clever he cannot be a builder. He can be doctor or he can be another thing. But who is less, he can do less work and they will be happy. But from the teaching of the parents they make this boy... he is not happy from the beginning because he couldn't enter University, he is not happy. He blames his family. But even family they make him 3 years to go to University to try and they give him special lessons and it is very expensive but still not going so they're blamed from him and also from, they are blamed from Allah also - "Why you do this for your children? I did not create them to be Doctor, not created them to be engineer, not created them to be.." They have many work for them! So don't make your children to be not happy from the beginning. Teach them good manner, teach them.. The first thing you must teach them to be satisfied with everything. Even today some telephone (call) coming from Europe. I don't want to say from which country. One lady 10 years she is married and she wants to divorce. Why? "I don't like my husband." He likes you? "Yes." He making bad thing for you? "No, no he is very good." Why? "I don't love him." This is one example, small example, but it is very bad example for people. Nothing at all, only "I don't love him anymore." O! It is playing? You are coming here for Allah but these people they teach them only to satisfy themselves. And their ego nothing can be enough for ego. So this it is very important to teach ourselves first and to know how to teach our children. It is not easy, and it is not...there is now they say, "modern" teaching. It is rubbish teaching. "A boy or children or baby, they must do what they like. Don't prevent them what to do" they said. No, you must prevent, you must be teach them what is good and what is bad and to know you cannot reach everything what you want. Even you want to reach, you reach by hard, not to make it easy. "O my child wants this," quickly you go and bring it. "My daughter she wants this, quickly". No don't do this.

Allah keeps safe from this days insha'Allah. These are very dangerous days but insha'Allah who's following Mawlana and the Way, the right way, they will never be lost insha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al Fatiha.

## 55. Shirk

### Friday, October 10, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu 'ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi I-awwalina wal-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaykhina, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur.

Allah Azza wa Jalla says in Quran Karim Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim. Bismillahi r-Rahmani rRahim. **"Wala tarkanu ila lladhina dhalamu fatamassakumu nnaru"(11:113)** Don't be with oppressors or hellfire and fire will touch you, both hellfire and the fire of this world. Both can happen. Allah Azza wa Jalla has put numerous interpretations and explanations in Quran. Each of its letters has thousands of secrets, thousands of knowledges. Who is the oppressor? The oppressor is the one who makes shirk, attributes partners to Allah. Who are they?

A Muslim says "Ashhadu an la ilaha illAllah wa shhadu anna Muhammadan abduhu wa rasuluh" This is a Muslim. Who says this is a Muslim. He says there's no god other than Allah. What happens when he says this? He becomes a Muslim, not a mushrik/polytheist. A mushrik is the one who doesn't say it. What does he say? He says there are many gods. He becomes mushrik then. Who says that makes shirk. Now why are these people we're calling oppressors, mushriks, doing this? These people who attribute partners to Allah, we said who they are a while ago, oppressors are the people who make shirk. As we said now, these are the people outside of the Muslim states. They've been enemies to Islam since the beginning. Since the time of our Prophet they've been enemies. They made too much fitna. When our Prophet had passed away and Hz. Abu Bakr came forth, many people left the religion immediately. They left the religion. Many false prophets appeared as well. However, just a few true Muslims who saw the light of our Prophet and received his blessings, defeated everyone. They left no mushriks in the Arabian peninsula. During the time of Hz. Umar, nobody could raise even his head. Hz. Umar had his son flogged, he was so just and harsh. He was such a just man. Then Hz. Uthman ibn Affan, the son-in-law of our Prophet, husband of two of the daughters of our Prophet. During his time, because he was merciful and helped people... Sometimes mercy spoils people. There is a saying: From mercy, disease is born. Fitna started during his time. In the end, they made him a martyr too.

Such fitna kept appearing but they couldn't finish Islam. The last was the holy Ottoman Empire. These mushrik people did everything to them as well both from inside and

outside. Why did they oppress them so much? There was another state calling itself Islamic, and they didn't touch it. They fully supported it. Why did they come against the Ottomans? They hit us from behind because these were the true Muslims. They didn't want it. They didn't want true Muslims. Ottomans were the leaders of Islam for 700 years. Wherever fitna appeared, they cleaned it out. They knew where fitna would appear before it started, and banned it. They closed the doors of Ijtihad. For 700 years there was no ijtihad. What we see now appeared after the Ottomans, things called ijtihad. All of them are brought by mushriks - Wahabism, salafism etc. All of them are done by their fitna. And in the end you see that they have divided the Islamic world. They pretend to feel sorry, and make meetings in order to make peace. "We'll make a meeting in 2 years". Of course, they don't say "In-sha'Allah ". "We shall make, let's see how it goes". You wait for 2 years for a meeting, for peace. And here 1,000 people die in one day, 5,000 a day, 10,000 a day. Nobody cares. Europe raised hell for killing one sick dog. All of Europe stood up for this. And as we said, fitna is put to that place.

They are killing each other. No need to take any action now. And now the inheritor of the Ottomans is Turkey, shukr to Allah. Sheikh Effendi used to say that all their concern is to bother Turkey by bringing up an issue every day. There was not Islam, everything was banned in the old days - neither could you make dhikr, nor wear a turban in the street. They couldn't comprehend it even then and brought up something for Turkey every day. What happened now? They don't like it. All Muslims, and as the head, shukr to Allah, he gave inspiration, Ottomans haven't finished yet. They are still there. Fitna is quickly made. We will be saved with them In-sha'Allah . That's why, we are saying don't be with oppressors. If fire doesn't come to you in this world, it will come in akhira. Allah loves those who are thankful. If goodness is done to you, you should make shukr. Don't be ungrateful. Allah doesn't like ungrateful people. If you are ungrateful, He will take everything away. You won't find anything else and will regret. That's why, no need to rebel. These leaders say Allah. They are with people in 5 times prayers, on Juma and Eid. If you are together with mushriks, oppressors, fire will touch you too, you won't see goodness. You won't see goodness either in dunya, or akhira.

If you have a complaint, don't go out and cause harm. This is an instruction from Sheikh Effendi. Don't cause harm. There's no harming in Islam. "La darara wa la dirar". It's a hadith. This was a nice saying of our holy Prophet. His every saying is nice but this one is very beautiful. Don't cause harm. If you get angry, why do you harm your own people, your brothers in religion, people who speak your own language and their possessions? Poor people are waiting for their children's provision for Allah's pleasure. And if you get angry at something and harm them, you'll have no goodness. You'll have no goodness from those oppressors either. If you have a problem, pray. Sit in a mosque, pray to Allah. Let Him change it. If it is so, it is accepted by Allah; praying in a mosque, calling on Allah in a mosque. Everything is in the hands of Allah. There's no difficulty in anything. You have a difficulty but Allah doesn't. He created everything. Nothing is difficult for Him. And don't say "Nothing will happen". Allah is capable of everything. Don't think you did something and it's over. There's the One watching. And there's the One writing everything down. Now many are afraid of cameras, they cover their faces and eyes. But Allah doesn't need a camera. He saw you. You won't find goodness either in dunya or akhira. Why won't you find goodness in dunya? Even if you escape, you get cursed by the harmed one. And don't say "Why did it happen to me?" afterwards. Everyone knows his sin and fault. Everyone should be careful. It's the time of fitna. Don't be with oppressors. Be with beloved servants of Allah. The result of patience is good. Who stands up angry at everything, sits down with a loss. Control your anger always. Let anger be for Allah. If it's for your ego, it will destroy you. If it's for Allah, it will be good. So you have to know what to do. Be with true scholars who know this religion so that they teach you. They exist mashaAllah. They say: "Talabana wajadana". "Who searches for us, finds us". Whoever looks for true knowledge, true advice, he will certainly find it. May Allah protect from the evil of this time.

It is the end of times however. This fitna should happen because Mahdi, alaihi salam, won't appear in prosperous peace. He will appear in such times of fitna and people will embrace him. There are many people now who call themselves Mahdi and Isa. None of them really are. If Mahdi, alaihi salam, convinces people one by one that he is Mahdi or Isa, it will require 1,000 years so that everyone is aware and follow him. No, it's not like that. Sheikh Effendi says Mahdi, alaihi salam, doesn't have this technology as well. Now they use technology via internet, via television, via something else so that all know. He doesn't need it. Most won't know. No matter how much you try, 3-5% will maybe come or not. But when Mahdi, alaihi salam, appears, with the miracle of that time, that has never happened before, never seen; all Muslims will hear it when he makes takbir. It will reach them immediately. Otherwise it's impossible.

Mahdi alaihi salam will appear at once with Allah's permission. And that's close Insha'Allah . Fitna has become too much indeed. There's no peaceful place in the world. Everywhere is boiling, everywhere is chaos, fitna, rebellion. Certainly Mahdi alaihi salam will come and fill this world with justice and goodness. How it's filled with fitna and badness now, it will be filled with goodness and justice. In-sha'Allah it's close. That's good news. There's no hopelessness in Islam. **"La taqnatu min rahmati Llahi"(39:53)** Don't be hopeless, be hopeful. Mahdi alaihi salam will come In-sha'Allah . Don't fear. He is ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa and with those who are on the right way. May Allah let us meet him soon In-sha'Allah. We are saying for Ayat: **"Wa La Tarkanu 'Ila lladhina dhalamu fatamassakumu n-naru"(11:113)** Do not be, or don't put your back ... If you stay with oppressors. Don't lean towards oppressors. If you do this, fire can touch you. Who is oppressor? Allah says what they are in Quran.**"Inna sh-shirka la dhulmun 'azimun"(31:13)** To put partner with Allah (awj) is the biggest oppression. When you become Muslim and you say, ash'hadu an la Ilaha illa Allah wa ash'hadu anna Muhammad 'abduhu wa rasuluh. What it means? We are witness to Allah, no God, only Allah. And Prophet Muhammad (saws) His Prophet, last Prophet. Who says this, he is Muslim and he is not oppressor. Oppressor is who says and their culture is, the oppressors who do not accept this, they say "there are many gods." From old time, they make statues, they make many things for they say, "this god of this and this god of that." This is to put partner for Allah. Allah does not accept partner. Only one God. And when you dothis you are safe. Allah forgives everything but does not forgive to put partner for Him. But now, there is a kind of people. These people, they were not before. From the time of Prophet (saws) beginning to make fitna, the oppressors.

When Prophet (saws) left this world and Hz Abu Bakr become khalifa, quickly most Arab sub-continent they were out of Islam. They said we don't want this. But, Prophet (saws) he was teaching his sahaba, his real believers. One, a very few companions was able to destroy all this people, the oppressors. Even they say for themselves, "we are prophets." After Prophet Muhammad (saws), no prophet! But these people they were saying "we are also prophets". What they call them until now and at that time also they call them, 'liars'! Liars prophet. And they were all taken off sub-continent in Hz Abu Bakr time. And fitna finished at that time.

After, Hz Omar coming. He is Omar he was very strong to not giving any chance for people to say anything for he, what he was doing? He was doing justice. He was only, the pure justice in his time. Even, they saidsheep and lions were together, going same place. In his time, in his khalifat time. And once one shepherd he saw wolf eating a sheep, he said "maybe Hz Omar he died." And it was real (true). He was shahid/martyred. So, it was no problem in his time, even for his family not giving any forgiveness. Even his son he was beating him because he was doing something wrong. He punished him. So after coming Sayyidina Uthman, Dhun Nurain (Owner of the 2 lights). He was Prophet's (saws) son-inlaw. He was very soft, very gentle. And from his softness, people want (him) to be sometimes strong for them to not follow their ego. But he was very soft and many problem happened. Fitna in his time too much it was. Even they make him also shahid, martyr. After him of course it was like this. Every time these oppressors who do not believe in one God, they were against Islam, to finish Islam, to destroy Islam. But they couldn't do this, in Ottoman time - 700 years they were ruling, and they were strong. All the time whole oppressors they were against them. All the time fighting, all the time fighting them until they finished them.

But in Ottoman time there was Khalifa and real ulama, awliya' they were rulling so there was no fitna. Not accepting any wrong thing coming. If you are from one group of Muslims so you are from this group but you cannot put a new thing for other people. And they closed door of ijtihad, to make.. to give new opinions for Islam. Because old times ulama they were doing everything and they were right. And they were afraid from Allah to do any wrong thing. These days ulama - only give them money and you can do what you like. It was not like this in old times. Of course here there is also very few ulama who do not accept this, but they are quiet and nobody knows them. So, they make fitna. They finished the Ottomans.

After the Ottomans they brought these people, the new oppressors. Who they are? They said for you, for me, for us, for all Muslims, "you are mushrik". "Why am I mushrik? Prophet (saws) he said "ash'hadu an la Ilaha illa Allah, wa ash'hadu anna Muhammad Rasulullah, he is Muslim." Who they are saying the truth, you or Prophet (saws)? You are liars! So it must be liar or not liar. So Prophet cannot be liar! You are liars! Who says for us mushrik or this, they are liars and they are following oppressors. They are oppressors and they are following oppressors. This is the summary of all the speech. Who is liar? You are liars. You can say anything else? No, so don't be with oppressors. The oppressor who teaches you to say this to make fitna, to make you doubt for the Prophet (saws), for everything. It is fitna time, this is the time of all corruption. And now you see in all these Middle East countries, they make fitna and they are happy. Who? The oppressors. They are crying but they are crying like crocodiles. They say "we must make peace here," Yes, when? "After 2 years we can make conference for peace." "Until that time 10.000 people they will die." No never mind. In Europe before 2 days, there was 1 dog he has something they want to kill him. All Europe was crying they make problem for him. Of course we don't want for dog also, but just giving example we cannot do anything for them. And they don't believe in Allah or anything. They thought if they kill the dog, they will be safe from illness. You are fighting Allah, Allah if you can without seeing anything they can send for you illness. You thought you are strong to prevent this? Allah, does not forget anything. So don't be with these people.

And when.. now in Turkey also there is problem. We say don't be following bad people. You must know what you are doing. Because Prophet (saws) said "don't harm anybody, don't harm anything." If you do this you will not be happy, because Allah everything writing in His.. with angels, He.. every thing, everything what you do, recording to show you. Now there is camera everywhere, but the people bad people they cover themselves and they thought they will not be caught. This also if you harm people and you put everything on you (cover yourself) Allah harming you in this world before Akhira, before the Last Day. And you will be punished in Akhira also. Why? Because you harmed people, poor people who just tried to earn some money to feed their families and others come and break your shop, you break their things. So, they were making "Allah Oh!" for this Allah will make you regret it, what you do. So when you are in this position, don't say why this happened to me. You know everybody who is punished Allah knows what they do and they must know not to do this. What you do if anything happened that you don't like? You must go to mosque and make dua there. And it is end of times. Everywhere in the world problems, everywhere fighting, economic crisis, people are not happy. All, everything very bad looking.

What will happen? What will happen insha'Allah, Mahdi (as) will come. Because Mahdi (as) will not come when it is good, everything is all right. No! He must come when everybody, they only want him. "O come and save us!" That time he will come. Insha'Allah it is very near. It looks like this. And it will be happy and sweet days. Justice days. Because justice it is the best for people to have, to live with justice. Without justice it is not good. And don't believe for any country in this world they say they have justice. Don't believe this. It is you cannot find 5% from justice, only. Everywhere you cannot then say, Denmark, don't say Congo, don't say Siam. No! No country they have justice. Allah help us to be with Sayyidina Al Mahdi (as) soon In-sha'Allah.

### 56. Satisfaction

#### Saturday, October 11, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaykhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. "Ala bi dhikri Llahi tatma'innu lqulub"(13:28) This ayat ul-karima is showing what to do in order to reach the highest level of people. What is the highest level? The satisfaction of your heart. What is satisfaction? Satisfaction is to find peace. Satisfaction is the highest level of peace. Satisfaction means nothing can bother this person. He is with Allah, continuously remembering Allah. You can remember Allah by tongue, but many people while making dhikr think of other things. While making dhikr, they think about how to earn money. Earning money is not important. If what one earns is halal, the rest is not important. But sometimes, various cunning thoughts come. It means he is not remembering Allah, he is remembering what his ego wants. The people who have reached the level of satisfaction are very few. They are the saints of Allah, beloved servants of Allah. They are not disturbed by anything. "Rijalun la tulheehim tijaratun wala bay'un 'an dhikri Llahi wa igami s-salati " (24:37) They are described in Qur'an Kareem. They are such people that nothing prevents them from thinking about Allah, not trading, nor other things. Nothing prevents them from dhikr of Allah. Their biggest effort is to be with Allah, to remember Allah. Of course, as we said, there are various servants on such level. Some have nothing of this dunya. Some are given everything by Allah. But both are on the same level. They don't say "I earned all these possessions for myself". They earn in order to give for Allah's pleasure. After the battle of Hunayn, our Prophet's many spoils were brought, and Abu Sufyan came and asked him to give him 1,000 camels. Our Prophet gave him. He asked him to give 1,000 to his son. Prophet gave him as well. A satisfied man gives so freely, he gives for Allah's pleasure. He doesn't have anything in his heart but Allah. But their trade is the trade of the hereafter. The real trade is this. When they are satisfied, people around them become satisfied too. It is contagious. Therefore, they motivate people to gather around murshids, they advise it. Follow a murshid/guide so that you have your share of this nice state too. Be with a person who deals in the trade of akhira.

There are many murshids, but most of murshids are not for akhira. They think how to get more benefit of this world by saying words of Allah. Such a man brings discomfort

to people around him, just like the other one brings peace. People won't know but that man cannot give peace because he doesn't work for Allah. That man is not a beloved servant of Allah. Those people are neither good for themselves, nor for others because they don't go on the way described by Allah. They make opposite fatwa for whatever Allah says. They go by a different path. They can't advance so. And those who follow them will travel until some point. Then Allah will give according to their hearts. If they deserve him, they will stay with him. But if their hearts are pure and they followed for Allah, Allah will take them to higher levels and show the right way.

That's why, what's important is that you don't find satisfaction in money and possessions. You can find only it on the way of Allah because Allah created us. Allah has shown the way that hearts can be satisfied, how to find peace. It's only with dhikr of Allah, with pure worship to Allah. It's not in drinking and gambling. You can do whatever disgrace there is in this world, you won't find even an atom of peace. Even if you take the strongest drug, you won't find it. Allah has shown the way. And shaitan is showing a different way. Come through the way of Allah, you will earn both dunya and akhira. You will live a good life, you will live a quality life. You will be served. Otherwise, people will look badly at you. Your life will be disgraceful, and your akhira will be bad. You'll become a worthless person. No one will look in your face. When passing you, they will run away saying you're stupid etc. The more you try to satisfy your ego in this world, the more disgraceful you become, the more people start to hate you. Therefore, don't waste your money and time. Come to the right way, come to the way of Allah. Remember Allah, don't forget Allah.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaitani r-rajim. "Ala bidhikri Llahi tatma'innu l-gulub"(13:28) Allah mentioned this in Qur'an. What meaning this? How it is your heart, it will be satisfied? Satisfying, but it is the higheststation of satisfying. Content. Itminan contentment. Many people, they don't know how to do it. But Allah Azza wa Jalla, He is our Creator. Who created He knows what is good for you, what is not good for you. Allah made water good for you to drink and made food good for you to eat. Can you drink petrol? It is not good for you. It is good for machine, for another thing. So Allah, He, the Creator make you, to give you what you want to do to survive in life and in next life also. To be content, you must be all day remembering Allah. This is ayat's, "Ala bidhikri Llahi tatma'innu l-qulub"(13:28), meaning. If you want to be happy, you must do this, you must all time not forget Allah. And when you do this, nothing affects you. Not saying if you are poor, if you are rich, if you are ill, if you are anything, it is not necessary. Because you'll get the top of satisfaction. Many people, they try to do this satisfaction by artificial ways. And they are mixing between their soul and their ego. Ego wants alcohol, wants gambling, wants drugs. They want every bad lowest thing. The ego likes this. And people, they thought ego and soul same thing. No. When you do this for ego, it is not coming better, coming worse. Need more and more and more. But when you're not doing this and just doing what Allah ordered, you become higher and higher. And when you do bad thing for your ego to be higher, coming

lower. And you become worst one. Nobody likes you. People even they are running away from you. Only what, they who are like you, lowest people, they can be with you. But real people, they are discussing. And they are not like to be near you.

But others who remember Allah, and they have real satisfaction, people, they like them. Why? Because Allah likes them, loves them. Allah give this for few people, of course. But these people, they are like island, like Western people, they are coming to them. And they become like them also. They have this satisfaction, this happy feeling, and they will be winner in dunya and akhira. Because you cannot buy this by money, if your rank, high rank or you are artist or another thing. It is not important to be with these. Only to be with Allah and to be satisfied, this is important thing. Even you are very poor of even you are very rich, it is not important. Because rich people also, these who with Allah, they are not with money, only with Allah. They use this money, they can spend quickly. Because Prophet (saw) when after War of Hunayn, Ghazwa/battle of Hunayn, they were taking many thousands of camels and sheep and others. So Abu Sufyan coming, asking Prophet (saw) "Give me 1,000 camels". He said "Take" without saying anything. 1,000 camels, it is that time like 1,000 cars this time. Not easy to have 1 camel even that time. And he said "I want for my son also." "Take." "For another son". He gave him 5,000 camels once in 5 minutes. So it is not important. The important thing for tijara, for trading for akhira this, not for dunya.

And you must find these people to be together. Because this satisfaction coming from them to you also. You'll be happy, you will not be worried for anything. And you'll be winner in dunya and in akhira, the last world. But many people, they are not looking for this. Only what they are doing, they are trading, trading the religion or tariga to get benefit for themselves. When they do this, it is really a miserable thing. Their life, whole life - miserable. And people around them all time not finding any good feeling, just want to fight to make not good with other people - "How I can take from this man this money?" Only what they think is this. And it is not good, not giving any baraka for around them. And if they have million of followers, it's also, they are not happy. Because they are mixing between ego and soul. And this is ego, not from soul. They are not clever ones. The clever one who know how to be happy if only 5 people with him, and he is really with Allah, he is happy. Even nobody with him, also happy. But if he has 5 million people following him and he is not with Allah, and only looking "How many people are coming to me? How many people going to that man?" he'll never be satisfied. This is Mawlana what whole life tried to teach people. But very few people, they know this. Sometimes coming to be, they accept. After quickly, ego coming on them, not accepting. So alhamdulillah, you must be happy and accept what Allah give you. Don't look for people. If coming 1 people, if coming 10,000 people, it's ok. We are not doing this for ourselves. Don't come for us to pray for us. No, just for Allah. And to be in right way and with 1 people it is better (than) to be with whole world without Allah, against Allah. Alhamdulillah. Don't forget this. This is nasiha/advice for me before you. Because many people coming and saying something but it looks like

advice, looks advice but it's from shaitan. They say "This man doing this, you must do this. They are doing this, you must do that." No, we are not doing what people want to do. What Allah give inspiration and what Mawlana, he taught us, we try to follow this. Of course, we have many mistakes. But In-sha'Allah with good intention, Allah forgive us. So no need to be worried. "How these people, they will go they will come?" No, at all. No worry at all. Don't be worried also. Because, as we said, these people who following any murshid, any sheikh, if they have good intention, they will come to some place. After this place, they will be; Allah send them to where they deserve. Others who following these people who are following their ego, because they are like them, also they deserve to be with them. It's no matter. For this, meaning satisfaction. Don't worry at all. Allah make us with these people who they have satisfaction, the highest, the highest matlub, request, for us in this dunya and for akhira also.

### 57. The Rich and The Poor

#### Thursday, October 23, 2014.

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaikh.

Tariqatuna s-sohba wa l-khairu fi jamiyah.

Alhamdulillah for everything. Shukrulillah, alhamdulillah. You must thank for Allah for everything He gives. When you thank Him, make shukrulillah, Allah give more. Allah, He created us human beings, not animals. This is big n'imat/favour. You must thank for this. And He shows us right way. Alhamdulillah, it is also biggest, bigger than to be human being n'imat. And He let us to live in good place. He give everything. But people, when they are not thanking Allah, Allah not give them baraka. Well baraka, what it means? It means to be happy. You know, many rich people, they are not happy at all. But very poor people, they eat one dry bread and they are happy. For they are happy with Allah. When servants of Allah happy with Him, He is happy with them. And this life, short life. After this, life forever. And who obey Allah and do what He ordered, he will be happy forever in paradise. Who not accepting and he is objecting - "Why you make me like this? Why I am poor, these people rich?" then he will be not happy in this world or in real world, the world forever. If he is patient and accept this, it is, even he lives 100 years, it is short. He will be happy, he accept. When you accept something, you will be happy. But when you are not accepting, you cannot do anything. You see people, they are not learning from other people's experience. Only when it comes for them, they know. They want to do this... No need to do this. You look and see people who're not accepting, their whole life's miserable and what - they couldn't do anything. But we must accept and be happy.

Alhamdulillah we are dressing, we can eat, we are not ill, and we are on right way. We are happy. You're rich and you don't have eyes, or you don't have stomach, or you cannot breath, you put something to breathe. How it is? If you have millions, it is not benefit for you. Who has millions and he has nothing, he cannot do anything for his health. He accept to give, not only half his money, all his money he can give just to be healthy. So we must know this. Alhamdulillah there are poor people, they are... Because they don't have any burden on you, you feel here very light. Allah love poor people. It is really not no any burden on us. But when you'll be with rich people and they are doing

bad things, coming burden on you, when you are around them. And alhamdulillah Allah make our people to come this area to help these people. It is also big favour from Allah. Because Allah rewards for one 10 times, 100 times, 700 times. And they are coming only for Allah, not for any benefit. Like in Qur'an "Inna ma nut'imukum li wajhi Llahi la nuridu minkum jaza wa la shukura" (76:9) We are doing this for sake of Allah. We don't want any anything from you or even we don't want thanks from you. Only we're doing this for Allah. Some people, they're making for paying or to be proud. No, they're not like this. And Allah wa Jazahum Rabbun Allah reward them by paradise. Alhamdulillah. In-sha'Allah this place, it will be light for all this area, all countries also. Here happy people because this country, subhanAllah, it is the richest country in the world I think. But poor people too much. If they accept, Allah, He will open for them and give them baraka to be even here also happy and in akhira. Allah make these people who love to give charity more and more In-sha'Allah , and accept dua of poor people for all countries Insha'Allah to be in, to come to right way. Right way, the nice way, so only good things there, not accepting any bad things, action or... Even the man doing for himself will not accept this for him also because he is also creature Allah created. We must show him the right way.

Allah give Mawlana Sheikh because he show us our these ways. He showing good ways. And Allah make his ranks higher and higher and make his baraka. And he is looking after us. Because he is from Awliyaullah, saint. If he bodily went to akhira for grave, but his spiritual is around us all time. He is happy with this doing. He is not happy with bad things. But with good things he's very happy.

### 58. The Natural Religion

#### Thursday, October 23, 2014.

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaikh madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur.

Alhamdulillah we are with our brothers and sisters. To be brothers in Islam, it is more important than brother from same father and mother. If he is not in Islam, he is only in this dunya he will be brother. In akhira brother - Muslim who follow Prophet (saw).

Alhamdulillah in this country many people, they are coming to Islam. Because original Allah's din, religion, Muslim for everyone. When Allah makes new baby, give new baby for people, he is Muslim, fitrat-ul Islam, until he become man or to be age to be understanding. Prophet (saw) said "All children, they are Muslim until they are grown up, and their family, they make them Muslim or non-Muslim." For this, it is natural religion for people - Islam. And it is easy to accept for every people. But Prophet (saw) said "From family, parents, if they are against Islam, they teaching to be against Islam from beginning. After he will not be. But if family they don't know anything and they are not saying anything for people, they'll be after, most of them, if they hear about Islam and how it is nice. Because Allah created, Allah Azza wa Jalla, and He is putting something for people, how they are from beginning coming breathing and taking breast milk from mother. This, by nature they know this. Allah teach them. And Allah teach people to be Muslim. But many artificial things coming making people to go away from Islam. And you know, artificial thing, it is not good. Now many people, they are looking for to eat, to drink not artificial things. Even to wear they are looking for cotton, or to not artificial things.

Artificial things made to make problem, harming body. These who... religion they make by people, they are artificial. Now no more any right religion, only Islam - the right religion. And all these people, they were maybe some of them, many of them worshipping idols. After this Europeans coming, teach them Christianity. But this is not real Christianity. Christianity - only one God and Isa alaihi salam, he is Prophet. Not, cannot be as they say. And even for this, they take them from to not worship idols, bring them, they put them idol also in front of them "You must worship this". How you said you are not worshipping, worshipping idol? You are worshipping idol. And religion, it is one, since Adam alahi salam until Musa, Isa, Ibrahim alaihum salam, coming until Prophet (saw). We are not denying any of them. But when artificial, not real one coming, they are not accepting this. But Allah... This is His religion. And the most spread religion Islam. Shaitan and his followers not happy with this. Every time they bring a new thing to make people to hate Islam without knowing. They're showing people, they said this is no. Islam is mercy religion. The most merciful people must be Muslim.

They said "How they cut, killing people?" This is not order of Islam. When Islam ordering something, it must be... There is reason. If people making bad things, they must be punished. But not punishing, you cannot punish them. You must take him to court. And court give him his punishment. It is never acceptable for Islam to be everybody give punishment for people. If it is like this, it will be mess. Because every people, when somebody saying for these people "This man is very bad", they kill him and punish him, it will be problem. Without asking, without knowing, without searching, it will be problem. For Islam it is very sensitive. And they make, they are jealous from Islam, to not be spread around the world. Because Europeans also, they are clever people. They claim also they are clever, they have civilization, highest civilization... But when looking and seeing their religion, it is false religion, not real one.

They cannot say anything. The most of them searching for another religion. They went to India, they went to other place. They are not happy. They become to look for Islam. When this happened, it was very dangerous for them. They make many things, many people, many group, many state of Islam to make something, it is not related to Islam from near or from far. Bad people, they said it is Islam so these people do not come to Islam. What they do, they're just the atheists. Because their religion is false religion, not enough for them, not giving. But Islam has answer for everything, and they can be accepted. But to not come near to this limit, they make it to people, when theyhear name of Islam to run away 1000 km away from them. But Allah, who He is most Merciful and not looking for... Because He is the Creator. He can create white, He create black or yellow, red. He can create you as He like. But it is most important to be won His mercy, and His blessed to make you to come to right way, to Islam.

Alhamdulillah we are here. Here many thousand people, alhamdulillah coming to Islam. Who poor or rich, it is not important. He has everything, Allah Azza wa Jalla not looking for poor or... Who become Muslim, he is our brother. We accept him and we are happy with him. Not looking for his situation, for his finance and for his colour, for his profession and culture, education. It is not important. Important thing to be our brothers, to be Muslim In-sha'Allah . Allah open for this country to be all Muslim Insha'Allah. Because they are looking. Allah give them the most rich country in the world but when Allah, He doesn't want, they are poor. Poor not important. Important Insha'Alla, Allah give them hidayah/guidance. To be Muslim, it is the best present for them because after this life they will be in paradise, happy forever In-sha'Allah. Insha'Allah in this dunya also happy.

### 59. The Blessed Times of Day

Thursday, October 23, 2014.

Or you can read Qur'an, or you can do what you want for after Fajr until sunrise. It is - Allah reward you more (than) to free seven slaves from Bani Ismail, this tribe of Prophet (saw). It is like big reward. Until Ishraq, sunrise. After you can pray. If you have work, you can go to work. If you don't have work, rest after this. Baraka this time, Fajr time. It is the most baraka Allah give. And it is good for who they have poorness to not sleep until sunrise. Many awliya never send sunrise on them sleeping. All they were awake. It is very blessed time. And another time - after Asr until Maghrib, also same. You must do dhikr and read Qur'an, or to be with good people. This is present from Prophet (saw). He teach us everything, every good thing for us. And it is in dunya before akhira also, you see benefit of this. Allah make us to be like this In-sha'Allah.

### 60. Holy New Year

#### Friday, October 24, 2014.

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashaikhina fi-tariqati Naqshbandiya. Madad, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohba wa l-khairu fi l-jam'iyah.

In-sha'Allah tonight, I don't know if anybody remember for New Year, people they make big noise. Alhamdulillah, tonight our New Year. Holy New Year. This hijri; when Prophet (saw), he was coming for Madina from Mecca, beginning our new year. It is holy. Why it is holy? Because everything worshipping we do by this year's calendar. So it is very important. We must be celebrate this also In-sha'Allah . And after 10 days - Ashura. It is also very holy day. It is... many of prophets, they were survived from or they get higher degree, and awliva also coming, they take their ranks in this day. And it is also for Shahadat Sayvidina Hussain in Karbala. Also he became Sayvidi Shahadat/martyr And he's Sayyid Shabab alJannah, Prophet (saw). So we must be careful for these occasions. Occasion from Allah give us to make us to take more from His generosity. He is generous. Generous people, they like to give. Allah is the most generous. He just make occasions for people to take from His generosity. Ahl al-Sunna wa l-jamaa, they are accepting these days, but who not accepting, not many, very few people, they are not giving any important notice for these days. But we are doing and it is really holy day. Holy... Holiness given by Allah, not by people. These people, they are for New Year beginning from 2 months before. They say this Christmas coming there. Holy, not holy New Year coming. They try to do something, but when coming, after - nothing. Only big mess and big disappointment. Only this what they have. But alhamdulillah we are happy with our New Year, our religious order. Because every Ramadan, Eid, Eid al-Adha, Hajj; all coming with this calendar. Allah make this New Year good for us In-sha'Allah . Mawlana Sheikh, every time he said "Everything now good for us, bad for bad people". Allah give hidayah/guidance for people to be, to get blessed from this years and days, really holy days.

### 61. Rizq

#### Friday, October 24, 2014.

Thank you for inviting us here. Alhamdulillah, our rizq, our food, was here. Everything Allah Azza wa Jalla, He write. Nobody can eat what our name's written on it. He make it to come from very far distance and to eat here.

Alhamdulillah, we must, we are believing in this - Allah Creator, He is able to do everything. He's not like us. Allah Azza wa Jalla, nobody's like Him. You cannot imagine, it is forbidden to imagine Allah. Only to

look for His what actions or His attributes. To look for Himself, it is forbidden. Alhamdulillah, we are happy. No need to know more. But alhamdulillah, we are happy to be here, we eat our rizq, food. Allah make this good lady to serve us, to help us. And she is happy. We are happy. When you eat in place people happy with you, this becomes health for you, baraka for you, and for their household.

Mawlana, he was saying also from hadith, when guest will come to some place, what they need, Allah sends before 40 days for this house. And become baraka for them. Alhamdulillah this is good to use, and the good teaching from Prophet (saw). "Ikram ud-daif". Ikram, to give good things for guest - sunnah from Prophet (saw). Sunnah or more than sunnah also. Alhamdulillah, you do this, In-sha'Allah Allah give baraka for you.

And it is last day of year, our year, holy year - Hijri. Tomorrow first of new year. Tonight after maghrib becoming new year for Hijri, Islamic calendar. Alhamdulillah, In-sha'Allah be opening, good opening for you. Allah make this year health and wealth also, and to be in safety, and to make more people to come to right way In-sha'Allah . Allah save us and our children, all brothers, our countries, In-sha'Allah , from shaitan and his followers. Thank you for you.

### 62. Those Who Build A Mosque

#### Saturday, October 25, 2014.

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Ashabi Sadati RasulAllah, Madad ya Mashayikh. Tariqatuna s-sohba wa l-khairu fi jamiyah.

Ayat-ul karima. Audhu billahi minash-shaitani r-rajim. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. "Innama ya'muru masajid-Allahi man amana biLlahi wal yaum-il-akhir" (9:18) Allah said "Who may build mosque they are

who believe in Allah and Last day, Judgment Day". Alhamdulillah since we came with Mawlana Sheikh Nazim, our father, last time alhamdulillah, many mosques have been built. MashaAllah this is also new one, I think. MashaAllah. Allah make it full with mu'min and mu'minat In-sha'Allah.

Allah give for each brick who build mosque one palace in paradise. This was Prophet (saw) promise. Alhamdulillah, they are making this with generosity. And people In-sha'Allah must use it whole time, not only for praying - for teaching children, for making dhikr, khatm, sohba. It must be in action whole time In-sha'Allah . Because it is house of Allah. Everybody can come free. Nobody can prevent them to come. And it is like attraction to all around. Allah give barakah. Alhamdulillah.

Since 300 years, alhamdulillah, beginning Allah make something for Muslim to come to this. They don't want to come, but Allah send them. And then it was not easy for them to be in very bad situation. But who are with Allah, they are, nothing affect them. Even they bring these millions of Muslims, they come in this country, who it is very far from any Muslim country. And alhamdulillah, it happened and In-sha'Allah more and more will come. Because these Awliya here, they were suffering and they have made many dua praying to Allah "Save our generation after us to not be finished between this area". Alhamdulillah, Allah accept their dua and make all generation (descendants) Muslim. They are not losing their faith, their Islam. Even they bring hidayah/guidance for the native people also. Many thousand, maybe millions, they become Muslim. And it is new year also. In-sha'Allah it is fajr of new year. In-sha'Allah this year also coming more and more. And baraka for all Muslims, and Allah give them good iman and right way. Right way, Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa way. Others, they are not right. They're not listening for Prophet (saw). Just they want to

do Islam as they like in their mind. They try to make Islam to come to them. No, Islam, it is straight way. Islam's not following anybody, we must follow Islam. Not to do what these people like. It is written in old book, all the ulama, scholars, they were afraid from Allah. 100,000 of ulama coming, all in right way. There're 2 kinds of ulama. One of them good and other bad ulama. But the majority good ulama. Many, few of bad ulama, they make people to go out of way. Why? Allah knows well. But it is also from who following their ego, their.. what ego like, they are going to that way. But who's controlling ego and following right way, coming to Ahl as-Sunnah wa l-Jamaa way.

Allah keep us in the right way In-sha'Allah . Allah give baraka and save you from every badness In-sha'Allah . And your families and children In-sha'Allah , we reach Sayyidina Mahdi alaihi salam In-sha'Allah to see these nice days, good days for all human beings.

### 63. Dua

#### Sunday, October 26, 2014.

Tariqatuna s-sohba wa l-khairu fi jamiyah.

Allah gave us Muslim, mu'min people many things, many favours. Endless favours He gave. And one of them - dua, praying, to pray. Dua, you know. "ud'uni astajib lakum" (40:60) - [Call on Me, I will answer] Dua very important weapon for Muslim people.

Acceptable dua, Allah give you what you want. But other, maybe sometimes you make dua, you cannot take what you want but still continue because Allah He promised, if not in this world, in akhira He'll give you for something you which all your dua in dunya not acceptable. Because Allah, He will reward in akhira. You cannot imagine how He... When we say, people they wish (that) all their dua not acceptable, to keep them in akhira, this reward. It is big.

But also we must, because it is order also, we must make dua: to pray for us, for children, for community, for Muslims. We must do dua. It is, alhamdulillah, very nice thing. Many times dua acceptable, especially for parents for their children. We must make dua every time for our children because they are our most loved things, and we want them to be with us in akhira also, in paradise, not to go to other place. Because in akhira they will call 1,000 ya man mujrimun (O sinners) "Come alone". Separate all bad people. Sometimes.... Separate. How separate? Father from son, son from mother. This is separate. Endless

separate. In-sha'Allah not to be like this. For this we must make dua every time for children, for children of Muslims to be in right way In-sha'Allah . Allah save them from bad people, bad things In-sha'Allah , and make them happy, to understand the real happiness.

### 64. Sahib Mubarak

#### Monday, October 27, 2014.

Tariqatuna s-sohba wa l-khairu fi jamiyah.

"Himmat ur-rijal tagla ul-jibal". A willed, strong-willed man can take off mountain. This is said for human beings, and especially for Muslims to be all time working hard for Allah, for Islam. Don't say "I am weak, I cannot do anything". You can do In-sha'Allah . But first of all, you must be under good murshid, good teacher, to show you right way. After you go by his order, by his instructions, and Allah opens. Yesterday we visited Sahib Mubarak. He just came from India by himself. MashaAllah in 12 years he made 12 or more, not only mosques, also for many things for people, for orphans, for Muslims. How he came? By order of his Sheikh. And alhamdulillah because he is pure and real, continuing, In-sha'Allah it will continue until Yawm ul-Qiyama. He make things and he left things after behind him and he left his children and grandchildren, mashaAllah, all same way. And beside this, he left by his doing, big example, a big advice - example and advice to show people how really only one weak man, he can do this. For this first we said: strong will of man can take off mountains. Man weak but when he wants to do something, help comes from Allah. He helps him. He can do anything. Alhamdulillah for this. Alhamdulillah from last time we came until now, alhamdulillah, our brothers here, they are not sleeping, they are doing many good things. Even man for his family to look after them, to tell them right thing, it is also very good, if you cannot do any more. But not leave children or to other people to teach them. He must show them right way. And Allah help him. Don't say "I cannot do this thing." No, In-sha'Allah Allah helps. The all Awliyaullah, all real good mu'min, they are not lazy. They are doing the best. They are best example for us. Allah reward them and make them higher and higher, and to be In-sha'Allah benefit from their baraka from their himmah In-sha'Allah.

### 65. The Promise

#### Tuesday, October 28, 2014.

Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashayikh, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur.

Tariqatuna s-sohba wa l-khairu fi l-jamaiyah.

Tariqa coming from Prophet (saw) and Mashayikh. Everyone, he take his time - after he gives for second one. Mawlana Sheikh, he mashaAllah more than 40 years, he was around between us. And he was a special one. We cannot reach him: even 1 part from 1,000 we cannot do. But what he did alhamdulillah, it was enough for many generations. Everybody was feeling he is around us In-sha'Allah . And he gave lesson like sohba. He had sohba but with his action, with what he did, also was teaching us what to do. So alhamdulillah, we must follow him as he taught us. He alhamdulillah, everything was teaching us. So we just follow what he is teaching. No need to make a new thing, to invent a new thing to attract people.

Alhamdulillah, everything what we need he did it. So some of people, they try to do new things. No, everything alhamdulillah when he was with us, he agreed for people doing it, it is ok. But now after him, we will not do anything new. It is not fashion - every year must change it. No. Just follow. He and his sohba, his teaching, enough for 100 years even.

But we are going around just to continue his order, his way, way of Prophet (saw). And people, they are happy. Who is happy we are happy also. Who is not happy, his responsibility for him. It is free. People, they are free to do what they are doing. But what happened when somebody give promise, word - man he must be behind this promise. Because when they take bayah, you must follow until akhira. But they take bayah, this bayah meaning for Sheikh to take you away from this world for akhira in iman/with faith. And they are... Real men, they are doing what they promise. Even you are not man - because men only (who) they're behind promise - even you're not doing what you promise, but because they promised, they will take you.

But you will be regretful. Because when you come in some place, you can come by first class, and you can come, not they take you, but maybe they take

you just cargo. Even not plane, they can take you in baggage or horse compartment. And you will be sorry. So many people, here also, they promise something, they forget or I don't know- they forget or what happen. We are not looking for benefit, dunya benefit. Only we are doing what Prophet (saw) and other prophets, they were doing; to go around people and to take them from wrong to right. And who are they happy and following, they'll be winners. But who was not following and they forget their promise, they'll be very regretful. qad 'udhara man 'andhar -( you can't blame the one who warned you) meaning no blame for who says truth. We are 14 years, we forget everybody here. Who were coming to Cyprus, we saw them. But many of them, they were here and promised, and they are not doing - they are free.

## 66. The Signs of Qiyama

#### Tuesday, October 28, 2014.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaitani r-rajim. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As-salatu was-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammad Sayyidi l-Awwalina wal-Akhirin.

Thank you for your hospitality. Alhamdulillah we are feeling (as if we are) in our house that our brothers, our sisters, no foreigner with us. MashaAllah after 14 years we come, many big mosques, Allah help you to make. It is very good thing.

The Indian and Pakistani people, they are mashaAllah religious people. But shaitan, he not like to make it easy. So making many kind of people, new people coming around and saying this, saying that. It is... You must know, Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa, they are coming direct from Prophet (saw). They are following Prophet (saw), they are all time In-sha'Allah , they will be majority. Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa what meaning? Meaning you must follow madhhab, 4 madhhabs. We have haqq 4 madhhabs (4 true schools of Law). You must follow one of them.

madhhabs (4 true schools of Law). You must follow one of them. There is no madhhab after these. Only 4. Who they are following this madhhab, that madhhab behind [other than] Hanafi, Shafi, Hanbali, Maliki, they are not acceptable.

Why? Because they are refusing many sahaba. They are refusing many hadiths. And they are putting by themselves rules which not accepted. They are making halal thing, they say "This is haram". And the haram thing, they do it halal. This you cannot accept Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa. Allah says aqida, aqa'id -belief.

You must follow true belief. There are 4 imams for madhhab, 2 imams for belief. For Hanafi, Abu Mansur Maturidi. For Shafi, Abu al-Hasan al-Ash'ari. And what they are saying? All nearly same. Little bit different but it is not important. But for others, they won't have even imam for aqida. Just they are doing as they like. We cannot accept this. And shaitan, he put this between Indian and Pakistani people more and more because other people, they are not so religious like you. So they have another thing to take them away from Islam. But these people, they are following really he don't want 100% to go to jannah. Must go to jahannam also. So there are these people following, cheated by shaitan, following no madhhab, or following wrong madhhab. One of belief, our belief, Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa in aqida, Ash'ari and Maturidi, to get same together, they believe in signs of Qiyama/Judgment Day. There is a small sign and big sign. Big sign, it will come. But when one of them coming, they are coming together, all together. Maybe in 20 years or 40 years - all coming and after Qiyama happening.

What is first of them? Mahdi alaihi salam and to fight with Dajjal. Dajjal also from big signs. Dajjal, he is the Antichrist, we say. He has one eye and he cheat people. He's showing jannat-jahannam, paradise and hell, with him but it is wrong. When say, somebody accept jannah, it is really hell. And when accept hell, it is really paradise for people. And Isa alaihi salam. We believe he will come to earth and he will follow Mahdi alaihi salam. Many hadiths and right hadiths from Prophet (saw) explain this. We must believe in this from our real belief. If you don't believe in this, you are not in Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa.

After, of course, many things like Yajooj, Majooj, Dabbat ul-Ard, Islamic bad, big creature coming between Safa and Marwa. It will come through earth and very huge. It'll be big as big bear. And after people looking, it is coming out. It's taking from each animal one part. And it will have muhru Sulaiman/the seal of Soloman and asa'u Musa (staff of Moses) If should see Muslim putting his hand by asa of Musa, stick of Musa alaihi salam, it will write "This is Muslim". And if with this muhru Sulaiman seen non-Muslim or not-Muslim putting in his nose, and it will become a black point, after all his face will be black. And it will be sun rising from West. Many signs. Now you know. We don't want to make long speech.

All these, we are obligatory to believe in this. It will happen because Prophet (saw) saying all things. And especially in the end of times it will be hari wa mari (big mess). What meaning? Like terrorism. Who kill he don't know why he kill. Who killed they don't know why they (were) killed. Here in your South Africa, no war. But also you have this problem without knowing. But in other part of Muslim world, other world, all seeing, showing it is the end of times. Mahdi alaihi salam will come In-sha'Allah. When Mahdi alaihi salam comes, he will clean all the earth from all dirt. It will be just and very beautiful place, whole world. Only Islam from East to West La ilaha illAllah, Muhammad RasulAllah. Even lions will go through with impala or with cow, with sheep, without doing anything (harmful) for them. It will be like this. So In-sha'Allah it is very near. Very near but what we will do In-sha'Allah for being protected from bad things to happen for you? The most important thing to give sadaga. "As-sadaga tarudu bala'a wa tazidul 'umr (charity repels trouble and increases life -Hadith) Before going from house, put some box or some jar, you put in it money, sadaga for you and for your family. If you are rich, you put. Don't afraid. Because rich people, they are afraid to put more than poor people. Poor people also, they can put as they can afford. It is very important because in this area your country, it is really worse. Even when we were many times in civil war country, it is more safe than your country. So don't worry. Put and don't worry. Allah keep you because Prophet (saw) and it is who obey His order, he will be protected. As we said, we must believe in this. Don't let your children go nighttime to not good place. And women also, you must be not going so much outside. This is Mawlana order also. Allah help you In-sha'Allah. Allah save us to see these good days.

It is everywhere in the world, no place happy or no place rest. No peace in any place in the world. Even in Europe or other place, all complaining; economic crisis and other crisis. Nothing going right now. Why? Because the end of times coming. In-sha'Allah we'll be with Sayvidina Mahdi alaihi salam. He is real imam and he is a real Mujtihad mutlag (absolute lawgiver) when he comes, he will be, because he is Muitihad mutlag after Prophet (saw). That time no madhhab. All madhhabs going. He will show what... Only what he said, it will be done. But now we must follow one of these madhhabs.Don't be... many people there saying "We are educated. No need for madhhab. We know Qur'an. We know..." You don't know anything. Because these now people, they are lazy to read book even. And after open Qur'an they are saying "This you can kill. You can do this, you can do that". No, you cannot do anything. Only with order of your amir. Who is amir? Who is governor or, not small governor who can make a small group and this is amir for us, he cannot do this. He must follow Khalifa or who is King or Emir of some place. But without this, if you do by yourself, it will be big mess. Everybody, it will be like here. Not safe for anybody. And it is forbidden. Because you sacrifice yourself, maybe you think you're doing this for Islam, but you do this, you do it for nothing. And you'll be murderer. And in Qiyama you'll be in jahannam forever because you kill Muslim or kill children or you kill women.

You must know what you are doing. Don't be cheated by anyone. Only be with Ahl as-Sunnah wa IJamaa. They are on right way. Don't listen to anybody else. And this what we must teach our children. Alhamdulillah here also we have many madrasa, they are teaching. In-sha'Allah, Allah help us. Allah help us In-sha'Allah and to give patience until Mahdi alaihi salam comes.

### 67. The Key To Satisfaction Wednesday, October 29, 2014.

Tariqatuna s-sohba wa l-khairu fi l-jamaiyah.

Allah created whole Universe and He created Adam alaihi salam, from his children Allah created many type colors, different languages, and different races. So He gave for every nation, for every race different specialty. But important thing - if you are poor, if you are rich, if you're weak, you are strong - the most important thing to obey Allah's order and to do it. This is what He wants from you.

Everybody, they are looking for their worshipping and looking for themselves, the world it will be in peace. But when people they looking for rich people, for poor people, for color, for other things, nobody can be satisfied. A man, mankind, they must to find peace, to be satisfied what they have. Many hadiths of Prophet (saw) saying, don't look to people who are higher than you. Only look yourself and what many people they are lower than you by money or by health, by wealth. Many people you can find. If you look for up, you will never be satisfied. Allah, He not created us for dunya. No. He created us "Wa ma khalagta l-jinna wa l-insa illa liy'abudun" (51:56) only to worship. This is the most important thing. We are since 1 week travelling through South Africa. Many places poor people, many poor people, and South Africa it was the most rich country. We were hearing this. It is first world, second world, third world. We were in third world, but South Africa it is first world. But when you see, it is really... Why? Because no baraka. If these people they are happy with their what situation, it will be baraka for them. It is enough to feed 100 million South Africans, or more. And everything you have. But when no baraka, it is not enough for these people even. Everyone must earn halal. What's halal? By your working. Allah give baraka for this. And it is really good for you, for your family, for your children. They were saying for Indian people, Pakistani people, they also, when they came there was nothing, only maybe 1 handbag and they were living like this. After working hard and believe in Allah, Allah gave baraka. Allah, He's generous. But when no baraka, nothing good. If they eating all world, also no baraka for them. So we must be satisfied and we must be happy with what Allah give us. We're happy and we're thankful. When you are thanking, Allah give more. "La'in shakartum la zidannakum" (14:7) And He is Creator and doing what He said. We believe in this. So In-sha'Allah every time we must remember this: to be satisfied with Allah and to be happy for what He gives us, from how He created us. He created us alhamdulillah healthy, the most important thing.

### 68. Hospitality

#### Wednesday, October 29, 2014.

Mawlana Sheikh, he said every time - there is a hadith - when guests coming to a house, their food, rizq, coming before 40 days. More rizq coming and coming every time. So he was very happy, Mawlana, he is,

he liked to feed. Even not hungry, he was shouting for sister or for the one they are helping there, "Why you didn't give these people food? Why you not?.." They said "We asked, they don't want". "You are stupid. They are ashamed to say they are hungry. You must put food".

He's generous. From Mawlana for everything, but especially to feed people; he was happy to feed people. And not to make israf/indulgence, and to make for poor people also, to send for poor people. Since we were small children, mother she was cooking. Even in that time, it was not so rich people there. It was only few people. And there were derwish, there were poor people. At least, we sent for 3 houses, sometimes for 7 houses, every night. Bahauddin also, when he was small, taking. So he was sometimes complaining -"Why I will go?" Because where we were was mountain. Alhamdulillah he teach us good Prophet's (saw) teaching, very nice teaching, akhlag/moral character. Not only akhlag, to be also generous, to be thinking for other people also, for poor people. And every time we want to make something, it is enough for us, you can give for poor people also. This what everybody must teach children, the youngsters - to not only think about themselves. No, also for people around. Because dua, it is important. You take dua from poor people, and he's happy with what you do, it will be open for Allah to accept the dua.In-sha'Allah Allah give you more and more and many guests coming, and you also helping all poor people, other people In-sha'Allah, to be hidaya/guidance for them Insha'Allah . Fatiha. Also Mawlana Sheikh and Hajji Anne, she was saying, especially for your country. It is like ironwear/armour for against protecting. You read 7 times ayat al-Kursi. Blow 1 to right, 1 left, front, behind, up, down and 7th in full all around. After this, don't worry. And don't forget every morning sadaga. It is very important, sadaga here. Poor people, they can put 5 cents. Rich people, they put more. Make box near door. Don't forget this every day, every morning. It is very important advice, nasiha, from Mawlana Sheikh.

### 69. The Day of Ashura

#### Thursday, October 30, 2014.

Be with Allah and don't be worried. Who, Allah help him, he's never coming down. They love who Allah love him. "La yadhillu man walayt"(You do not humiliate who You befriend) - this is we every day reading in salat-ul Qunut in Fajr. "Wa la ya'izzu man 'adayt" (You do not strengthen who You hate). And cannot be, cannot be honorable who Allah not love him, he cannot be honorable. Only who Allah love him, he can be honorable.

And Allah not looking for rich man or beautiful one or clever one. Because all this from Allah. But He look for who love Him. He honors him. He make him high. He help him in everything. Many people since

Adam alaihi salam coming 2 kinds of people. One of them Allah love them and praise them. Until now everybody know them, respect them. Another kind, they were against. Allah make them down. When their names saying or something, giving examle for bad things. Allah curse them. They are not honorable. And now you know after 3 or 4 days - Ashura. In Ashura Allah give His beloved servant, beloved Prophet or Awliya. Most of them in this day, they are coming to survive and other people they'll be cursed. And it is very holy day. At the end Sayyidina Hussain alaihi salam, also in this day he became Shahid/martyr. The highest station before highest station. And who was against them, they'll be cursed. This is who are with Sayyidina Muhammad (saw) and his family, his Ahl al-Bayt, they are praised. Other who against, not respecting, they'll be cursed.

We must be careful here to not be, to go... When you making something, shaitan can take you each side, it is not safe. There is big hole right side, left side. When they are, some people, they're saying "We are loving Ahl al-Bayt" but they are cursing Sahaba/companions. This also not good because Prophet (saw), he loved his Sahaba, and he said "Who are saying anything for my Sahaba it hurts me. And what hurts me it hurts Allah Azza wa Jalla." Prophet (saw) saying this. So these people, they are going against Sahaba. Shaitan make them. "You are loving ahl al-bayt, these sahaba not good." No. This also not good.Other side, they say "No need to praise, you make shirk/polytheism". When you say this, Allah Azza wa Jalla He write la ilaha illAllah, Muhammad RasulAllah (saw). How it can be? Also they are in wrong way.

Right way - Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa. We love Ahl al-Bayt, we love Prophet (saw), and we love Sahaba, all Sahaba. We believe in Sahaba. Allah make us with them In-sha'Allah . Ashura day is holy day. Prophet (saw) saying he wanted to fast if he reached next year but he couldn't

reach, so we... but not only Ashura day. Ashura means 10th of Muharram. We must fast 9th and 10th, or 10th and 11th. Or you can fast 3 days - 9th, 10th, 11th. It is big reward from Allah Azza wa Jalla. And there is 4 rakat for Ashura. Each rakat you read 11 Ikhlas, and there is dua for this. You can do it Insha'Allah before Asr, Ashura day, 10th of Muharram. It is barakah, gift from Allah. In-sha'Allah this ummah also to survive and to be peace in country with Syria, Iraq and Turkey and everywhere. And In-sha'Allah Mahdi alaihi salam comes soon In-sha'Allah .

# 70. The First Muslims of South Africa Thursday, October 30, 2014.

Community of Muslims they were brought here, most of them exiled or they kidnaped them and make them slaves, and they bring them here. And this pure and poor people they were because to be taken away from home, it is very bad thing. They were suffering. I was... When Dr.Yusuf da Costa saying this, I feeling how much they were suffering. They are coming away from land, from relatives, from what they love, and they bring and they were in very bad condition. But they were sabr, patient people. Patient and they have strong belief. They were real mu'min, believers. And they were patient, this is coming from Allah. If we be patient, Allah will reward us for akhira. This is a short life. After, in akhira, Allah give us. And really, when somebody died, Prophet (saw) hadith, he said there is book for angel. They write, one right side angel, one left side angel. Right side angel writing good things. Left, he writes what they do wrong. They are writing, but even this, Allah from His Merciful He make him (left side angel) to wait 10 hours 1 day. If he (man) making tawba istighfar, want forgiveness, Allah forgive him and He not let him (angel) to write. Then this angel from left side ask right side angel "What I do?" He said "Wait. Wait."

Until when no nothing happens, he says "Ok. You write this". And until when this? Until man passing away. When passing away this finishes; nothing write (anymore) except what? Except 3 things: One - to make good khidma/good works for Islam. Like Mashayikh they are making madrasa/school, they are making book good for Islam, they are making people they are going this way. All this written on his good book, right side book still until Qiyama.

Other one, what it is? It is to build mosque or to build sabeel/drinking fountain for benefit of human beings, like water or like hospital, or school or whatever. But it must be for near for Allah. Third one, what it is? It is good son to make good thing until his son and after him his son, they are continuing, and it is written also. Still opening this book until Qiyama. And these your ancestors, they were poor people. They didn't have anything to do but around them there was, of course, Awliya, 'Ulama. They have this. But poor people, they were praying, making dua to be our children in right way, in Islam. Alhamdulillah, we see this. Their dua is accepted. MashaAllah all in South Africa are in this worse condition they have, they still they keep their belief. And it is right belief alhamdulillah. No bad belief - All mashaAllah, Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa. This is Allah reward them for the patience to all what they suffered. They not for nothing. For believer, Prophet (saw) he said "I was astonished for Muslim, for what everything for him, it is good." If he suffers for Allah, it is good for him. If he is rich and he's happy, also good. Everything good. So alhamdulillah, we are in big favour, ni'mah from Allah to be Muslim and to be ancestors of these good people.

Alhamdulillah. In-sha'Allah until yawm ul-Qiyama don't worry, their dua is accepted because they were mazlum/oppressed people. And In-sha'Allah will be growing around to be hidaya/guidance for local people also In-sha'Allah , to be In-sha'Allah all Muslim country.

### 71. South Africa

#### Tuesday, November 11, 2014.

As-salamu alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim.

Bismillahi rRahmani r-Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa lakhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi Rasulillah, madad ya Mashayikhina, madad ya Abdullah Faizi d-Daghistani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna ssohbah, wa lkhayru fi jam'iyyah.

Shukr to Allah, we went and returned safely. MashaAllah we found love of Allah everywhere we went. We gathered for Allah, shukr to Allah, purely for Him. There was no other purpose. In-sha'Allah it brought blessings. 14 years ago, Sheikh Efendi went to that area. He went only once but mashaAllah Sheikh Efendi went with wisdom, there is wisdom everywhere he went. They have good people. Their Muslims are calm. Moreover, Sheikh Efendi told them to invite the local people (to Islam). MashaAllah that invitation was accepted. So many local people have become Muslim.

The blessing of that place is, of course because there are many friends of Allah, Awliya there. They were brought from their countries. They brought them as traders, as exiles, as slaves. However, they spread Islam over there. One Muslim... This world is a place of suffering, a place of tests. What we mean by test is, for example - there can't be a greater disaster - 300 years ago, people captured villages, took the people away from their homeland, away from their families, relatives and children. There can't be a greater test than this. However, they said everything was from Allah and were patient, and turned that disaster into goodness. They spread their religion there. In this way they took the religion of Islam there. They built the first mosques. Tombs and dergahs were made. Due to the patience of these people, they passed the test. It was a test. People nowadays have no patience. They want to cheat during the test as they wish so that it becomes easier. It can't be like that. It's been 6 months since Sheikh Efendi left us physically. Spiritually he's with us even more. It was a very big test for our brothers, but shukr to Allah, more than 90% followed the orders of Sheikh Efendi and turned this great disaster into

goodness. Sheikh Efendi used to say something like "try to fill the sea" for those who didn't accept. He had a nice saying.

Sheikh Efendi left us physically, however, spiritually he's much closer. He's closer spiritually. He knows well who's passing the test, who's failing it. Also Sheikh Efendi treats it with delicacy. During a test in a classroom, professors don't care about the one who fails. Teachers don't care. Who fails must think for himself. He should suffer the consequences. You should have passed the test. They've even let you cheat; they open everything in front of you showing the answers. But you can't do even that. Where is the fault of the Sheikh, fault of the professor, fault of the teacher?

But who accepts the test, who submits passes easily, he doesn't have any suffering. Those people, they have accepted even in suffering. They said "It's a test from Allah. We came here, we spread the religion of Islam, we taught the religion to the poor people here, we taught them iman". Even Qur'an was forbidden when they were brought. This holy man who built the mosque, Mubarak, he was a hafiz. They showed his Qur'an as well. He had a mistake in one word, but Allah forgives, because there was nothing. Qur'an can't be changed anyway. One can make many mistakes, that's not important. Important is to accept the test and that it comes from Allah. They passed it like this and reached the highest stations in akhira.

MashaAllah, in many places there are people who feel continuous regret "I wish I had done this, I wish I had done that. I wish I had bought land, I would be rich". People say things like this. But everyone you see there says "I wanted to meet Sheikh Efendi. It wasn't in my destiny". This was their biggest sadness. But they were saying "Shukr to Allah, we met you. We met the person who came to Sheikh Efendi's place by his order." They were happy for this. But, as we said, their biggest sadness is that they didn't meet Sheikh Efendi. Our people, shukr to Allah, everyone should make shukr to Allah for this ni'mah. It's a big gift. As we said, there are tests. But everything is put in front of you, take it and copy it. Some people don't even accept that. What can you say to them? They know for themselves. Saints are merciful, but they can't say anything to those who want to torture themselves and suffer.

Alhamdulillah, we went with jamaat all long trip. And it was very nice, mashaAllah. Very nice, because Mawlana, he also before 14 years, he was in that area. The people, mashaAllah, they are very calm, very good, polite

people. They are not aggressive. Even who not accept tariqa or not accept things, they are not like other country making very aggressive to each other. That's all, just like this. Alhamdulillah, this is big ni'mah. Because if no wisdom to go there, Mawlana he would not going. But for this, these good people, and there they were oppressed people, so Mawlana, he liked to go there. And after when he went, he got another wisdom also. He told these people "You must look for native people, go behind them. They have ability to accept Islam." Alhamdulillah, after 10 years they remember this after Mawlana. And since 3 years, mashaAllah thousands of people accepted Islam. And why Mawlana, he also went there? Because there were many awliya, awliyaullah, saints. These saints, how they went there? It is far from every Muslim country.

There were these Dutch people or other people, Portuguese and others, they were taking. They were like pirates and taking, oppressing for every people. They capturing people from 1000 km away, bring them there. Who fight them, they bring also exiled some for this area. So when they bring these people, these people, there were many of them alim, some of them awliyaullah. They had tariga. They had imam. There was good people. They accept this from Allah, this test from Allah. So they beginning "What we will do? We come this area, no Muslim here. So In-sha'Allah it is difficult for us." It is not easy to go away from home, from relatives, from where you're born and take you to very far distance. It's very big test. But they were believers, real believers. And "Everything coming from Allah, this nusiba from Allah. But we accept from Allah. So we must keep our people here and teach other people also." So alhamdulillah there was first, since 300 years there was mosque. Coming quickly they make mosque, they make zawiya, dargah, turba for burying saints. And it was good for them. They are not like nowadays people (who) they are not accepting anything, they are not happy with anything, everything they must be on their idea. If not, they are not happy, they are not satisfied. Especially, alhamdulillah our people since Mawlana he left this world, but he left it by his body. By spiritual, he's more powerful spiritually. So he is making test. Alhamdulillah more than 90% of mureeds, they accept and they are happy. And because awliva they know our days people (who) they do not accept, they don't like difficult tests. He make tests very easy, even he opened book.

You can look for and take from book. So alhamdulillah many of them, more than 90%, they accept. But who not accept, he knows, he is free. He can suffer by himself. But if he accepts, it is easy. Take easy way. Not look for - this good,

this not good. Don't make your (own) idea. It is really test. And our test, it is more easy than these people's. You can imagine 300 years illness and they were beating them. "They must work, you must come here. You must... insulting them. "You are slaves, you are doing this." But also alhamdulillah they are not saying anything.

But awliya, they are making test. And they are saying "We are doing test and be careful". And if people not happy there nothing can be good for them.

Alhamdulillah we also went everywhere. Where we go many people, they were saying, people many times maybe after 5 years, 6 years, they say "oof If I can, I buy this house. It would be double price. And this, if we take land, it will be like this." Many people they are regretting. The people who we saw in this trip, why they regretting? Many of them, they said "We regret because we didn't see Mawlana Sheikh Nazim. We love to, we like, we wish, we wish to have seen him". But they said "You are coming here, you are part of him. We are happy also." This is accepting and their being happy. In-sha'Allah when they accept, In-sha'Allah in akhira also, together they can meet In-sha'Allah . This is what advice for people to not take their own idea because Mawlana, he is showing the way, way of Allah. Alhamdulillah we went all this journey just pure for Allah. And it was very nice, alhamdulillah we are happy, and there people also happy. In-sha'Allah Allah keep us like this. And more and more people coming alhamdulillah to right way.

### 72. Cleanliness

#### Wednesday, November 12, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. As-salātu wa s-salāmu 'ala Rasūlinā Muhammadin Sayyidi I-awwalīna wa I-ākhirīn. Madad ya RasūlAllah, madad ya Sādāti Ashābi Rasūlillah, madad ya Shaykh Abdullah Faizi d-Daghistāni, madad ya Shaykh Muhammad Nāzim alHaqqāni, dastūr. Tariqatuna s-sohba, wa I-khayru fi jam'iyya.

The religion of Islam is the last and most perfect religion. Since Allah says that He created all the worlds for the sake of His Beloved Prophet, He has made this religion of Islam easy for him. It became the greatest, the most gracious of all religions. It completed and perfected all religions. Gradually - because it is the last and final of all religions; No prophets, nor any other religions came after it. The religion of Islam completed everything, it left nothing to be desired. Of course the Last Day is near, but even if thousands or millions of years were still to come, no other religion would be required, because in Allah's Divine Presence the religion of Allah is the religion of Islam. Inna ad-dina 'inda Allahi I-Islam (3:19) Little by little, one step at a time, mankind reached to perfection. What is the most important feature of the religion of Islam? It is cleanliness. The actions of one who is not clean are not acceptable. Cleanliness begins first of all with the ablutions [wudu, ghusl] and purification.

Because if these have not taken place no act of worship is accepted; neither prayer nor hajj are accepted, nor anything else. As it is said: At-tahāratu min al-imān. Cleanliness, purification is a part of faith. This exists in no other religion. That is why it is written: **"Innamā I-mushrikūna najas"(9:28)** The idolaters are najas, unclean, defiled. These are the words of Allah. We do not look down upon people, but the religion of Islam makes it clear. Whoever wishes not to be impure should become Muslim. If you are not Muslim, you are impure. You may not approach the Ka'aba. You may not approach Mekka or Medina. This is a great honour, it shows the honour given to Islam. You may wash yourself as much as you like, if you are mushrik/unbelieving, you are impure. Become Muslim, it is open to everyone. Whoever you are, nothing prevents you from becoming Muslim. Say: Lāilāha illa Allāh, Muhammadun Rasūlullah and you too will be Muslim, you too will be pure. In Islam there is outward cleanliness, and there is purity of spirit. Purity of spirit takes place when a person becomes Muslim. To become Muslim, naturally there are also other conditions. Cleanliness. The true meaning of cleanliness is a different matter. A non-Muslim needs to learn cleanliness. A non-Muslim cannot understand. He washes himself all over, but he does not clean the most important parts that need to be cleaned. Thus he becomes impure, filthy. Obviously, as long as he has not become Muslim he can wash as much as he likes, it doesn't matter. The most important part of purity is to be Muslim. Islam is purity, everything is clean - everything you eat, drink or wear, everything needs to be clean. This is the most lovely thing. There is nothing as lovely as cleanliness. No one likes a dirty, filthy person. This is not found in other religions. They used to baptize people. Only now they are learning to wash with water. They used to think: if water touched them, it was a sin.

To wash is the greatest sin, it washes away their baptism. They immerse themselves in water once in their lives, when they are baptized at birth, never again. They don't even wash their dead for burial. That is only in Islam, in no other religion. Allah has given cleanliness to the Muslims. It is the special feature of the Muslim religion. If they observed that alone, it is enough. A pure one - people regard him as bad on account of his being Muslim, but the most beautiful thing, the very best for people in all the world, is Islam. But they don't understand. Actually, they do understand - they know it, but it doesn't suit them. Shaytan deceives them. Therefore, let us thank Allah that we are Muslims. If there is anything to be grateful for, it is this. Al-hamdulillah, we are Muslims. It is not a question of saying: Al-hamdulillah, we are Arabs, Turks, Kurds or Cherkess. You must say: alhamdulillah, we are Muslims, for you are Muslim. Others, non-Muslims, let them be Arabs as much as they like. They can be of any nation they like, it doesn't matter. Once they have become Muslim - Germans are our brothers, Africans and Chinese are our brothers. But if they are not Muslim, it doesn't matter that we are of the same people. What matters is the pure brotherhood - to be together with clean people.

Alhamdulillah we are today saying we are following Islam. And we are saying this for all people all around the world. Islam is not a bad religion. Islam is the highest, the top of religions. Because Allah give for our Prophet Sayyidina Muhammad (saws) the beloved one, He created everything for him and He gave him the best religion. Because other religions are also real but now until when they are coming, until now nothing is left from them. But even in their time still it was, because the most beloved one, Prophet (saws), He kept this religion for him to be last one and the complete one, the perfect one. And the perfect one there is no need for anything after this.

Even now Judgment Day is not so far, because Prophet (saws) saying, maybe 7000 years it must be whole time from Adam (as) and nearly finished. But even 1000 years also still continues this world it's enough for them, even million years it is enough because Qur'an Allah (awj) says, "Inna d-dina inda Allahi I-Islam" (3:19) Is Divine present, Islam. Nothing else. So Alhamdulillah it is the most perfect and complete religion. But of course shaytan and his followers they try to make it not good. And they have followers everywhere and helpers they are doing many things to cheat people.

And people when they are hearing Islam, they are afraid. No don't afraid, Islam. In Islam different, Muslims different. Because Muslims they cannot practice Islam just by practicing (doing) as they want. For this Islam looks like different. But real Islam it is different from what the Muslims are doing. And the most important thing in Islam there is not in any another religion, the clean - to be clean. If you are Muslim and you are not clean you cannot touch Quran, you cannot pray, you cannot make Hajj. You must be clean. How to be clean? First beginning, from clean your body. Especially clean in toilet also. Not with what these people they are making with paper. With water very clean it must be. And to eat clean, to dress clean also. If you have any bad in your trousers it is not accepted to make worshipping. And to be clean with eating also. You cannot eat pork or you cannot eat blood also - this is not clean, this. Many things when you are looking for Islam it is really the most clean religion. And Muslims they are clean. Non-Muslim they are dirty. This Allah says "Innama I-mushrikuna najas" (9:28) This is not our saying, it is Allah's word "Verily the polytheists are impure." (9:28) What najas meaning? Dirty. We are not saying this to make people, make them down, no! If they like to be clean, they must be Muslims! This is Allah. If you are not clean you cannot come near Kaaba, you cannot come near Prophet (saws), Madinatu I-Munawwara, Makka IMukarrama.

This is Allah's word. And it is real to encourage people to be, take their level up, not to be down. Dirty people they are not acceptable people. But also we cannot say anything for them, they are free. And no forcing. But we say what Allah says. And when Muslims, German Muslims, Chinese Muslims, American Muslims, he is like us, our brothers. But if he is Arab and not believe and he is in another religion, he is not our brother. This is what Allah says. But he is not brother, (but) we will not fight him. Just if he like, he can come. If he doesn't like ok also he is free. We making but he has level in Divine Presence of Allah, not acceptable. Because Allah He gave them everything and they are still fighting Allah. They are not fighting us, they are fighting Allah. They are with the devil. They are with bad people, so they are free. They, nobody can win for (against) Allah (awj). Allah "Wa Llahu ghalibun ala amrih" (12:21) Allah He is ... nobody can win (over) Him, He is every time controlling everything. This is advice for people to come to right path. To not be away from Islam. Don't be afraid from Islam. This what you see it is not from Islam. Islam different. These people different. This is the summary of this speech.

### 73. Home of Peace

#### Thursday, November 13, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salātu wa s-salāmu 'ala Rasūlinā Muhammadin Sayyidi lawwalīna wa l -ākhirīn. Madad ya RasūlAllah, madad ya Sādāti Ashābi Rasūlillāh, madad ya mashayikhinā madad ya Shaykh Abdullah Fāizi d-Daghistāni, madad ya Shaykh Muhammad Nāzim al-Haqqāni, dastūr. Tariqatuna as-sohba, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

Our way is based on association, and goodness is in gathering. Thanks to Allah that we are Muslims. That is the greatest Divine favour. To be Muslim is not a bad thing. Islam gives people contentment and ease, it makes their troubles go away. No matter how troubled a Muslim might be, Allah makes his heart wide, so that he does not feel so distressed, because he has faith. This is a way station. It is a station on the way we are traveling. Our basic place, our real home is eternity. That is why we have troubles on this road. As they say: as-safaru git atun min sagar. Sagar is the name of one level of Hell, and traveling is a part of that hell. Go wherever you like, travel as comfortably as you might, whoever embarks on a journey, even the most relaxing mode of travel, he will meet with some kind of trouble. Therefore, as we have said, the travel through this world is a station along our road, where we come to stop. After this we continue along our way. To be a Muslim is nothing very difficult, as we have said. One becomes Muslim by speaking one word. But shaytan makes it seem a very bad thing, saying: "Don't place your faith in this, don't accept it." No. There is no such difficulty. Why? "wa-llahu yada'u ila dari s-salam"(10:25) Allah is calling us to the Gardens of Salvation, to the Home of Peace. Dar us-Salam is the name of one of the gardens of Paradise. Allah invites mankind to Paradise gardens. Dar us-Salam, meaning salam, peace, Islām, aslam, taslam, salām - It is all the same place. Allah calls us to Islam, so that He can place you in Paradise. But mankind does not want this. Not that he actually doesn't want it, but he is deceived. Shavtan cheats him, his desires cheat him, his surroundings cheat him. It appears as evil to them. They see what is good as evil. And what is bad they see as good. Allah, 'azza wa jalla, has created us and He created us in the best of forms. He wishes for us not to go to waste, for us not to fall into hellfire, but Shaytan wants exactly the opposite. He invites us into Hell. He calls us to darkness, to sorrow, grief and whatever calamity there might be, Shaytan calls us to it. Allah, may His Glory be exalted, says: Be contented! Come to goodness, come to beauty. But most people will not accept this. There are many Muslims in the world, but even more people who walk in the way of disbelief - maybe twice or three times as many. Be at ease, contented, says Allah, 'azza wa jalla. Be happy and relaxed in your faith. Do not sit there and sulk. Give thanks at all times that Allah has placed us upon this path and brought us to such lovely places.

That is what faith is: To believe in what Allah has spoken, to obey His commands. Of course there are various degrees of faith. People of weak faith differ from people whose faith is stronger, greater and more vigorous. There are degrees among the believers, each to his own level. One who says: Lāilāha illa Allāh, Muhammadun Rasūlullāh, thus becomes Muslim; he has entered into the faith. After this come the commandments, prayer, fasting, alms-giving, hajj. These are commandments, by degrees. Some people obey all of them, some people only perform part of their duty, some do nothing at all, but still, after a person says: La ilaha illa Allah, he has entered within that circle. In the end he will encounter the Mercy of Allah, insha'Allah. But those remaining without, they have disobeyed Allah and followed shaytan, and they too will go with what they have loved.

Alhamdulillah we are Muslim, we are happy. Allah saying, calling us to Daru s-Salam. Daru s-Salam - Home of peace. Salam meaning peace, salam. Islam coming from salam. So Allah (awj) He is calling all people "come to peace, to find peace." Only by Allah's order because He is Creator, He knows what is good for us, what is not good for us. And it is the best thing to accept His invitation. And His invitation it is very easy, not so difficult. Only two words -you say it and you become His believer, believer for Him. What are these 2 words? La Ilaha illa Allah, Muhammad Rasulullah. This is from all Prophets, they were saying this, la Ilaha illa Allah. Every Prophet saying, Musa Rasulullah. La Ilaha illa Allah. Isa Rasulullah. La Ilaha illa Allah Nuh Rasulullah, until Prophet (saws) last one, to say la Ilaha illa Allah Muhammadun Rasulullah. It is easy. And there is station, ranks: there is strong believer, there is weak believer also. Allah accepts this. After you say this there is something you must do - order of Allah - to pray, to fast, to give 2.5% from your money every year, not every month like government you pay 70%. From where it is? When Allah saying this to give 2.5% it is more baraka and enough for everybody. If all people they 're giving this, no poor people. But government taking from people 70%, 60% and not enough for them even. They've become like communists. And to go to Hajj if they have money enough - This is order of Islam, of Allah. Some people they are doing all.

Some people they are doing 1, 2, or not doing anything only saying La Ilaha illa Allah, Muhammad Rasulullah. Even when you say this it is between you and Allah. Maybe He forgive you or He give after the end - even they're going to jahannam/hell - after taking their punishment, they will come to paradise. But who is out of this circle of Iman, Islam, it is, they are with shaytan. Allah calling people to peace and to paradise. Shaytan calling people to be miserable, to be sad, to be dirty, to be every badness; to do every badness. And at the end he is not calling to paradise, he is calling for hell. Who is outside of this circle he is with shaytan. But who is accepting and obeying Allah because Allah saying "Come here, come to this circle. Come to be in peace -to be in paradise." You say "No, we don't want You." How? Who want you? You want shaytan, so you can be with shaytan. And shaytan making millions of tricks for people to not be in Islam. They make traps, tricks and people, the most of people, are outside of Islam, what Allah calling for. Muslims maybe 1 part of 4. The most people are outside of Islam. The majority in the world they are not Muslims, not obeying Allah. And they are free. But Allah He is Merciful. He wants them to come and says "Come." And it is not so difficult and not so you can't do it. It is not something you cannot do, people they cannot do. They do it very easily. Because they are doing things every day it is more difficult than praying, than fasting, than doing good things. They are doing very tiring things but for shaytan not for Allah. Allah not giving word, put word on people, what they cannot do. He, what He said, what He ordered it is easy and useful forspiritual things and for your body also because there is connection. If your spiritual being is strong, your body will be strong, even you are in bed. If you cannot do anything, even for this you'll be happy. Because Muslim always happy. And why? Because his spiritual with Allah. Allah supporting him. And of course this dunya it is like temporary thing. Like we are going travelling, this is just a small station. We will stay little bit and after we continue to our main, permanent life. For permanent life and for our home of peace, Daru s-Salam, what Allah calling. We are going there so we are happy and we are insha'Allah travelling. And in travel also not easy to travel, even you are very comfortable in travelling it is also a little bit difficult. So, and but when you are going to some place you like, you are happy when you are travelling even if you have difficulty and it is like this for Muslim, for believers of Allah. And obeying order of Allah and order of Allah to be believer on Him, His Oneness, and to accept His beloved Prophet Muhammad (saws).

### 74. Following the Good Way

#### Friday, November 14, 2014.

As-salamu alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim.

Bismillahi rRahmani r-Rahim.

As-salatu was-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, dastur. Tariqatuna ssohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

In-sha'Allah, these assemblies, our jamaa, jamaa of Naqshbandi Muslims, is a jamaa of goodness. Be together with them. The Ayat we quoted during the khutba a while ago - Walk in this world, eat pure things, be with pure people. Stay away from bad people, they won't be of benefit to you. Don't follow shaitan. Shaitan is a big enemy. He will never be a friend. Though he may appear as a friend, he'll seem so to deceive you. Every time you do goodness, he tries to spoil that goodness. How shall we protect ourselves from him? You shouldn't be alone. You should follow a Sheikh. You should have a murshid so that he protects you. Otherwise, you can't protect yourself on your own.

You can do much goodness. Shaytan will make you do badness after that goodness. All the goodness you did will become useless. He'll deceive you. That's why, be with good ones. Make good friends. And good ones don't go to bad places. Good ones don't go to pubs, nightclubs, here and there. Even if good ones are deceived and go there, they are not good who go there. Then, may Allah protect. Our Prophet said this – when they drink, their faith leaves them and if they die at that moment, they depart without faith. Faith leaves while committing adultery as well. It goes aside and waits until that dirty job is done. If one dies at that moment, he departs without faith also. If one dies while robbing something, he'll be without faith too. When you do these bad things, you're not good, you're not with good ones. If you are in a mosque, people of the mosque are good people. If you are in a dergah, they are good. Allah has shown good and bad. We say those people are bad but do we oppress them? No. They shouldn't do it. They should be good too. There's nothing forcing them. If he wants to be good, if he's upset, he should leave that dirty business and come to clean assemblies. But no, shaitan keeps deceiving. Our Prophet used to say - in last times goodness will be forbidden and badness will be ordered. All bad things will be encouraged. Everything will be shown permissible and normal. They are doing all dirty things, which they show as beautiful. When they show it even worse things appear. Then even those who showed badness as good become afraid of things being done, when shaitan brings even worse things. That's why - Be with good ones.

As we said, shaitan tries to deceive good ones and people on the right way as well. "You are like this, you are like that" - Arrogance. Arrogance is a big sin. To boast, to favour yourself is not a good thing. It leads to destruction too. Shaitan tries to make them lose their way by saying "You're the best, you're the greatest, you're the strongest, there's no one like you". As we said, shaitan is a big enemy. From the beginning till the end of Qur'an, Allah Azza wa Jalla showed shaitan as an enemy. Also our Prophet didn't say he's our friend in any of hadiths - he always showed him as an enemy. Beware of him. It's because he can make any trap that it is said - "Beware of shaitan" on every page, in every surah. Now when alims become scholars, they have this sickness of pride too. But the people of tariqa accept it. They don't boast. They accept by saying "My ego is bad. There are people better than me. There are ones much better than me". They're relaxed in accepting it. When you say "I am great, I'm the best. I know the best", you have to prove this. With your ego as a head, they will bother you continuously. They will blow up and up, and as a result, their faith will be lost. May Allah not show it.

Shukr to Allah, Sheikh Effendi lived all his life in humbleness. Never did he say "I am Sultan al-Awliya, I am Qutb al-Arifeen". He didn't say anything like this. Even when Sheikh Effendi met a Sayyid, he said "Look, this one is Sayyid." Whereas, he was himself a Sayyid, but he was humble. May Allah be pleased. Brothers knew it and used to tell of it. Now after Sheikh Effendi, some brothers exaggerate too much, may Allah be pleased with them, of course. "by the order of Sheikh Effendi, we came and sat here, as the time has come". As the khalifa of Sheikh Effendi, some brothers do many things such as call themselves Sultan al-Awliya and so on. We don't have such a claim. Some people are happy, some people are criticizing. They don't get it. May Allah be pleased, but as we said, we don't make claims. There's nothing like this. If we had a claim, we would be being arrogant and arrogance is a big trouble, it's the biggest problem. Shukr to Allah, neither do we have such a claim, nor do we say to anyone, "write this and that". We don't look at what they write anyway. But some people say "They wrote this about you. They did that. Can it be or not?" No - I'm saying it clearly now. I didn't order anything. We don't want it either. We don't claim anything. May Allah know us, not people. May our Prophet know us. It's enough for us to be obedient servants of Allah. We don't want to be this or that. May Allah not separate us from the right way. May we keep this service. It's important that you pray for this.

This burden is not an easy burden. But shukr to Allah, if Masha'ikh and Sheikh Effendi saw it as appropriate, they will certainly help. We're still going here and there, but everyone is happy with His help. Everyone is glad. It is also ok if we don't go. Sheikh Effendi's help is there. But there can't be laziness on the way of Allah. They used to make jihad and sacrifice their lives. That we go here and there is nothing. May Allah increase people. Because, as we said, shaitan is everywhere. By saying "Be a man, be a Muslim", it leads people who are ready to sacrifice their lives to a wrong way. They have perished on the way of shaitan. They serve the enemy of Islam, not Islam itself. That's why, the more people we bring to the way of tariqa, to the way of Allah, and to the way of our Prophet, the more our honor will increase. May Allah make this duty lasting, may we be successful Insha'Allah . May our numbers increase. Truly, everywhere we go, we see that brothers, the jamaa of Sheikh Effendi are numerous. You can recognize all of them. It's nice, mashaAllah. That's why, to those who object and speak, we don't have such an order, we don't ask for anything either. What we ask for is the pleasure of Allah. That's the biggest gift for us. May Allah put us purely in His service - not for possessions, nor for fame. These are the things we don't like since the beginning. Those people shouldn't think that we are glad and happy. As we said, we don't have time even to read books, not to mention the internet. We don't have time for that at all. They look themselves, then say this and that happened.

That's why, I ask to tell us if we've made a mistake. We won't be upset. We don't have such character, shukr to Allah. Shaitan is the one upset with truth. Say the word of truth - may Allah be pleased. There when we're saying in the khutba: don't follow (shaytan). Follow, eat, sweet good things. Go to right way. Be with good people. To be with good people it is favor for you. Good people. Where you can find good people? Good people you find in the clean place, like mosque, like derga, or where believers they are coming together to be together you can find nice speak. They are speaking nice and they're teaching good things. And said - Don't follow shaytan. Why? Because he is big enemy for you. Shaytan never been friend with human beings. He is since Adam (as) he is enemy. And he is a great enemy. He is taking you to destroy yourself, to bad place.

Good people they are in this, what we say, with Tariga with mosque, with derga. Bad people where you can find them? You can find them in pubs, or you can find this bad place where they are doing bad things. These people bad? Of course they are bad. Why? Because they are doing what shaytan ordered for them. When something doing, some man doing bad things, his belief, Iman going up (away from) on him, never be mu'min or believer. To do bad things to drink alcohol. When he drinks alcohol he is, his Iman is not with him. If he dies he goes without Iman, without belief. If he steal (from) somebody also. When doing bad thing, Iman not with him. Why we are saying bad for these bad people? Because if free they don't do this (they are free to not do this). If you don't do this you are a good man, you are a clean man. But when you do this it is your choice. So, it is easy to be with clean people more than to be with bad people. Bad people taking you to bad end. And shaytan he is ordering this to do, to take you to hell. Shaytan never been friend as we said. All Qur'an warning you from shaytan. Allah (awj) He said don't follow shaytan, don't go with him, don't do what he wants. Prophet (saws) also all the time warning from shaytan. But people they still cheated by him (shaytan). Even this we say for these bad people, but for good people they're still also, they can be cheated by him. What they must do? Must do, follow one guide for them -Murshid, Sheikh. Don't be alone. When you're alone you easily he can cheat you and he destroy you. So when gathering with good people you get strong. Never be, don't be alone. Even Masha'ikh, not Masha'ikh - scholar. We say for Tariga people, who are following Masha'ikh they are safe, most of them. But there is also following Masha'ikh but they want to be alone it is also difficult for them. And he is also, shaytan he knows every trick to make people away from right path. For ulama

the most trick for him he said for them, "you are the most knowledgeable. You are the most good understanding, you are like you are like that." So, they cheat them and they make them to go for Akhira not complete. Some of them even they leave everything, following shaytan. There are many of them you see now in Muslim world, this all people how they become out of Ahl as Sunnah wal Jamaat from these bad scholars. Shaytan teach them; he taught them and he is million of Muslim they are going out from right way. They are doing something only helping shaytan. We are seeing clearly. Other who ranks, they have ranks for shaytan, some of them just he is proud and he is saying for himself "I am biggest scholar. I am like that, I am not listening to anybody." So also not good. Alhamdulillah Mawlana he was his whole life he didn't say something like this. Shaytan cannot come near him Alhamdulillah. Never say "I am Sultan Al Awliya'." Never said "I am this." He never he didn't tell anything for his position, but he of course, because he is following Mawlana Sheikh he was knowing what his rank. And after Mawlana also they... Alhamdulillah for our people they are loving Mawlana and when he pass away and I am coming - they accept. And they were putting many names like Sultan Al Awliya' like this, like that. So, I don't want for them to put this. But I never see, but some people they say they're doing this, making that, because they are looking for internet I think. I never see this. We are not happy to hear from people you are like this, you are like that. It is not our happiness. Our happiness to serve for this Tariga and for order of Mawlana Sheikh. He is putting us to help. So, Alhamdulillah, we are doing. We want to do. But for, with his baraka everywhere we go people they are happy. And we are happy Alhamdulillah, and this is what we want. We want dua to be spread more and more. Because other shaytan follower, scholar shaytan follower, they are everywhere like cancer in this Islamic world. They are only serving shavtan.

We are serving for Allah. We don't want anything, no present, no money, no nothing we don't want. Only what we want Allah love. Allah give us this strength to be going all around the world insha'Allah and help for people to teach them right way and to show them love of Prophet (saws) and Awliya'. Alhamdulillah and it is really every day going more and more. Because this, we are not for ourselves we want this, and they know if even they put here one (piece of) wood also he can do what we can do. Because they are knowing what they are doing. They put the heart to follow you it is enough. Alhamdulillah this is what we want and we want ridha Allah (Allah's satisfaction). You must insha'Allah make dua to be in right way, insha'Allah, not following shaytan. Alhamdulillah we are with Mawlana and his holy turba/grave and he is every time with us. Spiritually he is more stronger than before and he is - we're feeling him everywhere we go. People they are saying this also. Even they are seeing him more in dream, more than before. Alhamdulillah.

## 75. We Want Good People

#### Saturday, November 15, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi lawwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Fa'iz ad-Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur.

Alhamdulillah, Allah is doing things that mu'min/believers cannot think of. Allah is helping and it's working mashaAllah. It's been 6 years mashaAllah. There was nothing. No house, only a field, inside a meadow. People were saying "Who will come? Who will pray here?" People were nearly laughing at it. But Allah Azza wa Jalla is sending -More than 80% of these friends are new. We don't know them. They are coming -Allah is sending. Even if they come by themselves, a man cannot come just like that. Certainly Allah must want them to come. Sheikh Effendi came to Cyprus and started preaching since 1944-46. Since 1946 till now, it means almost 70 years. Almost for 70 years since his youth, Sheikh Effendi came to Cyprus and started preaching. He visited every village one by one and invited people. He went through many troubles. He suffered. But Allah increased his station. He was inviting to the way of Allah without getting tired or bored. Not for his own benefit. Sheikh Effendi saw the truth, he fell in love with truth/Hagg. He invited people to that beauty. Truly, millions of people followed his way. His way is the way of our Prophet. He was the successor of the Prophet. Many people in Cyprus became guided also. There is one saying: No Prophet's value was understood by their nations. Same with Sheikh Effendi. As the successor of the Prophet, he experienced the same thing too. They didn't understand the value of Sheikh Effendi. Allah realized his value.

Sheikh Effendi loved Cyprus and the Cypriots. He wanted them to get benefit too. Because everyone's faith is not equal, Saints have the true faith. He saw the truth and tried to make people believe in it. But of course, people's belief wasn't like his. When he wanted to do good, they were making troubles for him. But that's not important. In this world, everything is in the hands of Allah. Poor or rich, beautiful or ugly, Cypriots or Arabs, black or yellow, whoever they are, no difference. Allah created all of them. That's why, who comes, who follows the way of Sheikh Effendi, he wins. No matter how close he thinks he is, if he doesn't follow him, there is no value.

No one can say to Allah "Look, I come to the mosque for Your sake. Who will pray, if I don't come? Mosques will be empty." Who says things like this has a defect in his

mind. It is said in al-Qur'an ulKareem: "Qul la tamunnu alayya islamakum bali Allahu yamunnu alaykum an hadakum lil imani"(49:17). Beware. Silly people said the same thing to our Prophet "We became Muslim, we did this". Some hypocrites were speaking to the Prophet like this: "You would be nothing without us." It's ok even without you. When an insignificant person gets mad at an important person the VIP usually has no knowledge of it. That's why Sheikh Effendi said something here.

Speaking is for Allah. Allah can speak, He made you Muslims, He put you on the right way. You see now more than 90% are not aware of anything. Besides being unaware, they make judgments: "This is like this, this is like that". Sheikh Effendi brought you to the right way. You should thank him. "If you don't go on the right way, Allah will put others there instead of you", says an ayat of the Quran. These people... It was said to Arabs, because Arabs couldn't understand the value of our Prophet. They were even jealous, saying he's just a man like them. They couldn't bear that a poor, orphan man could be above them. They couldn't bear it during the time of ignorance and they couldn't do it after they became Muslim either. And they can't bear it even more now. That's why, they call those who respect our Prophet mushrik/idolators.

But Allah Azza wa Jalla said in the Qur'an "If you don't love and help him, Allah will send people in your place who will be soft and humble towards Muslims, and powerful, proud and great against the unbelievers". Shukr/thanks to Allah, those people are our people. That's why beware, don't be arrogant. Accept the truth and come to the truth. If you don't come, you will see for yourself. There are many good people created by Allah. He will send them and that's what we pray for. Now we are being tested after Sheikh Effendi. May Allah remove the bad ones from us. May the good ones remain, the good ones come. We don't have tolerance like Sheikh Effendi. We don't have patience and we can't tolerate people's whims. We try to avoid people. We were chosen to be here. May Allah send good ones, that's enough for us. This is our biggest prayer: May good ones come. May those who're not good stay away from us. We don't want the possessions of anyone, neither their houses, nor their cars, nor their animals, nothing. Shukr to Allah, we are not in need. We grew up with the education of Sheikh Effendi. That's why, we don't need anyone. May who comes, come. Who doesn't, may they stay away. And we pray for good ones to come. Bad ones should stay away from us. Every man has a tajalli, this is our tajalli. May Allah be pleased with all of you. We shall make our dhikr now.

### 76. Do Not Waste

#### Thursday, November 20, 2014.

As-salāmu 'alaykum wa rahmatullāhi wa barakātuh.

A'ūdhu billāhi min ash-shaytāni r-rajīm.

Bismillāhi r-Rahmāni r-Rahīm.

Madad ya RasūlAllah, madad ya Sādāti Ashābi Rasūlillah, madad ya Masha'ikhinā, madad ya Shaykh Abdullah Fā'izi d-Daghistāni, madad ya Shaykh Muhammad Nāzim al-Haqqāni, dastūr. Tarigatuna s-sohba, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyya.

May Allah grant these gatherings continuity. Allah, may His Glory be exalted, has said: Take the middle way in all things. wa kulūwa-shrabūwa lātusrifū(7:31) Eat and drink, and do not be wasteful. Man is greedy, his nature is created that way. Were it left up to his nafs, even if he were given the whole world, it would not be enough. If, after that, you follow [your nafs], it will not lead you to a good place.

On the way of Allah there is no wastefulness. However rich you might be, do not waste your fortunes. You must know the value of the blessings you are given. In the old days people used to value every little thing and respect it. They would bring it to its proper place. If one found a piece of bread on the road, he would pick it up and place it by the roadside or some clean place. In any case, in those days you would not find food, bread in the rubbish bin, it was respected. Nowadays people have no such respect. Some people even throw away the leftovers of their meals into the garbage right away. This used to anger Shaykh Efendi greatly. Take as much as you can eat and finish it. Do not let it go to waste. But when man has plenty, he thinks it will always be that way. It will continue if you recognize that it is a blessing. wa bi-shukri tadumu n-na'm - Gratitude causes the blessing to be continued. About two weeks ago, two, three weeks ago, we were in one of the richest places on earth. They showed us this much money, that much money. Eh, what can we do.

Thanks to Allah we get by on one thousandth of that amount, we survive on that. There was one man there, who every day spent at least 100.000 US dollars. So, what happened with that man, did he grow any bigger? No, they said, now he has not even five cents. He flees from people, people flee from him. But if that man had done as Allah commands, and not spent his money in

those filthy places; if he had obeyed Allah's order, if he had looked after himself, and after the poor and needy, he could have lived a good life for 100 years as a rich man. But he chose to follow his nafs, and he disgraced himself in this world, and in the next he will suffer even more.

If you are grateful, the divine blessings, even if they are few, will continue to come. Thanks to Allah, if you eat one morsel saying the Basmala you will be blessed. Even if you eat only 3 bites, or if you have nothing, it will be enough and more. That will bring health to your body, well-being and faith. But if you sit down to a meal, saying: What is this? There is nothing here. Look at what others are eating" - at that time your food becomes poison for you, it gives you no benefit. You will leave this life without faith. This is important, this is the adab of Islam. Tariqa teaches the adab of Islam. This is what we heard from our Shaykh Efendi. Give thanks. Be grateful. Do not complain. Because it is Allah who sends your provision. If you complain, you will have complained of Allah. When you complain, you will be complaining of Allah, 'Azza wa Jalla, who has given you so many good things. To whom will you complain? Allah will be offended, annoyed with you. That will do you no good. Therefore, always be grateful for whatever there is, even if it is little. God willing, it will increase.

Allah (awj) He said "kulu wa shrabu wa la tusrifu"(7:31). What's the meaning? Eat and drink and don't waste. Everything in Islam must be not extreme. Even you have money, you have everything, wealth, be careful. Even when you eat, don't throw what's left for garbage. Mawlana every time he was saying "take (what) you can eat. If you want more you can put, but don't throw in dust bin, or garbage." There is, in our country we can put alone for cat, for dog but for European people we cannot find any cat or any dog from street. They have, they said they have freedom, but Alhamdulillah in our country we see 100's of cats and dogs they can go around without any anything for them, they have freedom. But these European people, no. Here we can put food for them. But for another country to throw it in garbage, it is a big mistake and not respect for the favors of Allah. Old people, old time people, they were more interested to keep what they find in the street, even they find one piece of bread, they can put aside, maybe somebody can take or some animal can eat. But nowadays they are throwing everything together for garbage. And this makes the baraka to go away. Baraka it is important thing. When even poor people they have only a little bit of food to eat and they're happy and beginning with Bismillahi r-Rahman rRahim, Allah gives them baraka and

makes this continuous. Even, maybe Allah if He wants, you're not happy with this He cuts this also for you. So when you are happy and you are thanking Allah for this, Allah makes it to continue and makes it more and more.

We were before 20 days in the richest country in the world. And they were showing us this hotel - one night maybe costs like you can buy one house in our country. This man he has like this. Alhamdulillah we are not interested at all for this. But they said many stories and they were saying for one man, he was living in this hotel, every day maybe he spent more than 1000 dollars, everyday 100.000, so... What he did with this money, I was wondering? I don't know what he was doing, but he said it is very expensive and he has this car, that plane... that's what happened. And I asked what he is doing now? He said he finished his money and just running from people and people are running from him because he has no money, no friends anymore.

This is what Prophet (saws) was saying to this man - he was doing good thing and not wasting money, in this way it is enough for him - 100 years he is still rich and helping many people. But now he never helped people and this Allah punish him here and maybe for Akhira more punishment for him also. Because he's not thanking Allah, he thought it is from himself. And it never be...will not finish at all. It is like Qarun, this man he was living in Musa's (as) time. He was I think the richest man Allah created. Because it is example in Qur'an. Even for his keys need 7 camels to carry only the keys. People they were saying "we wish to be like him." And when Allah make him sinking in earth, the people say, "Alhamdulillah we didn't be like him." Allah showing many examples for us in Qur'an to be happy for what we have, what we get. Alhamdulillah the biggest ni'ma/favor He give us - first to be Islam and other, the health. Alhamdulillah we are all healthy Alhamdulillah. The biggest ni'ma and we are thanking for Him. Allah keep this ni'ma more and more on us insha'Allah.

### 77. An-Naqshbandiya Al-Haqqaniya Friday, November 21, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, dastur. Madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah Fa'iz d-Daghistani, Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

What is the important thing in tariqa? It's important in Islam too, but a person following a tariqa is following Islam even more. They called them sufi in old times. Sufi means very religious. Sufi comes from tasawwuf and tasawwuf is tariqa. The Naqshbandi tariqa pays attention and complies with the orders of sharia the most. Other tariqas are also good, mashaAllah. But they have certain situations, which people sometimes may misunderstand. However, there is nothing like this in the Naqshbandi tariqa. Nobody can say it is out of Sharia. It obeys even the tiniest matter of Sharia.

All Fard should be done first of all. Then you do Sunnah, Wajib, then Nafil prayers, which you can do or not do according to your wish. If you don't do Fard, there is punishment for it. If it's Wajib, there is an excuse for it. If you don't do Sunnah Mu'akkadah, you will have not have shown respect for our Prophet. And that's an embarrassing thing. When it comes to Nafilah, you can either do it or not. In other words, you've been granted jewels, gold, rubies and diamonds. Take from it if you want. If you don't want it, Nafilah is like this. It is a favour of Allah. You can either take it or leave it. You are free. However, Sheikh Efendi used to always encourage us to take from it, not to leave it. It is a favour of Allah, come and take.

Then there is Mustahab. After Nafilah comes Mustahab. It is less than Nafilah. Most people don't even know it. Sheikh Efendi taught us even that. He didn't leave anything that should be done. He showed us everything our Prophet showed because he is the Successor of the Prophet. Shukr to Allah, we saw everything in its tiniest detail. Shukr to Allah, in his long life he had a chance to teach. He didn't leave anything for himself. He taught everything like it is. He taught all brothers and people. Shukr to Allah, his books are published too. Who are not attending can read. What they call new technologies now, it is a terrible thing but is useful for some things. You are watching sohbas, and many people are being guided through them. Sheikh Efendi used to say that the most important is sincerity. Sheikh Efendi used to see the best side of people. He saw the best side. He pretended not to see the faults; even if he did, he acted as if he didn't see them. That's why, there were many people who thought they were deceiving Sheikh Efendi. And that is with Sheikh Efendi's patience and spiritual help/himmat that people turn to the right way and realize their mistakes. Sincerity is important. Especially if you do something that is related to Islam and tariqa, you should give it your complete attention. These things shouldn't be used for one's own purpose, for one's own benefit. It is said in many hadith, our Prophet who used to say that whoever uses the religion for his own benefit can prepare himself for his place in hell.

Because people coming to the Muslim religion see the one in front of them as having the highest rank, they see him as an angel. And they are ready to submit their all for him. And the one in front of them should deserve that. Who doesn't deserve it will deserve the consequences. Shukr to Allah, Sheikh Efendi kept and managed everyone so far. Whoever lost his way, lost it because they followed their ego. Otherwise, the way shown by Sheikh Efendi is the purest, the most beautiful and the most blessed way. It is not appropriate forsomeone to say, "I followed Sheikh Efendi and this happened to me". As we said, Sheikh Efendi didn't show anything contrary to the religion and Sharia. He showed the best and the most beautiful. You should act according to this manner. You should help these people. They should know you as good ones and see Islam as beautiful. Beware, don't do it for benefit. When Sheikh Efendi came to Grandsheikh, he didn't allow him to use money for 7 years. Sheikh Efendi traveled around without a single penny in his pocket for 7 years, by the Blessing and Grace of Allah. And he didn't ask anything from anyone. He didn't have a penny in his pocket. As long as Allah wills, He gives. Allah is the Possessor of everything. Rizg/provision is in Allah's hands. Sheikh Efendi said many times not to be dependent on anyone. Sheikh Efendi never asked a penny from anyone for himself. Why are we saying this? So that people know and see how tariga is. He never looked at someone's property. People of tariga should be this way too. They shouldn't think "I am his representative, I can open a shop and make money now". There can't be anything like this.

If there are such people, may Allah keep them away from us. MashaAllah, someone like Sheikh Efendi doesn't come even once in 1,000 years. We can't tolerate the things he tolerated that's why our prayer is like this. In-sha'Allah it will be accepted in this Juma time. Whoever does wrong to people should repent and ask forgiveness from people. Because the right of a servant is big. As we said, it is especially not good to use Allah, the Prophet, and the religion as a means to deceive people. May Allah correct them. We ask that Allah correct them. Our ego also is not better than their egos. May Allah protect us too. May Allah not let us follow our ego until our last breath. May we follow the way shown by Sheikh Efendi and the Prophet with sincerity. Tariga it is the heart of Sharia. And Mawlana he was especially Nagshbandi Tariga. We are saying Nagshbandi. We are not afraid from anyone. Nagshbandi is the real Tariga. Highest Tariga, Nagshbandi Tariga. Nagshbandi Al 'Aliya. We are not afraid. Some people they say "We are afraid this terrorist group, they said for themselves Tariga Nagshbandiya." This all, we are not interested in them. We are Nagshbandi. Nagshbandi, what is its order? The order is to follow Sharia'. There is more than 40 Tariga, all they are following Sharia' but some of them of course they have something maybe people they are not knowing, they seem for them to be out of Sharia'. But Nagshbandi Tariga, nothing like this. Nobody can object for Nagshbandi Tariga. Nagshbandi Tariga it is Sufi, meaning the most religious, following the order of Prophet (saws) and the order of Islam. What is order of Islam? There is obligatory order, Fard. And Wajib, Sunnah Mu'akkada, Sunnah Mustahabba... Sunna Mustahab. It is like this. Mawlana he was in his long life, Allah bless him and make his baraka on us insha'Allah. Alhamdulillah he is supporting. He was doing all this what we mentioned. And it is to make obligatory/Fard - every Muslim he must make this. If he didn't do Allah punishing him - This is for obligatory. After there is Wajib. Wajib it is not obligatory but if you don't do you will be blamed for this, not punished only blamed. And there is Sunnah Mu'akkada it is what Prophet (saws) did, if you don't do it Prophet he will be not happy with you. And there is Sunnah, which is ok you can do or you cannot do. And there is nafila, this also is less than Sunnah. But all this Sunnah and Nafila and Mustahabb it is like gift from Allah. Allah offering you treasures. Somebody offering you there is, take..in his hand diamond, pearls, gold, good, very expensive precious things. And if you like you can take, he said. You refuse? If you refuse you are free. Mawlana he was saying it is like this. You can..but Mawlana he also insist for our brothers to take as much as they can take. No need for refusing. And other, after Mustahabb, it is also less, but Mawlana he was doing all this. And he was teaching us to do this. Many things he taught us - especially to not harm anybody. If you are doing this you must do for Allah, especially for our brothers or who he put them to look for people. Alhamdulillah most of them are like this. Because he appoint some people to look for our brothers from everywhere in the world. Alhamdulillah from East to West, North to South, the most far distance, we find derga for Nagshbandi, for following Mawlana Sheikh Nazim. And he was ordering them to do this, to teach people, and to not harm people. You must look at these people not like something to eat. No, something to look after them, to grow it, like garden, nice garden. You must grow them. Not like sheep you are looking like you're a wolf and take to hunt these people, no! It is not like this. Mawlana he was all time looking with mercy, with politeness, to people to make them to come to Tariga, to Islam. And this is what he ordered. He never take from anybody or he won't ask for something from people. All the time he is, if they give him

he give, not looking at all, not let it for next day. But to ask for himself or for his pleasure or to..never!

Never even when he was in his good health, he was eating every time - what he has he give for people to eat, near him also. It is big lesson. Mawlana all his life he was doing this. And especially he said for every people he was mercy. Don't harm people. Don't take their money to cheat them. Don't look for another haram for lady you not have. Don't do this. He all the time ordering good things and mercy for people.

Never saying to fight with people. No, we are waiting for Amir al Mu'minin, Mahdi (as). Mahdi (as) not coming it is mess now. So it is not, we are not following anybody except Mawlana's order. And who following this he will be with him in jannah insha'Allah, and he is happy with him. But who are doing wrong things - We are weak, we are not like Mawlana. Mawlana he is, maybe every 1000 years nobody coming like him. And he was carrying us. Carrying all people and looking for them by mercy, if they will regret it and coming to right way. But we don't have this so we are making dua that Allah sends us good people. Who they not have good intention or they are doing wrong, Allah takes them away. Because Allah He has millions of His servants, good servants. Allah sends us good ones, we are weak we cannot carry this. And we are asking Allah to not let us for our egos, because our ego it is not good also. We are not good also. Who is saying "I am good." He is not good. Many people they coming and asking "I feel myself I am not good. I am not seeing myself it is good, my ego." I said, "Alhamdulillah this is what you must say." If you say "I am good, O my ego, I am very.. good man." It is wrong. You mustn't one minute, Prophet (saws) he said, "Don't let us for our ego." Prophet he said this, how we are saying? All the time we must be careful for our ego and we make dua to not be after our ego to do wrong thing. Allah keep us with our brothers and sisters all and in good way. And Allah make our people more and more insha'Allah. We are following Mawlana and we are inviting people to right way, to Allah's way, to nice life, this is nice life - sweet life Mawlana he was saying.

## 78. Mawlana Sheikh Nazim's Time

#### Thursday, December 4, 2014.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi I-awwalina wa Iakhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah.

Alhamdulillah, we arrived safely. Nice weather. Alhamdulillah very nice. Everything what Allah created and what He put, He knows the best. Some people, they said: Bad weather. No. This for winter, it must be like this. If it is shiny, it is bad weather. Because winter, it must be rainy, clouds dark. It is ok. Allah knows. You don't know. Don't object. Don't be... Now they have... Like Mawlana, qaddasAllahu sirruhu, every time he shouting for democracy, everybody they want to give their opinion. Even for Allah's Will, they are objecting, they are refusing - say "No, this is bad weather". If you don't have this weather, how it will be everything? It'll be mess. If all time it is shiny and hot weather, it will be... nothing, it will be right.

Like, subhanAllah, last year it was special year. It was really heavy. It was heavy since this time, when Mawlana he was getting more weak and more ill. Really it was weather very, very bad. Never we see something like this. Middle of winter, it was hot. And everything it was bad: nothing growing, nothing growing well. So it was big sign for Mawlana's, his illness. It was even for work, not good. He was carrying all this. But after he left, raining, rahma/mercy coming. Because Allah, for his sake of His beloved servant, He began to give. Alhamdulillah now also it is sometimes people, when they see cloud and it was really... you see cloud near earth. People, they feel bad when... Alhamdulillah when you look for (with) eye of wisdom, you feel very happy, your heart opening, alhamdulillah. What is this all cloud, mashaAllah? All baraka, all rahma coming. And the winter especially, they have also another specialty long nights. You can make worshipping more, to be with your friend, your good friend even more. And you can look for ibada - looking for book, for knowledge more and more. But in summer times, all time you are outside looking, running from place to place, you enjoy yourself, your ego. Winter ego, it will be in cage. Alhamdulillah for your soul, it is better. Winter alhamdulillah, you're collecting knowledge, you're collecting rahma, baraka In-sha'Allah . After, we give. And we see most of alim and people who coming from these

cold places for because winter time, in old time, it was not like this now. Six months you cannot go anywhere, only under snow. So they are collecting their food, their what they need in winter. Until end of winter not going anywhere. Only in their village or in their city where they're living, just looking for mosque, for madrasa, for zawiya, for tekka. And because only they cannot do anything else.

So alhamdulillah it was very good. So we must be happy. Everything good in their time. When time you do something, even now they said "Good person in good time or in good place". So this is what wisdom of everything. And we are happy alhamdulillah to be with you again In-sha'Allah . We remember Mawlana Sheikh when he was coming all road. So alhamdulillah give happiness. We are happy. Don't be sad. Many people until now, they are still crying, they are making... Mawlana, he not like this. Alhamdulillah he is what he put, what he did, is still continuing. This is what he said. He said "They put me here. And they'll put another one here also." It is continuing. It is not only for one man. No, it's continuous alhamdulillah. This is what he will be happy. And of course, it's not easy but alhamdulillah his power make people to be together, not go away. Alhamdulillah. And it will be continue growing and growing alhamdulillah. Many times I'm looking when Mawlana making sohba, maybe there was one line only like this. I say Mawlana how he is like ocean. He's like ocean speaking only for maybe 10 people, 15 people. And now I am speaking, even not river, not stream, many people like this. But Mawlana, he was speaking only for 10 people, he speaking like for 100,000 people. Same. Alhamdulillah. Madad ya Sayyidi, madad. Allah make his magam higher and higher to be his nazar/gaze looking for us, for everyone after us In-sha'Allah.

### 79. Chosen for Allah's Religion Friday, December 5, 2014.

#### Salam aleikum

As-salatu wa-l salam 'ala Rasulina Muhammad Sayyidi-l awwalin wa-l akhirin Madad ya Rasulallah, madad ya sadatina as'hab Rasulallah. Madad ya Masha'ikhina Madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim Al Haqqani. Dastur.

The order of Mawlana he said: old time people they were sleeping early and, because of course no electricity, no television, nothing from this time. And it was good for them. They were following order of Prophet (saws) to sleep early and after coming wake early before Fajr, make Tahajjud, and waiting for Fajr, praying in mosque. After finish praying, they were making sohba, small sohba. After everybody went to their work, their jobs. To wake early and work early, Prophet say "it is baraka." What does it mean baraka? This is a thing (which) outside of Islam has no meaning. No translating because they don't have this. Outside of Islam they are not knowing this. They are thinking "as much as we can take, we must take." Just take but not giving for anybody, or not helping, not mercy for anybody, for people, for Allah's creatures. Allah Alhamdulillah He give us this favour. He sent us here, He gave us this love of Allah, and Prophet, and Islam. We are gathering here for what? For eating, drinking? No, just for love of Allah. And this is what we read and Allah mentioned in the last verse of second Surah: "yudkhilu man yasha'u fi rahmatihi" (42:8) Allah He enter who He wants for His mercy.

Mercy, what is mercy? To be in Islam, in good Way. Because "Inna d-dina 'inda I-Llahi I- islam" (3:19) The religion is Islam in Allah's order. Other people they know Islam but they're making it ugly. They are making it horrible. They are showing it very bad. No. Allah, His religion is the most perfect. Alhamdulillah and this is not can anybody enter - only who is chosen by Allah. "Yudkhilu man yasha'u fi rahmatihi wa dh-dhalimina a'adda lahum adhaban 'alima." (76:31) Oppressors they have bad thing for them waiting. Who is oppressor? They are who are not accepting Allah's religion. They making oppression for Allah, for God. "inna sh-shirka la dhulmun 'adhim" (31:13) So we are happy, Alhamdulillah Allah He chose us and "yaf'alu ma yurid."(22:14) He does what He likes. What He we cannot say - no democracy here, no thinking, not you said you must do like this to make philosophy. No. Alhamdulillah be happy and don't be try to look like these people. You only be thankful for Allah, you are here and you are chosen in His religion. Many people of religion of Islam they are doing very bad things. They are not doing what Allah ordered. They are doing against His will and against His order - not against His will.

Alhamdulillah, we are thanking for Him. And it is baraka to not sleep after Fajr. Alhamdulillah the nights are very long now. We sleep enough Alhamdulillah. But sleeping in winter it is very nice. People they like and the ones, very clever animals, they sleep 3 months.

### 80. Money-Guards Friday, December 5, 2014.

Tariqatuna s-sohba wa l-khairu fi jamiyah.

Mawlana's order was to make khatm Thursday here. But today they have some program, so they make it mixed. But still people - I think yesterday they make khatm here. So we will make sohba. In-sha'Allah next Thursday also khatm here because it is Mawlana's order. Mawlana ordered to make khatm here Thursday.

But yesterday, I was surprised they make different program. So we make in Saint Anne's Road. But Mawlana, he liked to give every place life. And life - with dhikr, with praying, with place they are happy. Mawlana, alhamdulillah he made many mosques, especially in London. Many of them he made and around the world maybe 100, more than 100 he has mosques. And when it's empty, not good. So his order to make dhikr, to be alive, give life. Al-hayat haqq ul-hayat al-abadi with dhikr. After al-aman la ilaha illAllah la hawla wa la... afdal al-dhikr la ilaha illAllah.

Prophet (saw) he said when you want to speak, speak good things. If not good, nonsense things, don't speak. Hadrat Abu Bakr (ra), he always only not speaking too much. Especially he was putting stone in his mouth. They asked him "Why it is?" He said once he was speaking with one man and this man, he was saying bad words for him, shout at him. And he (AbuBakr) is not speaking anything. Prophet (saw), he was there and he was not saying anything, sometimes smiling, sometimes not saying anything. At the end, this man, he make it swearing more for Sayvidina Abu Bakr. Hadrat Abu Bakr (ra), he was not caring anymore and he was replying for him. When he did this, Prophet (saw) he just stand up and he went. He is Prophet (saw), the best manner for him to not say anything. Even when some people shouting, he not replying for these people. Just doing something, people know he is not happy. So when he is, he left there, Hadrat Abu Bakr, he went behind him and tell him "O Prophet (saw), you weren't saying anything when he was saying for me. But when I say something, you became angry and you left. What happened?" He said "When he was saying something, Allah sent angel. He was saying something for him. I was laughing for this because angel he is answering behind you. But when you

answering, this angel he went, and come instead of him shaitan. So when shaitan there, I cannot be there. So I left this place." After this, Sayyidina Abu Bakr, he put a stone in his mouth and he was not saying anything for people. Only when something important he must say, he take out the stone. Before taking the stone, he was thinking what is right, what is wrong, patient. After when he knows the right thing, he was taking the stone from his mouth and he speak. After he put it again and just make tasbih, tahlil, all time, not stopping.

This is giving life for people, for place also. For holy place become holy with holy people. Alhamdulillah, this was church when Mawlana, he take it. But now it is holy and it is maqam. When some Awliya staying in a place 40 days, it is maqam. You can visit his spiritual - he's here. When you make dua for him, especially this night, holy night, he is here. He's with us. Here he was for more, every year, more than 2 months, sometimes 3 months. But especially in Ramadan and before Ramadan 40 days all he was here. For other also, like St. Anne place also. Everywhere where he go some people, they are more sensitive like in Colombo, Sri Lanka. The place where he was sleeping there, they are all calling maqam there. Not saying this house, that house, dergah - No, just saying maqam.

Alhamdulillah he's hard working. He is not lazy. He is alhamdulillah, he was very active. Now he is more active alhamdulillah. We are thanking for him. Who not thanking people, not thanking Allah. We are thankful for Mawlana. He gave us middle of this huge city and expensive city, place very wide, everybody is easy to be inside. And we are, by his karama... Also this big place Allah make Sultan of Brunei to... Karamat of Mawlana of course, without cannot be. He gave this place also St. Anne dergah. Alhamdulillah since more than 20 years, 25 years, around 25 years, 5 times praying, the Qur'an teaching and Juma, tarawih, Eid praying, everything, it is writing reward for Sultan and for Sultan ul-Awliya, of course. We are thanking for people. Prophet (saw) said the most rich people, they cannot give, they cannot give money for good things. Only few of them who are Allah's beloved people. To have money, it is not so good. You are to be multimillionaire, it is not good. But there is special occasion. If you have money and you can spend it for akhira, for Allah, for Prophet, for Muslims, it is good money. But if you just put it and say "I have billions", so it is not good. Many people we know, rich people, they cannot give. Some of them, even they say "I cannot. I want to give but I cannot. I cannot give. I don't know why. I'd like to give. But no." Allah not... no permission to give. And this is baraka of Mawlana to make people to give.

And he was all time not leaving anything, like Sayyidatina Nafisa at-Tahira. She was also very generous. She was in Egypt still (ra). She is grand-granddaughter of Prophet (saw) and she was very blessed lady. And they respect her in Egypt. So Sultan heard about her and his wife, she is happy to give her. She gave her 10,000 dinar, 10,000 coins of gold. Until morning it was finished. She was distributing to poor people. They are like this, these holy people. They are the most clever - clever who know the value of akhira. He must quickly give this to not be with her or with them if they are, Allah take His amanat, the soul, they will pass away. Every penny, they like to give it to poor people or to good thing. This is, they are clever people. But other just collecting and knowing the number only.

Once Mawlana, he was, I think 76 or that 77, they want to buy this Shacklewell Lane mosque. He went to one billionaire, he is big billionaire in Turkey. He's in Turkey but

he's living here also. He said we are doing this mosque because Turkish people they don't have at that time no mosque in London. Very few mosques, even central mosque, it wasn't built yet. So he didn't give anything. Mawlana, what he said to him - "What he will do with this money? To Allah make you to bury you in this money?" If he died and buried in money, what will be having? What will you have? You cannot take it to akhira. In akhira it is rubbish. Even it is paper even you take gold, not good. So what you will do with all this money? But these, what we said before, they are not clever. And their thought "We are doing this with our cleverness". No, you are idiots who collecting money, not giving. And these people even not giving zakat. Zakat, it is not for them - It is 2,5%, it is for Allah. If you, after 1 minute you didn't give this, you are thief, you are robber. This is not for you. You must take it, to not make your money dirty. This cleanness for your money, for your body, for your soul. But if you are not knowing this, you're knowing but you are saying "I don't know". Even you live for 100 years, after, they can put you in very luxury grave, only this what you can take. Only one. Even people, after 1 year, they forget you.

There was one in Turkey also billionaire. When he died, the street, it was maybe 2 hours closed from crowd. After 1 year they showed in the paper also, only his family, maybe 5-6 people, they bring imam to read for them. Nothing anymore. No more. This what will be. So you must make charity, you must help people and Allah help you to reward until Qiyama. This is sadaqa jariya. Because sadaqa jariya, Prophet (saw) said everything after your death, nothing coming on your reward, only 3 things. One to be alim, to have good thing for people, people making dua for you. Other thing to have good boy. He also can reward, Allah give reward for him. Third thing to make good thing for people, sadaqa jariya. So maybe from to... Even you are rich so many times, because they cannot have anything to say for people, good things for people.

But who has money can do many charity. It is coming for you like rent. If you rent, you have building. When you are in life time, you have 10 buildings, from every building then comes 10,000 for you. One month you'll be, enough for all your life. And it is coming, still coming. This sadaqa jariya also same thing. You can do, Allah open this for you. w allahu yad'u ila dari s-salam (10:25) invite people to do good things. Don't be lazy. The laziness not good. Mawlana also, he said for... Once he was with grandchildren. He said to them "Don't be lazy. Read". And when he was small, he said "I was reading 12 hours, reading". So laziness not good. You must make something for your akhira first. But if you are working or you are in business, you say "I am making this for Allah" also - also reward will be coming like worship. Because for helping people, for helping family, you can do also. No problem. Allah make us like what Mawlana like, what he happy with us. What he like - to try to be perfect, to do what you are doing carefully. Even when he was, sometimes coming letter or something writing, he said "What is this? Writing is rubbish, you cannot... Not nice writing." Even this he was looking. But he is of course, very merciful. And he wasn't saying many thing for people. But he was, he liked to be better for our people. If you can do, you must do your best.

# 81. Maqams of Awliya

#### Saturday, December 6, 2014.

Madad Ya Rasulallah, madad ya as'habi r-Rasul, madad ya Masha'ikhina madad Ya Mawlana Sheikh Nazim Al Haqqani, dastur.

Welcome, masha'Allah. It was very nice Ottoman band. Ottoman it is Islam's dawlat -Empire, Islamic Empire, the Ottoman. It is not only Turk, not they cannot say 'Turk'. If they say 'I am Turk', 'I am Arab', 'I am Kurd', 'I am 'Habash', 'I am Somali', 'I am Egypt' - it will be divided. All they were same. Many of Ministers, Prime Ministers, they were from other nations. The many of the Masha'iykh of the Sultan, they were selected from the best people. Not looking for color, not looking for language, not looking for ... only to be help. The best they have very sensitive, human, (way of) looking. They want the best.

We say the Islamic Empire, but also it is really Islamic. Why? Because who are not Muslims they were living there. They have their rights. Nobody can touch them. Nobody do anything for them, they were even more safe than Europe. Even Jewish they save them from Spain, this what they said, inquisition, I don't know in English. (Spanish Inquisition) Yes. They take them by ship bring them to Ottoman Empire. They know this they are saying it also. So, Empire, Muslim Empire, they cannot make harm to anybody. They are keeping the real Islam.

When Empire of Ottoman was living, there was no any Salafi, any Wahabi, who are not respecting Prophet, not respecting Muslims. These, they are not respecting first the Muslims, these people. For Muslims they are saying "you are mushrik."No, in Ottoman time you cannot say this. Sultan Abdul Hamid he made one book, this is what Muslim can read and who accepts this, they are ok. You are Muslim you are from Sunni, Ahl Al Sunnah wal Jamaat. If you don't accept this you are out. You cannot say I am Muslim, I am.. So everybody no problem. When Ottoman they - this enemy of Islam destroy Ottoman - all this beginning after. Everybody knows this. When Ottoman finish they're coming like mushrooom. No root for them. But Ottoman and Ahl-I Sunnah wa-I Jamaat, the root since 1400 years. From Prophet (saws) not changing, not changing and it is real Islam. Mawlana every time he was making dua for Ottoman, and he said " still they are owner of this Islam." When Mahdi (as) coming, they will give him this for Mahdi they have this kept amanat with them. They will give them to Sayyidina Al Mahdi (as). Because in Islam there is adab, there is good behaviour. They have everything it must be in proper way. You cannot make as you like. No! So Alhamdulillah still this Ottoman people have their... who must be Emperor, he will give Sayyidina Al Mahdi (as) all amanat and after insha'Allah he will finish everything.

Sayyidina Al Mahdi (as) when he comes he is mushtahid mutlaq, What's the meaning? He is in his time no more mazhab, no more Tariqa, only one. Why? Because he is like over all. And Prophet (saws) he said "He will be like me." Because now everybody they make what they see. And it is the 4 madhabs or Tariqas all right now. But when he is coming only one it must be. Because also religion, only one religion, only one madhab. No more religion in dunya, in the world. Insha'Allah it is very near. Mawlana he every time saying this. And it is nour belief to say "I am from Ahli s-Sunnah wa-I Jamaa." If he doesn't believe in this, he is not complete believer. He is very few belief he has. He must be..look for himself and to make tawba astaghfirullah, and must accept this. If not accept it, will be not acceptable to Prophet (saws). Because Prophet (saws) when people not doing his sunnah or not accepting what he said, Judgment Day when people seeing him they're ashaming from Prophet (saws). Their face meat (skin of the face), it will come down. How they are shy from the Prophet (saws) "why we didn't do this and he was ordering us we did not accept his order." So they will be very shy and very regretful.

Alhamdulillah we are trying our best to see, to show people the right way. Mawlana he was also whole life, Alhamdulillah he make from East to West, all around the world, he put seed and it is growing. Alhamdulillah after his changing his world, he is still all around the world, especially here. Here is Maqam - Peckam Maqam. Where he was, everywhere, you can make here dua. You can come visit here as you are visiting his grave. Also here is Maqam. He is already here because Awliya' if 40 days in some place, it's Maqam. So Alhamdulillah he left for you also. Don't be, many people they are sad, but Alhamdulillah he takes this sadness from people. And people, because when you are with him you don't feel sad, you feel strong. Alhamdulillah if somebody feels sad or something he can come here, make dua in his Maqam.

Because Mawlana said when somebody he has sadness or stress or anything, must visit 7 Maqams of Awliya'. So here also for London people or from England, people they can visit here. They can visit Peckam. They can visit 16 Green Lanes, also he was many years there. All these Maqams. Alhamdulillah and masha'Allah Hj Bahauddin from his inspiration he make this sohbah and our brother Iberk he collect them and make them in a book. Alhamdulillah he is hard- working, these people. We are thanking them, because you must thank people. If you're not thanking people you are not thanking Allah. Allah this is Hadith - "Ma lam yash'kuru an-nas lam yash'kuru Allah." Prophet (saws) said. And we are thanking also this Sultan also he gave us this place, for baraka of Mawlana. And baraka for him, for us, for everybody, Alhamdulillah. Allah make us to make 100.000 like this around the world insha'Allah.

Thank you for all of you. Alhamdulillah, Allah keep you in safety with your children, because the most precious thing, our children. And children they are not only for this dunya. If we save them in Akhira this is the best pleasure, the best happiness for us, for all of us. Allah accepts your ziyarah and gives you all the best.

# 82. How To Ride Your Ego

#### Saturday, December 6, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim. Rahim. as-salatu wassalam ala Rasulina Muhammad Sayyidil awwalin wa akhirin Madad Ya Rasulullah, madad ya ashabul kiram, madad ya Masha'ikhina Madad Ya Sheikh Nazim Al Haqqani,dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohba wa-l khairu fil jam'iya.

Alhamdulillah 'ala kulli hal. We must be thankful for Allah for everything and to try to be in good action all the time. Be in good khuluq hasan, akhlaq hasana, good manners. Good manners, Prophet (saws) he said - "I've been sent to complete good manners." Good manners it is a very nice thing. There was many Awliya' Allah, many scholars, since childhood they sent them to derga to Masha'ikh to take these good manners. And there was many they have good manners, they cannot do anything for people, just they said - Allah. Even they are not saying anything.

There was one Awliya' Allah, he's big Awliya' Allah, he had write book - Ibrahim Hakki from Erzurum. He was a small boy and his family sent him to Ismail Fagirullah, he is Sheikh. He was child, and in those days no water in house. Must take from well, must take from spring. And this area of course there was many springs. He sent him to bring water by jar. He normally goes and comes. He went to this where there is water coming and they were putting in front to keep water for animal also to drink. They take from that spring coming like pipe outside. They can take to fill the jar and to fill what they want. And he arrived there, he was trying to take water. There was one horseman coming and he said "go away from there." And he take his horse on him, and this boy he was afraid. He just saved himself from the horse but the horse he broke his jar. He came crying to Sheikh. Sheikh tells him, "what happened why are you crying?" He tells him "this man doing this and I broke the jar, I am sorry." Sheikh tells him "do you say anything for this man?" "No," he said "why? what I say? I couldn't say anything." He tells him "go quickly and say something for him - Why you do this or what? Just to.. say something for this man. Say what you want to say." He is a child. So he went back and saw the man still there, but from his good manner and shyness he (the boy) couldn't say anything. For bad people they are swearing, they are doing everything. Small children they can say anything, but when they have good manner and shy it is difficult for him. So when he went. He couldn't say anything.

He came back to Sheikh. Sheikh ask him, "what happened? You tell him anything?" "I couldn't say." He quickly shout and ordering him, "go and tell him something to this man, quickly!" When he went, this boy he find this man's horse kick him and kill him.

He was in the water there. This boy he comes quickly to Sheikh and tell him what happened. He was afraid. And he said, "this is what I want you to say - he said for jama'at also - to reply for him to make it not to be make it to Allah to reply for this. For Allah He get angry for this small boy and quickly kill this man, by horse. If he was saying something he said, it will be between this man and this boy, so it will be not like this. But I couldn't, this is Allah's will and this man he went." This is what Allah defending for people who are, they have good manner, they cannot say bad thing for people; they cannot arguing with people, fighting with people.

Many al haya' min al Iman. To be shy is from belief, Iman. This is good manners. Many people now, they are not liking this manner but it is from Iman. Because people many things they are doing against Islam, against what good manners ordering. And they are happy with this, "I do this, I do that. It is good, you must be like this." No it is - sometimes when - sometimes you can do, but if you do every time, you are following your ego. And ego makes you bad person. You must control your ego and to make it obeying you.

Like in Qasida Burda, "wa 'an nafsika qad tufl in taftummi ya Fatima." Your ego if you - like baby when taking milk from mother - if you leave him maybe until 5 years he can breast taking milk from mother. But when time coming of course they must cut it, because 5 years, 20 kg, all the time cannot give him this. Until one time it's ok after they can eat anything else. So, for your ego also you must slowly slowly to cut his food. But making him to be big, ego must be small. No need for him to be big. It is dangerous. Without ego also we cannot do anything. We must ride on him to train him and to ride on him.

This is what Masha'ikh teaching, Tariqa teaching. Alhamdulillah, slowly slowly we make all praying after for Tahajjud maybe, if you cannot wake up from early evening before Fajr, 5 min before Fajr. Next time 10 minute before Fajr. Next time half an hour. Like this you are training and you are used to it. To be easy for you, but if you want to make everything at once you cannot do, your ego coming on you. So, slowly slowly there is training. You know how to ride your ego. When somebody wants to ride horse, training slowly slowly - after it's ok. Everything like this, nothing difficult. Allah not making something we cannot do it. Everything He orders we can do. Allah He make it easy for us and to be continuous. This is important. and continue from us to children, to grand children, to all generations insha'Allah.

# 83. The Last Muslim Army

#### Sunday, December 7, 2014.

Islam army. Now we don't have Islam army because no Khalifa. This is Ottoman - the last Islamic army. Islamic army beginning with the Prophet(saws) and it is holy for Muslims. For Ottoman who don't go army, they said it is owed for the Prophet (saws). You must go to army for a year to be in his (sas) army. It is holy, because to defend Muslims it is big reward. There is hadith, to wait to God, Muslims, one hour, it is more acceptable than 60 years of Ibada. This what is, this army they were teaching them. They are not oppressors.

From Prophet (saws) until the last army, they all listening for Prophet, for his advice, what they must do and what they must not do. Many stories for Islamic army. Even when they are going through land, through field, to fight enemy, if they going through fruit gardens or other, they won't... Telling them to not touch. If you touch you must pay what you eat. And even there was, if they eat something like date or other they put money and hang it on the tree. When people of this country they see this they are knowing nobody can stop from front of this army.

There was sometimes (there were) few - less than half of enemy others and also they were reading on them. Where this knowledge of Allah and knowledge of Islam? Who put them this? Of course most the time all of them they were following Tariga. Even Sultans they have Masha'ikh. They have knowledge for dunya, for the world for them knowledge, and for Akhira. They know math and they know from astronomy and they know better than our days professors. And they were sitting many like this, with Sultan. Alhamdulillah this is what their Masha'ikh teach what program. And it is honorable people. There is nobody can say something wrong for them. But of course the people enemy they make very wrong ideas for (about) them. But if they wanted wrong, they cannot rule all these countries for more than 600 years. And there is countries that they were ruling, now even they say it is most problem area in the world. Nobody can control it. But they were controlling by power of Masha'ikh and the spiritual guidance and supported from Prophet and Awliya' Allah. They are not respecting. Each one they are like respect from them. And even after they're gone they make for them mosques, they make zawiya, they make house for giving food for poor people, by name of these Awliya' or these Ulama. They were looking for, not only Turkey or other, all around the Empire, they are looking for good people who they're right or there's, we must make people to get benefit from these people. They were bringing them and make them help people, and give advice and new knowledge. Because Awliya'Allah every time when some of them pass away, Allah send one behind him, after him. Because there is, as you know, 124000 Awliya' they.. Prophet (saws) opened it for 124000 Awliya. After, 30 Nabi Rasul sent the message from Allah. Other 124 they are some of them they have only one gudra/power some of them 2, some of them 10 it was like this. And there were many Bani Israil many of them from that. And they were suffering and they were patient. Even there is Hadith - in one day they kill 1000 prophets. Because Prophets sometimes also living together also.

This area there were many prophets but all around the world, Allah He sent for every nation prophets. Many prophets coming after this people because they are not knowing after generations. They were worshipping them or making them like God. And most of them they were prophet. So, no area of the world no Prophet time for them, but most of them they were in the Middle East. This area, Middle East area, it is holy, holy place. But people there not knowing the holy, the holiness of this area so our region, bala'/cursed. To make them to fight together, because they are not accepting holiness. Many people after Ottoman Islamic Empire, they are dividing Empire to 20, 30 states, countries. After this also they make this people who live in this country, enemy for each other. This is what non-Muslims do. After, they said "Look this is Islam." No, no, this is not Islam. Islam it was Empire of Ottoman. After, not. Hadith Prophet(saws)"after the muluk salihin, jababira." After Sultans there's tyrants. There is no more Islam, Islam cannot have tyrants. Islam not accept what one man he decide to kill only for his enjoyment. Now you see it. The tyrant, he can destroy his own family even if nobody survives he does not care. Only what he wants is for himself. How can he be a Muslim this man? Ottoman or other also we say for just last Emperor of Ottoman Islamic Empire and this is what Prophet (saws) said "the best century of my century, after - second, after - 3rd, after - they are not good." Even this, the Prophet (saws) say last one is not good - they were like angels compared to these people now.

So we must be careful from enemy of Islam. We are not accepting what they are doing in the name of Islam. What they are doing they can do this easily because they are misguided. If they don't have murshid coming from Prophet (saws) until death. No they are only like mushrooms. Coming only after Ottoman Empire and, especially after petrol crisis, coming up and they become rich. This petrol it is bad life it is the worst thing. It is like the ? it is definitely bad life. Wells it can find they make this country miserable, even from to make people to fight together or to make people spend this money to destroy Islam.

Look all around you, any Muslim country they have petrol and they are happy? Or they are rich or they are comfortable? No, all around the world they become petrol rich, miserable for oil and so, because it is I think for shaytan. Mawlana he don't like technology. And this petrol it is the heart of technology. Everyone he want to see they're the richest petrol reserve they have. There is ? Iraq, you can't count - endless countries. All they're in miserable life. Other to also they have, like Saudi, like Kuwait, like other, they were happy to have so many things to do. Because when the money is too much they make fight and they take all their money. And they are happy to give for non Muslims, but for Muslims they're not giving, even not giving zakat. And our Muslim people sometimes they are saying they have special office to give zakat for people and take from them. No, no we don't want. Because they're just... If they want to give there is million of poor Muslim people, they know better than me and you. They can give for them. But not, they said making excuse and not giving. So, even in this dunya not good, in akhira also for them not good. We need clean, clean money, clean rizg. This is dirty. "Al nadhafa min al Iman." (Hadith). Cleanness it is from Islam, from Iman. We must be clean. everything in the spiritual and in acting also, we must be clean to be good Muslims. Even this Hadith it is not for non-Muslims - to be Muslims, cleanness. And cleanness brings baraka, rizg for people also. Alhamdulillah they know, without to be clean they cannot accept your worshipping, your ibada. Everybody they know this, so Alhamdulillah. But who are not praying or doing this they don't have baraka because they are not clean. And especially Mawlana he was advising people to not go around without wudu'. Wudu' gives cleanness and give light for you, and gives baraka. And you'll be away from shaytan and his followers.

Allah make us with the clean people, this is our dua. And to be with good people. To be with good people it is helping here also before Akhira. Insha'Allah, all you come here for Allah. Alhamdulillah we are lucky to have good people. We are happy. You are clean people, we are happy with you. Insha'Allah all your generation will be clean like you and other. Allah give you baraka, clean in everything. Allah not let us to our ego or to our shaytan or any bad thing to take away from us. Thank you for your coming. Allah rewarding for each step. Our Prophet (saws) once saying, "one reward one time ? step and one forgive from, forgive if you do bad thing. So Alhamdulillah you can work for Allah and for listening and to meet us. Allah accept our ziyara/visit. Allah make us every time together here and in Jannat insha'Allah, with Prophet, with Mawlana Sheikh insha'Allah.

### 84. The Real Benefit

#### Monday, December 8, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Wa salatu wa salamu ala Rasulina Muhammad sayyidil awwalin wal akhirin,madad Ya Rasulallah madad ya as'hab Rasulallah, madad Sh Abdullah al-Faiz ad-Daghastani, madad Sh Muhammad Nazim madad. Dastur.

Tariqatuna s-sohba wa-l khayru fil jam'iya.

Insha'Allah by order of Mawlana, we make our Tariqa, order. Tariqa it is to be together. Sohba means together, even you speak or you don't speak. Brothers must come together. For what? For Allah. Benefit, for benefit you must be together for benefit. Of course we must be for benefit. But benefit not for dunya, benefit, for Akhira - real benefit. The ni'ma, benefit meaning ni'ma - Ni'ma benefit is forever. Where you are, not only dunya benefit, you take, some of them they said benefit: They are making many things to take this from you - cheating you or making you ashamed and give them. But no, this is not benefit. The real benefit for Allah, Akhira. Allah He is Generous. He said "Come and take. As much as you can take, take. Don't leave anything. Take all." Prophet (saws) he is first benefit for us. Even only with loving him, you save yourself. You know, many people... but it is **"wa dhakkir fa'inna dh-dhikra tanfa'u lmu'minin"(51:55)** You must remind people to make them awake. Remind - Tanfa'u, meaning - getting benefit. You are getting benefit also for Akhira.

Prophet (saws) once he was in mosque, Masjid An -Nabawi, this bedouin people they are coming from desert. They don't know practicing, good behaviour, or adab or something. Let them because Allah created everybody different, character different. When something you are not happy with this it is ok for other people. There was shouting from there, he said "O Muhammad!" Sahaba they were angry, looking from that side. Once, twice, three, Prophet not answering. After he said, "Ok what you want?" He said, "When Qiyama, Judgment Day, when it is?" Prophet (saws) "Why are you asking? What did you prepare for this?" He asked "What must I prepare?" He said "You must make this and that." And he said "Only I can pray and I cannot do anything. Anything else help me?" "What you have another?"- Prophet said. "I love you." "What you do, it's enough for you to be in Paradise."

This is very good teaching. This the real benefit here. Many people they are trying, saying - "If you do this, you are making shirk." So, shaytan is very clever. Between religious people, how do you cheat them? They become cheated very nice in this trick and people they thought themselves they are clever. " O we mustn't make this love for Prophet, it is being shirk. It must be only for Allah. So we must not put anybody

between us and Allah." This is their saying for Prophet, how for Awliya', for beloved servants of Allah? They never accept. And they losing everything.

Even in Akhira when they will see Prophet (saws), from their shame from what they do, the meat of their face will fall down. If sometime many people they are doing something they are regretting and the one they ashaming they become face red. And.....but in Qiyama, in Judgement Day, it is more terrible thing. Specially they're seeing Prophet and they will be yu'aqib/punished. Someone's children they do something and they say "Why you do this? Therefore: "How you not do my sunnah? How you are saying this about what I say, you say against it? And you say it is, I know you making these all people to go wrong way." So he will (?) from ashaming and from regretting from what you've done. Because in Surat Al Kahf also there is ayat saying, "you know who is the loser who is losing everything?" He is answering - ayyat also they do something in dunya where they are well and they are very happy for what they've done. But normally when they saw what they've done it is, no no value for what they do. They were denying Allah. Surah, Allah say - what He said. And they were only what they want to know, they thought it is real and they continue in this what they've done, what they are doing. At end of Kahf Surah, I don't know what now. SubhanAllah I forgot what it says exactly. But it's real. From these people whole life they're looking for perfection and they thought - for looking for perfection all life is good. He said now "I couldn't be perfect." This is humbleness, but they are saying, doing something and they are saying "I am perfect. It is right what I am doing and I am happy with this." But when they'll be in Akhira, in Judgment Day, they will be surprised. All what you tired and all what you were trying to do, what you do it was rubbish! It was garbage! No benefit.

Allah, teaching people for everything what they are doing. Nobody think it is coming, but it is sent. Time by time, knowledge giving for people. But the last 100 years, because Judgment Day approach, this knowledge is coming more and more. And people they are getting bad more and more. They are not helping them to love Allah or love Prophet. Who are not believer, they are not believing at all for Allah. Who they said for themselves "we are Muslims, we are believers," they are not believing in Prophet. They are not believing in spiritual, not believe in Awliya'Allah. This is because Qiyama approach. So it must be like this. Everything it must be coming out.

"Hatta idha akhadhati I ardu zukhrufaha wa zzayyanat wa dhanna ahluha annahum qadiruna alayha ataha amruna laylan aw naharan faja'alnaha hasidan ka'al lam taghna bil-ams"(10:24) This Ayah Allah says what will happen. All this they are in the world. They are doing everything they saw people who are not believing, all nice things, all technology, everything in top, very high. And there are people they thought they are controlling everything, but no. Allah He said "in one time, one day or one night, everything will be gone. And it will be after it, will be like it not happened at all." **"ka'a lam taghna bilams"(10:24)** As yesterday it was - you cannot believe it was like this

yesterday. All in Allah's Majestic hand, His Majesty hand - of course not like our hand. We cannot say for Allah He look like this or like that, we cannot say this. This wahabi they are saying. They're putting hand. They say "yes He has hand, He has body." How these people they can say this? No, but by everything in Allah's Will - it is not even like ant, compared to Allah's Majesty creation. Not, we are not saying for Allah... we cannot say anything, any example for Allah. We cannot say anything at all. But only what we say for His Qudra, creation. Only for His creation only for this we can say. And really it is unbeliever know, even who seeing and in the world, you're brain cannot contain this. For Allah you cannot say anything for Allah. For this you are all human beings - who is believer and not believer. Be clever. Don't be stupid. A clever one is who is with Allah, with Prophet (saws), with His beloved people. Other people, they they are not stupid, but stubborn. They are stubborn.

In Arab jahiliya and not jahiliya also, ignorant time and after ignorant time, this desert people were ignorant they said. Why they said ignorant? Because not accepting real. They are stubborn, but in real they are really very clever people. They are like fox, desert foxes are famous - more clever than English ones. There was 4 genius clever among the Arabs. One of them, 'Amr Ibn Al 'As. One of them Mu'awiya. But Amr was more clever than Mu'awiya. After, Ghazwat al-Khandag (Battle of the Trench) this canal they was in Prophet (saws) making, Ahzab/Allies part in this. All musrik comming to attack Madina, and Salman Al Farsi told the people. Prophet ask "What we can do?" He said "In Iran he was digging tunnel, canal and they fill it with water - they cannot come for us." So Alhamdulillah Prophet (saws) they do this and after these people Allah make them away from Prophet after many thing happened for them, they come back to Makkah. and he was clever, looking, he's thinking what will happen. And he collect 4, 5 people like him and he said "O our friend what we will do, they are clever." He said "it is impossible to stop in front of Muhammad." They not believe Prophet. They said "We can go to Ethiopia, Habashistan." That one Najashi, King of Habasha they said, "he likes Arabs and he is friends with us. We can go and stay there. If Prophet Muhammad - they were not saying prophet - he will win on our tribe we stay all by here until he finish or until dying. But if ours they can win on Muhammad, so we can come back and then we are happy because winner. Nothing will be bad." So they said ok, "real good idea." They went to Habash, Ethiopia, and this Najash he was, they take also present to make him happy - It was like leather thing. When they come they saw messenger of Prophet (saws) he was coming out from Najashi, this King of Habash. He said "Ok they sent this - they said - we can kill him. I can tell to Najash to give me this man to kill him." And he went inside and give him the present and what he has. And speaking and they were happy. After when he was happy he said - ok this is time I tell him. He tell him "This man he's our enemy. If you give him to me I can kill him and my people they will be happy." But Najashi he hit him one on his nose. He said "I feel it is horrible, I thought maybe my nose broken." He said "How you say this? How I can give you? Are you, you are not listening. You are clever people." And he says, "This is real Prophet. And this is Allah's messenger and he will be take you all out from...not leave

anything in Makka. Like Musa he's done with Firawn, he will do for you. You are you are clever men you must know this." He said "When he do this, Subhana Allah, when Allah will give hidaya." He said, "O King can I give you my bay'a, my shahada also, to accept Sayyidina Muhammad as Prophet (saws). It was like this.

They are knowing. They are clever people, they are knowing it is real. But shaytan not leaving them to accept Islam or to accept real thing. This is who outside of Islam. They are really clever but when not accepting Allah say for them "ignorant, jahil." Who not know thing, ignorant meaning. This is what Allah calling people. Allah everything in His Hand. He knows and He is not afraid from anybody. He is not... nothing can be done against Allah. If you are in dunya, maybe you are afraid if you say to people "you are ignorant - you not believe in this. "They maybe make trouble for you. But for Allah it's not. And it is what Allah destroyed - non-believers, jahiliya, ignorant. Insha'Allah they must prove they are not ignorant. They must accept only one God and last messenger Prophet (saws) Muhammad (saws).

And we must teach our children the love of Prophet (saws) and real. His personality and his good behaviour it is the highest what Allah created. Who are in his time they described him, when you see him - like mu'min - you cannot be against him. He is giving mercy, giving baraka, giving every good things. Every good thing coming from Prophet (saws). Every bad thing they are go away. Even now also when you say salawat, you mention him in good Allah make your level higher, give you, rewarding you. Alhamdulillah we are in his ummah. Because his ummah all the time Prophet, every Prophet was praying to be in ummat Muhammad. Some of them accept, like Sayyidina Isa (as), Khidr (as) Ilyas (as). They're in this ummah now. But of course they are not Prophet. Isa (as) he will come. He is in Heaven.

When the time coming insha'Allah it is soon. Because as we said all what this world has, they are coming out to finish, to be ready for Qiyama and it is soon insha'Allah. Allah make us with Sayyidina I Mahdi (as). This is the order and request of Mawlana Sheikh. He said "you pray every time to very soon to come Sayyidina I Mahdi (as)." And it is Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa' belief. Not because there's another people always they say this but... The real belief for Ahl as-Sunnah wal Jamaa' and our main belief.

## 85. Qasida

#### Tuesday, December 9, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Madad ya rasulAllahSalat wa salam 'ala Rasulina,Sayyidi-l awwalin wal akhirin madad ya Mashayikhina madad Ya Sh Abdullah ad-Daghestani madad, dastur.

Welcome, masha'Allah. We are coming here for Allah for Beloved of Allah, Prophet, Sayyidina Muhammad (saws). We are praising Nabi'ina Muhammad (saws). This what is acceptable present of Allah. Divine present of Allah this event; it is holy and blessed event. Alhamdulillah we are doing this and only for Allah. Nobody else coming for any wrong idea or wrong thinking, only for Allah and we are happy to be like this.

Masha'Allah this Qawwali they are, I think, Sufi music. Sufi music and coming from more than a 1000 year, alhamdulillah, Qawwali and the other. And as you know Mawlana Jalaluddin Rumi also he was making, blowing ney/flute. They said blowing, not playing. And the verse of Mathnawi Sharif was for this ney - Yes, explain how it is. It is coming through. Tariqa teaching adab, teaching what you will do. You must accept nasiha, advice. "Ad-dinu nasiha, Addinu nasiha, Ad-dinu nasiha." Prophet's (saws) Hadith. Allah makes us from these people who accept, and it is a big honor to accept nasiha and there is big reward for this.

# 86. Do Not Lose Hope

#### Sunday, December 7, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammed Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohba wa l-khairu fi jam'iah.

Shukr to Allah. We are meeting for Allah. The main aim for our tariqa, to make sohba, to give talking together, to be together and to be in association. Alhamdulillah, you are many people. They are coming from far away. They are coming for Allah. Allah reward them for each step. Prophet (saw)...if any mu'min, he went to meet his brother in Islam, Muslim brother, for every step writing for him one reward, making higher one degree, and forgive him for one mistake he make. For the normal, to people even in city, no need to go far away, but as much you coming far away, still making this reward for you. All steps writing.

He is Generous, He not afraid: "I give too much. It's enough. Because only for short place I write this reward." No. Allah, He is Generous, most Generous. And He give you what He promise. He loves to give. He loves to reward people. He didn't like to make people to make mistake. He like maybe sometimes - He said "I am... I like people to make mistake and to make tawba - to want forgiveness." "If", He said, "these people not doing mistake, I can bring another people to make mistake and to make to forgive them." So He is Generous, very generous. And we are wanting for Him to forgive us for what we do with our knowledge or without our knowledge. We are, alhamdulillah, all time, we hoping, good. **"La tai'asu min rawhi Llah" (12:87)**. Don't despair (of Allah's Mercy). This is order from Allah. Who are in despair? Who are not believers they are despairing. When these people become despairing and maybe sometimes they don't see any hope from dunya, because they don't believe in akhira. They are suicide themselves. Suicide, it is forbidden. For anything you will do, especially wrong idea they have some Muslims, they suicide themselves with bomb or with... to kill another people also. No, you cannot do this.

It is forbidden in Islam also. Because when you do this, if you are fighting ok, you can go and fight them. But to make suicide and kill innocent people, it is not acceptable in Islam, in Divine Presence of Allah Azza wa Jalla.

Who make suicide, he will be... Hadith and Mawlana every time saying: What, how he has killed himself -to himself maybe he think "we will be free after this, no life after

this." But no. Until Qiyama, he will be every time same position as he died by suicide himself. If by poison, he will be all until Qiyama, every day, every day, every day, he will be like this. If by cutting himself, ok. Also same. Hanging, also he will be hung until Qiyama. If he blow himself up, also. So don't be hopeless. Life, it is very short. Day and night, day and night, and finished.

There is one, you know, one book, English writer wrote it. And it was Mawlana has it. I don't know why. I was small. But under up of wardrobe I saw it. First, I didn't understand English. But I saw a picture. It's like this, there is one 5 o'clock tea. All time they are drinking. Not changing. Life like this. Day and night, day and night. If you realize, so it will finish. No need to make wrong thing for yourself, to destroy your real life. You must be patient. We must be thankful for Allah. Allah not giving anybody what they cannot carry. What have everybody in this life, everybody has test. We are in test. You cannot say "This rich man, he has no problem. This nice, beautiful lady, she is happy". No. Everybody, from king or sultan, or president or beggar, everybody... Allah, this is place for test - dunya. For everybody it must be. So we must be knowing. If you know this, you do your best and you'll be happy. So believers, they are most at rest and comfortable. Because they know this is from Allah. They are not doing from themselves or they can change. No. Just they can carry and they are happy. Because this is coming from Allah. Allah will reward us better than this. Allah make us to understand this and give us real belief. The most important thing - belief. When you believe, if they cut you, it is nothing. Because old time there was sometimes throwing them in fire. They make a fire throw them in fire who not their believer. They say "You are in wrong belief. So we will send you to burn". "Ok, I can go" they say. They are not afraid because they have real belief. When they have real belief, nothing affect them. Allah give us this belief. And thank you for your coming. Alhamdulillah. Allah reward you for all, every step from His endless treasures In-sha'Allah.

## 87. We Are Servants For Allah Only

### Saturday, December 13, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salat wassalam 'ala Sayyidina Muhammad. Sayyidil awwalina wal akhirin. Madad Ya Rasulallah, madad ya as'hab ar-Rasul, madad ya

Masha'ikhina,madad ya Sheikh Abdullah ad Daghastani, Sheikh Muhammad Nazim Al Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohba wal khairu fil jam'iya.

We are servants of Allah. We don't want anything for us. Thank you for our brothers, or our guests. There is something we must say and people because they are mixing - they want to do something but when they are mixing, shaytan of course makes them to mix. Every derga, every mosque, many of them said "We do this for you, for you and.." No, it is for Allah. We don't want anything for us.

Bayazid Bistami (ra) he's big Sheikh from our Tariga, Allah, he was open, can speak and get inspiration from Allah. Allah 1000 times He offer him two happiness - dunya and Akhira. He said every time "No, I don't want." Allah (awj) ask him "What you want?" He said "I want, not to want." He said "Now vou are really My servant." So, Mashay'ikh, who are real Mashay'ikh, they don't want anything for themselves. Many times they are mixing our people. Mixing and when they - of course there are who are not mixing also - but some of them they are doing for themselves, not for us. And when somebody they bring to Sheikh or Tariga, or to hidaya/guidance, they acting as if they're owning him. He must worship him, not other. They are bringing them, they don't know what they are doing. But when they are doing this, even now Sheikh, they're only for them. You must worship this, who they bring. No, we say truth and we are not... There is no friend, or no love - as we are saying friend or not friend, we are not hiding truth, we must say. In derga, we are know what to do. There is adab for derga, for mosque. Not to do something behind Sheikh. What adab in derga? Everybody knows. You cannot say, put shaytan instrument here. This holy place since Mawlana Sheikh he bought, never happened to bring instrument of shaytan here. But this ignorant people, they do it. So, we are saying this for Allah. We are not ashaming from them. And it is lesson for everybody.

What is right, we say. We don't want help from anybody, Allah helps us. If you are in need for them so it is not, we are not anything. We are supported by Mawlana, and we are feeling this. Not for 2 instruments, they will make our Tariga high. No, it is our Tariga -it is for Shari'a. If you are really like to do it, go and do it in another place not in Mosque, not in derga. Outside we are in a free country. You can do. And not we are, as we said, not afraid from, or not -Normally we are shy people. And people using your haya, shame for themselves. No, "La haya fi d-din." - No ashame for religious things. Everything must say. When you do something, you must think. "Tafakkur sa'a khairun min ibada 70 sana." (Hadith) To think one hour better from 70 years of worshipping without knowing anything. Because you know what are you doing, what you are right. And when we say this, it is also general. Because before, we say something, they become enemy for people they are not in fear with this. He said "You said this for Sheikh, and he said this." No. Just that time it come like this, we said. So, everybody it is not for one person or.. for everybody. You must accept truth, not to blame another people.

Al-Fatiha.

## 88. Zakatu-l ʻilm

### Sunday, December 14, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi I-awwalina wa Iakhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah. madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faizi Dagestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohba wa I-khairu fil jamiyah.

Prophet (saw), he was saying when making salat - make your line straight and be together, not make a gap between you. And he said "You pray as you are leaving, salatul-wada' (farewell prayer)." How to be if you are leaving this world, you are going to akhira, they said this is the last prayer for you. You must pray like this. You must be not thinking too much for anything, just for praying to be proper.

The prayer, salat, main pillar for Islam, salah ibada d-deen. Many people, they say "We are Muslim but we cannot pray. It's difficult." Normally, it is not difficult. Allah make it. He don't want you to pray - no benefit for Allah from our praying, from our worshipping. What we do? Even one dharra, atom, no benefit for Allah. This benefit for us. Allah, He make the salat, praying, for our benefit. And when somebody give you something, he like you and giving, and you refuse this, he'll become angry for you. "I give all these good things, and he is throwing away." He not happy. So Allah Azza wa Jalla for you giving this order. Mawlana also, he was saying before, who not praying, maybe sometimes his work going but after, since 10 years Mawlana he always was saying, not praying is - work what he do no benefit for him, no baraka and not will be succeeding. So In-sha'Allah to pray and to pray properly, it is our duty.

And, as we said before also, to learn, it is obligatory. We are learning here. 5 minutes, 10 minutes we are learning. And we must learn how to make wudu' adab, sunnah, mustahab, everything. We learn slowly slowly. Intention - to be learning, it is important also. And Allah alhamdulillah, He give us such place and there is Masha'ikh, Imam here. They also like to give their knowledge for you. And they are happy to give this but nobody coming. We are request for

you who are near or even not so far, they can come every week or every two weeks. They have program In-sha'Allah . Even once a month also. One hour you can come here, make ziyarah/visit for magam also here now for Mawlana Sheikh. And you take blessing and blessing also to be student, talibu l-'alimun - Student of knowledge, heavenly knowledge. And baraka coming for you and you learn something, and you'll be more happy because this all what we say giving happiness for people. Maybe sometimes people, they don't know how to make ghusl or to make wudu' properly. They forget something, to not doing. It is not complete but, of course, Allah accept. But when you do it properly, you will be more acceptable. Because you have this chance. And for Imam, alhamdulillah they are very good and from Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa. And right way they are showing. And for them to give knowledge, it is zakat for their knowledge. And they have masha'ikh who was teaching us, saying "You must give what you know. You mustn't keep it for yourself. If you keep it for yourself, you'll be punished by fire." Hadith also like this. Who knows something from ulama if not giving for people, they'll be punished. So they are happy without - they want to give but nobody coming.

In-sha'Allah even one, two, who coming you can give In-sha'Allah . Don't look for quantity. Allah will send In-sha'Allah . Thank you for you. In-sha'Allah , see you In-sha'Allah after some months. In-sha'Allah . In-sha'Allah will be making this Mawlana amanah, that is his job, give for to continue his, Allah' way and to help people.

In-sha'Allah everybody they can give knowledge for their around to be light, nur for all Muslims and humanity In-sha'Allah.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

# 89. Ziyarat Mawlana

### Thursday, December 25, 2014.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu 'ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa lakhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Mashayikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur.

Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

Shukr to Allah, we came again to the presence of Sheikh Effendi. Awliya are always present. Just like when you visit them while they are alive, they meet you in the same manner when you visit their grave or maqam. That's why, the one coming here comes with that intention. Certainly Allah is giving him rewards for it. No doubt. Our Prophet said "Who visits my grave it is as if he visits me (while alive)." These Awliya are also the successors of our Prophet. Certainly they have the same thing, the same order. Who visits them is certainly given his share of their virtues. It gives strength to his faith. It gives strength to his belief. It gives blessings to his work. Shukr to Allah, as we said, every time we come, the same beauty appears, just like when we visited him during his life. In other places where he had been too; in London, in other places. In some places he stayed for a very long time, those are his maqams. In Damascus as well, he has a maqam where he stayed and by Grandsheikh Effendi because he wanted it to be there. He did service for many years and stayed with his Sheikh there. Those places are also maqams of Sheikh Effendi. He is present there.

Now they say Sheikh Effendi is every where. You can pray wherever you like, it will reach him; you'll get virtues of it. This is right. Shukr to Allah, we feel it everywhere. We feel the support and spirituality and presence of Sheikh Effendi for 100%. Everybody is feeling it too. But anyway, people who have the opportunity to visit this place should do so. It will be accepted even more. Do at least once. Some people have never met him. There are many people like this who didn't see him. They wish they had met him and decide at least to visit his grave. We say welcome. They ask for permission - there is nothing to prevent it. Rather than going to other places for travelling, come here and get virtues, blessings, and support (himmat). You will earn sawab because Allah Azza wa Jalla gives sawab, increases your rank, and forgives sins for every step you make for Allah. When a normal Muslim goes to visit another Muslim - also same. And when you come for your Sheikh, your Sultan, Allah's beloved servant and saint, certainly your work

will be easy in here and your rank will increase in hereafter. You will have benefit. You will have benefit in both worlds.

However, there are people who want to prevent it. Shaitan is on top of them. Shaitan doesn't want these beauties. They say "Don't go. Sheikh Effendi is not there anymore. He's dead. Therefore, no need to go. What are you going to do there when you go?" Don't listen to them. Whoever wants should come. He's welcome. As we said, he'll have his share. He'll have both a material and a spiritual share. Sheikh Effendi will support him.

He is ready. His strength is stronger now than before. Because now it's only spiritual. They don't have to hide or be hidden. Because while Awliya are alive, they have to be humble because Allah loves humbleness. We are nothing. But after going to akhira, Allah reveals everyone and everything, to most people. That's why, there is no restriction then for them to show their miracles for people to let them reach their virtues more.

Alhamdulillah, we've come again to the presence of Mawlana Sheikh. We are happy to be here because to be in front of Mawlana, it is a nice feeling. Prophet (saw), he was saying "Who visit me in my grave, as he visit me when I am in life". He's always in life. But it is to show people. And Awliya'Allah, they are following Prophet (saw) and they are inheritors of him. They are same. When you visit them in their grave, magam, as you visit them in their life. You feel strong this feeling. Many people - not many people - some people they say no need to go and visit Mawlana, he is... he get nothing there. This is saying of shaitan. For shaitan, he don't want people following, still following Awliya'Allah. Awliya'Allah. Shaitan, they were happy, they said, when he died, nobody will follow him. But shaitan is foolish. And who is following him, also foolish. To visit Awliya'Allah - big favour from Allah. Who visit them, they are happy with them. And they help them in spiritual, to be strong iman, strong belief and love of Allah and Prophet and Awliya'Allah. And in material world also, they are happy to make people... everything to be easy for people by their baraka and dua. When you come and you visit, and they are happy with you, Allah make everything easy for you, spiritual and material. And to visit some brother of - Muslim brother - Allah reward everybody one forgiving from their sins, one reward, and one higher rank. So when you visit His beloved servant, Allah more happy with you and He giving from His endless treasures. So many people, they like to go to holiday or to another place to enjoy themselves. But no, to come to visit their Sheikh better. Even if they are not... cannot be every time. Once they can come and visit to take baraka. After, Allah help them.

But to believe there is nothing there, so you are doing wrong thing because you are not following Mawlana, what he said. This is connecting to Allah. When you say it's finished, you didn't learn anything from his teaching. And he is like a magnet. When he was in life, he was attracting people. And in his... still attracting people more and more in his grave. And he's not sleeping there. But he is, his maqam, the real place, he's here. Because his clean body is here, so more strong maqam, it is here. Everywhere also has maqam, like in London. I told to people, when they have some problem or some difficulty to go and visit this maqam. In Damascus also. MashaAllah, he was many many years in Damascus, especially in his Mawlana Sheikh Abdullah mosque. He also was many years there. So there also maqam for him. Every place in the world, mashaAllah, he was many place. The real maqam where he's 40 days it must be. But sometimes less. But when people, they believe and they make tabarruk for them, for this maqam, also he'll be ready there, present there.

But alhamdulillah, you must not follow people who are not believing for his maqams. Because when they are saying this, it looks like salafi people who are not respecting. But when Prophet (saw), he was ordering people to "go visit, make Hajj and, he not visit me (sas) he will... he is not happy with me." So it is order to visit Prophet (sas) and to visit his inheritor. Everywhere, when you find maqam for any Awliya, also you can visit. For difficulty or problem - Mawlana Sheikh was advising people who have special stress, depression, to visit seven Awliya. And they take this depression from him.

Alhamdulillah, we are happy. Everybody also happy. They are coming from all around the world. And this is karamat, miracle of Mawlana Sheikh. He is still attracting people more and more. And really it will be like big pole, big magnet. Every year In-sha'Allah here all time it will be full. Some people, they were thinking wrong - they will be regretting to have said this. And they must make tawba astaghfirullah and to make, take to say prayer for Mawlana Sheikh to forgive them.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

## 90. The Month of The Prophet (sas)

### Friday, December 26, 2014.

As-salamu alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah,

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

Dastur ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, ya Mashaykhina fi t-tariqati n-Naqshbandiyya. Madad ya Mawlana Sh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani, madad ya Mawlana Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur.

May the month of Mawlid be blessed In-sha'Allah . Mawlid, the month of Rabi al-Awwal is the month of our Prophet. It is a holy and blessed month. Why is it holy and blessed? Because it is a month when the most Beloved servant of Allah was born. Like in the hadith sharif of our Prophet, which was quoted a while ago in a khutba "You can't be a real believer unless you love me more than your parents, children and all people." You can't have real iman.

Iman is different, and Islam is different. Everyone who says shahada becomes Muslim. But iman, to have iman is more virtuous, it is a much higher level. The difference between Islam and iman is like between earth and sky, or even more than that. The rank of iman is that high. That's why, most people nowadays, you think they are learning. Instead of obtaining knowledge they are becoming more ignorant. Why is it happening? Because the people who teach them have learned from books. We'll say how come. They call it imitated, artificial. More artificial. They became artificial scholars. They read books, as we said. And mashaAllah, if they sit down, they won't stop talking for 10 hours. And they talk about everything. But what? It's useless. Not only useless, but also harmful to people. However, alims who took it from a Sheikh or from a murshid, they train good people. Knowledge should be asked from them.

Asking for knowledge is obligatory for every Muslim. That's why Muslims everywhere are going here and there to get knowledge. They see a hodja, think he's good and start listening to him. If that hodja has learned from a murshid, if he respects Awliya, then he respects our Prophet too. On the contrary, if he learned from books and is artificial, he'll say that the Prophet is an ordinary man like us. "He came and left. He had a task to do. Allah sent him, so he came." They say there is no need to respect him too much. Whereas in Qur'an also, Allah Azza wa Jalla put His order to respect Prophet in many ayats of Qur'an. There are orders like "I respect him, you should respect him too. Make salawat to him". Whatever the wisdom is, those people who claim to be alim, cannot see it. They try to do something according to their minds.

From this perspective, it is important that there are dergahs, true Masha'ikh, and murshids. They can reach up to our Prophet. Because it happens with permission. Masha'ikh pass permission to each other. And those who come to them for sohbas take their share of virtues. It is a matter of fate. It's not written for everyone to love our Prophet. Allah Azza wa Jalla said "I created the universe from the light of the Prophet. Then I put it in the spine of Adam, alaihi salam. And until the birth of our Prophet, I selected from the purest nation." Moreover, our Prophet said the best nation is the Arabs. Among Arabs - the people of Quraish. Despite that, the Quraish people were those who harmed our Prophet the most. Those who harmed him are mentioned continuously in Qur'an and there are ayats about them.

Even when Abu Jahl was dying. Abdullah ibn Mas'ud was young, our Prophet told him to go for jihad. Abu Jahl had beaten Abdullah ibn Masud, he had torn his ear. When he came to cut his (Abu Jahl) head off, he was told "Tell your friend that even in the face of my death there is no one I hate more than him". Then our Prophet said "My pharaoh is worse than the pharaoh of my brother Musa." The pharaoh of Musa said "amantu" (I believe) when he was dying. This one knew he was dying, still he sent a message to our Prophet saying he is the man he hates the most. So he was from Quraish. The other one is his uncle Abu Lahab. He was his direct uncle. Because he didn't love our Prophet, Allah curses him in Qur'an. It will go so until Qiyama. But there is the wisdom of Allah in it. The day our Prophet was born, he (Abu Lahab) had one slave. She came to tell him he had a nephew. He was so happy that he gave the slave money. That was Monday. Every Monday his torture in hell becomes lighter. On that day, water appears on his finger and he drinks it.

What is it signifying? If anyone does even something little for the honor of our Prophet Allah will give more to him. But if someone harms our Prophet, His most beloved, and shows no respect, he will pay for it. You can't be saved even if you are a close Arab or from Quraish because he is the Beloved servant of Allah.

There is punishment for it. That's why, people who are not Arabs, love Arabs. They love because of our Prophet. And Arabs are using it. And look at the wisdom of Allah: they are loving Arabs because our Prophet was Arab. But it is Arabs who are spoiling the belief of people saying that our Prophet is dead and gone. They will be punished. It is useless to try to explain this to people anyway. There is no benefit if you are Arab or non-Arab. The benefit lies in loving our Prophet. You should love him more than your parents, children and everyone. In our countries, when a baby starts talking, they start asking "Who do you love more?" And they teach him to say he loves Allah first, then our Prophet, then his father, mother or whoever you want. They instill this from their childhood. We haven't seen this in other places. They start saying "You love this, you love that". But in fact, you should start putting love to our Prophet in their hearts from infancy. This will save

them. The love of our Prophet will save them both here and hereafter by permission of Allah. Who loves our Prophet here won't be harmed by anything with Allah's permission. And their children will be on the right path with Allah's permission.

Shukr to Allah, we reached the month of Mawlid again. We should respect the month of Mawlid. Sheikh Effendi used to say, the more charity you make and read Mawlid, the better it is. This month should be known. Now they have come up with the 21st of April. They celebrate then too. But Sheikh Effendi didn't approve it much. He didn't like it. Nevertheless, they remember the Prophet, so it's ok. But I see that they give more importance to it than Mawlid. They announce it as the week of the holy birth. It is fine if they do it... But they should celebrate it in this month - it must be in Rabi al-Awwal. As Hz. Sulaiman Chelebi, who wrote the Mawlid Sharif, said, the night of Mawlid is equal to Laylat-ul Qadr. It is almost equal because if there was no Prophet, there wouldn't be Laylat-ul Qadr. The Qur'an was sent to him later of course. That's why we have to respect it. Every time you give sadaqa, make Mawlid for our Prophet, or make charity, make intention of Mawlid for the honor of our Prophet. Read a lot of salawat.

On mawlid night, In-sha'Allah mawlid will be read and prayers made. It is good to make salat al-tasbih. It is good to to stay awake that night. Of course, as much as one can do. Staying awake until a certain time, then having rest with the intention of waking up for tahajjud will be counted as if whole night was spent awake. And this is good news. May Allah let us reach it every year. Alhamdulillah, we are now in the month of the birth of the Prophet (sas), Rabi al-Awwal. Rabi al-Awwal –a very holy month. And there is holy night, night of the birth of the Prophet (sas). It is equal to Laylat-ul Qadr. Because if no Prophet (sas), it was no Laylat-ul Qadr. Laylat-ul Qadr coming after him. Because Qur'an in Laylat-ul Qadr given for Prophet (sas). And it is created for Prophet (sas). To love Prophet (sas), it is order, it is obligatory for every Muslim. And we read in khutba Prophet (sas), he said - "They cannot be real believer, if you will not love me more than your father and children and all human beings."

Nobody can be, mustn't be more beloved for you more than Prophet (sas). Why he said, he is saying this? To make you real believer. Real believer... Muslim, it is different. And believer, real believer - different. It is very high rank to be believer. Like a sky for between Muslim and believer. Muslim - everybody say "la ilaha illAllah, Muhammad RasulAllah", he's Muslim. What he's doing, he's doing or not doing, he is just Muslim. But to be believer, this is what we're ordered to be, mu'min - "Ya ayyuhal ladhina amanu", "ya ayyuhal-mu'minun" This most order coming for believers. Who are not respecting Prophet (sas), they are not believer, only they... Allah, He said for them "You are only Muslim, not believer". What meaning? It is, you are in danger. Many things can take your belief. You can become out of Islam even. So the most important thing in Islam is to love Prophet (sas). Prophet (sas), he is savior for us. He will save us by his shafa'a/intercession. Without his shafa'a, it is not easy, not easy to come in

this Judgment Day and to wait in this all, 1,000 of years you can wait. It is not a joke. It is, Allah telling this. He is the Creator and He is doing and He is saying to people how to save themselves. In Judgment Day no shadow (shade). Only Allah can make shadow for special people. And who are these special people? Prophet and Awliya and shuhada/martyrs and who are loving Prophet (sas) and doing what he said. They give them secret to be with them. This is really. Here maybe 1 hour under sun, people they are running away. Waiting in the queue half an hour also they will run away. But there is no place to run away from all this bad situation.

Only in this dunya Allah tell you what to do so you are very quick to be in jannah to be and take from hawdh-ul kawthar/ pool of Kawthar. This is water of Prophet (sas). "Inna a'tainaka I-kawthar" (108:1) Allah give this for Prophet (sas). And when people who first Prophet (sas)(will give) intercession for them, they will drink and quickly go to jannah, to paradise, no waiting. And it is not difficult. You are people, they love... People who are very bad people. Why? Because they are making special things. They are making funny things, maybe they are enjoying their ego but real enjoyment to be with Prophet (sas), to love

him. And it is Allah give in this world before akhira, enjoyment, real enjoyment for your spiritual being. And it is for everybody. Not it is only for Arab, for Turk, for other. No, for who believe in, who believe in Prophet (sas) and love him, he is in satisfaction in dunya before akhira also. Because nothing can save you, even if you are Arab, also not important.

Prophet (sas) was saying when this Abu Jahl, he died in battle of Badr, and Sayyidina Abdullah ibn Mas'ud, he come to him and say to him Prophet sent him to look and to kill. And he find him. He was injured, nearly dying. He said to him "Take this." Abu Jahl, he was very proud. This proudness, it is very bad. You cannot imagine how it is very bad. For this Prophet (sas) was very humble and he was hating proudness. Even in that situation, he said to Sayyidina Abdullah ibn Mas'ud "Don't kill me with your sword. Your sword, it is dirty. Take my sword. It is more strong and cutting quickly. And say to your friend I hate him more than ever now." This Abu Jahl, he said when even he was dying to Prophet (sas). And when Sayyidina Abdullah ibn Mas'ud said this to Sayyidina Prophet (sas), Prophet (sas) he said "My pharaoh, it is worse than Musa's pharaoh". Musa's pharaoh, when he was dying, he said "I've become believer -Amantu". But this one has become worse. And they were making harming Prophet (sas). He said "No. Prophet was harmed like me." And his tribe the best. Allah Azza wa Jalla said "I created Sayyidina Muhammad and give him the best nation and the best tribe and the best things." But even these people when they are making harming to Prophet (sas), Allah not looking for what they are. Only important thing here... Even his uncle Abu Lahab also. In Qur'an there is surah making bad description for him and for his wife (surah:111) It is not important to be very near for him or to be from his nation. No. Important thing for everybody to be loving him. And even Abu Lahab, when before, when Prophet (sas) first born, they tell him "Your become (born), your

nephew." He was happy, give this slave woman something to make her happy. Because she... It was Monday. Every Monday in jahannam, in hell, it will punishment stopping and he given water from his finger. This is very small things. Because he was happy, Allah He was giving him. But other side, he was punishing him. Because he was not believing in him (sas) and he was harming all time.

So no need to be look for people and to take people saying "This is alim, this is not." No. It is... Alim, real alim coming from Prophet (sas), from murshid, from Masha'ikh. This other one artificial. Artificial alim, it is no benefit. It is a losing, making to lose your iman, you lose your faith. But real alim, all coming from Prophet (sas). By one, by one, and it is giving benefit, not giving like other one. So alhamdulillah, the most important thing here to be loving Prophet (saw). And who respecting and loving Prophet (saw), we respect him. Who are saying he is man like us, we will not respect them. And now it is... In this month, we must make more salawat, we make every time more charity and salah. Night of 12th of Rabi al-Awwal - Mawlid. Even you can do every day Mawlid also. You must think and be happy, because he is our happiness here and hereafter. To be with him, it is the greatest happiness. Allah make this for us and for our children. And when you... In our country, baby beginning to speak, they ask him "Whom you love?" They said mother, father. No they said you must first say Allah, after Prophet (saw), after father. This is teaching also for small children to put love of Prophet in their heart, small heart. And he also for you, there will be benefit for you.

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

# 91. To Find Peace In Yourself

### Monday, December 29, 2014.

As-salamu alaikum wa rahmatullah

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammad Sayyidil awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah,madad Ya sadati Ashabi RasulAllah madad ya Masha'ikhina dastur. Madam ya Sheikh Abdullah Daghestani, Madad ya Sh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani Dastur Tariqatuna s-sohbah wal khayru fi jam'iyya

This month is the month of the birth of our Prophet. Our Prophet is the most Beloved servant of Allah. He created whole Universe for his (sas) honor. He gave the most beautiful magams and the most beautiful ranks to him. Who is with him will not suffer from troubles or sadness. He gave the religion of Islam, the last and the most perfect religion to him. He gave our Prophet the religion of Islam, which is the most perfect, the most complete and the most beautiful religion sent by Allah. Certainly, there came many other books sent by Allah like Quran, slowly, slowly since Adam, alaihi salam. There have been 313 Nabi Mursal. Mursal, meaning they had books. Allah gave some of them 10 pages, some of them 100 pages, some of them 1,000 pages. Some were sent even more pages of a book. Allah sent them holy books. Being sent several times like this, Qur'an has completed them all. Our Prophet said "I have completed for you your religion". Who follows this religion and loves our Prophet reaches happiness. Allah Azza wa Jalla is inviting everyone. He doesn't say to anyone, "Don't come". It's open. Everyone can come to Islam and become Muslim. Who comes to Islam finds peace. A man finds peace in this world, before akhira, only in Islam. Those who look for peace elsewhere and persist in not coming to this way, saying "I will find peace and happiness. I will find happiness" and follow other ways, find nothing. They are deceiving themselves. At last, when they realize, and they do, they say "We tried so much. We struggled so much. We wasted so much money to find happiness. And we couldn't find it". But they still persist. It's not in their fate to find happiness. They are wasted on their way. And Muslim people too. There is one group who don't do what our Prophet said. They act according to their minds, these Muslim people. There are many types of Muslims. Some of them just call themselves Muslim, but they don't do anything. Some of the Muslims do everything but don't know the most important thing - the core of Islam, its spirit. They live such a meaningless Islam. They find peace neither in themselves, nor for others. And they don't show respect to our Prophet, they don't respect him. And there's another group who also reject the clear words of our Prophet and offend his companions.

The most righteous, peaceful and happy, who go along well with people and don't harm them, are Ahl asSunnah wa I-Jamaa. They walk on the middle way. They are the ones whom our Prophet loves. Why? Because Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa follow the sunnah of our Prophet. They do his sunnah. Our Prophet is the one they love the most. They give their lives for him. They have the real peace. By the wisdom of Allah, Awliya, beloved servants of Allah, come from them. There's no chance that they come from others. All Awliya have come from this group of people. They don't come from others because they don't obey the words of our Prophet. They are trying to do things according to their minds. When they follow the Islam shown by Allah and our Prophet in a different way, they can't find this peace, the most important thing.

What is peace in this life? Everyone should be satisfied with everything. We love our Prophet. We believe that we will meet him. This is the belief of Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa. And this will happen with what our Prophet has said. If you do the most important things - like praying - it's enough. There's no need to do much. However, don't do things, which our Prophet has prohibited. And that is, as we said: show respect to sahabas, don't say anything against them, don't interfere in their work. Also respect our Prophet, respect Ahl al-Bayt. This also is the order of our Prophet. We are saying that the Islamic world has many types of groups. But the main group is Ahl as-Sunnah wa I-Jamaa. Who follows them will find comfort and peace; their end will be good. Today, alhamdulillah, we are in the month of the birth of the Prophet (sas) and we are happy. Even the month is called Rabi', Rabi' al-Awwal means Spring. Even if you are in the middle of Winter or Summer - because the Arabic months are always changing every year (Lunar year). But all the time the month of Prophet (sas) is nice. Even the hottest day or the coldest day, still you feel Spring, the Spring of love and mercy of the Prophet (sas).

Allah sent Prophet (sas), the end of Prophets, and He completed the religion with Prophet Muhammad (sas). Because since Adam (as), the religion was coming and heavenly books coming through 313 Prophets(As). All these 313 Prophets had heavenly books coming for them. Some of them maybe 10 pages, some of them 100, some of them thousands - some of them 5,000 even there was some prophets they have (these many) pages coming from heavenly books. But until reaching to the Prophet (sas) some of them they made it different, until coming to Prophet (sas). And the most complete religion Allah gave for Prophet Muhammad(sas) because he is the most Beloved one for Him. He created everything for him(sas). And He gave him the best and the best Ummah (nation) is the last Ummah, the nation of Prophet (sas) - our Prophet. Alhamdulillah we are in his ummah. Who is his ummah? Whoever believes in him, they are from his ummah. If not accepting, they are free. Allah (Azza wa Jalla) is Merciful. And He is inviting everyone to His religion.

The religion of Allah is completed by Islam. Islam is not a bad thing. Even the name, Islam meaning 'peace', it is coming from peace. Aslam taslam - If you are a Muslim, you will be in peace, you will be safe, and you will be happy. But people who are stubborn, they are trying everything except Islam, to try to find satisfaction by themselves. But they try so much, they try very hard things to be happy, but they are not, they cannot be happy. They still continue then their life finished and they destroyed themselves, but there is no benefit. But Allah is showing the good way and He is telling people, "Come". wa Allahu yad'u ila dari s-salam (10:25) Allah calls people to the house of peace - without fighting. They are fighting in themselves. Everybody is fighting between his soul and his shaytan, Allah is calling people to be in peace, come to Islam, to be in peace. You will be happy. Only happiness before akhira, in dunya also in Islam. But the real Islam what Prophet (sas) is showing people - to be in the middle not to be against Awliya or against Ahli I-Bayt. There

are many kinds of Muslims. Whoever says "La ilaha illa Allah Muhammadun Rasulullah" is Muslim. Even if he doesn't do anything - not praying, not fasting - he is still Muslim. But there is another type. They are praying better than me and you but they are like dry rock. They don't have spirituality, because they are not like Prophet (sas). Someone in our country can look at this as strange because they don't know, because we are in Ahli s-Sunnah wa I-Jama'a place, We cannot imagine some people who don't love Prophet(sas). No there is and we hear and we are knowing. They are even enemies for him and his family. These, no peace for them, they cannot find peace in themselves. The other kind are also hating the Companions of Prophet (sas). They also cannot find peace because they are teaching from childhood to have hatred.

Only the biggest part of Islam, is the middle, Ahla s-Sunnah wa I-Jama'a. Prophet (sas) said to be in the biggest part. Because all awliya, all beloved people of Allah (awj) are coming from these people. From other people you cannot find at all. Even if they say he is from us, no, he is actually from those following Prophet (salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam) Because Prophet is not happy if they say anything about his Companions. So we are inviting people in this month of Mawlid of Prophet (salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam) to be in his way. We must follow what he is showing us. And to follow sheikhs and not be alone. Because when you are alone, many people cheat you. Satan is cheating you and taking you to wrong place. What you think you are doing good, becoming bad for you, for the Ummah also. You thought you are doing good for Islam, no, you are doing bad. And you will be punished if you are doing wrong - what Prophet (sas) not ordering and not saying.

Especially to be careful for not oppressing anybody. Because in Qiyama, if not praying or not fasting, it is between you and Allah (Azza wa Jalla). Allah is the most Merciful, He can forgive you. But if you oppress someone, Allah (Azza wa Jalla) says, "You didn't do this against Me, you did it against this man. If he forgives you, it is okay." Because He is just. "It his right, he can forgive you, But this is not My right, it is this man's right. How can I forgive his right? Then I will be an oppressor also. So you must take forgiveness from him." I don't think someone oppressed in dunya he can forgive this man in akhira. He must be very careful for this. Those who say to be Muslim and do wrong thing for Muslims, or for anyone - it's not important if Muslim or non-Muslim, even for animals you cannot oppress. This is teaching of Islam and Prophet - mercy and peace. May Allah keep us in this way.

wa min Allah it-tawfiq. Fatiha.

## 92. Be Strong with Allah

### Tuesday, December 30, 2014.

As-Salamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Dagestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur.

Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

A human being is weak. Allah created a person weak. It's written in Qur'an as well: "Wa khuliqa l-insanu dha'ifan"(4:28) Who knows and accepts his weakness is a clever man. Sheikh Effendi always used to say "Allahumma qawwi dha'fi bi ridhak - Make my weakness stronger with Your pleasure. Give us strength". Many people claim "I am so strong. I am this strong". They boast and brag. They look at themselves, feel proud, and say "I am strong". You can be strong, if Allah gives you strength. If there is Allah's pleasure, you can be strong. If not, even with a tiniest thing, with Allah's soldier -Allah's soldier is not a soldier with guns and bombs. An insect is Allah's soldier. A microbe is Allah's soldier. A weak servant is also Allah's soldier. If Allah wishes, they can put you down. His weakest servants will defeat you. Don't boast claiming you are strong. Be humble. Ask for the pleasure of Allah. You can be strong with the pleasure of Allah. You can be strong if Allah wants it. Otherwise, it is impossible. You can be strong as much as you want, you can be powerful but after you die, they put you under the earth. You can't even raise your hand then. You can't move your parts. Small worms eat and finish you.

Where is the man claiming he's strong then? This is what happens to everyone to teach you a lesson - to everyone except to Awliya. Because Awliya'Allah are the beloved people of Allah. They are smart. Who's not smart relies on his body and is always boasting. Do everything for the pleasure of Allah. Take strength from Allah. One day Musa, alaihi salam, had a toothache. It was very bad. Musa, alaihi salam, was the Kalimullah of Allah, so he could speak with Him. He asked Allah Azza wa Jalla "I have a very bad toothache. What shall I do?" Allah Azza wa Jalla told him to eat some grass. As soon as he ate, his toothache was gone. After some time had passed, his toothache started again. He said "I found the remedy anyhow" and went to eat the grass again. The pain didn't stop and increased even more. He asked Allah Azza wa Jalla again - "Ya Rabbi, You showed this to me and said it is the remedy. I ate it the first time it helped. Now it got even worse". Allah Azza wa Jalla told him "Last time you remembered and asked from Me. This time you asked from the grass, not from

Me. When you ask from grass, grass has nothing. You had to remember Me while eating it."

You should remember Allah in everything. Don't say "I am strong" and rely on your strength. A smart person will rely on Allah, then use his strength. And he will use his strength on the way of Allah. Otherwise, if strength is used to harm people, you will be harmed yourself and be embarrassed in the end. This is the way shown by the Awliya. Don't rely on strength too much. Don't think that the favours given by Allah to you are from you. Everything is from Allah. Ask everything from Allah. And if you are strong, make shukr/thanks to Allah for it. Then a man won't harm others. He will use his strength on the way of Allah. He will use it for akhira. He will be proud in akhira for the things he's done. Because in dunya everything is written; everything is recorded by the angels.

If you've done something bad, repent. Allah will write reward for you in its place, when you repent. Then try not to repeat the mistakes you've made. Allah (Azza wa Jalla) is giving us everything. But He says in the Qur'an that Allah created human beings weak. (4:28) So to be strong is not important. The important thing is to know that you are weak. As much as you are strong, animals are more strong than human beings. It is not important to be strong. But to be strong, Mawlana all time he was making dua -"Allahumma qawwi dha'fi bi ridhak"- Allah give me strength with Your satisfaction. If You are happy with me, I am strong. But if You are not happy with me, as much as you can be strong it is not important at all because I don't think anybody is strong like a gorilla, or like a lion or like even - I think donkeys even stronger than human beings. He is carrying half a ton. Some people try to carry weights (weight lifting). And they, their whole life training and eating too much and making to be strong and only 5min.not even, for 1 minute, taking up and throwing down. Donkey is only eating grass and eating straw and he is stronger. It's not important to be strong. To be strong with Allah's Will, what Allah happy with you, you can do your best for this. But to be strong and to be proud, that is not important.

The wise people, Awliya'Allah, the beloved people for Allah, they know that they must make their strength for helping people, to obey Allah (Azza wa Jalla), and do what He wants to do. And everything, they are looking for this. Many strong people, very small things they can kill them. They can die from very small things. This is the army of Allah - even insects or bacteria or something, or even weak people can kill him, if Allah wills. His strength has no benefit for him. So to be clever, to be wise, is to follow what Allah orders, and to want only Allah's satisfaction.

There is a story about Musa (as). You know that He was speaking with Allah (Azza wa Jalla). And once he had a very bad tooth pain. He asked Allah what I can do for this. So Allah (AwJ) said - take this plant and put in your mouth and it will go. And it really it was like this. Some time later, also came this pain for his teeth again. And he said, "I

know this now. No need to ask Allah. He taught me this. I can put (the plant) and I will finish from this pain." But when he put (the plant), it made it more painful. And he asked Allah - "What is the wisdom of this? You showed me this, and I put first time and it was very good. Now why is it like this?" Allah said - "Now you are not wanting this from Me, you are wanting it from this plant. So the plant has no benefit for you." Benefit is to be with Allah all the time, to remember Allah. When you are strong, you must not forget Allah. You must always remember Allah because being strong without remembering Allah and what He is

ordering, it has no benefit at all. Even in the graveyard, when someone dies, as much as he is strong, he cannot even move his hand. If they put everything on him he cannot do anything. A small worm finish him in the grave. This is what Masha'ikh and Awliya all time they try to teach people, the strong or not strong, to not forget Allah, not forget His orders. This is our aim in life - to do their best.

Even Mawlana once was seeing one very famous magazine. It is very old, since 100 years and still publishing to this day. He said that he didn't like it because they all time they try to say for not accepting a Creator; everything coming by itself they say. So Mawlana when he is saying this so don't take this, he is not happy with this magazine. We must always remember that we are coming from Allah and He created us and He is the Creator and He knows the best about what we will do. He tells us what to do in our life. They didn't just throw us here and you learn by yourself. No. He sent heavenly books and teachings and we must follow these instructions.

Wa min Allah it-tawfiq. Fatiha.

### 93. New Year Wednesday, December 31, 2014.

Audhu billahi min ash-shaytani r-rajim.

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim.

As-salatu wa s-salamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidi l-awwalina wa l-akhirin. Madad ya RasulAllah, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Masha'ikhina, madad ya Sadati Ashabi RasulAllah, madad ya Sheikh Abdullah Faiz Daghestani, madad ya Sheikh Muhammad Nazim al-Haqqani, dastur. Tariqatuna s-sohbah, wa l-khayru fi jam'iyyah.

People are willing to have fun tonight. Why, what for should they have fun? They want to have fun because the year ended. If you think logically, there is nothing to have fun about, to celebrate. There is no reason to do anything. If you think logically, it has nothing to be happy about. You become 1 year older. You are 1 year closer to death. So there is nothing that will happen to you, which will be of benefit. You can think about the bad things you've done this year so that next year you make them better. You can think of coming closer to Allah, acting according to the words and actions of our Prophet. But if you think that you didn't have enough fun this year and plan to get crazy next year, you will gain nothing.

Allah has given a soul and spirituality to a man. A man has the attribute of an animal as well. He can be like an animal. Who is like animal can be below animal. He can't even be as good as an animal. If man acts like an animal, he becomes worse. An animal is better than him. It has certain level. But if a man acts like an animal, he becomes even lower. And if he cares for spirituality, like angels, he becomes like an angel or even better than angels. Because angels by nature cannot commit sin. Allah didn't give angels the ability to commit sins. But He gave it to people. If a man keeps a hold of his ego and doesn't commit sin, he becomes better than angels because he will have kept himself away from sin and have done his worship. He will have done a big job then. These are the good things to be done; to walk on the way of Allah, the way of the Prophet(saw).

Allah Azza wa Jalla made us from the nation of our Prophet(saw). All prophets wanted to be from the nation of the end of times. They used to pray to be from the nation of Prophet Hz. Muhammad (sas). We have it, shukr to Allah. Allah has given everything. We are given many things, which were not given to other nations. Even ablution, the thing we don't value at all, was a gift to our nation. The old nations didn't have ablution. Who made ablution in old times? Only prophets. People didn't make it. Only prophets made ablution. Their nations didn't know ablution or cleanliness. The matter of cleanliness is in Islam. The prayer given to the nation of Muhammad is more blessed. Their (the earlier nations) prayer didn't have takbir. Also they couldn't pray everywhere. They used to have certain places, masjids, or temples, or whatever they called it, special places of worship to Allah. The Nation of Muhammad can pray everywhere in the world as long as it's clean. Earth has become clean. When you can't find water, you can make tayammum. (ablution with clean earth) Adhan was given, Takbir was given. These kindnesses and gifts of Allah were not given to other nations. That's why, no need to look up to other nations and imitate them. Let them look up to us. Let them imitate us. They used to have baptism. They washed when someone was born. They don't wash after death, only once. In our Islam, they wash even the corpse. So the things given to this nation - This religion of Islam is the religion, which has reached the highest ranks of humanity. That's why there is no need to imitate others. No need to look up to them. You look at them - after midnight they go crazy, but still nothing. They go back to their houses with sin and darkness. It becomes a worse trouble for them. If they don't repent a lot, they will go to akhira with that sin. What we are going to be happy about is coming in 2 days In-sha'Allah. There is Mawlid Sharif of our Prophet.

Muslims should be happy then. There shouldn't be any attention to this night (New Years). The main night to be happy is in 2 days. The night when our Prophet was born is the night when blessings and light came to this world. Light came down to all worlds. That's why, you can see light on the faces of Muslims. Who is not Muslim can be beautiful and clean as much as he wants, there is no light. You can't find it. Who realizes, knows it, and many people know it. However, ignorant people who are similar to them have no light too. Light is the light of Allah. There is no person who makes wrong and has light. May Allah protect us. May we not fall for our ego In-sha'Allah . The smartest people, Prophets, beloved servants of Allah, are giving advice. Listen to their advice. Don't undertake a burden. They are taking physical burdens on themselves and fall under spiritual burdens. They should beware. It is even better to go to bed earlier tonight. There is no need to stay up. Other Muslims are doing some things, let them do.

But is it necessary to do that? Sheikh Effendi didn't say much on that matter. They celebrate the conquest of Mecca. The opening of Mecca is celebrated on a day according to the lunar calendar. Our Islamic celebrations are made according to a lunar month, not according to this (solar) calendar. That's why, may Allah accept it and give everyone according to their intentions. What can we say? We are... Tonight it will be the New Year. The New Year of course, it is like station (event) in our life. It is station, but it is not important to make you happy. If you think carefully, it is nothing to be very happy in this night, to do like feast, like big celebration. Why you're doing this? Why, for what reason? You are happy you become older 1 year more? You become more old. Anything, it will be better for you? No, it is same. But people, they're cheated by shaitan, by his followers. It is all around the world, not only non-Muslim people.

Even Muslim people, they celebrate more than non-Muslims this night. Non-Muslims, they celebrate most I think in Christmas or something like this. But for this night, it is important for Muslims more than others and they are preparing food, drinks. They prepare to make party and they are happy. They try to be happy. Even when they are preparing and doing this, they are more happy when they are celebrating the moment of New Year. They are making by working hard to do something and after one day finished. They say "What is this? It's not worth it. We're not more happy. We are not changing anything". It is real cheat by shaitan and his followers.

But we are Muslims. Allah give us the most precious thing. His gift, it is endless gift. Especially for the last ummah, last ummatu Muhammad, nation of Prophet (saw), last nation. Who accept Prophet (saw) is from his nation. And it is the best nation through all centuries - Allah Azza wa Jalla saying this. And all prophets, they were wishing to be in his ummah. Alhamdulillah, we are in his ummah. So that's why we must be happy. And this ummah, Allah give them many things, endless things. Other ummah they don't have - like wudu, ablution. Ablution, everybody Muslim, they are - it is normal for them. It is not so important. But it is really very important thing. Ablution, it is the most important thing in Islam even. You cannot do anything without ablution. If you haven't washed yourself after... you can't pray, you cannot say anything, you cannot touch Qur'an, you can't say anything. Even Mawlana, he was teaching people to be all time in ablution. In the nations before Islam, no ablution for them. Only for Prophets. Prophets, they had ablution. All prophets, from Sayyidina Adam until Sayyidina Isa (as). But for Nation, no need for them. And ablution making your light everywhere. You'll be happy when you do ablution. Second thing - to be all world, you can pray anywhere. Like Musa, alaihi salam, or Isa, alaihi salam, only certain places you can to go inside and pray there. If you can't go, you cannot pray. Allah Azza wa Jalla tell Sayyidina Musa and Harun - "Make your house to people to come and pray inside" (10:87). But in Islam, no. You can pray everywhere, in mountains, in desert, in sea, in boat, in plane; everywhere you can pray. But it must be clean, of course, where you are praying. It's also for this ummah. And Takbir of salah "Allahu Akbar". Before they were praying also in old times but no takbir, no adhan, no igama. Many things like this, other nations they don't have. All Allah give this for this ummah. And this ummah they are not knowing this favour, and they are trying to do things like other nations they are doing. No need to do this. They must do, other nations, they must know these good things that Allah gave for human beings to be happy, to follow these - not for ourselves to follow them. And we have now after 2 days, Friday night, Mawlid of Prophet (saw), birth of Prophet. It is real feast, real holy night. Because by His baraka, His mercy, Allah give all light for Ummah, for all Universe. His nur, His light. His light, only you can find in believers who are there following him, loving him. You see in their face this light. But others, you cannot see anywhere. Who are not believer, for him, you cannot see this light. Even in Muslim, only who they are loving Prophet (saw), you see this light. Others who are claiming "We are Muslims" but not loving him or not following him, you cannot see this light in their face. And light give light in your heart also. You'll be in light inside, you are happy inside. But others, they have darkness in their face, darkness inside. When they are doing wrong things, this darkness coming more and more - like who they will be doing this night. From sins and doing bad things not coming light for them, internal light inside. But they go, it'll be more dark and dark and more stressful and more they will feel worse. And this is reality. Nobody can say against this.

Allah, don't let us to follow our ego. Ego and shaitan cheating us. They are showing good, good things wrong, bad; making camouflage. But they showing, cheating by putting nice things in front of bad things, and you get cheated. You go and take, you feel, you eat it, it was not real what they showing. This is what Prophet (saw) and Awliyaullah teaching people, advising people - ad-din an-nasiha - Don't follow this, follow right way. All what they're trying to do to take all human being to Mercy Ocean of Allah, not to take them to hell. No, they all try. But people, they like to go into hell more than Mercy Ocean. What we will

do? Allah make them to see the reality In-sha'Allah .

Wa min Allahi t-tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

### MALFOOZAAT OF MAULANA SHAYKH MUHAMMAD AADIL AL HAQQANI QADDAS ALLAHU SIRRAHU



Moulana: My Khalifa (Successor).

Murids: Alhamdulillah...Masha' Allah shukr lillah...

Maulana: He (Shaykh Mehmet) has been granted through our Grand Shaykhs and the Rasul (saws). He (S.Mehmet) is on our Golden Chain. He (S. Mehmet) May give any order to everyone through East and West. I am weak. I can't carry more, but he (Shaykh Mehmet) is ok. And I hope to reach to Mahdi (as). He (shaykh Mehmet) is from his (Mahdi's) wuzara / representatives. May Allah (swt) Forgive me. O people keep your ways, keep orders, holy orders from Heavens and keep your honour. And be proud that you are from the seal of prophets' (saws) Ummah/Nation, keep right way, don't go like this, like that. Straight! May Allah (swt) Forgive him and forgive me, forgive all of you.

#### Al-Fatiha.

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