

Sohbats by Hadrat Shaykh Muhammad Mehmet Adil al-Hakkani

THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF IMAN

As-Salāmu 'Alaykum wa RaḥmatuLlāhi wa Barakātuh. Aʿūdhu BiLlāhi Minash-shayṭāni r-rajīm. BismiLlāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm. Wa ṣ-Salātu wa s-Salāmu 'alá Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Awwalīna wa l-Akhirīn. Madad yā RasūlAllāh, Madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi RasūliLlāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā, Dastūr Mawlana Shaykh Abdullāh al-Fā'iz ad-Dāghistāni, Shaykh Muḥammad Nāẓim al-Ḥaqqānī. Madad. Ṭarīqatunā aṣ-Suḥbah wa l-Khayru fi l-Jamʿiyyah.

Bismi Llāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm:

قُل لَّن يُصِيبَنَا إِلَّا مَا كَتَبَ اللَّهُ لَنَا

(Qur'ān 09:51). 'Qul lan yuṣībanā illa mā kataba Llāhu lana', 'Say: 'Nothing shall ever happen to us except what Allah has ordained for us.' Allah 'Azza wa-Jalla is saying that to our Holy Prophet in Qur'an 'Azimu sh-Shan. Whatever is going to happen to us is written in the presence of Allah [®]. Nothing else will happen to us. Therefore, if Allah [®] has destined something, that will happen.

The highest level of Iman is submission. Everything comes from Allah 'Azza wa-Jalla. Accepting that and submitting yourself to His ⁴⁸ will is the highest level of Iman. To believe in that is Iman. Therefore, many people are faithless. They don't have Iman. Because they think, "If only we did it another way, that would happen and we would be saved. We would be in profit. It would bring us great benefit" and keep struggling. Their struggle is also by the will of Allah 'Azza wa Jalla. But we must know that whatever Allah ⁴⁸ says happens, nothing else. A person who believes in that and knows that is a relaxed person. He doesn't say "if only" for everything. Our Holy Prophet ⁴⁸ says that if people said "if only", they will be perished. Who says "If only this or that happened" for things that are not good just speaks in vain, says our Holy Prophet ⁴⁸.

What believers must do for their hearts to be in peace is to say: "Everything comes from Allah 'Azza wa-Jalla". An accident happened, something bad or good happened; all of them are by the will of Allah 'Azza wa-Jalla. Nothing happens outside His [®] will. Allah 'Azza wa-Jalla has written that, so it will happen.

Therefore, believers don't get upset for this world. They may ask more for their Akhirah and work more for it. It is ok to say, "If only I didn't waste so much time". But it is unnecessary to say, "If only I did this job instead of that". But when they say otherwise, "If only I did more goodness. If only I worshipped more", Allah ⁴/₂ certainly gives reward and

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Thawab for that. He ¹/₂ doesn't leave it in vain. Allah 'Azza wa-Jalla gives according to the intentions of people. And if they repent for sins they committed, that is changed into Thawab.

It is said in Qur'an 'Azimu sh-Shan, "يَبَدِلُ اللهُ سَيَنِاتِهِمْ حَسَنَاتٍ", "Yubaddilu Llāhu sayyiātihim ḥasanāt", "For them Allah will replace their evil deeds with good." (Qur'an 25:70). This is the word and saying of Allah 'Azza wa-Jalla. If people regret and repent, there is benefit in it. But if they say, "If only I did more badness", there is no benefit in it then.

May Allah [®] give all of us this knowledge and belief. May He [®] give Iman to all of us. If He [®] gives us Iman, we will be at rest. We won't be worried about this world. People of old times used to cry and whine when they couldn't worship or do something good. But our people now don't have such a worry, they only have Dunya. May Allah [®] protect us.

Wa min Allah at-Tawfiq. Al-Fatiha.

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