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Indeed all praise is due to Allaah, we praise Him, we seek His aid and we seek His forgiveness. We seek refuge in Allaah from the evil of ourselves and the evil consequences of our actions. Whomsoever Allaah guides there is none to misguide and whomsoever Allaah misguides there is none to guide that person. I bear witness that there is no god worthy of worship except Allaah and I bear witness that Muhammad is His servant and messenger.

“O you who have believed fear Allaah as He should be and do not die except as Muslims”

{Aal-Imraan: 102}

“O people fear your Lord who created you from one soul and created from it its mate and dispersed from both of them many men and women. And fear Allaah, through whom you ask one another, and the wombs.

Indeed Allaah is ever, over you, an Observer.”

{an-Nisaa’: 1}

“O you who have believed fear Allaah and speak words of justice. He will amend for you your deeds and forgive you your sins. And whoever obeys Allaah

and His Messenger has certainly attained a great attainment.”

{al-Abzaab: 70-71}

To proceed: indeed the best speech is the speech of Allaah and the best guidance is that of Muhammad (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) and the worst of affairs are the newly invented matters in the religion, for every newly invented matter is an innovation and every innovation is misguidance and all misguidance is in the hellfire. To proceed:

The Islamic *Ummah* has been tested for over half a century with successive defeats and most of the *Ummah* is heedless as to the reasons for such defeats and afflictions. Allaah says,

“Say, “it is from yourselves (i.e. due to your sin).””

{Aali-Imraan: 165}

And Allaah says,

“And whatever strikes you of disaster – it is for what your hands have earned; but He pardons much.”

If our *Ummah*, at an individual level and at a societal level, the rulers and the ruled, reflected on the Book of Allaah and acted by its rulings and divine laws it would have achieved the causes for victory over their enemies. This is so they know that the *Sunnah* of Allaah in His creation does not change or become substituted by the passing of the times and by the repetition of the times.

The Prophet said (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallaam*): “If you follow *Eenah* and become satisfied with agriculture and follow the tails of cow (become preoccupied with worldly affairs) and leave fighting in the way of Allaah, then Allaah will cause you to be subjugated and suffer humiliation, which will not be lifted until you return to your Deen.”¹

This *Hadeeth* is authentic, it has come alive in the situation of our *Ummah*! It is knowledge from the world of Prophethood, from our Prophet Muhammad (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*). Wherein he diagnosed our disease and examined our condition and in this *Hadeeth* are a number of diseases mentioned that have emerged in the Islamic

¹ Hadeeth Hasan; see *Silsilatus-Saheehah*, vol.11 by our Shaykh, al- ‘Allaamah, al-Muhaddith Muhammad Naasirudeen al-Albaanee (*raheemahullaah*)

Ummah and were thus reasons for its disgrace and humiliation. Such as:

Dealing in ‘*Eenah* Transactions

Eenah is an interest-bearing transaction that contains deceiving Allaah’s divine legislation. The changing of the terminologies and names are considered to be deceiving Allaah’s divine legislation. They thus name interest as a “benefit” and alcohol as “spirits” (“drinks of the spirit”) and gambling is named as a “lottery”; fornication and adultery, and mixing between men and women and dancing is named “fine arts and culture” and other terms besides this.

The Messenger of Allaah (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) cursed the *Yahood* as they were the first to introduce the practice of deception and chicanery with the divine legislation. He said (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*): “*Allaah cursed the Jews, for indeed Allaah made the fat of animals unlawful for them, yet they melted it, sold it and benefited from the profits. Verily if Allaah makes something unlawful he has made its profits unlawful.*”²

² Saheeh ul-Jaamee (5107)

Allaah also narrated to us about their doing on the *Sabbath*, which was from deception in order to make lawful what Allaah had already made unlawful for them.

“And ask them about the town that was by the sea – when they transgressed in (the matter of) the Sabbath when their fish came to them openly on their Sabbath day, and the day they had no Sabbath they did not come to them. Thus did We give them trial because they were defiantly disobedient.”

{al-A’raaf: 163}

So as a result of this deception and transgression they were transformed into apes and pigs.

Likewise, on the tongue of His Messenger (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*), Allaah cursed those people from this *Ummah* that deceive the religion of Allaah with what is called a *Nikaah ut-Tableel*³ or what is generally known as a “donkey

³ This can be rendered in English as ‘a marriage of legality/legitimacy,’ as the marriage is one of convenience aimed at making it legitimate and permissible for the woman to re-marry her former husband. Many so called ‘experts’ of Islamic *Fiqh* permit these kinds of marriages even though the

marriage” and the one who does it is like a billy goat – The Prophet said (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) “*Allaah has cursed the one who performs tableel, and the one for whom tableel was made.*”⁴

This husband that makes the *tableel*⁵ is like a billy goat, bearing resemblance to a billy goat that is used by a Shepard in order to mate with the female goats in order to reproduce.

So whoever attempts to deceive or trick the divine legislation of Allaah, even with the minimum force, has attempted to make lawful that which Allaah has forbidden and has become afflicted with what the Jews were afflicted with. His claim to belong to this *Ummah* and that he is a Muslim will not intercede for him, because Allaah has not placed any agreement or means for such actions between Him and His creation.

Prophet (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) stated that Allaah curses those who indulge in it. [Translator’s Note]

⁴ Saheeh; see his verification in *al-Irwaa* (1897)

⁵ In the *Sharee’ah*, when a man has divorced his wife three times, she can only go back to him if she marries someone else, consumates the marriage and then divorces after that. The trick that some people do is by getting another man (the *Muhallil*) to marry the woman but stipulate in the contract that the marriage will end after he has relations with her, so that she can go back to her first husband. It is a type of *Mut’ah* due to the temporary nature of the marriage. [TN]

So if the *Ummah* commits major sins and tricks its *Deen* and divine legislation, it will be afflicted with disgrace and humiliation.

The *Hadeeth* also points out the greed of the people for the *Dunya* and their attachment to it, as he said (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*): “*and follow the tails of cow (become preoccupied with worldly affairs).*”

I do not know who clings onto the tails of cows, what is it that fills his hand except for the dung that smears the cow's tail!? In this is distancing of the *Ummah* so that it does not become attached to this transitory worldly life. This is not a call to withdraw from the worldly life rather it is a prohibition of becoming attached to it so that it becomes one's work above the hereafter. Allaah commanded working on the earth however there is a difference between the one who spends out from the worldly life that which is in his hand and pocket, how and when he wills, and the one who fills his innermost heart in the *Dunya*, as the seawaters can fill the belly of a ship. What is important to him has been left behind and he becomes obsessed with

the *Dunya*, whether by himself or in the company of others, and the *Dunya* will divert him from all of his good, sooner or later. What is exactly like that is his later saying (*sallallaahu alayhi wasallam*): “and become satisfied with agriculture...”

His saying (*sallallaahu alayhi wasallam*): “and leave fighting in the way of *Allaah*” is a conclusive evidence for the condition of the *Ummah* today, as the *Ummah*, individually and collectively, the people and the rulers, except for whoever *Allaah* shows mercy to, has lowered the distinguishing characteristics of *Jihaad* and lost this great practice in the *Deen*, along with what it specifically necessities. The *Ummah* has rushed behind the enemies of the *Ummah* asking them for help and peace under a slogan of an unjust oppressor that, “*the land is against peace*”!! As if the earth is theirs and as if sacred things are theirs, and their enemies refuse to give them peace. Rather, they take their lands despite them, to the extent that they relinquish everything to them, not leaving anything for them to even cover their private parts with. Yet in fact they seek more and they do not fulfil their promises or stick to their agreements, as is the habit of the *Yahood*

“Is it not (true) that every time they took a covenant a party of them threw it away? But, most of them do not believe.”

{Baqarah: 100}

However, what is important to most of them, may Allaah destroy them, is to keep their thrones and be satisfied with strengthening disbelief and worldwide oppression and the Muslims do not take heed even after that, except for whomever Allaah shows mercy to. With their handing over they have incurred the wrath of their Lord and the wrath of their people and the wrath of their *Ummah*, this is what Allaah has recorded for them in their history:

“So you see those in whose hearts is disease (i.e. hypocrisy) hastening into (association with) them, saying “We are afraid a misfortune may strike us.” But perhaps Allaah will bring conquest or a decision from Him, and they will become, over what they have been concealing within themselves, regretful.”

{al-Maa'idah: 52}

The Prophet Muhammad (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) made it clear that liberation from disgrace and humiliation, which is result of disobedience and opposition, is subject to the

Ummah retuning to its *Deen*. He said (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) “*then Allaah will cause you to be subjugated and suffer humiliation, which will not be lifted until you return to your Deen.*”

When the Prophet Muhammad (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) ordered a return to the *Deen*, he meant by this the *Deen* that he had left for the *Ummah* when he said the *Hadeeth*.

Within the *Hadeeth* is also a certain indication of the corruption of trust in the worldly life and the eternity of the earth, this is found within his saying (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*): “*and become satisfied with agriculture*” and this is an explanation of Allaah’s statement:

“O you who have believed, what is (the matter) with you that when you are told to go forth in the cause of Allaah, you adhere heavily to the earth? Are you satisfied with the life of this world rather than the Hereafter? But what is the enjoyment of the worldly life compared to the Hereafter except a little.”

{*at-Tawbah: 38*}

All of this leads to the love of the worldly life and hatred of death and refraining from *Jihaad* in the way of Allaah, so for that reason the Prophet said (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) “*and leave fighting in the way of Allaah.*”

Leaving *Jihaad* is a calamity from the greatest of calamities of this *Ummah* as *Jihaad* is a great honour of Islaam. There is not a people that are invaded within their own lands except they are humiliated and debased. Allaah made the honour of this *Ummah* with its struggling in the cause of Allaah and He made its sustenance under the shade of its swords and spears. Allaah commanded us to hasten to pleasant and unpleasant situations and that *Jihaad* is the what the soul is constantly informing you of and of the soul's best wishes, as he (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) said: *"Whoever dies and did not take part in a Ghazwah and did not motivate himself to take part in a Ghazwah dies on a branch of hypocrisy."*⁶ Thus, leaving *Jihaad* whilst having the ability to do perform it is a branch from the branches of hypocrisy, and Allaah's refuge is sought.

However, it is incumbent to distinguish between the *Jihaad* that is divinely legislated and has conditions and rules and the fanatical exuberant agitation that includes sabotage, destruction and bombings in the lands of the two holy sanctuaries and the Muslim countries. These are actions

⁶ Muslim; no.. 4908; narrated from Aboo Hurayrah (*radi Allaahu anhu*)

from the thought of the *Khawaarij* and the *Takfeeree* groups, those who our scholars have elucidated about past and present. As for *Takfeer*, the Prophet (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) has explained the obligatory methodology in his following and his manners and returning to him, after mentioning splitting and differing, in his saying: “*what I and my companions are upon.*”⁷

This is what Allaah intended by His saying:

“This day I have perfected for you your religion and completed my favour upon you and have approved for you Islaam as a religion.”

{*al-Maa'idah: 3*}

This is the true religion and true methodology that is obligatory for the *Ummah* to return to and traverse upon. The *Deen* is not what has entered it from innovations, philosophies and erroneous doctrines. Such as the *Deen* of the *Khawaarij* and the *Takfeeree* groups and the *Shee'ah* and the *Deen* of the *Soofees* and the *Deen* of the *Mu'tazilah* and the *Deen* of the “intellectuals” past and present, or others, may Allaah not make them many. The *Ummah* will not lift

⁷ *Silsilatus-Saheehah* (1492)

from itself the disgrace and humiliation that it is going through unless it returns to its *Deen* that Allaah is pleased with, clearly and purely without innovation, misguidance, superstitions and novelties, following the Qur'aan and *Sunnah* with the understanding of the righteous predecessors of this *Ummah*. Therefore, the *Ummah* will be purified by following its Messenger (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*), its creed and its divine legislation. This is in order to be refined from all that has afflicted it, and all that has erroneously entered into it with the passing of the ages and misfortunes. May Allaah have mercy upon Imaam Maalik who said “*the last part of this Ummah will only be rectified by that which rectified the first part of this Ummah.*” For the goodness of first part this *Ummah* was in following and purification and the corruption of the last part of the *Ummah* is due to innovation which afflicts its souls:

“He has succeeded who purifies it and he has failed who has instilled it (with corruption).”

{ash-Shams: 9-10}

It is possible that rectification is the most important element of victory for this *Ummah* over its enemies and establishment in the earth. As is found in Allaah's book with the following:

FIRST: *TAWHEED, EEMAAN* AND RIGHTEOUS ACTIONS

Allaah says,

“Allaah has promised those who have believed among you and done righteous deeds that He will surely grant them succession (to authority) upon the earth just as he granted it to those before them and that He will surely establish for them (therein) their religion which He has preferred for them and that he will surely substitute for them, after their fear, security (for) they worship Me, not associating anything with Me.”

{*an-Noor: 55*}

SECOND: WHOEVER SUPPORTS ALLAAH'S *DEEN*, ALLAAH WILL SUPPORT

Victory of Allaah's *Deen* is only possible with establishing His divine legislation and in following the guidance of His Prophet (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*), in order to realise servitude to Allaah and revival of the *Sunnah* and destroying innovation and suppressing it, loving and associating with the people of *Sunnah* and the *Jama'aah* that follow it and opposing the people of desires by commanding the good and forbidding the evil and struggling against the enemies of Allaah wherever they may be.

Victory of Allah's *Deen* is with obeying Allaah and His Messenger and we carry out the commands of Allaah and His Messenger and we stay away from whatever Allaah and His Messenger forbade us from. Allaah says,

“And Allaah will surely support those who support Him (i.e. His cause). Indeed, Allaah is Powerful and Exalted in Might.”

{*al-Hajj*: 40}

Whoever is such like, none will overcome, Allaah says,

“If Allaah should aid you, no one can overcome you; but if He should forsake you, who is there that can aid

*you after Him? And upon Allaah let the believers
rely.”*

{Aali-Imraan: 160}

THIRD: PATIENCE AND TAQWAA ARE REASONS FOR VICTORY AND SUPPORT FROM ALLAAH

Allaah has promised victory, establishment, support, success and exposing the plots of the enemies to those who have patience and *Taqwaa*. Allaah says:

*“Yes, if you remain patient and conscious of Allaah
and they (i.e. the enemy) attack you in rage, your Lord
will reinforce you with five thousand angels having
marks (of distinction). And Allaah made it not except
as (a sign of) good tidings for you...”*

{Aali-Imraan: 125-126}

And Allaah said,

“And if you are patient and fear Allaah, their plot will not harm you at all. Indeed, Allaah is encompassing of what they do.”

{Aali-Imraan: 120}

The Prophet (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) said: ‘Know that joy is with grief, and know that victory is with patience, and that with difficulty is ease.’⁸

FOURTH: EVERY OPPRESSED PERSON IS PROMISED WITH THE SUPPORT OF ALLAAH, SO WHAT ABOUT THE PIOUS BELIEVER?!

That is because oppression is darknesses and Allaah has prohibited oppression to Him and made it prohibited between Him and His creation. He also commanded helping the oppressed and Allaah accepts the *Dua’a* of the oppressed, there is no veil between it and Allaah. Allaah says,

“Permission (to fight) has been given to those who are being fought, because they were wronged. And indeed, Allaah is competent to give them victory.”

⁸ Ahmad (307/1); al-Haakim in *al-Mustadrak* (624/3); Tabaraane in *al-Kabeer* (123/11); Also see the verification of *al-Mishkaat* by our Shaykh Albaanee (*raheemahullaah*), no.5302.

{*al-Hajj*: 30}

Allaah says,

“That is so. And whoever Allaah responds (to injustice) with the equivalent of that with which he was harmed and then is tyrannized – Allaah will surely aid him.”

{*al-Hajj*: 60}

Also it has been reported that, *‘Indeed Allaah will restore all rights and justice on the Day of Judgment, so much so that the hornless sheep will settle its score with the horned sheep.’*⁹¹⁰

FIFTH: FOLLOWERS OF THE TRUE RELIGION ARE PROMISED WITH THE SUPPORT OF ALLAAH:

⁹ Muslim (2582) from Aboo Hurayrah (*radi Allaahu anhu*).

¹⁰ Imaam an-Nawawee (*raheemahullaah*) said that this *hadeeth* clearly indicates that even the animals will be gathered on the day of Resurrection and that they will be brought back to life just like human beings who are accountable, and like children, the insane and those to whom the call to Islaam has not reached. The Qur’aan also says, ***“And when the wild beasts will be gathered”*** {*at-Takweer*: 5} [TN]

Allaah says,

“It is He who has sent His Messenger with guidance and the religion of truth to manifest it over all religion, although they who associate others with Allaah dislike it.”

{at-Tawbah: 33}

The Prophet (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) said *“This affair will reach what is reached by the night and the day; and Allaah will not leave a dwelling of brick, nor fur,¹¹ except that Allaah will cause this Deen to enter it bringing honour or humiliation. Honour which Allaah gives to Islaam and humiliation which Allaah gives to disbelief.”¹²*

This is all promised in the book of Allaah and on the tongue of the Messenger of Allaah (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallaam*), the promise of Allaah does not fail as Allaah does not fail in His promise. Our Shaykh, Shaykh Albaanee (*raheemahullaah*) said in his *Saheehah* (vol.7, p.1) that what is

¹¹ The Bedouins used to utilise the fur of camels and goats in order to furnish the material for their tents, this is why Bedouins are also known as *Ahl ul-Wabar* (The People of Camel and Goat Fur). [TN]

¹² Ibn Hibbaan in *as-Saheehah* (no. 1631 and 1632). See: *Silsilatus-Saheehah* (7/1, no.3) of our Shaykh Albaanee (*raheemahullaah*).

not to be doubted is that the realisation of this spread necessitates that the Muslims return to being strong in their morale and their material condition and their weapons, so that they are able to overcome the strength of disbelief and transgression.

SIXTH: DISPUTE IS A REASON FOR FAILURE AND DEFEAT

What has humiliated and weakened the Islamic *Ummah* except for its disputes, conflicts, division and distance from its true religion. If only the Islamic *Ummah* was gathered on the word of *Tawheed* and were united on it and held fast to the rope of Allaah and struggled against its enemies in order to make the word of Allaah the most high and established the oneness of Allaah and the extermination of *Shirk*; Allaah would help and support the *Ummah*. Allaah says,

*“...and do not dispute and thus lose courage and then
your strength would depart; and be patient. Indeed,
Allaah is with the patient.”*

{al-Anfaal: 46}

SEVENTH: PREPARATION FOR THE BATTLEFIELD IDEALLY AND MATERIALLY

That is because taking the available reasons and means is a Prophetic way that the Prophets followed with intense truthfulness and trust in Allaah. The Prophet (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) emerged during one of his battles with two plates of armour and wore a war helmet and some of the companions wore complete armour and this did not negate their trust in Allaah. Allaah says,

*“And prepare against them whatever you are able of
power and of steeds of war.”*

{al-Anfaal: 60}

The Prophet (*sallallaahu alayhi wassallam*) explained this verse by saying “*Surely indeed strength is with marksmanship, strength is with marksmanship.*”¹³

We ask Allaah to give us success in order to achieve the means of obtaining victory over the *Yahood* and their alliance and over the rest of the enemies of Islaam. That is the day the believers will rejoice in the victory of Allaah¹⁴ and on that Allaah is Exalted in Might.

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¹³ Muslim (vol.3/1522, no.1917); *hadeeth* narrated on the authority of ‘Uqbah ibn ‘Aamir (*radi Allaahu ‘anhu*).

¹⁴ Soorah ar-Room (30): 4-5