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Ya ayuhal mu'minin! Eid Mubarak. Mashallah. This is one of the greatest days of the year for Muslims and believers — Eid al-Adha.

And we say congratulations, and we thank Allah, subhana wa ta'ala, our Creator, for allowing us to experience this day. And for creating us and bringing us into this world, in this time — in the time of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. And we say, through our Sheikh and through our Awliyas — who look after us and who watch over us, in the time after the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ — we say to the people: „Come to Islam. Do not deny Islam. And do not forget Islam. O Muslims!“

Those who are Muslims, born as Muslims, forget Islam, forget the Sunnah of the Prophet ﷺ, and are copying the actions of the heedless, losing themselves in the world, and imitating the Western world. Instead of worshipping their Islam, the Prophet ﷺ, and the sunna of the Prophet, the Muslims prefer to glorify and imitate the West and achieve material goals there. This is the terrible and pitiful state of the Ummati Muhammadi — in large parts of the world.

Everyone wants to go to the West. I remember well, in 1979, when we emigrated to Damascus, that every day Syrians would ask me: „How do I get a visa for Germany? I want to go to Germany. Help me get to Germany.“ And I told them: „What do you want in Germany? I just came from Germany. I am coming to you. I am coming to you to receive the blessings of your holy land.“ Why do you want to go to the land of the disbeliever? Why do you want to go to the West?“

But there is no awareness. There is only the nafs al-ammara bis-su, the ego, which is inferior to the four enemies — namely, Shaytan, the whisperer, and desires, endless desires, and dunya and their nafs.

May Allah protect us, inshallah. Allah has given us the best path and has given us everything of the best, in this life and the hereafter. Therefore (you must) tell your people. Do not remain silent. Tell your children, „Islam is the only

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salvation." Nothing else can save anyone. No one is saved. Only Islam can save the world — with one law. With one law of 1300 laws, the world could be saved.

And many great minds, including those from the Western world, have confirmed this. Like Goethe, for example. Goethe said: „If Islam means submission to God (and Islam means submission to God), then we all live and die in Islam.”

An awakened mind, an awakened heart, knows this. That's why... spread the word. Don't complain: „My child is in jail, my child is doing drugs, my child is this, my child is that ...” Yeah, right. Shaytan is just waiting to take your children away. And it's the worst time. That's why it's the most important time to hold fast to Islam, very firmly, with all its ins and outs. And there isn't too much 'ins and outs' anyway. There are the prayers as a foundation — simply fulfilling your obligations. And doing as much good as possible for all people. Be good to everyone. Do your best with every person, with every animal, with everything that touches you. Do your best. That is Islam. Not, „How do I follow my ego, how do I follow Shaytan, how do I follow my desires? “

May Allah protect us, inshallah, and make us grateful. This is the path of the Sunna of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. It has been sent to us. And people need to wake up. And also the professors and doctors who think they know everything better. They should know that the highest being there is is the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. That Allah created him first, from His light, and that he appeared last as a prophet in this world to correct and set right everything that has gone wrong due to people's egos.

They should know this. If they don't accept it, it will happen, what's currently happening anyway. A time will come when the disbelievers, and bad people, will be taken from this world. And only the Mahdi, alayhi salam – the foretold savior of humanity from the family of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, Muhammad al-Mahdi – will gather the believers around him when he comes, through the miraculous power of Allah ﷻ. And it is obligatory – and one must know this as a Muslim – to hope for him and to pray that he is coming soon. This is the duty of a Muslim. There are big parts of the Ummati Muhammadi who deny this. They do not believe in it. They deny it because they do not believe in tariqat. They do not believe in tariqat. And tariqat is the soul and the heart of Islam.

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Tariqat means having a sheikh, having a spiritual guide, following a *sadiq*. Do you think you can enter paradise without a *sadiq*? Can you attain the pleasure of Allah ﷻ without a *sadiq*?

You cannot! The companions of the Prophet ﷺ could not do that (either). They could not do it without the Prophet. And after the Prophet, there are the *warith Rasulullah*, the Prophet's heirs, who inherited his secrets and kept them and put them into practice, right up to the present day. And you have to find someone like that. Everyone has to find someone like that, so they have someone who shows them that they are proud, that they have pride — with an ounce of pride, and less than an ounce, you won't get into Paradise — who shows you that you have envy, that you envy others, who shows you that you follow your ego, who shows you that you have 80,000 bad qualities.

You need someone like that. So that you become humble, so that you know your place. May Allah grant us that, *inshallah* — and He will grant it to us — and may all people participate in it, *inshallah*.

And whoever complains and whoever laments — tell them what the right path is. You are brothers and sisters, you are on the right path. Say it. Why don't you say it? What's holding you back? What's stuck inside you? Say it, repeat it ... at least because you've heard it from someone sincere. You've heard it from Sheikh Nazim, and from Sheikh Muhammad, for 35 years.

Tell them. And stop whining yourselves. It's now scientifically proven — everything has to be scientifically proven first, they'll figure anything out, *mashallah* — now they've figured out that whining is harmful. With studies, of course, study so-and-so. Whining is harmful. Complaining is harmful — for the psyche, proven, and ultimately for the brain. It's harmful for the brain to complain. So, better stop. You don't take sick pills, or bacteria, or viruses, voluntarily, do you? Do you? No. You say, „That'll make me sick.“ Whining makes you sick. Complaining makes you sick. Refrain from doing that. Simply refrain from it: „Ah, a complaint is coming? Hm-mm.“ (Sheikh Hassan places his outstretched index finger to his lips).

Silence. Stop. Stillness.

I wait until it passes and say: „*Alhamdulillah*. *Alhamdulillah* for what I have. *Alhamdulillah* for having a body, for having Islam, for having food, for having a roof over my head, for being alive, for being able to breathe ... to say in that breath, „*Alhamdulillah*, *wa shukrulillah*, *wa la ilaha illallah*, *huwa Allahu Akbar* ... *Mashallah* ... *Shukrulillah*.“

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For this life, and with regard to the Hereafter, inshallah. May Allah protect us, inshallah. And (may we) praise Allah, and thank Allah, and not complain — no matter what happens.

And it works. It works even among brothers and sisters. We have seen brothers and sisters who are terminally ill and dying, and they are smiling. Why are they smiling? You have a headache and you complain, and they are smiling and they are dying. How is that possible? Because they know that death is only a transition — a transition from this life to the next life — a coming home. This is not our homeland.

The first sentence, the first sohba, that I ever heard from Mawlana Sheikh Nazim, may Allah be pleased with him, was: „This is not our homeland.“ Don't try to make yourself comfortable in your home; your homeland is yet to come, and there it is very comfortable, they say. Very comfortable. Without end. Endless joy, endless beauty, endless knowledge, endless nourishment, endless new creation. Never boring. Always new, always new, without end. Forever. Love for eternity. Happiness for eternity. That is what awaits us there. That is our home. From there we were created. From there Allah created us, and there He will return us.

Therefore, it is a joy. It is a joy. And our illnesses and our difficulties are tests. They are tests to maintain our faith in Allah and in the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, who faced the worst trials. Our tests are nothing compared to the trials the prophets faced, the trials the saints face, the trials true believers face. There, our trials, at our level, are easy — and easily transformed into patience, and ultimately into gratitude.

May Allah protect us, inshallah, bless you and grant you many more Eid Mubarak, and finally unite us with the people who have gone before us to their homeland, to the akhira.