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Knowledge of Allāh's Greatness in an Unlimited Ocean

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[*Shaykh Hisham is reading from chat*: Sometimes they miss the *amrād* because of too much *dunyā*, what should they do?]

I am not concerned with such things now, leave them. I am not sitting here to answer such questions. If she has a *shaykh*

or *na'ib ash-shaykh*, she may ask him. I am not going to occupy myself by answering such things. I am sitting here for the benefit of the whole world, not just for a few mureeds, no no. I don't like to be asked such questions.

There is Shaykhunā [indicates Shaykh Hisham] and he may answer such questions.

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And we are saying, first of all, *as-salāmu ‘alaykum*, to our brothers and sisters in Islam and the whole human family. We are all brothers and sisters. We are here to speak to all nations from East to West from North to South.

Please don't ask any questions concerning yourself, but you may ask something which will benefit every nation. I don't like questions such as "What should I do for my *dbikr*? What is the way to progress for my *ṭarīqab*?" This is not important. This is something with which shaytan occupies such meetings, so that we will not pay attention to everybody. I am sorry and I am angry. Please, no one should ask any questions concerning themselves or their family, no. And we are saying *as-salāmu ‘alaykum* to all nations, whose people are members of the big tree of human nature. May Allah forgive us. [*ameen*]

I am asking that my shaykh or my guide or my teacher supports me and that he does that spiritually. And I am asking humbly from my guide, and I believe that all prophets are guides, and that all people are really following prophets, as they are guides for mankind. And everyone must ask for a guide.

And I am listening to what my guide throws into my heart, spiritual heart. And when I say heart I don't mean that piece of flesh, no. Every creature has a physical flesh heart. We are believers in holy books, Shaykh Hisham Efendi. We believe we have been created by the Lord of Heaven. And physical being is mentioned in all holy books as Allah Almighty Himself says "by His Hands," but this is just for our understanding because we can't imagine doing anything without hands.

Therefore the Lord of Heaven is trying to make mankind understand, because people

are asking, "Who was the first man, who was the first created man?" It is mentioned in holy books that this man was Adam, peace be upon him, and upon every prophet and upon the most glorious prophet Sayyidinā Muḥammad ﷺ – it is not too much for people to stand up in his honour. Some people may object to this point, "Why is Shaykh standing up? In the name of the Seal of the Prophets?" "Yes."

Man understands according to his level of knowledge. But they don't know so many things, and they are ignorant. Yes, they may object. They may object because they don't know why we are standing up.

I want to question those who say, "Why is Shaykh standing up when the name of the Seal of Prophets is mentioned?" Yes. We are Muslims. And our knowledge is from holy books and from holy people. Our knowledge is not the product of *thammara t-tafakkur*, the fruit of reflection.

There are two kinds of knowledge in every religion, but particularly in Islam. One is *'aqlī*, the other is *naqlī*. *Naqlī* is a revelation from the Prophet, or from prophets, reaching us through the Prophet's inheritors. And *thānī*, the second one, is the fruit of our thinking, the knowledge which comes according to the capacity of our understanding and according to logic.

There are two kinds of knowledge in Islam: *naqlī*, coming from the Prophet ﷺ or from prophets, reaching us by means of spiritual inheritance. And the second one, the product of the fruit of thinking, coming from the capacity to understand according to our logic.

Islam is coming as a heavenly message and you must believe it without saying "why", or "no"! You can't question divine revelation, you can't ask "why?" or "for what?" You can't make a decision about heavenly revelations. You can't use your mind or your logic because logic is only a miniature balance, and it can only answer questions on

that small scale. For example, can you put this whole world on a balance? How? It is impossible! Therefore, it is forbidden to use your logic to balance news that is coming from Heaven as a revelation from the Lord of Heaven to His selected servants! This is a big problem!

People in our days are asking for something that is impossible. They want to open impossible things by means of their understanding. Man is created to be able to believe. Believing is one thing and knowing is something else, because you can't know everything as you like. You can say *amantu billāh*, I believe, but all nations are on the wrong way and are asking, "Why this, why that?" Every country, it is so strange and unacceptable!

You should believe you cannot use your logic! You must say, "This is coming from Heaven. I believe." And then you are able to understand. Therefore, Allah Almighty, *jalla jallālabu*, was giving by means of revelation something that only requires a microscope of understanding, so that people can rely on it. Maybe their understanding is as small as an atom. Therefore, people are asking, "Where do we come from?" because they don't know Heaven!

Allah is saying, "I created Heavens and Earth, and I created your first father," and He is saying, "I created by My hands", so that everyone may understand. We can't imagine that we can do anything without hands. And we don't know that Heaven descends to the levels of people's understanding, and says, "I created Adam with My hands" so that they may say, "Yes, yes this is true."

And you must believe in this! You may ask, "Does Allah Almighty have hands?" If we say no, they say, "We have hands ..." they can't use their imagination. This means that they don't know Heaven. Yes! He has hands. Therefore, when foolish peo-

ple object to the Seal of Prophets ﷺ and say "*yadu llābi maghlūla*", they say, "Our hands are open but Your Lord's hands are tied." That is the level of their understanding, and they can't think anything more than that. But the Lord of Heaven, glory to Him!, doesn't have a hand as you think or imagine, no! That is their level. They say, "Allah has this, yes, His hands are tied and our hands are open."

He is not in need of a Hand as you think or *taṣawwur*, imagine. No. That is their level. They say, "Allah's hands are tied but our hands are open." And Allah Almighty refuses it, His hands extend everywhere and to everything. Everything which is in existence takes its share from their Lords' Divine Hands which reach everything and give them everything which they are in need of! *Māshbā' Allāh! Holy Qur'an! Subhānallāh, mā 'azamū*. So huge, so *mu'azzam*, Allahu Akbar, Allah Almighty's words, Divine Words, describing the way to people, such endless Oceans, may Allah forgive us!

Yes, we are coming for something and we are glorifying the Prophet *ta'zīm an-Nabiyy* ﷺ, glorifying the Seal of Prophets ﷺ.

Do you think we need doctors in Islam? Do you think Allah Almighty's glory is something you can encompass? No one can put a limit of understanding Allah Almighty's words. Yes, Allāh Almighty glorified Adam first. Why? He glorified Adam because of his most noble and glorified son, Sayyidinā Muḥammad ﷺ.

[*adhān* is called, Shaykh stands up] *Allābu Akbar Allābu akbar, shahīd al-baqq*.

Wasalnā ilā ḥaḍarat an-nabiyy. Kam kalima ba'dayn? We have reached the holy spiritual presence of the Prophet ﷺ, what need for words after that?

Bismillābi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm. What you are in need of is an Ocean but don't think that the Divine Being has only one Ocean. There are countless oceans! Therefore, we

are coming and saying something which is so small, so small, sending according to the capacity of Mankind. As long as they are using their logic, they cannot be granted more than this, and this is an Ocean, even though you can't approach it and put your feet in, but must look from far away at the divine attributes of our Lord, His holy purpose, and they are trembling because of His Speech, His Holy Name is 'Alām al-gbuyyūb – "Knower of all Unknowns/Unseens". *Tabtax li 'alām al-gbuyyūb* – all prophets are trembling in front of that utterance, His Holy Name. Allah Almighty is 'Alām al-gbuyyūb. I am nothing, but every time I come across some sentences which have Allah Almighty's name 'Alām al-gbuyyūb, my whole being trembles from the 'azamah, from the Greatness which astonishes the mind, *yudbisb al-'uqūl*. We are amazed. *Subhānallāh!*

This is a very, very, very short association, but we could continue for another week, or another month, for another year, and it wouldn't finish. Do you think that a person with buckets would be able to take the ocean's water and throw it away? Is it possible or impossible? It is impossible!

But we may say something which sounds impossible, and 21st century scientists or scholars think it is so easy to speak about the Lord of Heaven, and the Lord of Creation. This is a big mistake! I am saying they must be able to take a bucket and empty the Pacific Ocean! First of all, he must take the water a considerable distance so that when he is taking the water with his bucket from the Pacific Ocean he will have somewhere to put it. Is this possible or impossible? But when I am speaking, people are asking such foolish questions, which don't have any meaning, and these questions are a signs of their ignorance.

The Lord of Heaven says, "Ask to know, because there are no limits to knowing for

you!" If I left you in a limited Ocean, you would say, "What is behind that limited Ocean?" And you will try to reach that point. Therefore, Allah Almighty makes them think but their understanding is always limited.

Qālat namlatun: „Tā ayyubā n-naml, adḥulū masākinakum, lā yaḥṭimannakum sulaymānu wa junūdubu wa hum lā yash'urūn.“ [27:18 ayat about the ant and King Solomon].

Just one ant spoke or addressed the other ants according to its knowledge, and it said, "Look after yourselves, King Solomon and his soldiers are passing and may destroy you, quickly run away to your homes!" And all the ants quickly ran to their holes.

That is one level of knowledge; that is an understanding. And what we are saying is, you don't know Heaven. His knowledge is like a Pacific Ocean, the biggest ocean. If you want to know everything, go ahead and take! Get a bucket and take! Try to empty it!

[to be continued ...]

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