

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَنِ الرَّجِيمِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَمَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَلِدِ آدَمَ كَمَا يُحِبُّ وَيُرِضِّي بَانُ يُصْلِّي عَلَيْهِ

Allah Almighty, in Whose Name we begin, The Most Compassionate,

The Most Merciful

All Praise is due to Allah Almighty, Countless Peace and Blessings be upon  
His Beloved Messenger – *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* – his family & his  
companions – *may Allah be pleased with them all*

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## The Awliya tolerate the Insults

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Humility and steadfastness was also one of the unique qualities of the great Saint, Hadrat Sayyiduna Shaikh Bahaahudeen Zakariyah Multani - *may Allah be pleased with him*.

One day, a few so-called Derwishes approached him and asked him for some money. They were also wrapped in shawls. However, Hadrat Sayyiduna Shaikh Bahaahudeen Zakariyah Multani - *may Allah be pleased with him* - displayed complete independence from these people. When they saw this, they started to insult him and also started to throw stones and rocks at him. He then informed his servant to close the door of the Khanqah. These so-called Qalandars then continued to throw stones at the door. A few minutes later, this great Saint announced to everyone, “Open the door, I am sitting in this position because I have been placed here by Shaikhul Shuyookh Shaikh Shahaabudeen Shuhrwardi - *may Allah be pleased with him*. I have not come here on my own.”

When his servants opened the door of the Khanqah, these Qalandars started to apologise for their behaviour and also started to seek his pardon. (Tadkirah Sufiyah Punjab from Sayrul Aarifieen. 123)

In like manner, once the great Saint, who travelled extensively and who was also considered as “Saahibul Sayr”, namely Muhkamudeen was going on Hajj when a shepherd began to insult him without any apparent reason. In fact, this shepherd also struck him with a large stick and also injured his head. When his Mureeds arrived at the scene, they began to scold this shepherd and informed him that this was Saahibul Sayr Muhkamudeen. Only then did the shepherd apologise for this actions and the Saint accepted his apology. By merely looking at this person once, he immediately transformed him into a special servant of the Almighty Allah. When people asked him the reason for this, he presented the Qur’anic verse wherein it is mentioned that these are people who swallow their anger, they pardon people and without doubt, Allah Almighty loves those who are kind.” (Naafi’us Saalikeen, translation of Malfuz Kawaja Sulayman Tonsawi, 93)

It is mentioned that Syed Ishaq Ghaarzuwi was a symbol of humility and kindness and people used to consistently seek his kindness displayed all the time.

In the book *Taufatul Waasileen*, it is mentioned that once a very wealthy person approached him in Lahore. However, the Shaikh did not give this person any notice. This person then felt extremely insulted and started to abuse the Saint. However the Saint remained silent. No sign was even displayed on his face to say that he was feeling embarrassed or insulted. When this person continued in this manner, someone in the group said to the Saint, “Please curse this person so that he can reach his ultimate damnation.”

The Saint then raised his hands and began to mumble a few words and before he could complete his Du'a, this same arrogant person fell to the ground. He remained unconscious for nearly two hours. As he regained his consciousness, he fell at the feet of the Saint and began to apologise for his actions. He also became a Mureed of the Saint.”

The Saint then said to the audience, “I had made Du’ā for his improvement that Allah Almighty may grace him with goodness and also reveal the secrets of secrets to him. Was this better or was it better to make Du’ā for his damnation?” (Tadkirah Sufiyah Punjab)

**Shaikh Alaawul Haq - *may Allah be pleased with him* - and a Hindu who insulted him**

Shaikh Nurul Haq - *may Allah be pleased with him* - narrates that one day, someone visited his father, Shaikh Alaawul Haq - *may Allah be pleased with him*. This person continued to insult his father and his father remained silent all the time. However, when this person started to insult Allah Almighty, he grabbed this person’s hand and said to him, “We are with Allah Almighty and Allah Almighty is with us.”

Bear in mind that this person even insulted the place where this Saint was staying saying that it was stolen, yet, the Saint did not become angry. Even though this person continued to insult, he still invited this person to eat with him. In fact, such was his behaviour that when this person left, he even handed him some money. (Akhbaarul Akhyaaar, 146)