

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَنِ الرَّجِيمِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَمَا هُوَ أَهْلُ الْصَّلَاةِ وَالسَّلَامِ عَلَى سَيِّدِ الْعَبْدِ وَرَبِّ الْأَدَمِ كَمَا يُحِبُّ وَيُرِضُّ إِنَّمَا يُصْلِلُ 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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## Those 'Ulama were also Awliya

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One of the greatest tragedies in the modern world is that there have appeared people who claim to be great scholars and master minds in Islam but they have nothing but created harm for Islam and the Muslims and have created more confusion than anything else. Due to these born Jaahils, the common people are also beginning to turn away from the rightly-guided 'Ulama.

Another great harm caused to Islam has been the appearance of fake and fraudulent “peers” and “babas” who do not even know how to use the toilets properly. These Jaahils have also turned the people away from the 'Ulama so that they can continue with their Kufr without being hindered in any way. One of their greatest fitnahs is that they claim that there have been no 'Ulama in the history of Islam who have been great Awliya. Yet, these idiots fail to realise that the four Imams of the Ahle Sunnah wa Jamaah are unanimously accepted as the greatest Awliya of their time.

After all, Shari'ah is light and if there is no light in Tariqah which is but the term used for a path, how can anyone reach their destination? We have already proven that eminent disciples of these Imams such as Imam Abdullah ibn Mubaarak, Imam Sufyan Thouri, Imam Sufyan bin Ayniyah, Imam Hasan Basri, Imam Ebrahim bin Adham, Imam Shaqeeq Balkhi, Imam Bishar Hafi, Imam Junaid Al Baghdadi, Imam Bayazid Bustami, Imam Abu Bakr Shibli, Imam Dawud Ta'i, Imam Fudail bin Ayyaz - *may Allah be pleased with them* - were not only the greatest 'Ulama of their period but the great Awliya'h of their period.

Where are these "peers" and "babas" who do not even know how to use the toilets properly compared to these giants of Islam. These are those blessed Awliya who were also 'Ulama who changed the face of the world. Another important point to bear in mind is that it is a tragedy that people who have the means do not take the time to translate, publish and propagate these facts to the common Muslims. In this way, they are also guilty of causing a great harm to Islam.

Remember, no money belongs to you. If it did, you would take it to your grave. All wealth belongs to Allah Almighty and as we always say, on the Day of Judgement, He will ask you what you did with His bounties. What answer are you going to give at that time? Are you going to say, "Please wait, I need to discuss with my auditors." Your auditors themselves will be in their own state of awe and will realise that they had also deceived their clients.

### **A good advice.**

Hadrat Haji Imdaadullah Muhajir Makki - *may Allah be pleased with him* - mentions that the opinion of the people of truth is that there are two parts to Imaan.

i. One is to verbally recite the Kalimah.

When a true Muslim recites the Kalimah, then his entire our being starts to follow the Divine Commands of Allah Almighty and His beloved Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him*. He becomes so obedient that he does not allow one hair to come outside the boundaries of these rules and regulations. If a person does this or tries to do this, then we safely say that the person is a true Muslim or believer.

2. When a Muslim then carries this obedience to his inner self and he sincerely believes that he has to follow all the commands as laid out in Shari'ah, he does not waver from this one bit. He is completely satisfied with whatever Allah Almighty has commanded him to do and sincerely believes that Divine Pleasure of Allah Almighty is also his pleasure and the Divine Displeasure of Allah Almighty is also his displeasure. Then, we can safely say that this is also a true believer. In this manner, we can safely say that this person has reached the path of Tariqah.

From this, we come to understand that the first path is the path of Shari'ah and the second path is the path of Tariqah. None of these paths can be attained or achieved without the other. When the Holy Prophet - *may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him* - has stated that the foundation of action is upon the intention, this is what is meant by bringing faith in Islam.

If there is no tree, how can there be a fruit?

Hafizul Hadith Aamir bin Sharjeel who passed away in 109 A.H. is known as Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Shu'ba - *may Allah be pleased with him*. He was one of the most eminent Taaba'een of his era.

In fact, one of his greatest trait was that an eminent Muhaddith such as Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Zuhri - *may Allah be pleased with him* - has mentioned that there are four people who are seriously thought of as Muhaddith of their era. They are Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Shu'ba - *may Allah be pleased with him* - in Kufah, Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Hasan Basri - *may Allah be pleased with him* - in Basrah, Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Saeed bin Musayyib - *may Allah be pleased with him* - in Madina Shareef and Hadrat Sayyiduna Makhul - *may Allah be pleased with him* - in Syria.

In spite of the fact that Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Shu'ba - *may Allah be pleased with him* - being such an eminent Muhadith, he was extremely humble and simple. It is reported that one day, someone asked him a question of he replied, "La 'alamu" or "I do not know."

Obviously, the person became extremely angry with this reply and shouted at him, “Do you not have shame that people refer to you as the Faqeeh of Iraq and still you say that you do not know.”

He replied, “Why should I feel ashamed of saying something which even the Angels did not feel ashamed of saying?”

When Allah Almighty asked the Angels to give Him the name of all things, they also replied that they did not know and they only knew what He had taught them. Therefore, a true Islamic scholar should also make sure that he displays humility and simplicity and if he does not know, he should make it clear and tell people he does not know. Hadrat Sayyiduna Ali - *may Allah be pleased with him* - has stated that, “That person who gives a Fatwah (or decision) without knowledge, the angels on earth and in the heavens curse that person.”

This has always been the habit of the pious Muslims of the past that whenever they did not know, they said so. Imam Hathim bin Jameel also admits that once the same thing happened to Hadrat Sayyiduna Imam Malik - *may Allah be pleased with him*. Someone asked him plenty of questions and he gave answers to a few and admitted that he did not know the answers to the rest of these questions at that moment.

But, when we look around the world, we will find that people who have not even been to a proper Madressah or Darul Uloom will say whatever they wish without thinking. They do not think that they will be answerable to Allah Almighty on the Day of Judgement.

This has also been the habit of these Jaahil “peers” and “babas.” They have no idea what true Islamic Shari’ah is all about but they would make fancy statements about this Wali and that Wali. Some of them cannot even pronounce the names of these Awliya. Some of them cannot even pronounce the names of the some of the famous books written on Tasawwaf.

If you ask them basic Islamic questions or basic Arabic, they will look at you shocked. But they consider themselves as the “Ghous” of their era. We can say that they are

definitely not the Ghous of the age but actually the “ghost” of their age because they are completely hidden and invisible to real Islamic knowledge.