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Rahimahullâhu Taâlâ

Shaykh'ul Islâm Muhammad bin Abd'il Wahhâb Rahimahullâh said:

In the name of Allâh, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful. May Allâh have mercy upon you, know that the Tawhîd which Allâhu Taâlâ made an obligation upon His servants before He made Salâh (the daily prayers) and Sawm (fasting) an obligation, is unifying Allâhu Taâlâ in your Ibâdah (worship). So do not call upon (make Du'â/Ibâdah) to anyone other than Allâhu Taâlâ the One who has no partner. Do not call upon (make Du'â/Ibâdah) to the Nabî Sallallâhu Alayhi wa Sallam or other than him! As Allâhu Taâlâ said,

“And the Masâjid (pl. Masjid; places of worship) are only for Allâh, so pray (invoke/worship) not unto anyone along with Allâh.” (al-Jinn 72/18)

And He Taâlâ said,

“Say: I am only a man like you. It has been inspired to me that your Ilah is One Ilah. So whoever hopes for the Meeting with his Lord, let him work righteousness and associate none as a partner in the worship of his Lord.” (al-Kahf 18/110)

¹ Mu'allafât'ush Shaykh, 1/398-399 and also ad-Durar'us Saniyyah, 2/76-77.

And know that the description of the Shirk of the Mushrikûn which Rasûlullâh Sallallâhu Alayhi wa Sallam fought against was that they call upon (make Du'â/Ibâdah to) the idols and the Sâlihûn (righteous), such as Îsâ Alayh'is Salâm, his mother, and the angels alongside calling upon Allâhu Taâlâ.

They say (regarding what they do), "These are our intercessors in the presence of Allâhu Taâlâ." while they accept that Allâh Subhânahu is an-Nâfi (the One who benefits), ad-Dârr (the One who harms), and al-Mudabbir (the Governor of all the affairs). Just as Allâhu Taâlâ mentions about them in His Taâlâ's statement,

"Say: Who is it that sustains you (in life) from the sky and from the earth? Or who is it that has power over hearing and sight? And who is it that brings out the living from the dead and the dead from the living? And who is it that rules and regulates all affairs? They will say: Allâh. Say: Will you not then show piety (to Him)?" (Yûnus 10/31)

Once you know this, you will have known that their Du'â to the Sâlihûn and their attachment to them consists of them saying, "We only request Shafâ'ah (intercession) from them" and that the Nabî Sallallâhu Alayhi wa Sallam fought them so they Du'â to Allâhu Taâlâ alone and to make the Dîn (religion) solely to Allâhu Taâlâ.

Likewise, you will have known that this (making Du'â/Ibâdah solely to Allâhu Taâlâ alone) is the Tawhîd (unification) that is a greater obligation than Salâh (the daily prayers) and Sawm (fasting) and that Allâhu Taâlâ will forgive the one who comes before Him on Yawm'ul Qiyâmah (the Day of Reckoning) with Tawhîd, and that He Taâlâ will not forgive the one who is ignorant of Tawhîd even if he is an Âbid (a great worshipper).

Likewise, you will have known that calling upon (making Du'â/Ibâdah to) other than Allâhu Taâlâ is associating partners to Allâh which Allâh does not forgive the one who commits it, even though the doer seeks nearness to Allâhu

Taâlâ with it, and that in the sight of Allâhu Taâlâ, it is (a) greater (sin) than Zinâ (fornication/adultery) and killing a soul.

With this, you will also have known another matter. And it is that most of the people do not know this, from among them are (so-called) Ulamâ (scholars) which are called "Ulamâ" in (areas such as) Sadîr, Washam, and others.²

When they say, "We are ones who unify Allâhu Taâlâ (the Muwahhidûn), we know that nothing benefits or harms but Allâhu Taâlâ, and surely the Sâlihûn cannot benefit or harm," you will have known that they do not know except the Tawhîd; (which is) the Tawhîd of the disbelievers, which is Tawhîd'ur Rubûbiyyah (Oneness of the Divine Lordship), and you will have known the greatness of the blessings of Allâhu Taâlâ over you.

Especially when you verify that those who turn to Allâhu Taâlâ while not knowing Tawhîd or while knowing Tawhîd but do not perform accordingly are forever in the Nâr (Hellfire), even if they are those who worship the most amongst the people. Just as Allâhu Taâlâ stated,

"Indeed, he who associates others with Allâh -Allâh has forbidden him Paradise, and his refuge is the Fire. And there are not for the wrongdoers any helpers." (al-Mâ'idah 5/72)

May Allâhu Taâlâ send abundant peace and blessings upon our Nabî (Prophet) Muhammad, his family, and his companions (Âmîn!)

² This phrase is found in ad-Durar'us Saniyyah in the following manner,

"And it is that most of the people "with the knowledge of this Dîn" listen to the Ulamâ in Sadîr, Washam and others."