A TREATISE ON PREDESTINATION — Sharḥ Ḥadīth Iḥtijāj Ādam wa-Mūsā of Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda al-Iznīqī —

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Abstract

The ḥadīth that is well-known in Islamic theology as "Iḥtijāj Ādam wa-Mūsā/Discussion between Adam and Moses" often comes to the fore in debates about predestination because of its content. Almost any scholar studying fate has an affirmative or contrary comment on this ḥadīth. The Ottoman scholar Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda al-Iznīqī (d. 885/1480) was among those who analyzed the ḥadīth. He joined the discussion with a specific treatise that became important on this issue. As a Sufi scholar, he treated the ḥadīth through the Sufi approach and brought a different point of view. This study seeks to introduce the precious treatise by Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda to present scientific circles through analysis, interpretation, and translation.

Key Words: Iḥtijāj Ādam wa-Mūsā, Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda al-Iznīqī, predestination, qadar, problem of fate

Introduction

With regard to predestination, relevant parties use many forms of proof to support their views or refute those of opponents. These

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pieces of evidence consist of the Qur'ān verses, ḥadīths and rational deductions and are discussed in depth among scholars. Some of this proof is at the center of debates due to its importance and constitutes the major axis of the problem of fate, with affirmative and opposing opinions expressed by scholars according to their sides in the discussion. The ḥadīth known as "Iḥtijāj Ādam wa-Mūsā/Discussion between Adam and Moses," which is at the core of this study, has an important place among this evidence. The ḥadīth is considered proof, especially among the followers of the Jabriyya school, due to fatalist elements within its content.

As for Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda al-Iznīqī, this Ottoman scholar attached so much importance to the ḥadīth that he wrote a separate treatise on it. The author sought to contribute to relevant discussions through a treatise and made interesting assessments. In fact, Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda was a Sufi scholar, and under the influence of his disposition, he created a rather Sufi framework for the ḥadīth. Consequently, a different aspect of the issue comes to the fore. The Jabriyya school interprets the ḥadīth in such a manner that it relates Adam's removal from Heaven/descent to earth to predestination. Al-Iznīqī, however, took an alternative view, and his comments address not only the problem of predestination but also that of prophecy.

This work is chosen not only because of its genuine content but also because one of the four existing copies of the treatise is with handwriting of Qutb al-Dīn-zāda himself, thus ensuring a solid line of authors. Indeed, the presence of the manuscript written by the author himself is crucial for determining to whom it belongs.

Life of Qutb al-Dīn-zāda

Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda Muḥyī al-Dīn Meḥmed ibn Mawlā Quṭb al-Dīn al-Iznīqī was the son of Quṭb al-Dīn al-Iznīqī (d. 821/1418), a notable scholar and Sufi of the Ottoman era. He was named Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda after his father. A descendant of the Prophet, he was born and raised in Iznik. He was among the elite disciples of Mullā al-Fanārī (d. 834/1431), the renowned Ottoman scholar.¹

Türkiye Diyanet Vakfı İslâm Ansiklopedisi (DİA), XXVI, 489-490.

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Tāshkuprī-zāda 'Iṣām al-Dīn Abū l-Khayr Aḥmad ibn Muṣṭafā ibn Khalīl, al-Shaqā'iq al-Nu'māniyya fī 'ulamā' al-Dawla al-'Uthmāniyya (Beirut: Dār al-Kitāb al-'Arabī, 1975), 65; Bursali Meḥmed Ṭāhir Efendī, 'Uthmānli Mu'alliflari (Istanbul: Maṭba'a-i 'Āmira, 1333), I, 159; Reşat Öngören, "Kutbüddinzâde İznikî,"

After higher education in religious sciences, he joined the Sufis and lived as a scholar who combined *sharī¹a* with *ṭarīqa*. According to his comments in his *al-Ta¹bīr al-munīf wa-l-ta³wīl al-sharīf*, he participated in the Zayniyya order, and his sheikh was ʿAbd al-Raḥīm Rūmī (d. after 865/1461), a caliph of Zayn al-Dīn al-Ḥāfī.² Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda was also a member of the Bayrāmiyya order.³ Certain expressions in his works indicate that he attained sheikhdom in both orders.⁴

Moreover, he pursued the views of the Akbariyya school, which are attributed to Muḥyī al-Dīn Ibn 'Arabī (d. 638/1240) and were presented by scholars such as Dāwūd al-Qayṣarī (d. 751/1350) and Mullā al-Fanārī in Anatolia.⁵

The Arabic and Turkish works by Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda made significant contributions to Ottoman scientific circles. In particular, Fatḥ Miftāḥ al-ghayb,⁶ a commentary that he wrote at the behest of Meḥmed II on Miftāḥ al-ghayb by Ṣadr al-Dīn al-Qūnawī, and Tanwīr al-awrād,⁷ a commentary on Awrād al-Zayniyya by Zayn al-Dīn al-Ḥāfī, are his well-known works. Another notable work by Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda is Muzīl al-shakk fī aqsām al-kafara,⁸ which treats the position of people in the afterlife whom the message of Islam does not reach. In the introduction to the text, he gives certain explanations about the validity of the faith of Pharaoh and the situation of the unbeliever in Hell. Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda wrote this work under the influence of severe conflicts and havoc after Muḥyī al-Dīn

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² Citing the noted work by Qutb al-Dīn-zāda: Reşat Öngören, "Bir Rüya Yorumcusu Olarak Mutasavvıf-Âlim Kutbuddinzâde Mehmed İznikî," *Uluslararası İznik Sempozyumu (5-7 Eylül 2005) (International Iznik Symposium [5-7 September 2005])* (Iznik: İznik Belediyesi Kültür Yayınları, 2005), 382.

³ Ibid.

Ibid.

⁵ Öngören, "Kutbüddinzâde Iznikî," 489.

MS Istanbul, Râgıb Paşa Library, 692; MS Istanbul, Süleymaniye Library, Şehid Ali Paşa, 1271; Konya Mevlânâ Museum, 1632. (Öngören, "Kutbüddinzâde Iznikî," 489)

MS Istanbul, Süleymaniye Library, Amcazâde Hüseyin Paşa, 290; Fâtih, 2852; Lâleli, 1593.

MS Istanbul, Râgıb Paşa Library, 692; MS Istanbul, Süleymaniye Library, Hacı Mahmud Efendi, 2504, 4223.

Ibn 'Arabī claimed that the faith of Pharaoh at the moment of the beginning of eternal punishment was valid. Defending this important claim about Pharaoh, Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda shows that he is a follower of the views put forth by Muḥyī al-Dīn Ibn 'Arabī and the Akbariyya school.

Additionally, his notable works include the hadīth commentaries, such as *Iḥtijāj Ādam wa-Mūsā* 'alaybimā l-salām 10' Risāla fī qawl al-Nabī 'alaybi l-salām al-'ulamā' warathat al-anbiyā', 11' and al-Ta'bīr al-munīf wa-l-ta'wīl al-sharīf 12' on interpretation of dreams. He also produced Turkish treatises 13' on *tarāwīḥ* prayer 14' and *jihād*; 15' the literature ascribes other works to him as well. 16

Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda, who was a professor at Iznik Orhan Gazi Madrasa and qāḍī and muftī of Iznik,¹⁷ passed away in Iznik in 885/1480. His tomb is near that of his father in Iznik.¹⁸

⁹ Öngören, "Kutbüddinzâde Iznikî," 489.

MS Istanbul, Süleymaniye Library, Hacı Mahmud Efendi, 4223; Lâleli, 1593; MS Istanbul, Râgıb Paşa Library, 692.

MS Istanbul, Süleymaniye Library, Hacı Mahmud Efendi, 4223; Fâtih, 2852.

¹² MS Istanbul, Süleymaniye Library, Ayasofya, 1733; Hasan Hayri, 112.

¹³ Öngören, "Kutbüddinzâde Iznikî," 489.

¹⁴ MS Istanbul, Süleymaniye Library, Ayasofya, 1802.

¹⁵ MS Istanbul, Süleymaniye Library, Ayasofya, 1802.

For further information see Öngören, "Kutbüddinzâde Iznikî," 489. Also see Būrsāli Meḥmed Ṭāhir, '*Uthmānli Mu'alliflari*, I, 160; Ismā'īl Pāshā al-Baghdādī, *Hadiyyat al-'ārifīn asmā' al-mu'allifīn wa āthār al-muṣannifīn* (eds. Mahmut Kemal İnal and Avni Aktuç; Istanbul: Maarif Basımevi, 1955), II, 211.

¹⁷ Muḥammad Majdī Efendī, *Ḥadāʾiq al-shaqāʾiq* (ed. Abdülkadir Özcan; Istanbul: Çağrı Yayınları, 1989), I, 125.

For further information see Ţāshkuprī-zāda, al-Shaqā'iq, 65; Muḥammad Majdī Efendī, ibid., I, 124-125; Ḥājī Khalīfa Muṣṭafā ibn 'Abd Allāh Kātib Chalabī, Süllemü'l-Vusûl ilâ Tabakâti'l-Fuhûl [Sullam al-wuṣūl ilā ṭabaqāt al-fuhūl] (eds. Ekmeleddin İhsanoğlu, Maḥmūd 'Abd al-Qādir al-Arna'ūṭ and Ṣāliḥ Sadawī; Istanbul: IRCICA Yayınları, 2010), III, 224; Kātib Chalabī, Kashf al-zunūn 'an asāmī l-kutub wa-l-funūn (eds. M. Şerefettin Yaltkaya and Kilisli Rifat Bilge; Ankara: Maarif Vekaleti, 1943), II, 1655, 1768; Būrsāli Meḥmed Ṭāhir, 'Uthmānli Mu'alliflari, I, 159-160; Ismā'īl Pāshā al-Baghdādī, Hadiyyat al-'ārifīn, II, 211; Öngören, "Kutbüddinzâde Iznikî," 489.

Treatise Sharb Hadīth Ibtijāj Ādam wa-Mūsā 'alaybimā l-salām

The treatise is the commentary of the hadīth on a discussion between Moses and Adam and tells of the sending of Adam from Heaven down to earth due to his mistake and the resulting obligation of man to live on earth.

The meaning of the hadith is as follows:

Adam (pbuh) and Moses (pbuh) argued in the presence of their Lord. In the end, Adam beat Moses. Moses told Adam "You are Adam, whom Allah created by His hand, into whom He blew His soul, before whom He got His angels to prostrate and whom He placed in Heaven. However, you caused the sending of men down to earth due to your mistake." In response, Adam said: "You are a chosen one whom Allah found worthy as a messenger and talked to in person, whom He handed the plates that included explanation of everything, whom He brought to his convent of dignity as a confidant. How many years before Allah created me did He write Torah?" he asked. "Forty years beforehand," answered Moses. Thereupon, Adam asked once again, "Did you see the verse, 'Adam rebelled his Lord and went astray'"?19 As Moses responded "Yes," Adam said: "Will you now reprimand me because of a deed that Allah wrote to happen forty years beforehand!" Upon this answer, Muḥammad (pbuh) said, "Adam won this debate." 20

As told in the hadith, Moses sees Adam as the reason for the expulsion of man from Heaven and his obligation to live on earth and criticizes him, bringing him, in a sense, to book. In return, Adam defends himself, claiming that he cannot be accused because his sin was prescribed as destiny by Allah even before his creation. The Prophet recognizes Adam in the discussion and puts forth a significant verdict about destiny.

The progress of this discussion, reportedly between Adam and Moses, and relevant explanations show that it includes certain important, evidential information about the question of destiny.

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¹⁹ Q 20:121.

Muslim, "Qadar", 15. For similar texts, see al-Bukhārī, "Anbiyā'," 29; "Qadar," 11; Muslim, "Qadar," 13-14; al-Tirmidhī, "Qadar," 2; Abū Dāwūd, "Sunna," 17; Aḥmad ibn Ḥanbal, II, 248, 264, 268, 398.

Accordingly, Muslim scholars, and theologians above all, have put forth arguments on various aspects of the ḥadīth.

The first matter of debate is whether such a quarrel between Adam and Moses is possible and where and when, if ever, it took place. The second question is whether Adam's fate was written prior to his creation and if so, when. Another point about the ḥadīth is whether the sinning of Adam as a prophet damages his prophecy. Adam's response to Moses: "Will you now reprimand me because of a deed that Allah wrote to happen forty years beforehand!" and the Prophet's declaration that he is the winner of the debate constitute the most controversial aspects of the narration ($riw\bar{a}ya$). Indeed, these phrases and their content seem to support the fatalist approach, known as the compulsory approach in Muslim theology and adopted by the Jabriyya. As a natural consequence of intense discussion on the narration, there is also debate regarding whether the ḥadīth is authentic.

An extensive emphasis on the above controversies would go far beyond the frame of this article. Nevertheless, for a solid assessment of the interpretations by Qutb al-Dīn-zāda on the ḥadīth, the approach of Muslim scholars on these points should be treated at least in general terms.

Before addressing the matters of debate, it is necessary to verify the authenticity of the narration. The narration reached posterity through the Prophet and companions such as Abū Hurayra, 'Umar, Jundub ibn 'Abd Allāh and Abū Mūsā; therefore, it has many lines of narration. Musa Bağcı determined sixty-eight different paths/chains of narration/transmission for the ḥadīth.²¹ By means of these various chains of transmission, the ḥadīth appears in almost all renowned and reputable ḥadīth sources, *al-Kutub al-sitta* above all.²² Almost all scholars and Sunnī theologians acknowledge the ḥadīth as authentic;²³ some even consider it multiple successive (*mutawātir*).²⁴

For further information about chains of transmitters and their sources, see *ibid*., 228-235.

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Hacı Musa Bağcı, İnsanın Kaderi: Hadislerin Telkin Ettiği Kader Anlayışı (Ankara: Ankara Okulu Yayınları, 2009), 228-235.

Abū 'Abd Allāh Muḥammad ibn Isḥāq ibn Manda, al-Radd 'alā l-Jabmiyya (ed. 'Alī ibn Muḥammad Nāṣir al-Faqīhī; n.p., 1982), 71-72; Abū 'Umar Yūsuf ibn 'Abd Allāh Ibn 'Abd al-Barr al-Namarī, al-Tambīd li-mā fī l-Muwaṭṭa' min al-ma'ānī wa-l-asānīd (eds. Sa'īd Aḥmad A'rāb, Muḥammad al-Fallāḥ et al.; Maghreb:

The latter have mostly put forth their views in consideration of chains of transmission. Evaluations of the text are not mere criticism; rather, they intend to prove that the sections, which allegedly conflict with the Qur'an, do not actually bear such contradiction. According to scholars from the Jahmiyya and Mu'tazila schools, the noted hadīth runs counter to the Qur'an and is fabrication. They never give credit to such criticisms of chains of transmission, and put forth their views in consideration of elements that they see as contrary to the Qur'an in the text.

The first matter of debate about the ḥadīth is when and where the discussion between the two prophets took place. According to Qāḍī 'Iyāḍ (d. 544/1149), the discussion occurred on earth and in the lifetime of Moses; the Almighty Allah probably resurrected Adam upon the request of Moses and brought him into his presence. Likewise, in the night journey, the Prophet also came together with other prophets at Bayt al-Maqdis and led them in the prayer. Again, Moses and Adam may have had this discussion in the lifetime of Moses. According to al-Qābisī (d. 403/1012), Ibn Baṭṭāl (d. 449/1057) and Ibn 'Abd al-Barr (d. 463/1071), Allah may have brought together the souls of both prophets in Heaven after the

Wizārat 'Umūm al-Awqāf wa-l-Shu'ūn al-Islāmiyya, 1992), XVIII, 12, 13; id., al-Istidbkār al-jāmī li-madbābib fuqabā' al-amṣār wa-'ulamā' al-aqṭār fīmā taḍammanabā al-Muwaṭṭa' min ma'ānī l-ra'y wa-l-ātbār wa-sbarḥ dbālika kullib¹ bi l-ī jāz wa-l-ikbtiṣār (ed. 'Abd al-Mu'ṭī Amīn Qal'ajī; Cairo: Dār al-Wa'y, 1993), XXVI, 84, 85; Abū Muḥammad al-Ḥusayn ibn Mas'ūd al-Baghawī, Sbarḥ al-Sunna (eds. Zuhayr al-Shāyīsh and Shu'ayb al-Arnā'ūṭ; Beirut: al-Maktab al-Islāmī, 1983), I, 124, 126; Abū 'Abd Allāh Muḥammad ibn Abī Bakr Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya, Sbifā' al-'alīl fī masā'il al-qaḍā' wa-l-qadar wa-l-ḥikma wa-l-ta'līl (ed. Muṣṭafā Abū l-Naṣr al-Shalabī; Jeddah: Maktabat al-Sawādī, 1991), I, 46; Abū l-Faḍl Shihāb al-Dīn Aḥmad ibn 'Alī Ibn Ḥajar al-'Asqalānī, Fatḥ al-bārī bi-sharḥ Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī (eds. Muḥammad Fu'ād 'Abd al-Bāqī and Muḥibb al-Dīn al-Khaṭīb; Cairo: Dār al-Rayyān, 1986), XI, 514.

²⁴ Ibn ʿAbd al-Barr, *al-Istidhkār*, XXVI, 85.

²⁵ *Ibid.*; Ibn Ḥajar al-'Asgalānī, *Fatḥ al-bārī*, XI, 518.

Abū l-Faḍl ʿIyāḍ ibn Mūsā l-Yaḥṣubī Qāḍī ʿIyāḍ, Ikmāl al-mu'lim bi-fawā'id Muslim (ed. Yaḥyā Ismāʿīl; Manṣūra: Dār al-Wafā', 1998), VIII, 137; Ibn Ḥajar al-ʿAsqalānī, Fatḥ al-bārī, XI, 514; Abū Muḥammad Badr al-Dīn Maḥmūd ibn Aḥmad ʿAynī, ʿUmdat al-qārī sharḥ Saḥīḥ al-Bukhārī (ed. Muḥammad Munīr Abdah Aghā l-Dimashqī et al.; Beirut: Dār Ihyā' al-Turāth al-ʿArabī, n.d.), XIX, 60.

demise of Moses.²⁷ Some scholars, however, claim that the discussion will take place in the afterlife, ²⁸ grounded in a phrase of Abū Dāwūd (d. 275/889) in his *Sunan*.²⁹ For Ibn al-Jawzī (d. 597/1201), the narrative can be a mere exemplary saying referring to the initial phrase of the ḥadīth, which reads: "If they ever met, such a discussion would take place between them."³⁰

Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda makes no specific remark on where Adam and Moses met and argued. Nevertheless, the following phrases in the treatise may hint that it took place in *barzakh*:

As Moses was resurrected at *barzakh*, he thought about the response of his father, Adam, and found out the truth; thereupon, he was acquainted with the secrets and eternal knowledge thanks to the attribute of "walī," which is the true way of closeness to Allah Almighty; thus, he accepted the response of his father. Therefore, all the curtains that had hindered and dominated him due to provisions of being a prophet in his lifetime were lifted. In proportion to his divergence from earthly life, the veils were removed and the first lights of the truth became apparent.

The second issue with the narrative is whether Adam's destiny was sealed prior to his creation and if so, when it was sealed or even whether that destiny was predetermined. The following passage in the narrative states that the destiny of Adam was sealed forty years before his creation:

"How many years before Allah created me did He write Torah?" he asked. "Forty years beforehand," answered Moses. Thereupon, Adam asked once again, "Did you see the verse, 'Adam rebelled his Lord and went astray'? As Moses responded "Yes," Adam said: "Will you now reprimand me because of a deed that Allah wrote to happen forty years beforehand!"

According to Ibn al-Ṭin (d. 611/1214), the forty years signify the period between the time when Allah said in the verse, "I am going to

³⁰ Al-'Aynī, '*Umdat al-qārī*, XIX, 60.

²⁷ Ibn 'Abd al-Barr, *al-Tambīd*, XVIII, 16; Abū l-Ḥasan 'Alī ibn Khalaf Ibn Baṭṭāl al-Qurṭubī, *Sharḥ Saḥīḥ al-Bukhārī li-Ibn Baṭṭāl* (ed. Abū Tamīm Yāsir ibn Ibrāhīm; Riyadh: Maktabat al-Rushd, 2003), X, 314; Ibn Ḥajar al-'Asqalānī, *Fatḥ al-bārī*, XI, 514; al-'Aynī, '*Umdat al-qārī*, XIX, 60.

²⁸ Ibn Ḥajar al-ʿAsqalānī, *Fatḥ al-bārī*, XI, 514.

²⁹ Abū Dāwūd, "Sunna," 17.

place a calibb on earth"31 and the time when He blew His soul into Adam.³² Ibn al-Jawzī claims that Adam waited as soil before the blowing of spirit. Ibn al-Jawzī grounds his view in a narrative³³ in Sahīh Muslim that indicates that forty years passed between formation of Adam from soil and the blowing of soul into him.³⁴ According to some scholars, the beginning of the forty years signifies the time of writing on the tablets, and its end is the time of Adam's creation.³⁵ Al-Nawawī (d. 676/1277), however, adopts a different approach. According to him, "Adam's experiencing this event means that it was written in al-Lawh al-mabfūz, Torah, or the tablets. It is inappropriate to refer to destiny itself here because destiny is eternal. Allah knows beforehand all incidents to come. His knowledge does not take shape subsequently."36 Al-Māzarī (d. 536/1141) says the following: "This expression indicates that Allah wrote it forty years prior to the creation of Adam. Nevertheless, it may also signify that Allah disclosed this fact to angels or carried out an act to which He attributed the mentioned date. Otherwise, the will and discretion of Allah is eternal (*qadīm*)."³⁷

In his treatise, Qutb al-Dīn-zāda makes no evaluation regarding when Adam's destiny is written.

Another issue regarding this hadīth is whether Adam's commission of the forbidden deed constitutes a sin, and if so, whether this sin prejudices his being a prophet.

According to some theologians, Adam's commission of forbidden deed is a sin. In fact, the deeds غوى in the verses are used for those who commit major sins.³⁸ According to most commentators and Kalām scholars, Adam touched the forbidden tree or fruit forgetting the ban, as indicated in the verse "but he forgot; and We

³¹ Q 2:30.

³² Ibn Ḥajar al-ʿAsqalānī, *Fatḥ al-bārī*, XI, 517; al-ʿAynī, *ʿUmdat al-qārī*, XXIII, 158.

³³ Muslim, "Qadar," 15

³⁴ Ibn Ḥajar al-ʿAsqalānī, *Fatḥ al-bārī*, XI, 517; al-ʿAynī, ʿ*Umdat al-qārī*, XXIII, 158.

³⁵ al-'Aynī, *ibid*.

Abū Zakariyyā Yaḥyā ibn Sharaf al-Nawawī, Şaḥīḥ Muslim bi-Sharḥ al-Nawawī (Cairo: al-Maṭbaʿa al-Miṣriyya, 1930), XVI, 201.

³⁷ Ibn Ḥajar al-ʿAsqalānī, *Fatḥ al-bārī*, XI, 517.

³⁸ Abū ʿAbd Allāh Fakhr al-Dīn Muḥammad ibn ʿUmar al-Rāzī, *Mafātīḥ al-ghayb -al-Tafsīr al-kabīr* (Beirut: Dār al-Fikr, 1981), XXII, 127.

found not his part no firm resolve."³⁹ According to sharī'a, one cannot be held responsible for deeds that he unwittingly commits; therefore, Adam's behavior should be described as a mistake (zalla) rather than a sin. ⁴⁰ For some scholars, this prohibition by Allah signifies exoneration and not harām. Therefore, they consider Adam's flouting of the prohibition as abandoning the good rather than rebellion or a sin. ⁴¹ Certain Mu'tazilī scholars evaluate the behaviors of prophets that cause suspicion of sin as mistakes of ta'wīl (interpretation) and ijtihād (diligence). Although Almighty Allah meant that it was forbidden to eat the fruit of any trees of that type, Adam thought that only the fruit of the particular tree to which He had pointed was forbidden, whereupon he obtained the fruit from another tree of the same type and erred in diligence. ⁴²

The scholars who describe this act by Adam as a sin or mistake also disagree about whether this incident took place before or after he became a prophet.

According to Sunnī authorities, Adam ate the forbidden fruit before becoming a prophet. Nevertheless, some scholars claim the opposite, including, for example, the Ḥashwiyya and certain Muʿtazilīs. Apart from Ḥashwiyya, Ahl al-sunna agrees that prophets are protected from deliberately committing major or minor sins after becoming prophets. Generally, Shīʿa and Muʿtazila share this opinion. They take this view because otherwise, the purpose of their coming to earth becomes void and their reliability among people is harmed. According to these scholars, certain mistakes can occur after becoming a prophet; however, they are not deliberate and take place

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³⁹ Q 20:115.

Abū 'Abd Allāh Muḥammad ibn Aḥmad al-Qurṭubī, *al-Jāmi' li-aḥkām al-Qurʾān* (ed. 'Abd Allāh ibn 'Abd al-Muḥsin al-Turkī; Beirut: Muʾassasat al-Risāla, 2006), I, 459; Abū l-Khayr 'Abd Allāh ibn 'Umar al-Bayḍāwī, *Anwār al-tanzīl wa-asrār al-taʾwīl* (ed. Muḥammad 'Abd al-Raḥmān al-Mar'ashlī; Beirut: Dār Iḥyāʾ al-Turāth al-'Arabī, n.d.), IV, 41; Abū l-Barakāt 'Abd Allāh ibn Aḥmad al-Nasafī, *Tafsīr al-Nasafī* (Istanbul: Dāru Qahramān, 1984), III, 68.

⁴¹ Al-Rāzī, *Mafātīḥ al-ghayb*, XXII, 127; al-Qurṭubī, *al-Jāmi'*, I, 459.

⁴² Al-Rāzī, *ibid.*, III, 8; al-Qurṭubī, *ibid.*, I, 459.

Abū l-Yusr Muḥammad ibn Muḥammad al-Bazdawī, *Uṣūl al-dīn* (ed. Hans Peter Linss; Cairo: al-Maktaba al-Azhariyya li-l-Turāth, 2003), 172; Abī Bakr Nūr al-Dīn Aḥmad ibn Maḥmūd al-Ṣābūnī, *al-Bidāya fī uṣūl al-dīn* (ed. Bekir Topaloğlu; Ankara: Diyanet İşleri Başkanlığı Yayınları, 1979), 54; al-Rāzī, *Mafātīḥ al-ghayb*, III, 7; al-Qurṭubī, *al-Jāmi*; I, 459.

through error or forgetting.⁴⁴ According to Ahl al-Sunna, the commission of minor sins by a prophet before becoming a prophet is permissible if there is no reasonable cause that makes the transition to prophet impossible, it occurs rarely and the prophet repents afterward. Nevertheless, they cannot commit minor sins often or a major sin at all prior to becoming prophets. Most Mu'tazilī and Khārijī claim that prophets are also protected from sin before becoming prophets. According to Ḥashwiyya and some Khārijī, Murji'ī and Mu'tazilī scholars, prophets are not free of committing minor or major sins either before or after becoming prophets.⁴⁵

As for Qutb al-Dīn-zāda, he considers Adam's eating of forbidden fruit as a mistake rather than a sin. Nevertheless, according to him, this mistake is not actual; rather, Allah deliberately made Adam make this error to teach people, who must live on earth, certain lessons more effectively. Therefore, Qutb al-Dīn-zāda describes this sin as esoteric, probably influenced by the theory of unity of existence (waḥdat al-wujūd) and the related immutable entity (a'yān thābita) approach of Muḥyī al-Dīn Ibn 'Arabī. These influences are even more apparent in the following expressions, which are indicated as the fifth component of wisdom in the explanation of the purposes and wisdom of Adam's commission of this esoteric mistake at the behest of Allah:

The object learns that the verdict of Allah is conclusive with regard to inflicting punishment for his crime. Because sin, eternally, is a necessity of the 'ayn [thābit] of the object. Allah rules a sin for the object [toward sinning] only because of His knowledge on his/her

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⁴⁴ Al-Bazdawi, *Uṣūl al-dīn*, 172; al-Ṣābūni, *al-Bidāya*, 54; al-Rāzi, *Mafātīḥ al-ghayb*, III, 7; al-Qurṭubi, *al-Jāmi* , I, 459.

⁴⁵ Al-Bazdawi, *Uṣūl al-dīn*, 172-176; al-Ṣābūni, *al-Bidāya*, 54; al-Rāzi, *Mafātīḥ al-ghayb*, III, 7-8; al-Qurṭubi, *al-Jāmi*, I, 459. For further information, see Ferruh Kahraman, "Hz. Âdem'in Yasak Ağaca Yaklaşması," *Sakarya Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakültesi Dergisi* 15/27 (2013/1), 207-220.

We do not provide many details on this issue because it is not the direct theme of our paper. For further information on this issue, see Ekrem Demirli, "Vahdet-i Vücûd," Türkiye Diyanet Vakfi İslâm Ansiklopedisi (DİA), XXXXII, 431-435; Süleyman Uludağ, "A'yân-ı sâbite," Türkiye Diyanet Vakfı İslâm Ansiklopedisi (DİA), IV, 198-199; Hatice Arpaguş, "Sofyalı Bâlî Efendi'nin Kazâ ve Kader Risâlesi ve A'yân-ı Sâbite Açısından İnsanın Sorumluluğu," Marmara Üniversitesi İlâbiyat Fakültesi Dergisi 30/1 (2006), 51-88.

[object] 'ayn [thābit] of the object. Therefore, it is nothing but the self/existence of the object that pushes his nafs to sin. Once the object understands this, he discovers that Allah's order is just the opposite of his will. Thus, the object comprehends the justice of Allah while He punishes.

At this point, Qutb al-Dīn-zāda seems to mean the following: When an object commits a sin, this is a consequence of his 'ayn thābit in pre-eternity. In pre-eternity, an object has the attribute of sinning or not sinning. Allah only gives a verdict on how the object will act pursuant to his attributes and his 'ayn thābit. Otherwise, Allah does not make His objects sin. It is the 'ayn thābit of the object that pushes him to sin. As for Adam, Qutb al-Dīn-zāda claims that Adam actually has no attribute of sinning in his 'ayn thābit because he is a prophet and distant from sins. However, Allah makes something that is not in Adam's 'ayn thābit happen to Adam to teach His objects that His verdict is valid with respect to punishing crimes by objects.

Adam's response to Moses, "will you now reprimand me because of a deed that Allah wrote to happen forty years beforehand!" and the Prophet's declaration that Adam is the winner of the debate constitute another point of discussion. Indeed, these expressions can serve as evidence of the meaning of destiny (*qadar*) and the part of human will in Adam's deeds. Therefore, the views of various Islamic schools about fate and the will of man in his deeds are important to carry out a solid assessment of this section of the ḥadīth. In fact, each order has a different interpretation regarding these questions.

At first glance, Adam's words, "will you now reprimand me because of a deed that Allah wrote to happen forty years beforehand!" give the impression that man has no will in his deeds and must live the destiny written for him. This view is coherent with the Jabriyya's approach to fate. According to Jabriyya, led by Jahm ibn Ṣafwān (d. 128/745), man is but a convict in the face of destiny. He has no will or freedom to choose. No one can commit any act or deed except Allah. In this respect, there is no difference between man and non-living things. Man has no power, intention or freedom

to choose. All occurs at the discretion of Allah, pursuant to His will, desire and power.⁴⁷

Nevertheless, Sunnī scholars do not interpret the hadīth in this manner. According to them, Adam sinned in this instance not because of his fate; instead, he tries to indicate that the reason for his expulsion to earth is destiny. In other words, he does not take refuge in fate for his sin and does not try to use it as an excuse.⁴⁸ As a prophet, Adam knows that it is not a valid creed to absolve him from his sin, putting forth "fate as evidence." In fact, Allah condemns polytheists who, after committing a sin, say that "If Allah had willed, we would not have associated [anything] and neither would our fathers."49 Indeed, as indicated in the verse "Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves, and if You do not forgive us and have mercy upon us, we will surely be among the losers,"50 Adam acknowledges his fault. And Allah says that He forgives him.⁵¹ There is no need to allege an excuse for an already forgiven sin. Because Allah, through His eternal knowledge, knows all that the object will undergo, this should be construed as a predestination of what that object will live.⁵² Moreover, in Sūrat al-Bagara, Allah indicates that man will live on earth, and not in Heaven, even before the creation of Adam.⁵³ Therefore, the deception of Adam by Devil is only a motive for sending man to earth.⁵⁴ The following interpretation on the hadith by al-Khattābī (d. 388/998) can help better understand the Sunni approach to this issue. Most people understand from the expression "qadā' and qadar is from Allah" that the object is under an obligation

⁴⁷ Abū Manṣūr ʿAbd al-Qāhir ibn Ṭāhir al-Baghdādī, *al-Farq bayna l-firaq wa-bayān al-firqa al-nājiya minhum* (ed. Muḥammad ʿUthmān al-Khusht; Cairo: Maktabat Ibn Sīnā, n.d.), 186.

i8 Ibn 'Abd al-Barr, *al-Tambīd*, XVIII, 15; id., *al-Istidhkār*, XXVI, 88; Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya, *Shifā* '*al-'alīl*, I, 56-57.

⁴⁹ Q 6:148.

⁵⁰ Q 7:23.

⁵¹ Q 2:37.

⁵² Ibn 'Abd al-Barr, *al-Tambīd*, XVIII, 15; id., *al-Istidbkār*, XXVI, 88; al-'Aynī, '*Umdat al-qārī*, XV, 307.

⁵³ Q 2:30.

Abū Sulaymān Ḥamd ibn Muḥammad al-Khaṭṭābī, Maʿalim al-Sunan wa-buwa sharḥ Sunan al-Imām Abī Dāwūd (ed. Muḥammad Rāghib al-Ṭabbākh; Aleppo: al-Maṭbaʿa al-ʿIlmiyya, 1932), IV, 323; al-ʿAynī, ʿUmdat al-qārī, XV, 307; XIX, 60.

and compulsion with regard to fulfillment of fate. Some even think that this is why Adam got the better of Moses in the above-mentioned debate. Nevertheless, this is not the case. Indeed, Allah's knowledge precedes the deeds and will of objects; these appear at His discretion, and He creates what is good and evil for such deeds and will.⁵⁵

Qadariyya and Mu'tazila do not accept a conception of *qadar* and gadā' as decisive of human deeds; according to these schools, man can commit any good or evil act under his own will. Man creates and builds his future with his own hands, without intervention by Allah. In other words, the will of man is absolute, and no one interferes.⁵⁶ In this respect, Adam committed the mistake/sin that led to his expulsion from Heaven by his own will. Adam's words refer to no obligation. Certain Mu'tazilī scholars, such as Abū 'Alī al-Jubbā'ī (d. 303/916), refuse this hadith on the grounds that it presents fate as the reason behind Adam's sin. According to these scholars, if this hadīth were sound, then the prophets would no longer be prophets. Orders and bans would have no meaning if fate were an excuse for sinners. If it were permissible to hide behind predestination after ignoring an order or violating a prohibition, such a person could not be condemned.⁵⁷ Moreover, those who do not refuse the hadith do not consider it evidence because it descends via single report (khabar alwābid). According to Fakhr al-Dīn al-Rāzī (d. 606/1209), the Mu^ctazila criticizes this hadīth on the following grounds: If we declare Moses the winner, then Moses condemns Adam for committing a minor sin. In this case, Moses would have to be ignorant; however, ignorance is impermissible for a prophet. Another justification is that it is not appropriate that Moses uses a rough tongue on Adam. Moreover, Moses already knows that Adam is not the reason for mankind's unhappiness and expulsion from Heaven but rather that it is Allah who willed this predicament. Adam has put forth proof that is actually inadequate. If this justification were valid, heathens such as Pharaoh and Haman could provide the same explanation for their situations. This justification, however, would be mostly void; therefore, Adam's reasoning is also invalid. Mu'tazila also criticizes

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⁵⁵ Al-Khattābī, *Maʿālim al-Sunan*, IV, 322.

Al-Qādī 'Abd al-Jabbār Abū l-Ḥasan 'Abd al-Jabbār ibn Aḥmad, al-Mughnī fī abwāb al-tawḥīd wa-l-'adl (eds. Tawfīq al-Ṭawīl, Sa'īd Zāyad, Ṭāhā Ḥusayn, and Ibrāhīm Madkūr; Cairo: Wizārat al-Thaqāfa wa-l-irshād al-Qawmī, al-Sharika al-Miṣriyya, 1960-65), VIII, 3-4.

⁵⁷ Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya, *Shifā' al-ʿalīl*, I, 46.

the hadīth in that according to this narrative, Muḥammad is in a position of approving something that is clearly untrue and unfair. Later, al-Rāzī tried to find a more sensible basis for the ḥadīth to respond to the Muʿtazilī criticisms. ⁵⁸ The Qadariyya also inveighs against the assumption that Allah wrote the event that would happen to Adam forty years beforehand. According to Qadariyya, Allah does not know something until it occurs. According to Ashʿariyya, however, predestination of the incident by Allah in the ḥadīth is proof that the abovementioned claim by Qadariyya is void. ⁵⁹

In his *al-Tambīd*, Ibn 'Abd al-Barr (d. 463/1071) indicates that the hadīth on the discussion between Adam and Moses is the most explicit for proof of fate among narratives from Muḥammad and that it annuls the Qadarī view.⁶⁰

For al-Baghawī (d. 516/1122), any unilateral assessment without consideration of the fate or will of an object will be erroneous:

In fact, both were equal on the verdict they were discussing. No one has the right to disregard the "essential" fate; however, no one has the right to disregard the will, which is the "cause," either. Whomever disregards one of these two (overlooks "essential" or "cause"), he deviates from the true objective and approaches one of two extremist schools, namely, Qadariyya or Jabriyya. 61

According to Qutb al-Dīn-zāda, upon Adam's winning response to Moses "Will you now reprimand me because of a deed that Allah wrote to happen forty years beforehand!" the following question springs to mind: "If the predestination of the crime of Adam before his creation would absolve him from condemnation, the predetermination of the sins of his offsprings prior to their birth should have exempted them from torment and absolved them from condemnation."

Qutb al-Dīn-zāda touches upon certain views that seek an answer to this question; nevertheless, he states that none provides a reasonable answer and that such evaluations do not mesh with the

Abū l-Ḥasan ʿAlī ibn ʿIsmāʿīl al-Ashʿarī, *al-Ibāna ʿan uṣūl al-diyāna* (ed. Bashīr Muḥammad ʿUyūn; Damascus: Maktabat Dār al-Bayān, 1990), I, 156.

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⁵⁸ Al-Rāzī, *Mafātīḥ al-ghayb*, II, 53

⁶⁰ Ibn 'Abd al-Barr, *al-Tambīd*, XVIII, 17.

⁶¹ Al-Baghawī, Sharḥ al-Sunna, I, 127.

hadīth text. In this respect, Qutb al-Dīn-zāda cites the opinions of his father Qutb al-Dīn al-Iznīqī⁶² but indicates that these do not solve the problem either and puts forth his own views. According to Outb al-Dīn-zāda, the incident that befell Adam is an esoteric mistake entailing various problems and wisdom, and Allah deliberately had Adam commit this error. Adam wins the debate, giving the evidence that he is but a toy in the hands of the will and pleasure of Allah, who made him commit the mistake. However, that Adam had to commit this mistake does not mean he has no will in his deeds; moreover, it does not mean that mankind must live the fate predetermined for him, as Jabriyya asserts. According to Qutb al-Dīn-zāda, this incident is a single and special event ordered by Allah to better teach people certain lessons. Later, Outb al-Dīn-zāda tries to explain the hadīth through his own view by means of a detailed interpretation of wisdom and affairs with regard to Adam's commission of this error at the behest of Allah. He has a Sufi approach to the problem and explaining the noted profundity and problem.

The section in which the Prophet declares Adam the winner of the debate is another point of discussion between Ahl al-sunna and Mu^ctazila, and Jabriyya schools. According to Sunnī scholars, the word "Ādam" in the expression "فحج ادم موسى at the end of the ḥadīth should be read as $marf\bar{u}^c$, and on that basis, Adam wins the discussion.⁶³ Nevertheless, pursuant to some grammatical assessments, the Qadariyya maintains that the word "Mūsā" is $marf\bar{u}'$, whereupon Moses wins the debate.⁶⁴ This is because Moses's victory is more suitable to the Qadariyya comprehension of destiny. According to Qadariyya, if Adam is considered victorious, then a prophet holds fate responsible for commission of a sin. In this case, any rebel against the prophets of Allah can use the same excuse grounded on the example of Adam.

For Ahl al-sunna, it is inarguably clear that the word " \bar{A} dam" should be $marf\bar{u}^c$ pursuant to Arabic grammar, and it would be

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The treatise comprehensively touches upon Qutb al-Dīn al-Iznīqī's explanations on the ḥadīth. For all the remarks by Qutb al-Dīn al-Iznīqī on the solution to the problem, see the relevant paragraphs under the title of "Translation of the Treatise."

⁶³ Ibn Baṭṭāl, Sharḥ Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī, X, 315; al-Baghawī, Sharḥ al-Sunna, I, 126; Ibn Ḥajar al-ʿAsqalānī, Fatḥ al-bārī, XI, 517; al-ʿAynī, ʿUmdat al-qārī, XV, 307.

⁶⁴ Ibn Ḥajar al-ʿAsqalānī, *ibid*.

According to Ibn Ḥazm (d. 456/1064), Moses was beaten in the debate because he accused Adam of something that the latter never did, namely, causing man's expulsion from Heaven. This expulsion is not an act by Adam but rather by Allah. If Moses had condemned Adam for eating fruit from the forbidden tree, leading to expulsion from Heaven, then this reproach would have been appropriate and Adam would have had nothing to say.⁶⁷

The treatise extensively treats on who won the debate between Adam and Moses. After introducing various opinions and their justifications, Qutb al-Dīn-zāda gives a detailed account of opinions from his father al-Iznīqī, as well as from scholars, such as al-Baghawī and 'Alā' al-Dīn 'Alī al-Suhūmī al-Ḥanafī (d. 763/1361). We will not touch upon the details to avoid pushing the limits of this study; however, we will put forth the following words by Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda on why the evaluations by the above scholars, including his father, are not satisfactory to him:

You should know that according to all of these responses, Adam silenced Moses because Moses laid the mentioned sin exclusively at Adam's door, overlooking the influence of Allah. Nevertheless, a more attentive approach will reveal the following meaning in Adam's words: "O Moses! You overlook the true power, the dominant and strongest overwhelming power, and show the impotent and almost non-present power of the object as the only reason behind my sin;

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Ibn Ḥajar al-ʿAsqalānī, ibid.; al-ʿAynī, ibid., XXIII, 158; Abū l-ʿAbbās Aḥmad ibn Muḥammad al-Qasṭallānī, Irshād al-sārī li-sharḥ Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī (Būlāq: al-Maṭbaʿa al-Kubrā al-Amīriyya, 1305), IX, 358.

⁶⁶ Ibn Ḥajar al-ʿAsqalānī, *ibid.*; al-ʿAynī, *ibid.*, XXIII, 158.

Abū Muḥammad Alī ibn Aḥmad Ibn Ḥazm al-Qurṭubī, al-Iḥkām fi uṣūl al-aḥkām (ed. Aḥmad Muḥammad Shākir; Beirut: Dār al-Āfāq al-Jadīda, 1983), I, 26.

such a behavior is inaccurate and beneath you. Dispute, in other words, the effort to prove the correctness of one's view through bilateral evidence in order to attain the true solution of a problem, can be carried out with proof that lacks opposition, or by means of preferring the stronger evidence over the other."

For Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda, Adam is victorious because he notes that Adam is but a toy in the hands of the will and dominance of Allah, who necessitated the occurrence of this esoteric mistake, which comprises complexity and profundity. After discussing these complex aspects and profundity, Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda describes how Moses is convinced and accepts Adam's response:

As Moses was resurrected at *barzakh*, he thought about the response of his father, Adam, and discovered the truth; thereupon, he was acquainted with the secrets and eternal knowledge thanks to the attribute of "walī," which is the true way of closeness to Allah Almighty; thus, he accepted the response of his father. Therefore, all the curtains that had hindered and dominated him due to provisions of being a prophet in his lifetime were lifted. In proportion to his divergence from earthly life, the veils were removed, and the first lights of the truth became apparent.

Copies of the Treatise

There are four remaining copies of the treatise at various libraries. One is the author's copy, written by Qutb al-Dīn-zāda in person. According to the colophon, the dictation of the treatise was completed in late Rabī al-ākhir in 863 AH (March 1459). This copy, available under no. 290 in the Amcazade Hüseyin Section of Süleymaniye Library, takes place between leaves 37b-40a of a corpus that includes other works by the same author. The treatise is written in *ta līq* script and each page consists of 21 lines, with some notes by the author in the margins. These notes, apparently added by the author afterward, include an additional verse to clarify the matter, certain explanatory/evocative information and citations from relevant scholars, such as Ibn 'Arabī or al-Qūnawī.

The edited text of the treatise, given at the end of this paper, is based on this copy. Accordingly, letters and phrases that are different in other three versions are marked and shown in the footnotes.

The copy at Fatih Library no. 2852 is between leaves no. 104b-108a of a corpus. ⁶⁹ It is also written in *ta'līq* script and each page consists of 17 lines; the beginnings of phrases are highlighted with red lines. There is almost no word difference between this copy and that written by the author; according to the colophon, it was written in Shawwāl 827 AH (May 1468) and does not bear the name of the copyst. It must have been scripted by the author himself or one of his disciples because it was written in the lifetime of Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda, it is almost identical to the author's version, and its calligraphy is similar to that of the author.

The third copy is located under no. 692 at Râgıb Paşa Library, between leaves 226b-230a of a corpus that comprises five works by Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda. 70 The name of the copying person is not given but should be copied from the author's version because authors' notes are invariably copied. The copy is written in *naskb* style and each page consists of 21 lines; the pages are edged with red lines.

The final known copy of the treatise is found under no. 4223 in the Hacı Mahmud Efendi section of Süleymaniye Library, between leaves 27b-34a of a corpus.⁷¹ The name and date of the scripture is unknown; the text is written in legible naskh script and each page consists of 17 lines. The notes in the author's version are also copied on the edges of the pages.

Translation of the Treatise

The Messenger of Allah (pbuh) spoke as follows:

Adam (pbuh) and Moses (pbuh) argued in the presence of their Lord. In the end, Adam beat Moses. Moses told Adam "You are Adam, whom Allah created by His hand, into whom He blew His soul, before whom He got his angels to prostrate and whom He placed in Heaven. However, you caused the sending of men down to earth due to your mistake." In response, Adam said: "You are a chosen one whom Allah found worthy as a messenger and talked to in person, whom He handed the plates that included explanation of everything, whom He brought to his convent of dignity as a confidant. How many years before Allah created me did He write Torah?" "Forty years

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beforehand," answered Moses. Thereupon, Adam asked once again, "did you see the verse, "...Adam disobeyed bis Lord, and went astray?" [Q 20:121]. As Moses responded "yes," Adam said: "Will you now reprimand me because of a deed that Allah wrote to happen forty years beforehand!" Upon this answer, Prophet Muḥammad (pbuh) said, "Adam won this debate." ⁷²

Adam's response and how he silenced Moses prompted several relevant objections. Namely, if the predestination of the crime by Adam before his creation would have absolved him from reprimand, then he would have exempted his offsprings from wrath and reprimand because their sins were also decided before their respective creation.

Due to this complex situation in the hadīth, some scholars said that these words belonged to Jews; however, the narrator quotes the *riwāya* from Muḥammad because he stepped in mid-conversation and did not hear it in full.

For others, however, the word "Ādam" is *mansūb*; therefore, Moses is the winner.

According to a third group, the criticism by Moses of Adam is not appropriate because it takes place after Adam's penitence and forgiving by Allah.

In the eyes of some scholars, issues such as liability, *kasb* (deed through will) and the need for warning against sins are valid only after this life; therefore, because this condemnation takes place in the afterlife, it has no meaning but to bring Adam into contempt; however, in the afterlife, such embarrassment is to no avail.

According to certain scholars, the reprimand by Moses occurs after the truths are revealed in the afterlife and physical circumstances disappear; for others, Moses, during his condemnation, is not assigned this duty by Allah; therefore, his reprimand is not appropriate.

My father Quṭb al-Dīn, who was born in Niğde and lived in Iznik as a zealous scholar and virtuous person, wrote the following in his <code>bashiya</code> called <code>Talfīqāt</code> to <code>Maṣābī</code>b:

Muslim, "Qadar," 15. For similar texts, see al-Bukhārī, Anbiyā', 29, "Qadar," 11; Muslim, "Qadar," 13-14; al-Tirmidhī, "Qadar," 2; Abū Dāwūd, "Sunna," 17; Aḥmad ibn Ḥanbal, al-Musnad, II, 248, 264, 268, 398.

None of the above-mentioned responses about the complicated aspect of the hadīth comply with the text of the hadīth. This is because Adam says, "Will you now reprimand me because of a deed that Allah wrote to happen forty years beforehand!" Nevertheless, one's departure from this world of servitude does not absolve him from reprimand. Otherwise, no sinner could have been reprimanded in the afterlife due to his crimes in this world. Moreover, if one says that condemnation is carried out only by Allah, this would be ignoring the condemnation of sins by prophets and scholars in this world and by angels in the afterlife; however, this is not the case. In the afterlife, the true situation about the question of *qaḍā* and *qadar* will be unearthed, and this emergence will not remove condemnation and wrath due to disobedience. If you look for a solid, final and complete response in order to annihilate all these strong objections, you should know the following:

The phrase "Will you now reprimand me..." by Adam includes two indications: (1) Moses gets ahead of himself in condemnation, and (2) the predestination of the sin of Adam before his emergence in the realm of existence. Therefore, this expression is accepted as certain (naṣṣ) about these two indications. Some scholars ground it in the first indication. Nevertheless, you learn/know that it is unreasonable. Then, the reason for Adam's rejection of the condemnation by Moses should be that the condemning takes place due to something that is decided prior to his creation. This is the only way to make the objection against the ḥadīth discussable. Then, we will give the following answer:

The mentioned sin by Adam took place through two forces. We have to take both forces into consideration. Nevertheless, as Moses opposes Adam only because of the force of the object, Adam argues against Moses for the latter associates the sin only with the will of Adam and overlooks the true/authentic divine will that caused the disobedience. In short, as Moses brings along evidence and gets into discussion with Adam, the latter opts for responding and silencing him by not proving the weakness, but disproving his claim. Adam, in a manner, said the following: "Yes, I deserve condemnation and reprimand due to my disobedience. Indeed, Allah said, 'Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves' [Q 7:23], '...Adam disobeyed his Lord and erred' [Q 20:121], '...Did I not forbid you from that tree...? [Q 7:22] and '...Satan caused them to slip out of it...' [Q 2:36]. However, you –

Oh Moses – also erred seemingly, by grounding on a claim that I sinned on my own, and by attributing this sin only to my will. In fact, you are a prophet who knows that the true and victorious will with regard to disobedience (and any other deed) is that of Allah! What befits your status was to take both [the will of the object and the divine will] into account. Indeed, as a prophet, you know that overlooking one of the two would be the consequence of a Jabrī or Qadarī approach."

There are many examples for this point [indicated by Adam]. For instance, the Prophet told Abū Hurayra, "The pen of God has already written and settled what will become of you." Hearing these words, Abū Hurayra only focused on the cause and deemed it the only factor for the consequence; thereupon, he said he wanted to be desexualized or to marry in order to protect himself from the malice of lust. Muḥammad, however, did not accept these wishes because Abū Hurayra considered the causes the only factor, overlooked the will of Allah, and ignored the fact that the causes may not always bring the expected consequences.

Assessments by (my father) Qutb al-Dīn al-Iznīqī are essentially as above. Similar explanations are available in the commentary of *Maṣābīḥ* called *Manhal al-yanābī* c.74 The relevant opinions have the same focus: The two [the power of the object and the omnipotent power of Allah] are inseparable; one is, so to speak, the foundation of the building, while the other signifies the stories. Whomever tries to separate them will demolish the building.

The same approach, albeit through different words, can be found in *Sharḥ al-Sunna*: "In fact, both were equal on the issue in discussion. Nobody has the right to disregard the 'true' predestination, just as nobody has the right to disregard the will, which is the 'cause.' Whomever does one of the two [overlooks 'truth' or 'cause'] deviates from the purpose and draws close to two extremist views, namely, the Qadarī and Jabrī approaches." Allah knows best of all.

⁷³ al-Bukhārī, "Qadar," 2.

This work is a commentary of the famous *Maṣābīḥ al-sunna* by al-Baghawī (d. 516/1122) and is written by 'Alā' al-Dīn 'Alī al-Suhūmī al-Ḥanafī (d. 763/1361).

⁷⁵ Al-Baghawī, *Sharḥ al-Sunna*, I, 127.

Remember that according to all these responses, Adam silenced Moses because Moses attributed the mentioned sin only to the object, overlooking the influence of Allah. Nevertheless, a more attentive analysis will show [the meaning of Adam's words]: "Oh Moses! You overlook the true force, the dominant and strongest, overwhelming and victorious power, and show the weak, impotent power of the object as the only reason behind the occurrence of sin; this inaccurate behavior is not worthy of someone like you." A dispute can be carried out based on proof without opposition; it can also occur in the form of preferring the stronger of two pieces of evidence.

The object [Muḥammad Quṭb al-Dīn-zāda], destitute of the mercy of Allah Almighty, says the following about analysis and review of this ḥadīth thanks to His assistance and guidance to success:

Adam defeated Moses because the former showed that the reason behind the occurrence of this formal error, which includes many issues and much wisdom, is nothing but a type of toy in the hands of the dominant Allah with regard to will and wish.

The referenced issues and wisdom include the following:

- 1. The object's recognition of Allah's sovereignty and power. This takes place as follows: Allah rules something in such a way that the object can never oppose; the object has no power to reverse the verdict due to the endless power of Allah, and he errs.
- 2. The object learns of Allah's attribute of "gentleness." That is, Allah does not punish the object at once and allows him to repent, apologize and pray for forgiveness of his sins.
- 3. The object discovers Allah's "favor" after He accepts the apology of His object. Indeed, Allah Ta'ālā speaks as follows: "*They said*, 'Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves..." [Q 7:23].
- 4. The object learns the "grace" of Allah following His forgiveness and seeing how He abundantly bestows the merits of repentance.
- 5. The object learns that the verdict of Allah is conclusive with regard to inflicting punishment for his crime. Because sin, in pre-eternity, is a necessity of the 'ayn [thābit] of the object. Allah rules a sin for the object [toward sinning] only because

of His knowledge on the 'ayn [thābit] of the object. Therefore, it is nothing but the self (existence) of the object that pushes his nafs to sin. Once the object understands this, he discovers that Allah's order is just the opposite of his will. Thus, the object comprehends the justice of Allah while He punishes.

Remember that pursuant to these five points, the object learns that Haqq wants to be known through His attributes of honor, gentleness, favor, grace, and justice. Thus, the object prefers Allah over himself, and does not compete with Him for dominance and finally attains the stage of "surrender." Moreover, he forgets his crime, blesses the benedictions by Allah, and begins to "observe His sublime attributes." He comes together with Haqq and becomes indifferent to all others, which is a desirable transformation. Rigor is the remembrance of annoyances at the moment of happiness.

- 6. The object knows the truth of things as they are and becomes prudent enough not to err in comprehending the truths. In other words, when he sees his good deeds, including final repentance, he interprets them as the favor and benediction of Allah. When he sees evil deeds, he understands that they are flaws of his self and a necessity of his being. Thus, the object takes a step forward in terms of observing the benediction and distinguishing the flaws. This is a supreme position because there is no better point of view for an object.
- 7. Divine perfection becomes apparent in the object as the attributes belonging to the self of the object disappear, as well as the veils of egocentrism. Due to self-complacency, an object may think himself impeccant and immaculate; in this case, the divine perfection within the object remains "capacity/potential" and cannot become actual. When Allah tests His object through a fallacy, the self of the object is overwhelmed, tends toward Allah and repents Him. Thereupon, Allah forgives/erases his sin, the veils are removed and divine perfection becomes visible. As a result, the object becomes much closer to Allah than before the fallacy. The case of Solomon (pbuh) is an example. When Solomon (pbuh) swore of his love for horses, the wind, which blows sometimes as a breeze and sometimes as a storm, was put under his order instead of the repented

- love. This wind blew every day at this behest, in the morning and in the evening over a period of two months.
- 8. The object contemplates the unity of Ḥaqq in every occurrence. Allah brings whomever He likes to the stage of "togetherness" (*jam'*) or into heresy through the veil of "separation." Once an object attains the stage of togetherness, he sees no competent being other than Allah.
- 9. The emergence of the requisites of the status in which the manifestation, perfection and conduct in his nature come together. If [Adam] had not descended to the lower/material world, he would not have observed actual providences by Allah, such as remorse, collection, trouble, test, forgiveness, mercy and punishment. Therefore, even if Adam's descent seems, at first glance, an expulsion, it is in fact to clothe him with the garments of closeness and manifestation.
- 10. The perfection of Adam is revealed. In other words, Adam left for the realm of responsibility and undertook a burden that even the heavens and earth refrained from carrying. He remained on his path despite his lust, the perverting potential of anger and his misleading demons. If Allah did not expel him to this world, one might have thought that Adam's perfection was innate, totally dependent on the favor of Allah, without any increase in his perfection worthy of such honoring and grace. Nevertheless, his error revealed his perfection in the realm of justice and favor; consequently, he became worthy of the following verse: "And We have certainly honored the children of Adam..." [Q 17:70].

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[&]quot;Togetherness" (*jam'*) means "to be preoccupied only by Ḥaqq," "turn away from sensible world toward the holy realm," "turn away from all other things thanks to contemplation of Allah," and "to see that all things and beings are present thanks to Allah;" "separation" (*tafriqa*) means "the preoccupation of self with bodily forces, to get overwhelmed by them in their affairs and tastes." ('Abd al-Razzāq Kamāl al-Dīn ibn Abī l-Ghanā'im al-Qāshānī, *Laṭā'if al-i'lām fī ishārāt ahl al-ilhām* (eds. Aḥmad 'Abd al-Raḥīm al-Sāyiḥ *et al.*; Cairo: Maktabat al-Thaqāfa al-Dīniyya, 2005), I, 322-324.

The following comments can also be given in response [to objections about Adam's expulsion from Heaven to earth in the hadīth]:

- a. This [Adam's expulsion from Heaven by Allah and descent to earth] can also be in the form of simulation. The purpose here is to show that even a person with such high status in terms of knowledge and closeness to Allah can be reprimanded; his situation is manifested through verses such as "Adam disobeved bis Lord and erred' [Q 20:121] and "Did I not forbid you from that tree and tell you that Satan is to you a clear enemy?" [Q 7:22], and to teach the objects that Adam was expelled and sent, together with Eve, to earth to ensure that the sons of Adam, who may sink into misleading fallacy/pride, have no doubt about the torment of Allah but also that they do not despair of His grace. This is because a person, bestowed with such abundant divine benediction - for Adam, these blessings include that Allah, in person, created him, blew into him a soul from His own, taught him all names, ordered angels to grovel to him, chose him as a special person, and placed him in Heaven – and Heaven with the best possible food and beauties, is subject to a clear prohibition although he needs no forbidden thing; however, when he sins, he does not lose the grace of Allah and his repentance is accepted: "Then, his Lord chose him and turned to him in forgiveness and guided him" [Q 20:122].
- b. This [expulsion of Adam from Heaven down to earth] might have occurred to draw attention to the negative influence of evil friends and the need to refrain from such an attitude. Accordingly, the Qur³ān reads "... when you see those who engage in offensive discourse concerning Our verses, then turn away from them" [Q 6:68], while Muḥammad says: "Be friends only with the pious." In other words, the fallacy will be committed by disobedient descendants of Adam.
- c. Additionally, Adam's formal fallacy may have occurred to demonstrate that sinning is one of the innate attributes of

⁷⁷ Research on the source of the hadīth failed to locate the expression "be friends only with the pious." The only present version is "Be friends only with the believers, let the pious eat your food" in works by al-Tirmidhī ("Zuhd," 55) and Abū Dāwūd ("Adab," 19).

mankind. That is, Adam was created for the complete appearance of all possible things. Accordingly, Muḥammad speaks as follows: "Had you not sinned, Allah would destroy you and replace you with a community who sins but asks for His mercy afterward; then, He would forgive them." Creatures are either innocent like angels or evil like demons or are not liable. As a fourth possibility, creatures are "liable", open to obedience and disobedience; this is the best manifestation/appearance and mirror to explain the situation. I believe you understood that by "liable creatures" I mean mankind.

- d. Rumor has it that when Satan, after worshipping Allah for eighty thousand years, was cursed because of Adam, Allah granted him, pursuant to His fairness, the right to take revenge on Adam in exchange for his long-lasting worship – thus Allah says: "And whoever does good an atom's weight will see it then" [O 99:7]. Thereupon, Satan asked Allah to make Adam and his sons deviate from the right path through groundless doubts and allow for him until doomsday. In this case, it is as if Satan sells all his deeds in exchange for this request. Because Adam's crime was not sincere/true but only formal, Allah apparently punished him with expulsion for his sin. Nevertheless, as the verse "Indeed, I will make upon the earth a successive authority" [Q 2:30] reveals, He actually intended to draw His object closer and render him valuable by making him caliph. Consequently, Adam, before he knew it, did what his creation truly required. This is why Satan envied and angels admired him.
- e. There is another possible and interesting response from this weak object in need of the grace of his Lord [to clarify the obscurity in the hadīth]: Adam probably saw what *Upper Pen* and *qadar* wrote about him, noted the wisdom [of committing that sin] this wisdom is that "there is no influence other than Allah, to whom all verdict, deed and influence belongs" and flawlessly comprehended the meaning of the verse "*Everything will be destroyed except His face. His is the judgment, and to Him you will be returned*" [Q 28:88], whereupon he understood

⁷⁸ Muslim, "Tawba," 11.

that he had attained a privileged status to raise him from the world of order and knowledge ('ālam al-amr wa-l-'ilm) to the world of verdict ('ālam al-bukm) and that appreciation of a good deed or condemnation of a bad one cannot emerge from him as an object. If "order" and "knowledge" conflict with "situation" and "ma'rifa," this occurs because the situation is weak or is not as it should be. This means the victory of body over soul, a reversion, and an embrace of one's own choice, leaving aside the will and preference of God. The Almighty Lord says as follows: "And your Lord creates what He wills and chooses; not for them was the choice ... "[Q 28:68] and "It is not for a believing man or a believing woman, when Allah and His Messenger have decided a matter ..." [Q 33:36]. As the intuitions and supremacy of the situation fade and such persons gather themselves, they see the right situation of "knowledge" and "order" as it is and the true condition of "situation" in its aspect, whereupon they sink into sorrow for missing the opportunity to surrender to Allah. This sorrow is what pushes them to repent and pray for forgiveness. However, these are sins committed during the "situation," and even the most cautious are not safe in regard to avoiding such sins. Indeed, the Messenger of Allah said, "When I chagrin, I too ask for mercy of Allah seventy times a day."⁷⁹

As for Moses, his status as a prophet was overwhelming. His boldness in forbidding the denounced is proof of his character. His harsh attitude is evidenced in his relationship with Khiḍr, his older brother Aaron, the Egyptian Copt, the Samaritan, and his tribe. As grace bestowed by Allah, the secret of predestination is hidden from the prophet and is not revealed to him, as a requisite of prophecy. Otherwise, the prophet would know that some of his orders would not take place and that his efforts would not provide some people with benefit, whereupon he would become too dispirited to carry out his assigned task of communicating the message to the people. In fact, however, his duty is nothing but notification –regardless of whether his orders are fulfilled. If the secret of predestination were not hidden from the prophet, then he would have abandoned the duty of notification or his duty would have been too difficult to overcome. Therefore, Allah bestows upon His prophets by

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⁷⁹ Muslim, "Dhikr," 41-43.

concealing the secrets of predestination from them in accordance with His benevolence. This fact does not harm their status as prophets or diminish their genuine attributes of perfection.

There is, however, a point to consider at this stage: Any deed by Moses, his every move, and any behavior against or in relation to him occur pursuant to the will of Allah and His "actual," if not "verbal," order, although the prophet remains unaware of this fact. His killing of the Copt is an example. His deed was the right one. Allah knew that if that Copt lived, he would drive a wedge among Israelites and cause massive sedition. Thus, Allah inspired the heart of Moses to kill this man in such a manner that the prophet never distinguished that all took place upon the will and actual order of Allah to prevent sedition

As Moses rose in barzakh and discovered the truth through the answer of his father Adam, he became acquainted with secrets and innate sciences thanks to the attribute of "walī," the true way of closeness to Allah. Therefore, all the curtains that had hindered and dominated him due to provisions of being a prophet in his lifetime were lifted. In proportion to his divergence from earthly life, the veils were removed and the first lights of the truth became apparent. In the afterlife, Moses immediately comprehended the secret of Allah's will upon the response of his father Adam; nevertheless, he notably failed to completely comprehend the news from Khidr. Khidr showed Moses that the latter had killed the boy; however, Moses refused and could not remember that he had killed the Egyptian Copt. Khidr remarked upon Moses's status before his innocence about this murder was conveyed to him, saying, "And I did it not of my own accord" [Q 18:82]. Khidr also showed Moses how the latter bore a hole through the ship. At first glance, this act seemed like destruction; however, in fact, it was an escape from bandits. Khidr did this as a reaction to being thrown into the water in a coffin, which appeared to be destruction but was in fact salvation from the hands of Pharaoh.

Şadr al-Dīn al-Qūnawī quoted the following from his sheikh, Muḥyī al-Dīn Ibn 'Arabī – may Allah refresh their souls: "He (Ibn 'Arabī) came together with Khiḍr. Khiḍr told him: 'I prepared many questions for Moses, son of 'Imrān, in order to demonstrate to him that any incident that happened to him from his birth until our meeting, occurred through the will and irreversible knowledge of

Allah. However, he could not endure even just three of these questions." Additionally, our Prophet said the following: "If only my brother Moses kept quiet and Khiḍr told us all this news!"

As for the Muḥammadan temperament, he (pbuh) neither becomes complacent nor is affected by reprimand when he observes the secret of the will of Allah because he (pbuh) sees these secrets and prays to Allah in prudence. No other prophet is like him. The prophets, who are perfect in every aspect, know these secrets not because they are messengers but because they are *awliya*? They are the examples in the following verses: "He released the two seas, meeting side by side. Between them is a barrier so neither of them transgresses" [O 55:19-20].

Let us end our words here because this hadīth is a bottomless sea. May Allah make us the objects who obtain pearls from beneath and who find the brightest of them!

Hereby the treatise is completed on the last Saturday of Rabī^c alākhir in the year eight hundred sixty three, having been written and reviewed by Muḥammad Quṭb al-Dīn, an object in need of the benevolence of Allah.

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⁸⁰ al-Bukhārī, "Anbiyā'," 27.

1 رسالة في شرح حديث احتجاج آدم و موسى عليهما السلام لقطب الدين زاده الإزنيقي

قال النبي عليه السلام احتج آدم موسى 2 عند ربهما فحج آدم موسى قال موسى عليه السلام أنت أدم الذي خلقك الله بيده و نفخ فيك من روحه و أسجدً لك ملائكته و أسكنك في جنته ثم أهبطت الناس بخطيئتك إلى الأرض فقال آدم عليه السلام أنت موسى الذي اصطفاك الله برسالته و بكلامه وأعطاك الألواح فيها تبيان كل شيء وقربك نجيا فبكم وجدت الله كتب التوراة قبل أن أُخلق قال بأربعين عاما قال آدم فهل وجدت فيها و عصى آدم ربه فغوى قال نعم قال أفتلومني على أن عملت عملا 3 كتبه الله تعالى علي أن أعمله قبل أن يخلقني بأربعين سنة. قال عليه السلام⁴: فحج آ**د**م موسى.

وعلى جوابه 6 وإلزامه اعتراض مشكل 7 لأن تقدير 8 ذنب آدم قبل خلقه لو كان 9 رافعا اللوم عليه 10 لكان 11 تقدير ذنوب أولاده قبل خلقهم دافعا العذاب

عملنا في هذا التحقيق: اعتمدنا في هذا التحقيق على أربعة نسخ: راغب باشا، محمود أفندي، فاتح و عمجه زاده حسين. و اخترنا منها نسخة عمجه حسين . وهو ما خطه يد المألف . أساسا و أشرنا إلى النسخ الأخرى في الهامش برموز. إن كان هناك ما سقط أو ما اختلف مع هذا الأصل. هي : لنسخَّة راغب باشا ب"رب"، و لنسخة محمود أفندي ب"حم"، و لنسخَّة فاتح ب"ف". و خرجنا كل ما يحتاج استخراجه من آية قرآنية و حديث نبوي.

² في (حم) "مع موسى"

في (حم) "على عمل"

في (حم) "قال النبي صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم"

أخرجه البخاري في كتاب القدر (١١) و مسلم في كتاب القدر (١٤) والترمذي في كتاب القدر (٢) وأبو داود في كتاب السنة (١٧) وأحمد في المسند (٢، ٢٤٨، ٢٦٤، ٢٦٨، ٣٩٨)

في (حم) و(رب) "اعلم أن جوابه"

في (حم) و (رب) "اعتراضا مشكلا"

في (حم) "هو أن تقدير"

في (حم) و (رب) "إن كان"

في (حم) "عنه"

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عنهم و رافعا الملام عليهم ولصعوبته 12 قال بعض هذا الحديث حكاية عن اليهود إلا أن الراوي لما دخل عليه أنه أثناء الحديث و ظن أنه عليه السلام أخبر عن نفسه روى عنه عليه السلام و قال بعض آدم منصوب و الغالب موسى. أجاب 14 بعض بأن لوم موسى عليه السلام كان بعد التوبة و الغفران ولذا لم يكن موجها. وبعض بأن اللوم كان بعد خروجه عن دار التكليف والكسب والحاجة إلى الزجر فلم يكن في لومه 15 سوى التخجيل و هو في ذلك الوقت غير مفيد. 16 وقوم بأن موسى عليه السلام ليس مأمورا بلوم آدم من قبل الله تعالى فلم 17 يكن موجها. وقال المولى العالم العامل والكامل الفاضل والدي مولانا قطب الدين النكيدي 18 مولدا والإزنيقي محتدا¹⁹ هذه الأجوبة غير مناسبة لمتن الحديث لأن آدم عليه السلام قال أفتلومني على عمل قدره الله تعالى 20 قبل خلقي مع أن الخروج عن دار التكليف لا يرفع اللوم وإلا لا يكون أحد من العصاة ملوما على عصيانه في الآخرة و لو كان اللوم مخصوصا بالله تعالى لا يكون لتوبيخ الأنبياء و العلماء في الدنيا وتوبيخ الملائكة في الآخرة 21 على العصاة وجه و ليس كذلك و أيضا يظهر في الآخرة حقيقة الحال في مسئلة القضاء و القدر ولا يدفع ذلك الظهور اللوم و التعذيب على المعصية فلا بد في دفع ذلك الاعتراض القوي 22 من جواب شافٍ و كلام وافٍ و إذا أردت الجواب المستقيم فاعلم أن قول آدم عليه السلام أفتلومني إلخ مشتمل على قيدين كون موسى مباشرا في اللوم و

 $^{^{1}}$ في (-4) "ولصعوبة هذا الإشكال و ليس كذالك"

أ في (-4) "على النبى صلى الله عليه و سلم" في أ

¹⁴ في (حم) و (رب) "وأجاب"

¹⁵ في (حم) "في لومه فائدة"

في (حم) و (رب) " وقوم بأن اللوم كان بعد ظهور الحقائق في العالم العلوى و اضمحلال الرسوم و الإطلال"

¹⁷ في (حم) "ولم" في الم

النكيد" في (حم) "النكيد"

¹⁵ في (حم) و (رب) "في حواشيه على المصابيح المسماة تلفيقات"

²⁰ سقط من (ف) و(رب) "الله تعلى"

في (ف) "وتوبيخ الملائكة في الملائكة في الاخرة" 2

²² سقط من (حم) "القوي"

 20 ونب آدم مقدًرا قبل وجوده فيكون الكلام نصا في ذينك القيدين أف فلهب البعض إلى الأول وقد عرفت أن لاوجه له فتعين أن الإنكار راجع إلى لومه على مقدر قبل 24 فتوجه الاعتراض فنجيب أن عصيان آدم صدر بواسطة القدرتين فلا بد فيه 25 من ملاحظتهما لكن لما نظر موسى إلى مجرد قدرة العبد فأنكر أنكر 26 آدم على موسى في تخصيصه قدرة آدم بصدور المعصية من غير ملاحظة القدرة الغالبة الربانية فالحاصل أن موسى لما كان محاجا ومناظرا 27 مع آدم سلك آدم معه طريق المباحثة و الإلزام بتزييف دليله لا بتضعيف مدعاه فكأنه قال إني وإن كنت مستحقا باللوم و التوبيخ بصدور العصيان مني ولهذا قال ربنا ظلمنا أنفسنا 28 وقال 20 وقال "وأزلهما الشيطان" فغوى 30 وقال "ألم أنهكما عن تلكما الشجرة" وقال "وأزلهما الشيطان" لكنك يا موسى أخطأت بإسناد تلك المعصية إلى قدرتي بعبارة دالة في لكنك يا موسى أخطأت بإسناد تلك المعصية إلى قدرتي بعبارة دالة في الظاهر على استقلالي مع أنك نبي عارف بأن الأصل والمستقل 38 فيها قدرة الله تعالى فاللايق بشأنك أن تظهر 40 إلى 35 الجانبين لما عرفت أن النظر بأحدهما مجردا ينبئ عن الجبر أو القدر و أمثال هذه النكتة كثيرة منها قوله عليه السلام 36 لأبي هريرة رضى الله عنه جف القلم بما أنت لاقٍ 36 يعني 38 إن

²³ سقط من (ف) "قيدين"

²⁴ في (حم) و (رب) و(ف) "+ خلقه"

²⁵ سقط من (حم) "فيه"

²⁰ سقط من (حم) "أنكر"

² في (حم) "وناظرا"

²⁶ الأعراف (٢٥)

²⁹ سقط من (حم) "ألله"

³⁰ طه (۱۲۱)

³¹ الأعراف (٢٢)

³² البقرة (٣٦)

³³ في (حم) و (رب) "والغالب"

³⁵ سقط من (حم) "إلى"

³⁰ في (حم) "قول النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم"

³⁵ أخرجه البخاري في كتاب القدر (٢) عن أبي هريرة

³⁸ سقط من (حم) "يعني"

أبا⁹⁰ هريرة نظر ⁴⁰ إلى السبب و زعم أنه تام في وجود المسبب ودفعه ⁴¹ وقال أريد أن أختصى حتى أسلم من شر الشهوة الباعثة إلى ⁴² الزنا أو التأهل فرد ⁴³ النبي عليه السلام كلامه لتأدية ⁴⁴ بظاهره إلى ملاحظة السبب و ترك الطرف الأقوى وذهوله عن أن تأثير الأسباب باعتبار السنة الإلهية لا بالإيجاب و العلية ⁴⁵. تم محصول كلامه. و يقرب من هذا الجواب ما ذكر في شرح المصابيح المسمى منهل الينابيع ⁴⁶ بهذه العبارة. وإجماع ⁴⁷ القول في هذا الباب أنهما أمران لا ينفك أحدهما عن الآخر لأن أحدهما بمنزلة الأساس و الآخر بمنزلة البناء فمن رام الفصل بينهما فقد رام هدم البناء ونقضه. و في شرح السنة بعبارة أخرى وهي أن الحكم الذي تنازعاه فهما ⁴⁸ فيه سواء لا يقدر أحد أن يُسقِط الأصل الذي هو القدر ولا أن يُبطل الكسب الذي هو السبب و من فعل واحدا منهما خرج عن المقصد ⁴⁹ إلى أحد الطرفين أى إلى مذهب القدر أو الجبر. ⁵⁰ والله أعلم.

اعلم 51 أن هؤلاء الأجوبة تشعر بأن إلزام آدم عليه السلام موسى راجع إلى تخصيص موسى جانب العبد وحده بلا ملاحظة جانب الله تعالى لكن النظر الدقيق 52 يفيد أن تخصيصك يا موسى قدرة العبد الضعيفة الأثر بل العديمة 53 الأثر بصدور المعصية بغير ملاحظة القدرة الغالبة القاهرة 54 هي

³⁵ في (حم) "فإن" في الله عنه الله عنه الله عنه الله عنه الله عنه الله عنه الله عنه الله عنه الله عنه الله عنه ا

⁴⁰ في (حم) لما نظر

على" (حم) "على" أ

خي (حم) "رد" في (حم) "رد" في الم

⁴⁴ في (حم) "لتأدبه" 44

عي رحم) "والغلبة" ⁴

⁴⁶ هذا الكتاب لعلاء الدين السهومي الحنفي المتوفى في سنة ٧٦٣ هـ. ١٣٦١ م.

⁴⁷ في (حم) و (رب) و(ف) "وجماع"

⁴⁸ في (حم) "فيهما"

⁴ في (حم) "القصد"

⁵⁰ مصابيح السنة للبغوى في ١، ١٢٧

⁵¹ سقط من (رب) "اعلم"

⁵² في (حم) و (رب) "فكأنَّ آدم يقول أن النظر الدقيق"

⁵³ في (ف) "القديمة"

الأصل والرُّجْحي والقُوَّى غير موجه بين 55 مثلك وقد يقع المعارضة بالترجيح كما يقع بالبرهان الذي لا معارض له. 56 يقول العبد الفقير بعون الله تعالى وتوفيقه في حل هذا الحديث وتدقيقه، أن⁵⁷ غلبة آدم على موسى بالحجة 58 بإشارته إلى أنه كان كرة لصولحان 90 إرادة الله و مشيئته التي اقتضت صدور هذه الزلة الصورية المشتملة على حكم و مصالح من وجوه: أحدها معرفة العبد عزته تعالى بأن حكم عليه بما لا يمكن رده فأذل نفسه بما لم يقدر على دفعه لكمال عزه. وثانيها معرفة حلمه 60 تعالى بأن لم يعاجل 61 بالعقوية وأمهله حتى تاب واعتذر إليه واستغفر عن ذنبه $\frac{62}{1}$. و ثالثها معرفة الآية 63 . ورابعها "ربنا ظلمنا أنفسنا"كرمه تعالى في قبول العذر منه كما قال معرفة فضله تعالى بالعفو عنه وإفاضة 64 ثواب التوبة عليه. وخامسها معرفة العبد أن حجة الله قائمة عليه في عقابه على ذنبه لأن الذنب مقتضى عينه في . الأزل فلم يحكم عليه به 65 إلا لعلمه التابع لمقتضى عينه فعينُه هي التي جَنَتْ على نفسه فإذا عرف ذلك عرف أن أمر الله بخلاف إرادته لِأَنْ يعرفُ العبد عدله في عقابه. اعلم أن العبد يعرف في الوجوه الخمسة أن مراد الحق كونه معروفا بصفة العزة والحلم والكرم والفضل والعدل فيؤثر الله على نفسه ولاينازعه في ملكه فيبلغ مقام التسليم بل يكون في مشاهدة صفاته العُلى

⁵⁴ في (حم) و (رب) "القاهرة التي"

⁵⁵ في (حم) و (رب) و (ف) "عن"

⁵⁶ في (حم) و (رب) "إذا تأملت ما قالوا عرفت أنهم ما قدروا على افتراع ابكار معانيه ولا فتقوا رَتَق مبانيه لأنهم نزّلوا معناه منزلتهم وهم من أهل الظاهر. والحال أن النبي عليه السلام يشير أحيانا لمقام أهل الطريقة وأحيانا لمقام أهل الحقيقة، وهذا رمز منه عليه السلام إلى ما عليه أهل الحقيقة. وإن شئت كشف الإشارة فاستمع ما يقول العبد الفقير..."

⁵ في (حم) و (رب) "و هو أن"

⁵⁸ سقط من (حم) و (رب) "بالحجة"

⁵⁵ في (حم) و (رب) و(ف) "لصولجان"

⁶⁰ في (حم) "حكمه"

⁶ في (حم) "لم يعجل"

في (حم) "لذنبه"

في (حم) "لدببه"

⁶³ في (حم) و (رب) "وقال الله تعالى فتاب عليه و هدى"

⁶⁴ في (حم) "وإفاضته" -

⁶ في (حم) "فلم يحكم به عليه" في الم

ذاهلا عن الجناية شاكرا لأنعمه والحضورُ مع الحق والذهولُ عما سواه مطلوب شريف فإن ذكر الجفاء في وقت الصفاء جفاء. وسادسها معرفة العبد حقائق الأشياء كما هي وكونه بصيرا لا يخطئ 66 في الإدراك بحيث أن راى حسناته التي من جملتها التوبة النصوح يحمل انها منَّة من الله وفضل وإن رأى سيئاته يعرف أنه من عيوب نفسه ومقتضى ذاته فيكون سايرا بين مشاهدة المنة وتطلع عيب 67 النفس وهذا مقام سني لأنه لم يبق للعبد 69 رؤية ورفع حجاب أنانيته ولهذا قد يكون الكمالات الإلهية على العبد بفناء صفات نفسه ولفعل بصفة نفسه 77 كالعُجب ورؤية تزيُّن نفسه بالعصمة والتطهر فإذا ابتلاه وتظهر 77 نفسه 77 من القربة أضعاف ما كانت له قبل الهفوة كما كان لسليمان عليه السلام حين تاب عن حبه 78 الخيل وعُوِّض بالريح تجري بأمره رخاءً أو عاصفةً وكانت تجري بأمره كل يوم 77 مسيرة شهرين غدوها شهر ورواحها شهر. وثامنها شهود انفراد الحق في كل ما يصدُر يهدي من يشاء إلى الجمع ويضل من يشاء باحتجابه بالتفرقة فلا يرى مصرِّفا غيره في يشاء إلى الجمع ويضل من يشاء باحتجابه بالتفرقة فلا يرى مصرِّفا غيره في يشاء إلى الجمع ويضل من يشاء باحتجابه بالتفرقة فلا يرى مصرِّفا غيره في كل تعريف 78

⁶⁰ في (حم) "لاعظاء" في المنطاء المنطاء المنط

⁶ في (ف) "معيب"

⁶⁸ في (حم) و (رب) "لا يبقى فيه"

⁶⁹ في (حم) و (رب) "مروية"

ألا في (حم) و (رب) "فيتوب وينيب و يرتفع الحجب ويظهر كمالاتها ويحصل من القربة اضعافا ما كانت له"

⁷ في (حم) و (رب) "تنكر"

⁷² سقط من (حم) و (رب) " نفسه"

⁷³ سقط من (حم) و (رب) "حتى تمحى"

⁷² في (حم) "يظهر"

⁷ في (حم) "يحصل"

⁷⁰ في (حم) و (رب) "حبة"

⁷ في (ف) "مرة"

⁷⁸ في (حم) و (رب) و (ف) "تصريف"

التجليات والكمالات والأطوارات ولو⁷⁹ لم ينزل الى العالم العنصرى السفلى لم يشاهد ما فيه من ظهورات التصرفات الأفعالية من القهر والقبض والبلايًا والمحن والعفو والمغفرة والانتقام وغير ذلك فهذا في الصورة طرد في المعنى 80 تقريب وإلباس 81 خلع من التجليات. وعاشرها إظهار كماله حيث اُلقى في دار التكليف وحمل عليه 82 الامانةُ التي لم يحملها السموات والارض واستقام 83 مع ما فيه من الشهوة الصادرة 84 عنه 85 والقوة الغضبية العايقة ومن الشياطين العدوة المضلة 86 ولولاه لربما توهم متوهم إن كماله وهبي فضلي لا يرى فيه زيادة كمال بحيث يستحق هذا التكريم والتفضيل فيهذا ⁸⁷ الزلة ظهر كمالُه في عالمي العدل والفضل وكان لايقا⁸⁸ لتشريف كرّمنا 89. ويمكن أن يقال في الجواب أنه يحتمل أن يكون هذا على صورة المواضعة تعليما للعباد وموعظة 90 بأن الذي كان من العلم والقربة 91 بهذه "وعصى آدم ربه فغوى"المنزلة والمكانة عُوتب وشُهّر حاله بقوله تعالى ⁹² 3 ألم انهكما عن تلكما الشجرة وأقل لكما إن الشيطان لكما عدو "وقوله وأخرج من الجنة وأهبط الى الأرض مع حوّا 94 لئلا يغتر أولاده ولا " مبين

في (رب) "ولو لم يعص ولم ينزل"

في (رب) "وفي المعني"

في (حم) و (رب) "والبأس"

سقط من (ف) "عليه"

سقط من (ف) "مع ما فيه من الشهوة الصادرة عنه والقوة الغضبية العايقة ومن الشياطين العدوة المضلة"

في (رب) "الصادة"

سقط من (رب) "عنه"

في (حم) و (رب) "من الإنس والجن"

في (رب) "فبهذه"

في (ف) "وكان لا"

في (حم) و (رب) "ولقد كرمنا" و الآية من سورة الإسراء (٧٠)

في (حمّ) و (رب) "وموعظة للأولاد"

في (ف) "والاصطفاه"

في (حم) و (ر) "بقول"

فى (ح) "وقول"

في (حم) و (رب) و(ف) "حواء"

يأمنوا من مكر الله ولئلا 95 يقنطوا من رحمة الله لأن من كان منعما عليه بجلائل النعم وهي التي تعرف في حق أبينا آدم عليه السلام من خلقه 96 بيده ونفخ روحه وإنباء الأسماء كلها 97 وأمر الملائكة بالسجود واصطفائه وإسكانه الجنة وغيرها وكان مخاطبا عيانا بصريح النهي مع عدم الاحتياج الي المنهى عنه لكونه في جنة أكلها دائمة 96 من اطايب الأشربة والأطعمة ما 100 . "فتاب عليه وهدى "خاب من رحمته وقُبل توبته كما قال تعالى ويحتمل أن يكون فيه إشارة إلى أن مصاحبة سوء الأخدان والإخوان 104 فلا تقعد بعد الذكرى مع "مؤثّرة يجب الاحتراز 103 كما نطق به الكتاب فلا تقعد بعد الذكرى مع "مؤثّرة يجب الاحتراز 103 "القوم الظالمين.

والحديث "لا تصاحب إلا تقيا" 106 يعني أن صدور الزلة من جهة الذراري العصاة في صلبه عليه السلام. ويحتمل أن يكون صدور صورة الزلة منه ليندرج فيما قُصد من خلقة الإنسان وبيانه أنه خُلق لاستيفاء 107 الأقسام الممكنة الايجاد كما يفهم من قوله 108 عليه السلام "لو لم تذنبوا لذهب السلام" بكم ولجاء بقوم يذنبون ويستغفرون الله فيغفر 110 لهم" الم

في (-4) و (-4) و (ف) "وارشادا على أن (-4) و (ف) "وارشادا على أن (-4)

⁹⁶ في (حم) "خلقني"

⁹⁷ سقط من (حم) و(ف) "كلها"

و في الحم الواصفيائه وهي ف 98 واصطفابه 98

⁹⁹ في (حم) "دائم"

¹⁰⁰ في (حم) "قال الله تعالى" في الله تعالى "

¹⁰¹ طه (۱۲۲)

¹⁰² في (حم) "لاخوان والاخدان"

¹⁰³ في (حم) "الاحتراز عنها"

¹⁰⁴ في (حم) و (رب) "لكتاب الكريم"

 $^{(7\}Lambda)$ الأنعام 105

¹⁰⁶ أخرجه الترمذي في الزهد (٥٥) عن السعيد الخدري

¹⁰⁷ في (ف) "الاستيفاء" -

¹⁰⁸ في (حم) "قول النبي" في النبي "

¹¹⁰ في (حم) "فغفر"

¹¹¹ أخرخه مسلم في كتاب التوبة (١١) عن أبي هريرة

معصومون 112 كالملائكة وإما شريرون كالشياطين وإما أنهم ليسوا بمكلفين فبقى 113 قسم مكلف من شأنه الطاعة والمعصية وهو المظهر الأتم والمراة المثلى أعني الإنسان فافهم ويحتمل أن إبليس لما عبد الله ثمانين الف سنة في رواية وكان ملعونا بسببه 114 فجازاه أأ¹¹⁵ من تلك العبادة بأخذ انتقامه منه بمقتضى عدله كما قال تعالى "ومن 116 يعمل مثقال ذرة خيرا يره" 117 فإن إبليس 118 طلب 119 إغواءه وطلب الإنظار بوسوسة 120 أولاده فكأنه باع كل عمله بهذه الطلبة وإذا كان عمله ظاهريا لا بالإخلاص جازاه بالطرد الظاهري وحقيقته 121 في المعنى تقريب وتكريم بالإستخلاف في الأرض وهو المراد من خلقته كما قال تعالى 122 "إني جاعل في الأرض خليفة " 123 فكأنه في الحقيقة من حيث لا يشعر ساعيا 124 لما اقتضى فطرته وهو الذي كان محسودا 125 له ومغبوطا 126 للملائكة منه 127 .

وهنا جواب 128 عجيب عند الفقير الغريب 129 وهو أن آدم عليه السلام لعله لما 130 كان مطلعا على ما جرى القلم والقدر 131 في حقه ومشاهدا

¹¹² في (حم) و (رب) و (ف) "إما معصومون" هذا هو الصواب

¹¹³ في (حم) "فيبقى"

¹¹⁴ في (حم) "بسبب آدم عليه السلام"

¹¹⁵ في (حم) "و رب فجازاه الله تعالى"

¹¹⁶ في (حم) و (رب) "وف فمن"

¹¹⁷ الزّلز ال (V)

¹¹⁸ سقط من (ف) "ابليس"

¹¹⁹ في (حم) و (رب) "لما طلب"

¹²⁰ في (حم) و (ف) "لوسوسة"

¹²¹ في (ف) "وبالحقيقية"

¹²² في (حم) "قال الله تعالى"

¹²³ النقرة (٣٠)

¹²⁴ في (حم) و (رب) "ساعيا من حيث لا يشعر"

¹²⁵ في (حم) و (رب) و (ف) "كان به محسودا"

¹²⁶ ف (حم) "ومضبوطا"

¹²⁷ سقط من (حم) و (رب) "منه"

¹²⁸ في (حم) و (رب) "جواب آخر"

¹²⁹ في (حم) "غريب"

الحكم وهو أن لا يرى مؤثرا الا الله ولا حكما ولا أثرا ولا فعلا إلا له ومتحققا عنده عيانا معنى قوله "كل شيئ هالك إلا وجهه له الحكم "132 أشار 133 إلى أنه عليه السلام في مقام لا يتأتى منه استحسان حَسَنَةٍ 134 واستقباح سيئته 135 لصعوده من عالم الأمر والعلم إلى عالم الحكم فإن عارض الأمر 136 الحال والمعرفة فإنما يكون لضعف الحال ولعدم صحته فذلك انتكاس وغلبة الجسم الروح ورجوع القهقرى وترك إرادة الحق واختياره مع اختيار نفسه قال الله 137 تعالى "وربك يخلق ما يشاء ويختار ما كان لهم الخيرة "138 وقال تعالى 139 وما كان لمؤمن ولا مؤمنة إذا قضى الله ورسوله أمرا أن يكون لهم الخيرة "140 أفإذا زال الوارد وغلبة الحال من هذه الطائفة 141 وتمكنوا عرفوا صحة العلم والأمر في طوره وصحة الحال في طوره فيتحزنون لما فاتهم من التسلم للأمر 142 فذا سبب توبتهم واستغفارهم لكن هذا من ذنوب الأحوال لا يأمن من 144 مثلها أرباب التمكين أيضا ولهذا قال عليه السلام "انه ليغان على قلبي فأستغفر الله في اليوم سبعين مرة "145. أما موسى عليه السلام فكان جهة نبوته قوية يدل عليها 146 صولته مرة "145. أما موسى عليه السلام فكان جهة نبوته قوية يدل عليها مولته

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"لما" (رب) سقم من ^{130}
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¹³¹ في (حم) "أو القدر"

¹³² القصص (٨٨)

¹³³ في (حم) و (رب) "فأشار"

¹³⁴ في (حم) "حسنته" هذا هو الصواب

¹³⁵ في (حم) و (رب) "سيئة وفي ف سيئه"

¹³⁶ سقط من (حم) و (رب) "والعلم"

¹³⁷ سقط من (رب) "ألله"

¹³⁸ القصص (٦٨)

¹³⁹ سقط من (ف) "و قال تعالى"

¹⁴⁰ الأحزاب (٣٦)

[&]quot;من هذه الطائفة 141 سقط من (ف) من هذه الطائفة 141

¹⁴² في (حم) و (رب) "لما فاتهم من موجب الأمر"

¹⁴³ سقط من (ف) "من"

¹⁴⁴ في (حم) "قال النبي" في النبي الم

¹⁴⁵ أُخْرِجه مسلم في كتاب الذكر و الدعاء (٤١)

¹⁴⁶ في (حم) "عليه"

في النهي عن المنكر مصداقه شأنه مع الخضر وأخيه هارون ومع القبطى و السامري وقومه 147 ومن شأن النبوة أن يُطوى على النبي سرُّ القدر رحمةً من الله به لئلا يغتر همته عن إبلاغ ما أمر بتبليغه علما بعدم وقوع المأمور به وكون سعيه بلا طائل في حق البعض والحال أن منصبه التبليغ فقط سواء وقع المأمور به أو لا ولو لم يطو لربما يتقاعد عن التبليغ 148 أو يشق عليه 149 فمنّ الله على الأنبياء بالسّر رحمة بهم فذا لا يوجب نقصا في مراتبهم النبوية ولا يقدح في كمالاتهم الخصيصة 150 بهم لكن ينبغي أن يعرف أن جميع أفعال موسى عليه السلام وحركاته وما جرى عليه ومنه إنما كان بإرادة الله النشأة البرزخية من جواب أبيه آدم عليه السلام على حقيقة الحال سلّم جوابَه بحكم ولايته التي هي جهة قربه بها يطلع على الأسرار والعلوم اللَّدُنِّيةُ وزال 159 الحجاب الذي كان ملكةً فيه بحكم النبوة الظاهرة السلطنة في النشأة الدنياوية 160 فيقدر 161 بعد العهد من هذه النشأة زال الحجاب وظهر تباشير

¹⁴⁷ سقط من (حم) و (رب) "وقارون"

¹⁴⁸ سقط من (حم) و (رب) "فقط سواء وقع المأمور به أو لا ولو لم يطو لربما يتقاعد عن

في (حم) و (رب) "أو ليشق عليه"

¹⁵⁰ في (ف) "الخصيص"

¹⁵¹ في (حم) و (رب) "الفعلي"

¹⁵² في (حم) و (رب) "القولي

¹⁵³ في (حم) و (رب) "الأفسد"

¹⁵⁴ سقط من (حم) "ما"

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¹⁵⁶ في (حم) و (رب) "لا يشعر"

¹⁵⁷ في (رب) "إراداته"

¹⁵⁸ في (حم) "إما أنه" وفي (رب) "إما أنه لما"

¹⁵⁹ في (حم) و (رب) و (ف)" لأنه زال"

¹⁶⁰ في (حم) و (رب) "الدنيوية"

الحق. ألا ترى كيف تنبه موسى عليه السلام لسر الإرادة 162 من جواب أبيه سريعا في ذلك العالم ويتفطن 163 من إنباء الخضر حيث أرَى موسى قتل الغلام فأنكر عليه ولم يتذكر قتله القبطي فقال له الخضر ما فعلتُه عن أمري منبها 164 على مرتبته قبل أن يُنبًا أنه كان معصومة 165 الحركة في نفس الأمر وأراه 166 خرق السفينة التي ظاهرها هُلْكُ وباطنها نجاة عن 167 يد الغاضب جاعلا له في مقابلة التابوت الذي كان في اليم مُطْبقا عليه فظاهره هلك 169 وباطنه نجاة من يد الغاصب فرعون أن يذبحه 170 .

روى صدر الدين القُونَوي عن الشيخ العربي 171 روَّح الله روحهما أنه اجتمع مع خضر 172 عليه السلام فقال له كنتُ قد اعددتُ لموسى بن عمران مسئلة 173 تنبيها منه 174 لموسى 175 أن جميع ما جرى عليه من أول ما ولد إلى زمان اجتماعه بإرادة الله 176 وعلمه الذي لا يمكن وقوع خلافه فلم يصبر على ثلاث مسائل وقال نبينا عليه السلام "ليت أخي موسى سكت حتى يقصّ علينا من أنبائها" 177 .

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<sup>161</sup> في (رب) "فبِقَدْرِ"
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¹⁶² في (حم) و (ربُ) و (ف) "سر الإرادة"

¹⁶³ في (حم) و (رب) و(ف) "ولم يتفطن " والصواب هو

¹⁶⁴ في (حم) "متنبها"

¹⁶⁵ في (حم) و (رب) و(ف) "معصوم"

¹⁶⁰ في (حم) و (رب) "وارادة"

¹⁶⁷ في (حم) و (رب) "من"

¹⁶⁸ في (رب) "الغاصب" هذا هو الصواب

¹⁷⁰ في (حم) و (رب)" أن يذبحه فأنكر عليه"

¹⁷¹ في (ف) "ابن العربي"

¹⁷² في (حم) "لخضر"

¹⁷³ في (حم) و (رب) و (ف) "الف مسئلة" والصواب هو

¹⁷⁴ في (حم) "له وفي رب تنبيها لموسى"

¹⁷⁵ سقط من (حم) "لموسى"

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¹⁷⁷ في (حم) "أنبائهم"، وفي (ف) "أنبائهما"

وأما المحمدي المشرب فلا يأخذه عند شهود سر القضاء والإرادة فتور و 178 لومة 178 لومة 178 لأنه يرى ذلك ويدعو إلى الله على بصيرة ولم يكن غيره من الأنبياء كذلك 179 وعلم هذه الأسرار للأنبياء الكمّل من كونهم أولياء لا من كونهم رسلا فإنهم على مثال "مرج البحرين يلتقيان بينهما برزخ لا يبغيان."

فلنختم 180 الكلام هنا فإنه بحر عميق. لا يدرك غوره جعلنا الله من الغواصين المستخرجين من الأصداف درره ومن الفايزين من الدرر غرره. 181 قد 182 وقع الفراغ 183 تقريرا وتحريرا 184 في أواخر 185 ربيع الآخر ليلة السبت 182 سنة ثلاث وستين وثمانمأة 186 من بد الفقير محمد قطب الدين 187.

178 في (حم) "ولا يثبطه"

¹⁷⁹ في (حم) و (رب) و (ف) "إلا شاذا أو نادرا"

¹⁸⁰ في (حم) "لنختم"

¹⁸¹ في (رب) "انتهى الرساله هنا"

¹⁸² سقط من (حم) و (رب) "قد"

في (حم) و (رب) "من تأليف هذه الرسالة"

سقط من (حم) و (رب) "تقريرا وتحريرا"

في (ف) "في أواخر شوال سنة اثني وسبعين وثمانمأة" 186 في (حم) و (رب) "بحمد الله والمنة"

¹⁸⁷ سقط من (حم) و (رب) "من يد الفقير محمد قطب الدين"

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