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Continuing from the previous post.

“Doctor, this spirit which you summoned, is it of someone alive or dead?”

He said, “No, dead.”

I said, “Dead. How did you summon his soul when it is in one of two states, there being no third: it is either a happy soul [i.e., one going to Paradise] or a wretched one [i.e., going to Hell]. If it is a happy one, then by Allaah, there is no way it will ever come back into this world again because it is occupied with the pleasure it has in its grave,” and I mentioned some hadeeths which showed that the grave is either one of the gardens of Paradise or a pit from Hell, “and if it is a wretched soul, then it is all the more so and a fortiori that it will not be able to leave the prison it is surrounded by [in the grave]—so how are you able to summon this soul? This is something impossible according to the Legislation.”

Secondly and lastly and here is the point, “Imagine that it is possible for you to summon this soul, how do you know that it [actually] is, for example, the soul of the doctor Ibn Sina, a Muslim with all his open and hidden faults, the scholars who know him say that he was a philosopher and had deviated in many tenets of Islaamic creed or [how do you know that it might even be] al-Razee the doctor of old, for example? How do you know that it is not a disbeliever, someone who associates partners with Allaah? Just because it says to you, ‘I am the soul of so and so,’ you say aameen?”

These days interactions with people, between countries ... when a country wants to send its ambassador to another it sends him with certified, registered, sanctioned, stamped and signed documents, and other such things of the sort, so that the country to which that ambassador has been sent is satisfied that this really is the ambassador of an Islaamic country and not a Dajjaal playing games with it—and this is [the situation] with people dealing with each other—[and what you are talking about] is the world of the Unseen, how can you know that this really is Doctor So and So?”

He had no choice, after having been confuted and having had the evidence established against him, except to say, “The reality, O Ustaadh, is that this was a medical gathering. We

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also have a gathering of knowledge, if you want to debate with us in it then you are more than welcome.”

I didn't believe that there was a gathering of knowledge, [but] I said to him, “When?”

He said, “Sunday.”

I said, “Inshaa'allaah, our meeting is on Sunday.”

Allaah so willed that [when] Sunday did come I was obliged to assist one of our brothers who worked at the Ministry of Education where there was an effort being made to correct some books about Islaamic Upbringing, books about Islaamic Education which had weak and fabricated hadeeths in them and Hanafee concepts which went against the Sunnah, so one of them called me to cooperate with him in that, he was an employee of the Ministry but I was not, walhamdulillaah, but I have a little knowledge as you know, so I held that it was more deserving for me to meet up with this person rather than keep my promise [of meeting the medium]. But my companion who had [initially] taken me to him came to me on the appointed day, Sunday, at the Dhaahariyyah Library upon the basis that we were going to meet up and go, so I told him that the situation was such and such and that I couldn't make it with him, [so I said to him], “You go to him, may Allaah reward you with good, and apologise to him and Inshaa'allaah set up another meeting.”

So he went and was taken aback when he found that there was no-one whatsoever at the house on the agreed upon day, [the house was] dark, unlit, nothing inside.

The next day he came to me and told me what had happened, so I said to him, “This is a victory granted to us by Allaah. Go to him [again] next Sunday.”

[He did] and naturally he met him on that following Sunday [because the medium thought that they wouldn't actually turn up the following Sunday too], [but before he went] I said to him, “Don't tell him that the Shaykh [i.e., al-Albaanee] didn't come [the previous Sunday], leave that hidden,” [say to him], “I came according to the appointment and didn't find you? Inshaa'allaah everything is ok, Dr. Haqqi Baik?”

He really said that to him and here is the point, my brothers, here take heed, O you with eyes [to see].

The medium said to him, “Go away! You brought a big, dangerous Wahhaabee to us—he doesn't love the Prophet! May Allaah kill him!”

He said to him, “And how do you know that? That man is our friend and we attend his lessons which are always about, ‘Allaah said ... Allaah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم)¹ said ...”

¹ (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him

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and so on.

He [i.e., the medium] said, “After he [i.e., al-Albaanee] left ...” he summoned the soul of I don’t know who, I forget who he said it was, and he [i.e., the medium] asked the summoned soul about me and he [i.e., the summoned soul] gave him all these testimonials, “That this man is a Wahhaabee who doesn’t love the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) ...”

So I say that this is a proof that these people seek the help of the devils. There is no such thing as summoning the souls of the dead, that is impossible.

But the devils really do attend and inspire them with things, as the Lord of the Worlds said,

[“Devils among mankind and Jinns, inspiring one another with adorned speech as a delusion (or by way of deception).”]²

Therefore I say that if one of our brothers has been tested, and I [purposefully] say, ‘has been tested,’ [by having to recite over people who have been possessed], because truthfully, as news has reached me [about these things], it is a situation that is a trial and a test, for a woman who is possessed may come to him and he may see that it is beneficial for him to touch her or examine her arm or neck or and so on [by touching her]—so the Devil can come in through such easy and supple ways to start off with, and then the issue starts to get bigger and bigger until the big fitnah happens, so if one of our brothers has been tested by, and I say [has been tested by] only reciting verses from Allaah’s Book or forms of seeking refuge established from Allaah’s Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) to take out the Jinn which has possessed that person, then this is, as he (عليه السلام)³ said, ‘**Whoever amongst you is able to help his brother, then let him do so.**’

As for asking [the Jinn], ‘What is your name? What is your religion? What is your job? Where do you live? Where is so and so? What helps against such and such an illness?’ and so on, then this comes under His Saying, the Most High, which I mentioned earlier,

[“And verily, there were men among mankind who took shelter with the masculine among the Jinns, but they (i.e., the Jinns) increased them (mankind) in sin and disbelief.”]⁴

I ask Allaah for well-being and safety.

Al-Hudaa wan-Noor, 455. [1/3/1046].

End

² سورة الأنعام – Soorah al-An’aam [6:112]

³ (عليه السلام) (‘alaihis-salaam) Peace be upon him

⁴ سورة الجن – Soorah al-Jinn [72:6]