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Shaykh Mehdi Akif in Allah's Protection

Over a period of nine decades, Shaykh Mahdi Akif faced all forms of injustice and trials. He was first sentenced to prison during the era of the monarchy. This injustice recurred during the despicable reign of Nasser, and again in the tenures of the doomed Anwar Sadat and the deposed Mubarak (may Allah take revenge from him). Finally, he was sent to prison by the tyrant Sisi (may Allah destroy him) who neither respected the Shaykh's old age, nor showed any consideration for his ill health and stature. Shaykh Mahdi Akif demonstrated exemplary steadfastness in refusing to offer any apologies or filing any petition which could secure his release. He chose to die as a prisoner of conscience, so that his soul may depart for his Lord, to an abode where there is no injustice. So may Allah have mercy on Shaykh Mehdi Akif and grant him a resting place in Paradise.

In spite of our differences with the Shaykh (may Allah have mercy on him), the bond of Islamic brotherhood remains intact. The painful situation of the Ummah, the oppression and Westernization being faced by it demands a unity of efforts so that we may overcome these difficult obstacles and reach our cherished goal of implementation of the Shariah of Allah and restoring the authority of His Book.

Allah has ordered us to unite and hold on to the rope of Allah together, 'And hold on together to the Rope of Allah and be not disunited among yourselves.'

Allah says, 'The believing men and the believing women are allies unto each other. They enjoin good and forbid evil, establish prayers, give out alms, obey Allah and His Messenger. On them Allah shall have mercy, and Allah is Powerful and Wise.'

The followers of falsehood, in spite of their falsehood and corruption, make efforts to unite their ranks, pool their strength and rise above their differences to attain their goals and secure their interests. It is all the more imperative for us to work for uniting ranks, bridging the gap between our viewpoints, shunning the seeds of discord, all the while stressing the importance of the obligation of Jihad; that there are no peaceful solutions, and that trying to establish Islamic rule through elections carried out under the auspices of secular regimes is a falsehood from the standpoint of the Shariah, besides being logically unacceptable.

O' Allah! Take revenge from the tyrants of the Arabs and the non-Arabs! O' Allah show us the marvels of Your Might by making an example of them, for they are surely unable to overcome You!

May peace be upon our Master, Muhammad, and upon his pure Family and honorable Companions.