

Say to those who blamed me Sidi Muhammad al-Buzidi ash-Shadhili (may Allah sanctify his secret)

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Refrain

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ (٣x) يَفْنَى الْعَبْد وَيَبْقَى اللَّهُ

There is no god except Allah
The servant annihilates yet Allah subsists

Verses

قُلْ لِلَّذِي لَامَنِي

فِيهَا وَعَنَّفَنِي

Say to those who blamed me and chided me for loving Him

حَيْثُ لَمْ يَعْرِفْ شَانِي لِذَاكَ هُوَ الْمَعْذُور

Considering that he knows not my affair For that, he is excused

لَوْ عَرَفَ عُذَّالِي حَقِيقَةَ الْوِصَالِ

If he knows my reason the Truth of my connection

لَصَارُوا مِثْلَ حَالِي وَلَكِنْ جَرَى الْمَقْدُور

They would be in my state
Yet, what is predestined have occurred

جَلَسْنَا عَلَى حَضْرَة مَعَ مُلُوكِ الْخَمْرَة

We sat in the gathering of Presence With the Kings of Wine

مِنْ عَجَائِبِ الْقُدْرَة كَأْسُهَا عَنْهَا يَدُورُ

From the wonders of Decree Circulating the glass around her

فَيَا طَالِبَ الْهُوَى وَالْغَيْبَ عَنِ السِّوَى

O Seeker of Desire And the unseen aside from Him أَنَا صَاحِبُ الدَّوَى أَنَا الطَّبِيبُ الْمَشْهُور

I am the owner of the medicine
I am the famous doctor

هَذِي لَيْلَى قَدْ بَدَتْ بَاخُسْن تَلَوَّنَتْ

This is Layla who has unveiled herself With beauty she painted

لِبَعْضِهَا ظَهَرَتْ وَبَطَنَتْ فِي الظُّهُورِ

For some she manifested
And yet she still hid in manifestation

نَحْنُ فِي مَذْهَبِ الْغَرَامِ أَذِلَّهُ إِنْ أَقَمْنَا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ أَدِلَّهُ أَوْلَهُ

We are humble in the doctrine of yearning as we established proofs in front of the Beloved

كَيْفَ يَظْهَرُ لِلْعُقُولِ سِوَاهُ وَسَنَاهُ كَسَا الْعَوَالِمَ جُمْلَه

How does one with his reason not see everything but Him Yet His Radiance cloaks the realms entirely

فَتَرَاهُ فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ تَرَاهُ فَهُوَ الْكُلُّ دَائِمًا مَا أَجَلَّه

So, you see Him in everything you see For He is entirely always the Most Majestic

فَافْنَ فِيهِ صَبَابَةً وَهُيَامًا إِنَّا الْصَبُّمَنْ يَعِيشُ مُولَّه

Annihilate in Him in yearning and longing For only yearning enlivens one.

إِنْ تَرْضَ بِغَيْرِ اللَّهِ حِبَّا كُلُّ شَيْءٍ مَا دُونَهُ سَرَابُ

Why are you satisfied with other than Allah as the Beloved Everything except Him is mirage

نَصَحْتُكَ إِنْ كَانَتْ لَكَ نِسْبَةَ أَهْلُ الذِّكْرِ بِمَحْبُوبِهِمْ غَابُوا

I counseled you if you ascribed to yourself People of remembrance are with their beloved, annihilated

فَلَا عَيْشَ إِلَّا بِذَوِي الْقُرْبَى لَكُو عَنْ الْحُقّ حِجَابُ لَيْسَ لَهُمْ عَنِ الْحُقّ حِجَابُ

There is no life except with spiritual kinship
They are not veiled from the Truth

فَنِعْمَ الْعَبْدُ لِلنِّدَاءِ لَتَى عِنْدَمَا أَتَاهُ مِنَّا الْخِطَابُ

The best of servants are those who answered the Call When the Speech drew close to him from us

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