

Khalifa Uthman bin Affan - Uthman and Sufism

Uthman's humility

Data Ganj Bakhsh observes in his book *Kashful Mahjub* that Uthman possessed four hundred slaves, but one day he was found coming forth from his plantation of date prams carrying a bundle of firewood on his head.

He was asked why he was carrying the bundle himself and why he had not allowed any of his slaves to carry the burden, he said that by carrying the load himself he was making a trial of himself.

It is also related that during nights he would not disturb any of his servants to help him in making the ablutions, or attending to other needs. When asked the reason for that he said that the night was meant for their repose.

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