One day a bektasi sat in the mosque and there started to drink rak.
A man passing by looked in and saw the dervish profaning the mosque and became very angry with him. He walked into the mosque, spat on the dervish, and said to him, "Aren't you ashamed of yourself to be drinking rak in the mosque!"

The groggy bektasi said to him, "If I weren't so busy, I should teach you what a sinful thing it is to spit in a mosque!".

1 The bektasi sect of dervishes is looked upon as perhaps the most unorthodox. They do not pray the prescribed number of times each day; they do not fast; they drink alcoholic beverages openly. In former times, these differences were very noticeable. The Janissaries were often followers of the bektasis.

2 Although spitting in the mosque might be sacrilegious, drinking, and doing so in the mosque, is a far greater offense.