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BIN HAADEE AI-MADKHALEE



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A Biography of As-Shaykh Al-Álaamah Rabee bin Haadee Al-Madkhalee - May Allah preserve him¹

His Name and Lineage

He is As-Shaykh Al-‘Alaamah Al-Muhaddith Rabee Ibn Haadee Ibn Muhammad Umayr Al-Madkhalee from the famous Madkhalee tribe situated in the Jizaan province in the south of The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. It is one of the tribes of Bani Shabeel. Shabeel is the son of Yashjab who was the son of Qahtaan.

His Birth

He was born in a village called Al-Jaraadiyah; and it is a small village approximately three kilometres west of the city of ‘Samitah, they are these days connected (geographically).

He was born at the end of 1351H. His father died when he was about one and a half years old, so he was brought up by his mother, may Allah have mercy on her. She supervised him and took the responsibility of cultivating him admirably. She taught him praiseworthy morals such as honesty, upholding integrity as well as constantly encouraging him to pray, with the supervision of his uncle.

¹ Taken from ‘Majmoo Kutub , Rasaa’il wa Fatawaa’ (1/1-14) a compilation of Shaykh Rabee’s works. Printed by Dar Imam Ahmad.



His Education

When the Shaykh reached the age of eight he joined a study circle in the local village and studied reading and (the science of Arabic) writing. He studied writing under As-Shaykh Shaybaan Al-Areese, Al-Qaadhee Ahmad Ibn Muhammad Jaabir Al-Madkhalee and under a third person known as Muhammad Ibn Hussein Makkee from a city called Sabya'a.

He studied the Qur'an under As-Shaykh Muhammad Ibn Muhammad Jaabir Al-Madkhalee. He also studied At-Tawheed and At-Tajweed (science of reciting the Qur'an) under him. After that he studied in the Salafi School in Saamitah.

From those that he studied under in that school was:

The Shaykh, Scholar and Jurist Nasr Khalufah Tayyash mubarakee رحمه الله the well known scholar who was from the eldest student of As-Shaykh Al-Qar'aawee رحمه الله: Shaykh Rabee studied under him the books Bulugh Al-Maraam and Nuzhatu An-Nadhr of Haafidh Ibn Hajr رحمه الله

He then enrolled in the Al-'Elmee Institute in 'Samitah and studied under a number of noble scholars. Undisputedly from the most famous of them was As-Shaykh Haafidh Al-Hakamee the well known Al-'Alaamah رحمه الله. He also studied under his (Haafidh Al-Hakamee's) brother the virtuous As-Shaykh Muhammad Ibn Ahmad Al-Hakamee رحمه الله. He studied under the Shaykh Al-'Alaamah al-Muhaddith Ahmad Ibn Yayah An-Najamee رحمه الله. In this institute he also studied Aqeedah (creed) under As-Shaykh Al-'Alaamah Dr Muhammad Amaan bin Áli Al-Jaamee رحمه الله. He also studied Fiqh (Zaad Al-Mustaqn'i) under As-Shaykh Al-Faqhee Muhammad Sagheer Khumaisee and other than them whom the Shaykh studied under in the fields of Arabic; Literature; the art of good style, communication and rhetoric; and the science of poetry (arood).

At the end of the year 1380H the Shaykh graduated from the Al-'Elmee Institute in the city of 'Samitah. And in the beginning of 1381H he joined the College of Islamic Legislation in Riyadh; he stayed there for a couple of months. Then when the Islamic University of Madina Al- Munawwarrah opened he moved to

Al-Madinah and joined the Islamic University's faculty of Islamic Jurisprudence (law). He studied (his bachelor's degree) there for four years and graduated in 1384H with a first-class grade (excellent).



From those that he studied under during his time in the Islamic University were:

- His Eminence As-Shaykh Al-Álaamah the general Muftī for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia: Abdul-Aziz bin Abdullah bin Baz رحمه الله. He studied ‘Aqeedah At-Tahaawiyah under him.
- The Virtuous Al-‘Alaamah As-Shaykh Muhammad Nasr Ad-Deen Al-Albaani رحمه الله who he studied Hadīth and al-asaneed (the science of the route in which a text or narration has been reached).
- The Virtuous Shaykh Al-Álaamah Abdul-Muhsin Al-‘Abaad, he studied fiqh from ‘Bidāyat al-Mujtahid wa Nihāyat al-Muqtaṣid’ with him for three years.
- The Virtuous Shaykh, Al-Alaamah , Al-Mufassir Al-Muhaddith Al-Usoolee An-Nahwee Al-Alagwee Al-Faqhee the brilliant, Muhammad Al-Amin As-Shinqitee رحمه الله (the author of Adhwaa Al-Bayaan), he studied At-Tafseer (commentary of the Qur’an) and the Fundamentals of Islamic Jurisprudence under him for four years.
- As-Shaykh Saalih Al-Iraaqee (he studied under him) in Aqeedah (Islamic creed)
- As-Shaykh Al-Muhaddith Abdul-Ghaffar Hasan Al-Hindee (he studied under him) the Science of Hadīth and Hadīth terminology.

After his graduation he worked for a while as a teacher in an institute in the Islamic University. Then after that he enrolled in higher studies, he continued his studies and attained a Masters degree in Hadīth from Al-Malik Abdul-Aziz University in Mekkah in the year 1397H, his thesis being the book ‘Bayna Al-Imaamayn Muslim and Ad-Darqutnee’. And in the year 1400H he attained his doctorate, again, at Al- Malik Abdul-Aziz University in Mekkah with a first–class grade (excellent) for his checking (tahqeeq) of ‘An-Nukkat alaa kitab ibn Salah’ by Al-Haafidh Ibn Hajr رحمه الله. Then he returned to the Islamic University as a teacher in the Faculty of Hadīth teaching different hadīth related sciences. He became head of the Section of As-Sunnah for post graduate studies on many occasions. He has now reached the academic rank of a Professor, may Allah give him good health and preserve him.



His Character and Manners

The Shaykh excels in morals and humility with his brothers, students, visitors and guests. He has a modest lifestyle; modesty in his clothing and dislikes indulging in unnecessary luxuries. He loves the Salafi students of knowledge and is forever being generous towards them, either through his efforts and time or by his wealth. His house is always open for students to enter, so much so, it is rare that the Shaykh is found eating breakfast, lunch or dinner by himself. He cares for his students and constantly advises them with good.

He is from the callers to the book of Allah and the Sunnah of the Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم and the ‘aqeedh (creed) of the salaf. He is a defender of the methodology of the Salaf as-Salih night and day; openly and in private without fearing the blame of the blamers.

The Commendations of Scholars for him

In this era the scholars praised As-Shaykh Rabee, and testified for him truthfully and honestly. They spoke about his virtues, knowledge and his firmness on the Sunnah and the methodology of the salaf. From these noble scholars are:

- His Eminence Al-Imam , al-Alaamah, As-Shaykh Abdul-Aziz bin Baz رحمه الله who said about Shaykh Rabee

‘As-Shaykh Rabee is from the best of the people of the Sunnah and Jama‘ah. It is well known that he is from the people of the Sunnah. His books and essays are well known’²

- Al-Imam, Al-Alaamah, Al-Faqeeh Muhammad bin Salih Al-Uthaymeen رحمه الله who said about the Shaykh:

‘ As for As-Shaykh Rabee, then I do not know anything but good about him, the man is a person of the Sunnah and a person of Hadīth’³

- Al-Alaamah, Al- Muhaddith As-Shaykh Muqbil bin Haadee Al-Wadi’ee رحمه الله. He رحمه الله said about Shaykh Rabee;

‘Our brother As-Shaykh Rabee –May Allah preserve him- is from those with the most insight about the deviant parties and their obscurities. Whoever Rabee bin Haadee says is a hizbi (deviant partisan); it will soon become clear to you that he is in fact a hizbi. You will remember this! Initially an individual will conceal (what he is really like), not wanting to be exposed. But as he gains some clout, strength and has followers he becomes unconcerned about what people have to say or think about him, so he makes what he is really like apparent. So therefore, I advise you to read his (As-Shaykh Rabee’s) books and benefit from them’⁴

² Taken from the tape: ‘The Praise of the Scholars for As-Shaykh Rabee’ (from Manahj as-Sunnah recordings).

³ Taken from the tape: ‘Questions and Answers from Sweden’

⁴ Al-Asilah As-Suniyah li Alaamah Ad-dayaar Al-Yamaniyah



Other Titles Authored by the Shaykh

- Baynah Al-Imamayn; Muslim and Ad-Darqutanee (His Masters thesis) which is printed in one large volume.
- An-Nukat Alaa Kitab Ibn Salah- printed in two volumes (this was the thesis for his doctorate.
- The checking of ‘At-Tawssul wa Al-Waseelah’ by Al-Imam ibn Taymiyah- printed in one volume.
- Manhaj Al-Anbiyah fi ad-Da’watu illa Allah- printed in one volume and translated into the English language.
- Manhaj Ahl As-Sunnah fi Naqd Ar-Rijaal wa Al-Kutub wa At-Tawaaif- printed in one volume and is also translated into English.
- Ahlu Hadīth Hum Taifahtu Al-Mansourah An-Najiyah (Hwaar maá Salman Al-Auda) - a refutation against Salman Al-Auda printed in one volume.
- Manhaj Al-Imam Muslim Fi Tarteeb Sahihih- one volume.
- Jama’atu Wahida Wa Siratun Waahidun laa `Asharaat (a refutation against Abdur-Rahman Abdul-Khaliq) – one volume.
- Al-`Awaasim mimaa fi kutub Said Qutb min al-Qawaasim (A refutation on Said Qutb’s deviant books) - one volume.
- Mudhakira fi Al-Hadīth An-Nabawee- one volume.
- Tahqeeq (checking) of Kitab Al-Madkhaal ilaa As-Sahih li al-Haakim- printed in four volumes.
- And many other well known titles.

We ask Allah to preserve As-Shaykh Al-Alaamah Rabee Ibn Haadee Al-Madkhalee and assist him in his ever increasing efforts in defending the Sunnah, the methodology of the salaf and clarifying the truth to the Muslims all over the world.