

Your Salafee Da'wah splits

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

Question: What do you think of Salafiyyoon going out with Jamaa'at-ut-Tableegh in order to improve their way of thinking and to teach Tawheed and spread the Sunnah among them. Especially since they have noticed that they have changed when they have gone out with them.

Shaykh al-Albaanee (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ) said: That which I know about this group via some of our brothers who have been with them on their trips and outings, is that they do not accept their call towards the Qur'aan and the Sunnah. They are just as all other groups in this matter, as I have earlier indicated. They say, and awful is what they say:

"Your Da'wah splits the people."

We agree. Our call is a true call and it differentiates between truth, falsehood, the one who is right and the one who is wrong. That is why it is no wonder that one of the names of the prophet (sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam) is "al-Mufarriq" (the divider). This is something these so-called Islamic 'callers' are ignorant about. If these people (were to) hear this name, they would be confused. This is because they do not understand Islaam. The only purpose of the prophets and messengers and scriptures is to distinguish the truth from falsehood so that the Muslims are with the truth against the falsehood.

As a result thereof it is completely natural that the various Da'wahs (calls) today, which do not agree with this true methodology, do not accept an individual's call since it will mislead them from their methodology and calls that are based upon something other than the Qur'aan, Sunnah and the methodology of the Salaf as-Saalih (pious predecessors). This is what we know of them or at least knew of them. It is possible that they have progressed a bit, which was implied in the question, when they realised that they go out for Allaah's sake entirely confused. They are as the Jews and Christians who merely understand a little bit of their religion.

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If these people are aware of their ignorance in the religion and that there is a group of Muslims who are called as Salafiyyoon, Ansaar-us-Sunnah, or Ahl-ul-Hadeeth, depending upon the country even if they all have the same belief, who can teach them, then it is possible [i.e. to go out with them]. If they agree to discard their former negative methodology and accept that some Salafiyyoon participate in their trips and outings and allow them to call these confused people to the Qur'aan and Sunnah, then I deem it to be obligatory upon individual Salafiyyoon to go out with them. This however, provided that they are the ones who maintain the call and that it is a Salafee-Islaamic call and not a Salafee-Soofee-Tableeghee-call, which has been mentioned earlier. It should namely be pure Salafiyyah. If then Jamaa'at-ut-Tableegh, al-Ikhwaan al-Muslimoon, Hizb-ut-Tahreer and any other group accepts that Salafiyyoon call to their methodology in a clear and explicit way without any limitations or conditions, then I deem it to be obligatory upon individual Salafiyyoon to mingle with them. However, they should first remind them that they will not agree to go out with them for three days, forty days or in accordance with some other arrangement they have invented and which lacks basis in the Qur'aan and Sunnah.