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## Calling the one who shaves his beard effeminate

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

**Shaykh Abdul-Azeez ibn Baaz** (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)<sup>1</sup>: As for preachers who claim that a Muslim who shaves his beard is effeminate, this is the opinion of some latter scholars. Effeminate refers to someone acting like women and it does not mean he is homosexual, as some people may think. Preachers and other people should avoid using this ambiguous term and if they are to use it, they should clarify its meaning to people to avoid any misunderstanding. Moreover, preaching aims at guiding people and directing them to goodness and not to repelling and enraging them.

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<sup>1</sup> (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah have mercy on him