

ISIS burning the Jordanian pilot

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

Shaykh ‘Abdul-Muhsin al-‘Abbaad (حفظه الله)¹ was asked on Thursday 16th Rabee`uth Thaane 1436H, (coinciding with 5th February 2015CE):

Question: What do you say regarding that which Daa`ish (ISIS) have carried out by their burning of the [Jordanian] pilot; using as evidence [both] the speech of Shaykhul-Islaam ibn Taymeeyah, and their saying that it is permissible to seek vengeance from the enemy due to His saying:

وَإِنْ عَاقَبْتُمْ فَعَاقِبُوا بِمِثْلِ مَا عُوقِبْتُمْ بِهِ

[And if you punish (your enemy, O Believers), then punish them with the like of that with which you were afflicted.]²

What is your advice? May Allaah preserve you.

Shaykh ‘Abdul-Muhsin al-‘Abbaad (حفظه الله): These people are oppressive criminals, their actions are vile; and before this [incident] they would kill a person by slaughtering him with a knife – just as a sheep is slaughtered.

All of this is from exceeding the [legislated] bounds in seeking retaliation, and exceeding the bounds with regards to oppression, and carrying out a gruesome killing.

We say: this is not allowed – for no one punishes with fire except the Lord of the fire.

And killing – for those that deserve to be killed – is to be carried out in a way that is not sinful, and does not contain committing a forbidden act – there should be nothing impermissible involved.

These people [ISIS] themselves are not even upon uprightness, having with them matters that are ugly and go against the religion of Islaam.

¹ (حفظه الله) May Allaah the Most High preserve him

² سورة النحل - Sooratun-Nahl [16:126]

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Their origin that they [ISIS] are upon – is the same way as the Kharijites – those that declare the people to be disbelievers, and [they hold] that the people of major sins will remain in the Fire eternally.

This is from their actions, and their doing; and vengeance is not to be sought by committing forbidden acts.