

They say hearing and obeying rulers is manhaj of Jaamees

Translated by Raha ibn Donald Batts

Article taken and slightly adapted from: mtws.posthaven.com

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the Name of Allaah the most Kind the most Merciful

Question: Eminent Shaykh, this question says: What is your view regarding the one who says that (the concept of) hearing and obeying the leader is Jaamee terminology; and who are the Jaamees?

Shaykh Fawzaan (حفظه الله)¹: Who is the one who said:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَأُولِي الْأَمْرِ مِنْكُمْ

[O you who believe! Obey Allaah and obey the Messenger, and those who are in authority amongst you.]²

Who is the one who said this; Al-Jaamee? Allaah (سبحانه وتعالى)³ said it.

Who is the one who said:

“It is upon you to have Taqwaa of Allaah, and to hear and obey; even if a slave is appointed to lead over you.”

Did Al-Jaamee say it? Or did this sinful hypocrite say it? We ask Allaah for security. That which is important is that you should not pay attention to these affairs.

Questioner: However, they always say that this is the Manhaj of the Jaamees; is there a Jamaa’ah called the Jaamees?

Shaykh Fawzaan (حفظه الله): They are the ones who contrived this name. This is not except like when they said “Wahaabees;” are there some Wahaabees who depart from that which the Salaf of this Ummah and its Imaams were upon? These are names which they use to chase (people) away from the Truth; names which they use to chase (people) away from the Truth. They should be paid no mind.

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

² سورة النساء - Soorah an-Nisaa [4:59]

³ (سبحانه وتعالى) (Subhanahu wa-ta’ala) The Exalted, The Most High