

# From the advice of the Salaf In warning against the people of innovations

*And from Imaam Shafie'e (rahimahullaah) : that he saw people talking about philosophy . So he called out to them :*

“Either you accompany us with good , or you leave (go away) from us.” <sup>1</sup>

*The Imaam of Ahlus-Sunnah , Ahmad ibn Hanbal (rahimahullaah) said :*

“Verily it is not befitting to seek anything regarding the matters of the religion ; from the people of innovations and desires .

Verily in that (seeking assistance from them) is the worst harm to the religion.” <sup>2</sup>

*And he (rahimahullaah) also said :*

“ Beware of innovation. All of it.

And do not consult even one of the people of innovations ; in your religion.” <sup>3</sup>

*Al-Imaam Abdurrahmaan al-Mahdee (rahimahullaah) said:*

“Verily the worst of the people of desires are the people of Jahm (the Jahmiyyah). They intend to say : ‘there’s nothing above the sky!’”

I view that they should not be accepted for marriage nor inheritance.” <sup>4</sup>

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1. ‘Mukhtasar kitaabu hujjah ala tark al mahajjah’ by Naasir ibn Ibraaheem al-Maqdisee

2. ‘Manaaqib Imaam Ahmad’ by Ibn al-Jawzee

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4 . ‘Kitaabus-Sunnah’ by Abdullaah ibn Imaam Ahmad

*Aboo Qulaaba al-Basree (rahimahullaah) said :*

“Do not sit with the people of desires. Verily even if you don’t enter into what they are upon , they will confuse for you what you know.” <sup>5</sup>

*Ayyoob al-Sakhtiyaanee (rahimahullaah) said :*

“ Verily the people of desires are people of misguidance .  
And I do not see their abode except the Fire. ” <sup>6</sup>

*And Aboo Yoosuf al-Qadhee (rahimahullaah) said :*

“ I do not pray behind a Jahmee , nor a Rafidhee or a Qadaree.” <sup>7</sup>

*Aboo Muhammad Husayn al-Baghawee (rahimahullaah) said :*

“ The Swahaaba (companions) , the Taabi’een (successors) , their followers , and the Scholars of the Sunnah ; are in consensus in having enmity to the People of innovations and abandoning them.” <sup>8</sup>

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5 . Narrated by Ibn Battah in ‘*al-Ibaanah*’

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7 . Narrated by Imaam al-Laalikaa’ee in ‘*Sharh Usool I’tiqaad Ahlus-Sunnah wal jama’ah*’

8 . “*Sharh us-Sunnah*” of Imaam al-Baghawee

*And al-Imaam Ismaa'eel as-Swaaboonee has reported in his outstanding book "Aqeedatul Salaf As-haabul Hadeeth" ; The consensus of Ahlus Sunnah in the obligation of subduing the Ahlul Bid'ah , and humiliating them.*

*He (rahimahullaah) said :*

“ And this is the statement which has been established.  
This was their creed –all of them- they never differed in this. [meaning the creed of the scholars of hadeeth].

Rather they had complete agreement in it.

And they agreed upon that , and upon subduing the people of innovations , and humiliating them, and abandoning them, and exposing them, and staying away from them , and [also staying away] from those who accompany them and consult them.

And they [Ahlus Sunnah] seek closeness to Allaah by staying away and abandoning them [the Ahlul Bid'ah].”