

**A United Word From Ahlus-Sunnah Of Britain
In Warning From The Fitnah Of
YAHYAA AL-HAJOOREE
& His Followers**

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Indeed all praise is due to Allaah, we praise Him, we seek His aid and His forgiveness. We seek refuge with Him from the evil of our souls and from our evil deeds. Whosoever He guides, there is none to misguide and whosoever He leaves to stray, there is none to guide. I bear witness that there is none that has the right to be worshipped except Allaah, alone and without partners - and I bear witness that Muhammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) is His slave and Messenger.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ ﴿١٠٠﴾
يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ اتَّقُوا رَبَّكُمُ الَّذِي خَلَقَكُمْ مِنْ نَفْسٍ وَاحِدَةٍ وَخَلَقَ مِنْهَا زَوْجَهَا وَبَثَّ مِنْهُمَا
رِجَالًا كَثِيرًا وَنِسَاءً وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ الَّذِي تَسَاءَلُونَ بِهِ وَالْأَرْحَامَ إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ عَلَيْكُمْ رَقِيبًا ﴿١٠١﴾
يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَقُولُوا قَوْلًا سَدِيدًا ﴿١٠٢﴾ يُصْلِحْ لَكُمْ أَعْمَالَكُمْ وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ
ذُنُوبَكُمْ وَمَنْ يُطِيعِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ فَقَدْ فَازَ فَوْزًا عَظِيمًا ﴿١٠٣﴾

To proceed: Indeed the best of speech is the speech of Allaah, and the best of guidance is the guidance of Muhammad (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ). The worst of all affairs [in Religion] are the newly introduced matters, for every newly introduced matter is an innovation, every innovation is misguidance, and every misguidance is in the Hellfire. To proceed:

This is a brief document outlining the unity of the *Salafi* Mosques and Islamic Centres in the United Kingdom regarding their position towards the *fitnah* of Yahyaa al-Hajooree (may Allaah guide him and rectify his affair). After reading much of what has been written concerning the disagreement between Yahyaa al-Hajooree and the *Salafi* scholars, as well as his clear and numerous violations of the *Salafi Manhaj*, we have taken the position of the Scholars such as 'Allaamah Rabee' bin Haadee al-Madkhalee, 'Allaamah `Ubaid bin Abdillaah al-Jaabiree, *Shaikh* Muhammad bin Haadee al-Madkhalee and *Shaikh* `Abdullaah bin `Abdir-Raheem al-Bukhaaree, that he is not to be referred to in affairs of Religion - and one should not travel to Dammaaj (in Yemen) to study with him whilst he is still teaching at that centre [since he has opposed the path of the *Salaf* of the *Ummah* as well as the path of 'Allaamah Muqbil bin Haadee al-Waadi`ee رَحِمَهُ اللهُ]. Furthermore, Yahyaa al-Hajooree himself is not considered from the well-grounded scholars. They hold that he is to be warned against, and we also take that same position based upon detailed proofs and evidences. We also hold that one should not study with or enter into disputation with those youth who carry his false methodology to other countries. It is upon Yahyaa al-Hajooree and those who traverse upon his methodology from his students and ardent supporters is to fear Allaah, repent to Him, rectify their affair and make clear their return to the truth [from all of their errors] with the same vigor that they made falsehood manifest.

From the broad foundations that he has violated from the *Salafi* way are: a) uniting the word of *Ahlu-Sunnah*, b) showing loyalty for the generality of *Ahlu-Sunnah*, c) preserving the status, honour and respect of the Scholars of *Ahlu-Sunnah*, especially the senior ones amongst them. Aside from these broad violations, there are many other specific deviations established from Al-Hajooree and his followers, and they are the following:

1. **His claim** (in the audio entitled: “Questions of Hadramawt”) **that the Prophet** (ﷺ) **erred in the wasaa’il (the ways and means) of da`wah.** However, the ways and means of *da`wah* are *tawqeefiyyah* (i.e. can only be known through revelation), so this is a revilement of the Messenger (ﷺ) in a matter of religion. In defence of al-Hajooree, his followers tried to characterize this as an issue of whether the Prophet (ﷺ) can make mistakes or not. However the fact that the Prophet can make minor mistakes in *ijtihad* and can be corrected by revelation is not under dispute and is a separate subject area altogether. Al-Hajooree mixed the two issues and used examples such as that of the “blind man” to accuse the Messenger (ﷺ) of erring in what is an altogether different issue, i.e. the ways and means of *da`wah*. The correct understanding of those examples used by al-Hajooree to belittle the Messenger (ﷺ) is that he (ﷺ) left what was of greater benefit for other than it, even if in both there is good, and hence he was corrected by revelation. However, al-Hajooree does not guide himself by the Scholars and gives credence to his own erroneous opinions and understandings. See *Al-Bayaan al-Fawree bil-Kashfi `an Fasaadi `Usooli wa Qawaa`idi Yahyaa al-Hajooree*, with the introduction of `Allamah `Ubaid al-Jaabiree, p. 7-9, with complete word-for-word quotations of al-Hajooree in context.
2. **His affirmation of the saying that even the Messenger’s** (ﷺ) **statements are not accepted except with evidence,** whilst every Muslim knows that the Messenger’s (ﷺ) saying is evidence in and of itself. This position of al-Hajooree and the previous one was refuted strongly by `Allamah Saalih al-Fawzaan. See *Al-Bayaan al-Fawree bil-Kashfi `an Fasaadi `Usooli wa Qawaa`idi Yahyaa al-Hajooree*, p. 10-13.
3. **His accusation that some of the Sahaabah, and in particular Qudaamah bin Madh`oon** (رضي الله عنه), **initiated the evil innovation of al-`Irjaa.** He subsequently falsely ascribed this to Ibn Taymiyyah (رحمته الله). See *Al-Bayaan al-Fawree bil-Kashfi `an Fasaadi `Usooli wa Qawaa`idi Yahyaa al-Hajooree*, p. 13-14.
4. **His accusation** (in *Ahkaamal-Jumu`ah*, p.303) **that `Uthmaan bin `Affaan** (رضي الله عنه) **innovated the additional adhaan for Jumu`ah (referring to it with dispraise) and he stated that whoever follows him in that innovation is considered an innovator (mubtadi`).** Shaikh Rabee` has recently defended the noble Companion `Uthmaan (رضي الله عنه) from the speech of al-Hajooree and his followers with powerful evidences and sound reasoning. See the article *Adh-Dhabb `anil-Khaleefat ir-Raashid `Uthmaan* (رضي الله عنه) by `Allamah Rabee` al-Madkhalee, Sahab.net, dated 30th April 2013 (17/6/1434AH).
5. His accusation that some of the *Sahaabah* of Allaah’s Messenger (ﷺ) participated in the assassination of the Caliph `Uthmaan bin `Affaan (رضي الله عنه). Al-Hajooree stated: **“And the participation of some of the Sahaabah in the killing of `Uthmaan (رضي الله عنه)...”** (*Ahkaam al-Jumu`ah*, p.305). After mentioning several other errors of the Companions, he states in the same book, half a page later: **“And all of these evidences which we have pointed to, we have not mentioned anything except that which is saheeh (authentic), and these are just some of many situations which occurred from the Companions (رضي الله عنهم), and they are a clear evidence that as individuals they are not infallible from making grave mistakes or minor ones, whether that is regarding `Uthmaan (رضي الله عنه) or other**

than him.” When confronted, al-Hajooree invented untruths to absolve himself from this criticism of the Companions.

6. **His relentless and exaggerated attacks upon the Scholars of Ahlus-Sunnah of this era**, with revilements and insults that we have never heard thrown against the Scholars of *Salafiyyah*. From those whom he has vehemently attacked and reviled include: `Allaamah Rabee` al-Madkhalee, `Allaamah `Ubaid al-Jaabiree, *Shaikh* Muhammad bin Haadee and *Shaikh* `Abdullaah al-Bukhaaree. He even declares some of these scholars to be *hizbiyyoon* and innovators. Al-Hajooree's *ghuluww* (extremism) led him to describe *Shaikh* `Ubaid al-Jaabiree as being on the verge of apostasy and other exaggerations that were rejected by the Scholars such as his saying: **“By Allaah, apostasy is feared for him, it is feared for him that he will exit the Religion..”** and, **“Allaah disgraced `Ubaid just as He has disgraced the Shaitaan”**. He also said about *Shaikh* `Ubaid: **“Hizbee, obscure, not known, a fool, his speech is like a withered old woman breaking wind, an idiot, a betrayer, blind in sight and [religious] insight, a meaningless human, his efforts amounting to nothing..”** (See *Al-Bayaan al-Fawree*, p. 29-30).
7. **His making and demanding allegiance and enmity amongst Ahlus-Sunnah based upon his own rulings and false principles** wherein whoever disagrees with him is declared to be astray. (Listen to the audio of *Shaikh* `Abdullaah al-Bukhaaree: elbukhari.com, “*Bayaan Haal Yahyaa al-Hajooree wal-Mudaafi`een `anhu*”).
8. **Setting up tests which are not approved by any of the Scholars of Ahlus-Sunnah**, and then basing upon the answer allegiance or enmity, such as their question: **“What is your position regarding `Ubaid al-Jaabiree?”** and, **“What do you say about `Abdullaah al-Bukhaaree?”** If one agrees, he is considered to be sound in belief and methodology, but for the one who disagrees, he is considered to be astray, worthy of refutation, revilement and boycotting.
9. **His satisfaction with the lavish praise of his fanatical followers for him**, the likes of which has no equivalent in the history of the People of *Hadeeth* (*Ahlul-Hadeeth*) such as: **“The Imaam of Jinn and Mankind”** (Source: *al-Khiyaanah ad-Da`wiyyah*, p. 118-119, with the introduction of al-Hajooree himself!); **“Our Shaykh! May Allaah watch over you. Verily, I will (have no desire) to pursue the world whilst you have departed. I swear that if I washed (polished) his (al-Hajooree's) shoe for a lifetime, it would amount to [very] little”, “If they were to melt him (al-Hajooree), his flesh would have melted as the Sunnah and would have become the verses of the Remaining Book”** (*al-Khiyaanah ad-Da`wiyyah*, p. 109). He is described as one who has the lofty qualities of the Prophet (ﷺ), the great *Sahaabah* (رضي الله عنهم), and the Imams of the *Salaf* (رضيهم الله) all combined in his person - and what is much more than this of repugnant exaggeration. Then he offered feeble excuses and even untruths as to how and why this extreme veneration [like that of the Soofees] over many years has continued: because, he claims, he was “busy with his papers” while the poets were reciting! And this is even though al-Hajooree's voice can be heard saying at the end of many of the recitals: **“May Allaah reward you with good and bring benefit through you, I ask Allaah for success for me and for you.”**(!!)
10. **His splitting of the ranks of the Salafi youth in every place where his fanatical followers settle.** (Listen to the audio of *Shaikh* `Abdullaah al-Bukhaaree: elbukhari.com, “*Bayaan Haal Yahyaa al-Hajooree wal-Mudaafi`een aanhu*”).
11. **His claim** (in the audio entitled: “*Tabyeen al-Kadhib wal-Mayn*”) **that Ahlus-Sunnah are the closest of the people to the Haqq, meaning they are not the People of Truth, but the closest to it!** (See *Al-Bayaan al-Fawree bil-Kashfi `an Fasaadi `Usooli wa Qawaa`idi Yahyaa al-Hajooree*, p. 18-20). This is clear violation of the statement of Allaah's Messenger (ﷺ): **“There will never cease to be a group from my Ummah manifestly upon the Truth..”** *Abul-Qaasim al-Asbahaanee* (رضيهم الله) reported in *al-Hujjah fee Bayaanil-Muhajjah* (1/246) with his chain of narration to *Ahmad bin Sinaan* (رضيهم الله) concerning

the saying of Allaah's Messenger (ﷺ): **“There will never cease to be a group from my Ummah manifestly upon the Truth..”**, that he said: **“They are the Scholars, the People of Narration.”** And Imaam Ahmad bin Hanbal said (ﷺ): **“If they are not Ahlus-Hadeeth (i.e. Ahlus-Sunnah wal-Jamaa`ah), then I do not know who they are.”** Reported by al-Haakim in *Uloom al-Hadeeth*, al-Khateeb al-Baghdaadee in *Sharaf As-haabil-Hadeeth* through various routes. Ibn Hajr (ﷺ) said in *Fat-hul-Baaree* (13/293): “Al-Haakim reported it in *Uloom al-Hadeeth* with an a chain that is *Saheeh*.” Qaadee `Iyaad (ﷺ) said: **“Ahmad intended by that Ahlus-Sunnah wal-Jamaa`ah, and whomsoever believes in the Madhhab of Ahlus-Hadeeth.”** See *Sharh an-Nawawee `alaa Muslim: Kitaab al-Imaarah*.

12. We do not see from him any real efforts against *ahlu-bid`ah*, rather al-Hajooree, his followers and their *Haddaadee* [extremist] website busy themselves in abuse and criticism of the Scholars of *ahlus-Sunnah*, seeking out and picking faults in their lectures, books and *fataawa*. Further, there is hardly a land to be found where *ahlus-Sunnah* are present and exerting effort in the arena of *da`wah* except that the *Hajooriyyeen* (the followers of Yahyaa al-Hajooree) abuse and belittle the best and most virtuous of *ahlus-Sunnah*! They do not settle in a land except that they wage war upon *ahlus-Sunnah wal-Jamaa`ah* - and were this the only point of criticism, it would suffice as a judgement against Yahyah al-Hajooree and his followers!

All of these affairs and others have been recorded and documented from him and no legitimate and acceptable *Tawbah* with all its conditions has been observed from him for any of these matters. Rather, he and his followers have only engaged in fruitless argumentation in these matters in order to defend Yahyaa al-Hajooree and justify his misguided statements. Furthermore his falsehood has been explained by the *Salafi* scholars such as: Shaikh Saalih al-Fawzaan, Shaikh Rabee` bin Haadee, Shaikh `Ubaid al-Jaabiree, Shaikh Muhammad bin Haadee, Shaikh Ahmad bin Umar Baazmool, Shaikh Ahmad Subay`ee and Shaikh `Abdullaah al-Bukhaaree and many others. It is well-known that Yahyaa al-Hajooree has been advised by the scholars for several years but to no avail. They have showed immense patience, whilst al-Hajooree himself continued his tirade against the *Salafiiyyoon* in every place. So in light of this the Scholars warn against him [and their statements are recorded], and we likewise warn against him. Please visit www.manhaj.com for detailed evidences of his misguidance in English.

In conclusion, we advise the Muslims who have concern for the Book of Allaah (ﷺ), the *Sunnah* of His Messenger (ﷺ) and the *Salafi Manhaj* to hold fast to the Scholars of *Ahlu-Sunnah*, for they are the Aided Group (*at-Taa'ifat ul-Mansoorah*) as has been stated by al-Bukhaaree, Ahmad bin Sinaan, at-Tirmidhee (ﷺ) and others from the *Salaf* - and this is even more so the case in times of *fitnah* (tribulation). It is about the Scholars that Imaam Ahmad (ﷺ) stated:

“All praise is due to Allaah who has raised in every age between the Messengers, people of knowledge. They call the misguided to guidance, they remain patient with the harm they receive, they give life to the dead with the Book of Allaah, they give sight to the blind with the light of Allaah. How many a person killed by Iblees have they given life to. How many misguided strayers have they guided; how beautiful has been their effect upon the people and how despicable have the people been to them. They remove from the Book of Allaah the distortions of those who go beyond bounds, the false assertions of the liars, and the interpretations of the ignorant - those who raise high the banner of innovations and let loose the shackles of *fitnah*..” (*Ar-Radd `alal-Jahmiyyah waz-Zanaadiqah*, p. 85, *Daar al-Liwaah*, Riyadh).

And loving these Scholars is a sign of the People of Sunnah and opposing them is a sign of one's misguidance. Imaam Aboo `Uthmaan Ismaa`eel as-Saaboonnee (رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ) stated:

“One of the distinguishing signs of *Ahlus-Sunnah* is their love for the *Imaams* of the *Sunnah*, and its Scholars, its helpers, protectors and allies - and [likewise] their hatred of the *Imaams* of *bid`ah*, those who call to the Fire.” (*Aqeedat us-Salaf As-haab al-Hadeeth*, p. 171).

Imaam Aboo `Uthmaan Ismaa`eel as-Saaboonnee (رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ) stated:

“He said: Aboo Rajaa' Qutaybah read the book “*al-Imaan*” to him, and at the end there occurred: **If you see a man loving Sufyaan ath-Thawree, Maalik ibn Anas, al-Awzaa`ee, then know he is a person of Sunnah.**” (*Aqeedat us-Salaf As-haab al-Hadeeth*).

`Allaamah Rabee` al-Madkhalee, may Allaah preserve him, said:

“The point here being: That all of these men are from the *Imaams* of the *Sunnah*, and they are to be loved, and likewise those who came after them..” Until he said: “So whoever today hates Ibn Taymiyyah, Ibn `Abdil-Wahhaab, may Allaah's mercy be upon them - then what is his *Manhaj*?! The one who hates Ibn Baaz, al-Albaanee, Ibn `Uthaimen and their likes - then what is his *Manhaj*?! No doubt he is from *ahlul-Bid`ah* and the people of misguidance. And hatred of them, i.e. Ibn Baaz, Ibn `Uthaimen, al-Albaanee and those the *Shaikh* mentioned is from the distinguishing signs of *ahlul-bid`ah*. Likewise those come after them (i.e. the Scholars) traversing their *Manhaj*, then no one hates them except *ahlul-bid`ah*.” (*Sharh`Aqeedat us-Salaf As-haab al-Hadeeth*, p. 347).

Imaam at-Tahaawee (رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ) stated in his well-known treatise in the *'aqeedah*:

“And the Scholars of the *Salaf* from the early ones, and those who came after them amongst the *Taabi`een*: the people of goodness and *athar*, the people of *fiqh* and insight - then they are not mentioned except in the most beautiful manner - and whoever speaks regarding them with evil, then he is upon other than the [true and correct] Path.”

Ahmad bin Sinaan al-Qattaan (رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ) said:

“**There is not an innovator in the world except that he has hatred for the People of Hadeeth - so when a man innovates, the sweetness of Hadeeth is stripped from his heart.**” (*Ma`rifah `Uloomil-Hadeeth*, p. 3, *Sharaf As-haabil-Hadeeth*, p. 145, *Tadhkiratul-Huffaadh*, 2/521.)

We ask Allaah for well-being and security - and all praise is due to Allaah, Lord of the worlds - may the salutations of Allaah and His peace be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family and all of his Companions.

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