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Introduction

Verily all praise is due to **Allah**, we praise Him, we seek His Assistance and we seek His Forgiveness. We seek refuge in **Allah** from the evil of our own selves and the evil recompense of our bad actions. Whomsoever **Allah** guides, none can misguide and whomsoever **Allah** causes to go astray, none can guide.

And I bear witness that there is no deity worthy of worship except **Allah** (سبحانه وتعالى) and I bear witness that *Muhammad* (صلى الله عليه و سلم) is His Servant and Messenger.

We thank **Allah** for allowing us to come together with our brothers from *Maktabat-ul-Muwahhideen* and facilitating this call.

The title of this meeting/gathering is: “The Removal of the Darkness in Clarifying the Condition of *Jabhat-un-Nusrah* and *DAA’ISH*”. Or you can call it: “Warning From *Jabhat-un-Nusrah* and *DAA’ISH*” - the daughters of *al-Qaa’idah* (*al-Qaa’idah* is the mother). The Arabic word *ghabash* (غَبَشَ) is that which prevents clear visibility. Either (regarding) the weather, when there is dust or smoke or fog - all of these prevent clarity with regards to visibility.

Or this thing that prevents visibility could be in the actual eye of the person who is looking and it may be that there is nothing cloudy about the weather. Rather, the weather is clear but the eye of the one who is looking has the defect. Thus, if the individual cures or treats his eye, then this *ghabash* will be removed and consequently, he would be able to see clearly. This clarity will allow him to distinguish between things and not mix them because there are





those who confuse these blood thirsty actions and connect this savagery to *Islaam*. There are those who try to say that this is the *Da'wat-us-Salafiyyah* and this is an accusation which the *Salafiyyoon* clear themselves from like the innocence of the wolf from the blood of the son of *Ya'qoob*.



The Description Of The *Khawaarij*

These individuals, we (the *Salafis*) call them the *Khawaarij* even if their reality is hidden or concealed from many of the people due to what they see of the outward appearance of righteousness. No consideration is given to these outward appearances because the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) warned his Companions from the *Khawaarij* when ‘*Abdullah Dhul*

Khuwaysarah opposed the division of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) in dividing the spoils of war. From his characteristics is that he had a protruding forehead, a very thick beard, very prominent eyebrows and his *izaar* was to the middle of his shins. This individual said: “O *Muhammad*, be just!” He said regarding the division of the wealth: “I see that the Face of **Allah** was not intended.” And this was in opposition to the politics of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) in his division of the spoils of war - he opposed that. It was boldness and opposition in terms of what the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) had commanded. Additionally, it was an accusation of the intention of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) and what he wanted. Rather, it was holding the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) in evil estimation and he (*Dhul Khuwaysarah*) was pleased with his opinion.

Subsequently, the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) said: “*There will come from his offspring peoples whom you would look at your prayer as insignificant in comparison to their prayer, and your fasting as insignificant in comparison to their fasting, and your Qiyaam as insignificant in comparison to their*



Qiyaam, and your recitation of the Qur'aan as insignificant in comparison to their recitation of the Qur'aan."

If you want to praise someone's worship such as their standing in the night in prayer, recitation of the *Qur'aan*, fasting or prayer, we look at the example of the Companions after the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم). These individuals (*al-Khawaarij*) did more than the Companions regarding these forms of worship and yet the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) warned from this.

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) said: *"Do not be deceived by the excessiveness in worship of these individuals. They would leave from Islaam just at the arrow leaves from the prey it has struck. The Qur'aan does not pass their throats and if I were to meet them I would kill them the killing of 'Aad (the people of 'Aad were totally destroyed)."*

It has come in the description of these *Khawaarij* that they are the dogs of the Hellfire; these are (only) some of their characteristics. Likewise, they are youth, young minded, their teeth are still small (i.e. they are young), they speak with our tongue (language), are from the children of our own skin (i.e. same lineage) and they kill the people of *Islaam*. These individuals are called the *Khawaarij*, and their names are plentiful. Previously, they were called *al-Azaariqah*, *al-Harooriyyah* and *an-Najadaat*. They have several names but their *'Aqeedah* is one (that of the *Khawaarij*); their mannerisms/style is one.



The Revival Of The 'Aqeedah Of The *Khawaarij*

And if we want to speak about the people of *Bid'ah* such as the *Rawaafidh*, then we know them. We know the *Raafidhah*, we know their beliefs and the head of them in this time is *al-Khomeini* and those who are with him. So they are the *Rawaafidh* and they have many followers in countries such as *Iraq* and other than that. Likewise the *Khawaarij*, it is not that we just read about them in the books of 'Aqeedah or the books of History. Rather the *Khawaarij* are present in this time, like the *Abaadhiyyah*. However, regarding the individual who revived the 'Aqeedah of the *Khawaarij* in today's time (in the general sense) amongst the *Muslim* youth is the founder of *al-Ikhwaan al-Muslimeen*: *Hasan al-Banna al-Misree*. He founded this group in an environment/circumstances that were opaque/cloudy and there are several accusations regarding who helped him establish this group from those non-*Muslim* countries.

Al-Ikhwaan al-Muslimeen gathered all of the people of falsehood under the principle they established that 'we come together in what we agree upon and we will excuse each other in the issues we differ in'. In other words: we will work towards what we agree upon and we will be silent regarding the differences that exist between us. These cloudy circumstances whereby this group was founded planted this seed in its followers of having enmity towards others. So they only look towards themselves and they limit *Islaam* to their understanding only. The name is clear, "*Al-Ikhwaan al-Muslimeen*"; so whoever is not a part of their group is not extended the brotherhood of *Islaam*.



There are many who have affiliated themselves with this sect, from the *Muslims* and other than the *Muslims*. This is clear regarding who are the members of this group and their gatherings - do not be astonished by this - and in this group there are Christians. What happened? This mixture they have regarding their beliefs, mannerisms and methodology, we find it clear in the individual called *Sayyid Qutb* who went to America with the intention of changing the Egyptian educational curriculum. He returned to Egypt and was treated like a scholar from the scholars of *Islaam* and he claimed to explain the *Qur'aan* with a modern-day explanation. He explained *aayaat* from the *Qur'aan* with the 'Aqeedah of the *Khawaarij* and was bold/brazen in his disregard of the *Tafseer* of the Pious Predecessors (i.e. the *Khulafaa`*)

He let his evil tongue loose and spoke evil about the one whom even the angels are shy of i.e. 'Uthmaan Ibn 'Affaan (رضي الله عنه). He described those who killed 'Uthmaan as being closer to the spirit of *Islaam* than 'Uthmaan and even went so far as to say that the era of 'Uthmaan is an empty era in the history of *Islaam*. This shows that *Sayyid Qutb* is an evil, filthy, despicable conspiracy. Despicable regarding his 'Aqeedah and is so bold he speaks badly about the *Sahaabah*.

And regarding the one who is bold concerning the *Sahaabah*, there are those in today's time who have come together and praised *Sayyid Qutb* like *al-Khomeini* and likewise *al-Khaleelee*. Who is *Al-Khomeini*? He is the leader of the *Raafidhah*. And who is *al-Khaleelee*? He is the figurehead of the *Abaadhiyyah* (the *Khawaarij*). How amazing is this that these two different sects come together in their praise and support of *Sayyid Qutb*.



This introduction (that the *Shaykh* has given) is so that this *ghabash* is removed from everyone who hears this lecture using these devices from the *Muslims* or other than the *Muslims*; from the people of *Sunnah*, or from the general population of the people of *Bid'ah*, whether the individual be a *Khaarijee* or *Raafidhee*.



Modern-Day *Khaarijee* Groups And The Circumstances Surrounding Their Inception

This ideology was adopted by ‘*Abdullah ‘Azzaam* who went to Afghanistan. There was also an individual called *adh-Dhawaahiree* and likewise *Usaamah Ibn Laadin*. They drank this ideology from the cup of ‘*Abdullah ‘Azzaam*, and from the footsteps of these individuals *al-Qaa’idah* was established in difficult circumstances. Also, there are those accusations regarding who helped them establish *al-Qaa’idah*, what were the circumstances behind it and who gave a supporting hand to them regarding certain agencies/groups from *Ahlul-Bid’ah* or the non-*Muslims*.

With respect to the circumstances in which *al-Qaa’idah* was formed, it was formed in areas that were chaotic and where wars were being fought. These were the circumstances in which these groups were formed. And due to these circumstances, they were able to attract wayfarers/ lost people to join them from different parts of the world.

The circumstances surrounding the feeding of this ideology (lead to an) acceptance of a violent approach, in addition to the ideologies that these individuals possess. What happened in Afghanistan happened and these individuals spread out throughout the world (after leaving Afghanistan), either going to Bosnia and Herzegovina or Chechnya. Whatever took place happened in *Iraaq* and due to this fact it was fertile land for people to accept this ideology that *al-Qaa’idah* and like-minded groups are upon.



The mother (*al-Qaa'idah*) remained in Afghanistan and created these different splinter groups, and we have heard about the group called *DAA'ISH* (ISIS): The *Islaamic State of Iraaq* and *Shaam*. No land, no system, no support systems or nothing of the basics of establishing a country; rather it is a dream of the *Khawaarij*. When it was supposedly established, it was established in circumstances that were difficult and in an environment that supported this type of chaos in lands that were chaotic. There was no stability and unknown hands were hands of support to help them establish themselves, from *Ahlul-Bid'ah* and the non-*Muslims*. Another sub-sect came out of this group called *Jabhat-un-Nusrah*, which is in the land Syria. From 2006 to now (2014), all of these changes took place (leading) up to what we see today.

So we have *Jabhat-un-Nusrah* in *Shaam* and unexpectedly, they separated themselves from *al-Qaa'idah* and likewise, *DAA'ISH* also separated from *al-Qaa'idah*. *Jabhat-un-Nusrah* (then) splintered off from *DAA'ISH*. The mother is *al-Qaa'idah* and the daughters are *DAA'ISH* and *Jabhat-un-Nusrah*. Their 'Aqeedah is one: revolting against the rulers, making *takfeer* of the rulers, disregarding or nullifying the allegiance to the *Muslim* rulers and distancing themselves from the general population of the *Muslims*. [According to the Arabic proverb] "How similar tonight is to yesterday."

How similar the *Khawaarij* of today are to those of old who revolted against the *Sahaabah*. They made *takfeer* of 'Ali (رضي الله عنه), nullified their allegiance to him and isolated themselves from the general population of the *Muslims*. They went to an area called *Haroorah* and due to this they were named *al-Harooriyyah*.



And today, we have a group called *as-Surooriyyah* who are the followers of *Muhammad Suroor Zayn-ul-'Aabideen*. He left the land of the *Muslims* and went to live in Britain where he established a magazine called "*as-Sunnah*" - rather it is "*al-Bid'ah*" - and also a magazine called "*al-Bayaan*". They have a group called *Muntadaa al-Islaam* in Birmingham and from there they wage war against *Islaam* here (in the land of *Tawheed*). There is no difference between *as-Surooriyyah* and *al-Harooriyyah* except in the spelling. *Surooriyyah* is spelt with a (س) and *Harooriyyah* with a (ح).

The first generation of *Khawaarij* did not have a problem regarding the belief in **Allah's** Names and Attributes nor did they see *tawassul* as being permissible. Rather, they have what the *Khawaarij* of today have: nullifying allegiance to the *Muslim* ruler, making *takfeer* of the *Muslim* ruler and isolating themselves from the general population of the *Muslims*. They may not isolate themselves by going into different groups but they practice what *Sayyid Qutb* taught them - emotional separation. Meaning that the person may physically be with the general population of the *Muslims* but his emotions and belief is with his group that he affiliates himself with i.e. the *Khawaarij* and like-minded groups.



Closing Remarks

It is extremely strange that there are those who criticize *DAA'ISH* and at the same time praise *an-Nusrah*. And in reality, they are two sides to the same coin. This helps to remove the darkness regarding these groups. I advise all of the *Muslim* youth that they should be warned from these two groups (*Jabhat-un-Nusrah* and *DAA'ISH*) and other groups who practice this violence.

I advise the non-*Muslim* nations that they do not instigate these *Muslims* (not *DAA'ISH* or *an-Nusrah* - rather they are *Khawaarij*). Rather, I intend that which the *Muslims* find regarding the wars being fought, the destruction, the reckless interfering into the affairs (of other countries) and the having unjust scales. Israel practices violence that is more violent than *DAA'ISH* regarding the children of *Islaam* in Palestine.

With regards to *Hamaas*, it is the daughter of *al-Ikhwaan al-Muslimeen*. *Al-Qardhaawee*, who is the head of the *Khawaarij* in this time, was upset when some of the countries made the coalition to fight *DAA'ISH*, yet he was the one clapping and cheering in support of the Arab Spring. This so-called Arab Spring is not a spring; spring is a time for the rebirth, a sign of life and growth. This so-called Arab Spring has done nothing but bring destruction and none of the criterion of success has been achieved by this alleged Arab Spring. Rather, safety and security have been lost, the people's health and well-being have been diminished and the people's religiosity has also been diminished. It has become fertile soil for this ideology of the *Khawaarij* to spread and be accepted by the youth. (The alleged Arab Spring also brought about) the economic losses which took place.



In reality, it is a war against the *Muslim* countries. Likewise, this so called Arab Spring took place under questionable circumstances and there were those groups that were accused of having a hidden hand regarding the occurrence of this Arab Spring. It does not serve the correct *Islaam*, rather it benefits the non-*Muslims*. It is clear that they had a part to play - so clear the blind person can see it.

I ask **Allah** to allow us to see the truth as being truth and bless us with the ability to follow and invite to it. And that He shows us falsehood as being falsehood and distance us from it and that He gives us strength in warning against falsehood.

