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ON THE SO-CALLED 'ISLAMIC STATE OF 'IRĀQ AND SHĀM' [ISIS/ISIL] AND "CALIPH" (!?) ABŪ BAKR AL-BAGHDĀDĪ¹

“THEY INTEND TO ESTABLISH THE KHALEEFAH FOR THE MUSLIMS AND BROTHERS THEY HAVE SLAUGHTERED IN AL-'IRĀQ!? NEITHER HE [ABŪ BAKR AL-BAGHDĀDĪ] NOR HIS OPPONENT FROM THE RĀFIDAH ARE UPON GOODNESS. NEITHER OF THEM WANT GOOD FOR THE MUSLIM UMMAH. WE HAVE TO WARN AGAINST BOTH PATHS... THIS DAJJĀL AND LIAR [AL-BAGHDĀDĪ] IS MORE EVIL THAN THE PREACHERS TO FALSEHOOD, FOR HE HAS SLAUGHTERED THE MUSLIMS IN SHĀM [THE LEVANT], SLAUGHTERED THE MUSLIMS IN AL-'IRĀQ AND HE CO-OPERATES WITH THE TYRANT IN SHĀM TO SLAUGHTER MUSLIMS.

FOR THIS REASON, THE TYRANT OF SHĀM HAS TOTALLY WITHHELD FROM FIGHTING AGAINST HIM [AL-BAGHDĀDĪ]. HE DOES NOT FIGHT AGAINST HIM AS HE SUPPLIES HIM WITH PETROL FROM DAYR UZ-ZŪR...

A MUSLIM SHOULD NOT FIGHT WITH ANY OF THESE PARTIES AND GROUPS WHATSOEVER, AS THEY ARE ALL UPON MISGUIDANCE, WHETHER IT IS THE STATE OF THE RĀFIDAH, THE "STATE OF IRĀQ AND SHĀM" [ISIS/ISIL] OR THE SO-CALLED "KHILĀFAH STATE".

¹ From the Shaykh's third lesson explaining Imām Ahmad's Usūl us-Sunnah, dated 30th June 2014/3rd Ramadān 1435 AH at Masjid an-Nabawī:

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ALL OF THEM ARE AGAINST AHL US-SUNNAH WA'L-JAMA'AH, SO DO NOT BECOME OCCUPIED WITH THEM AND WE HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THEM."

Question:

"May Allāh show you goodness Shaykh, in regards to some words about the "Islamic State" which was announced yesterday?"

Answer from Shaykh Sālih as-Suhaymī:

Ah, masha'Allāh! O brothers, Allāh Says,

﴿ظَهَرَ الْفَسَادُ فِي الْبَرِّ وَالْبَحْرِ بِمَا كَسَبَتْ أَيْدِي النَّاسِ لِيُذِيقَهُمْ بَعْضَ الَّذِي عَمِلُوا لَعَلَّهُمْ
يَرْجِعُونَ﴾

"Corruption has appeared throughout the land and sea by [reason of] what the hands of people have earned so He may let them taste part of [the consequence of] what they have done that perhaps they will return [to righteousness]."

{Rūm (30): 41}

This corruption is either due to excess or neglect. Due to neglect: as a result of the atheists, secularists, liberals and preachers and promoters of evil, immorality, theatrics, Tāsh Ma Tāsh, and what will make you know what Tāsh Ma Tāsh is!? They cry over it because it is not present?! This is the first part.

The second part is in regards to: the preachers of excess, those who follow the actions of the Khawārij and those who follow their ways. Today the foolish ones have announced the establishment of so-called "the Islamic Khilāfah State"?! This is a common practice which we know from eighty years ago. They pledge allegiance to a leader in secrecy based on their own corrupted methodology and they pledge allegiance to unknown individuals in secret. So today they announce, and how often they announce. If the one who made the announcement is then killed or done away with then another one comes and announces another new Khaleefah! This is closely similar to the concept of the Mahdi according to the Rāfidah, Allāh's refuge is sought.

This "Islamic State" which has been announced, does it mean that it is the Islamic State for all of the Muslims? They intend to establish the Khaleefah for the Muslims they have slaughtered and

have done what they have done to the brothers in al-'Irāq!?'² Neither he [Abū Bakr al-Baghdādī] nor his opponent from the Rāfidah are upon goodness. Neither of them want good for the Muslim Ummah. We have to warn against both paths, both him and his opponent from the Rāfidah, as both are upon evil, both are upon misguidance and both secretly agree on enmity towards Ahl us-Sunnah wa'l-Jama'ah.

So be warned of this superstitious pledge of allegiance, this falsehood which they have called "the Khaleefah of the Muslims today". This dajjāl and liar [al-Baghdādī] is more evil than the preachers to falsehood, for he has slaughtered the Muslims in Shām [the Levant], slaughtered the Muslims in al-'Irāq and he co-operates with the tyrant in Shām to slaughter Muslims. For this reason, the tyrant of Shām [Bashhār] has totally withheld from fighting against him [al-Baghdādī]. He does not fight against him as he [al-Baghdādī] supplies him with petrol from Dayr uz-Zūr [Deir Al-Zor].³ However, now all of the forces of evil manifest enmity against Islām and Muslims, with the backing of West, the preachers to the so-called "Islamic Khilāfah State", the Rāfidah State, and all of such names.

We ask Allāh, Blessed and Exalted, to raise His Word, to Aid His Deen, and to suppress the people of evil and innovation and the enemies of the deen be they those who have excess or neglect. They are major liars [Dajjāloon] so beware of being attached to them. When they established their state in one of their countries, one of their supporters even claimed that he saw the Prophet (*sal Allahu alaihi wa sallam*) and he said to him: "so and so leads you in prayer so I will not pray with you, so let so and so from among you lead the people in prayer"?! And that Jibreel even prayed with him at such and such location! Can you see the chronic lying and falsehood [Daj] which they are calling to?

² [TN]: on 28th August 2011 Abū Bakr al-Baghdādī (who now calls himself "Caliph Ibrāheem"?!) and his khawārij forces blew up Umm ul-Qurā Mosque, a Sunni Masjid, in Baghdad. Indeed, even Ayman adh-Dhawāhirī, the Khawārij leader of al-Qaeda brands ISIS/ISIL as Khawārij?! That in itself says something about not only the truth which the Prophet (sal) mentioned about the Khawārij but also the extreme violence of the Khawārij throughout history wherein rogue Khawārij units become more and more deceived by Iblees. It is thus no surprise then that many of the ignorant youth from the UK have been duped and deluded into following this group, and many Muslims from London have been killed while thinking that they were fighting jihad, and some of them not even knowing what jihad even means?! An example of ISIL/ISIS ghulū was seen when around 600 Chechen fighters in Syria left a Chechen group merely because their leader gave salāms to some FSA fighters!?

ISIS/ISIL have killed Sunnis and have threatened to kill all Sunnis who do not join them!?! Brazen in their Khārijīyah.

³ [TN]: ISIL/ISIS has now withdrawn from the area.

We ask Allāh for good health and safety, and it is for the Muslims to pay attention. And just as I advised the brothers in al-'Irāq yesterday, is that which I advised them in another country some time ago: stay at home, and if they are transgressed by any of them then they are to defend themselves, as whoever is killed defending his wealth, property, honour and life is a martyr. Yet a Muslim should not fight with any of these parties and groups whatsoever, as they are all upon misguidance, whether it is the state of the Rāfidah, the "State of Irāq and Shām" [ISIS/ISIL] or the so-called "Khilāfah State". All of them are against Ahl us-Sunnah wa'l-Jama'ah, so do not become occupied with them, and we have nothing to do with them. Rather we worship Allāh, learn and gain understanding in Allāh's deen up until a righteous leader can sit [in authority] with comfort or comfort can be gained via [the departure of] an unjust leader, yes.