

No Title: Ulema As-Salateen (paid scholars)

The Ulema are the inheritors of the Prophets." as said by the Prophet (saaw). Since we know the Sunnah of the Prophet (saaw) is to Stand for the Haqq and against Batil (falsehood). With this criteria in mind we (Muslims) can differentiate between the Ulema As-Salateen (paid scholars) and the Ulema Al-Haqq.

We all know the courageous stand taken by the Ulema Al Haqq in the past. For example: Ahmad Ibn Hanbal, Imam Malik, Ibn Taymiyah, Al Eza bin Abdul Salam, and the ulema of the present like Sayyid Qutb. (May Allah be pleased with them).

Let us analyze the stand taken by the Ulema As-Salateen:

Al Azhar is directly supporting and legitimizing the tyrant regime of Hosni Mubarak by blessing the peace treaty with Israel and thus selling a Muslim land to the Kuffar (Jews). Need we remind them that Quds (Jerusalem) was conquered by the sweat and blood of the Sahabah (raa).

Sheikh bin Baz, the twister of the words of the Qur'an and Sunnah, justifies the actions of King Fahd (Saudi Monarch). Prior to the Gulf Crisis bin Baz issued a fatwa saying that it is haram for Non-Muslims to reside and work in the Jazeera Al Arabia (The Arabian Peninsula). However, during the Gulf Crisis, bin Baz welcomed the Kafir Troops to kill & spill Muslim blood. Whereas, the Prophet (saaw) said : For Allah the blood of a Muslim is more sacred than the Ka'bah. Additionally, bin Baz exclaimed that the Saudis fighting for the nationalistic state of Saudia, were fighting Jihad, and that they would be shaheed (martyr) in that cause.

The Prophet (saaw) said: "To slander a Muslim is (act of) fisq and to fight him (Muslim) is Kufr.

Surprisingly! Abul Hasan Al Nadvi congratulated Al-Sabah and Fahd, by sending a letter stating that the victory is for Islam, and the haqq has conquered the batil.(Al Bath al Islamiya magazine). Perhaps, Al Nadvi should read his own book Hijaz and the Arabian Peninsula: between hopes and concerns. In it he quoted a hadith narrated by Umar (raa) that he heard the Prophet (saaw) say that, I shall expel All Jews and Christians from the Arabian Peninsula and will not allow any one here except Muslims. [Tirmidi]. Furthermore, Al Nadvi said in his previous book "The Peninsula is the fence that protects the Harams and the Hijaz. So the entire Peninsula must be kept free of external intervention."

In actual fact, some of the Ulema in America, who did not take a firm stand against the kufr of Al Saud, Al Sabah, Iraq, America, and those other parties involved are as guilty as the above mentioned Ulema. Furthermore, some of the local Ulema welcomed the US troops & "wished them the peace they deserved." (LA Times, March 30, 1991). Others even went further to the extent of congratulating Bush.

We remind the Ulema and Muslims with the hadith of the Prophet (saaw) : " Master of the martyrs (shaheed) are Hamza, and a man killed by an oppressor Ruler because he advised him (to abide by Islam and to refrain from batil)."

"And now you should not fear the people, but you should fear Me only, do not sell my ayah (signs) cheap and those who rule by other than what Allah has revealed, they are kafiroom (disbelievers)"

Al Maidah : 44

We remind the Ulema that their responsibility is great. That they are going to be responsible to Allah (SWT). The Ummah is expecting decisive words from you. The Ummah expects a firm stand like the stand taken by Al Ezz bin Abu Usalam. The Ulema are the assistants for the Ummah not against the Ummah.