

In The Name of Allaah, The Most Merciful, The Bestower of Mercy.

Allaah [The Exalted] stated: **يُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يُطْفِئُوا نُورَ اللَّهِ بِأَفْوَاهِهِمْ** – They want to extinguish Allaah's Light with their mouths (i.e. the Qur'an, the pure Islamic monotheism and the guidance Allaah sent Muhammad with) but Allah will not allow except that His Light should be perfected even though the disbelievers hate (it)]. [Surah At-Tawbah. Verse 32]

Imaam Ibn Katheer [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said, "They want to extinguish that which Allaah sent His Messenger with of guidance and the religion of truth, merely by way of their arguments and fabrications; so their example in this is that of one who wants to extinguish the light of the sun or the moon by way of blowing at (them) and (such a person) can never achieve this". [Al-Misbaah Al-Muneer Fee Tahdheeb Tafseer Ibn Katheer]

Reported in the Daily Mail as follows:

Former Islamic extremist, 29, reports his parents to the police- By Abul Taher Security Correspondent For The Mail On Sunday 14 hrs ago

Firstly, the term "**Islamic extremist**" requires a brief clarification. What is meaning of the word '**Islamic**' in the English dictionary? It means something "Connected with the Muslim religion, or with people or countries who follow it". (1) What is the meaning of the word "**extremist**" in the English dictionary? It means "someone who has beliefs that most people think are unreasonable and unacceptable". (2)

This is - in general - what the words 'Islamic' and 'extremist' means in the English language. However, what is Islamic or un-Islamic, moderate or extreme is not determined by anyone; rather the Qur'aan and authentic Prophetic tradition are the only judges in this affair, as well as what was understood and implemented by the companions of Prophet Muhammad [peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him]. Allaah [The Exalted] said:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُكُمْ أَنْ تُؤَدُّوا الْأَمَانَاتِ إِلَىٰ أَهْلِهَا وَإِذَا حَكَمْتُمْ بَيْنَ النَّاسِ أَنْ تَحْكُمُوا بِالْعَدْلِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ نِعِمَّا يَعِظُكُمْ بِهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ سَمِيعًا بَصِيرًا

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَأُولِي الْأَمْرِ مِنْكُمْ فَإِن تَنَزَعْتُمْ فِي شَيْءٍ فَذُودُوهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَالرَّسُولِ إِن كُنْتُمْ تُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ ذَلِكَ خَيْرٌ وَأَحْسَنُ تَأْوِيلًا

"Verily! Allah commands that you should render back the trusts to those, to whom they are due; and that when you judge between men, you judge with justice. Verily, how excellent is the teaching which He (Allah) gives you! Truly, Allah is Ever All-Hearer, All-Seer. **O you who believe! Obey Allah and obey the Messenger (Muhammad), and those of you (Muslims) who are in authority. (And) if you differ in anything amongst yourselves, refer it to Allah and His Messenger, if you believe in Allah and in the Last Day. That is better and more suitable for final determination.**" [Surah An-Nisaa. Verses 58-59]

Then Allaah [The Exalted] said:

أَلَمْ تَرَ إِلَى الَّذِينَ يَزْعُمُونَ أَنَّهُمْ ءَامَنُوا بِمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْكَ وَمَا أُنزِلَ مِنْ قَبْلِكَ يُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يَتَحَاكَمُوا إِلَى الطَّاغُوتِ وَقَدْ أُمِرُوا أَنْ يَكْفُرُوا بِهِ ۗ وَيُرِيدُ الشَّيْطَانُ أَنْ يُضِلَّهُمْ ضَلَالًا بَعِيدًا

وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ تَعَالَوْا إِلَىٰ مَا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ وَإِلَى الرَّسُولِ رَأَيْتَ الْمُنَافِقِينَ يَصُدُّونَ عَنْكَ صُدُودًا

فَكَيفَ إِذَا أَصَابَتْهُمُ مُصِيبَةٌ بِمَا قَدَّمَتْ أَيْدِيهِمْ ثُمَّ جَاءُوكَ يَحْلِفُونَ بِاللَّهِ إِنَّ أَرْضَنَا لِلَّهِ إِلَّا إِحْسَانًا وَتَوْفِيقًا

أُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ يَعْلَمُ اللَّهُ مَا فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ فَأَعْرِضْ عَنْهُمْ وَعِظْهُمْ وَقُلْ لَهُمْ فِي أَنفُسِهِمْ قَوْلًا بَلِيغًا

Have you seen those (hypocrites) who claim that they believe in that which has been sent down to you, and that which was sent down before you, and they wish to go for judgement (in their disputes) to the Taghut (false judges, etc.) while they have been ordered to reject them. But Shaitan (Satan) wishes to lead them far astray. And when it is said to them: “Come to what Allah has sent down and to the Messenger (Muhammad),” you (Muhammad) see the hypocrites turn away from you (Muhammad) with aversion. How then, when a catastrophe befalls them because of what their hands have sent forth, they come to you swearing by Allah, “We meant no more than goodwill and conciliation!” They (hypocrites) are those of whom Allah knows what is in their hearts; so turn aside from them (do not punish them) but admonish them, and speak to them an effective word (i.e. to believe in Allah, worship Him, obey Him, and be afraid of Him) to reach their innerselves. [Surah An-Nisaa. Verses 60-63]

Abu Najeeh Al-Irbaad Ibn Saariyah [may Allah be pleased with him] said, "The Messenger of Allah [peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him] gave us a sermon by which our hearts were filled with fear and tears came to our eyes. So we said, 'O Messenger of Allah! It is as though this is a farewell sermon, so counsel us'. He said, 'I counsel you to have taqwa (fear) of Allah, and to listen and obey (your leader), even if a slave were to become your Ameer. **Verily he among you who lives long will see a lot of differing, so you must adhere to my path and to the path of the Rightly Guided Caliphs- those who guide to the right way. Cling to it firmly [literally: with your molar teeth]. Beware of newly invented matters (in the religion), for verily every bidah (innovation in religious affairs) is misguidance"**. [Hadeeth 28. Forty Hadeeth of An-Nawawi]

Therefore, we remind the writer of the article that all affairs related to the religion are judged based on the Qur'aan, the authentic Sunnah and the understanding of Prophet Muhammad's companions, and there is no room for the opinions of the people if they oppose these three sources. Imaam Ash-Shaatibee [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said, "Know that Allaah has established this Sharee'ah as a proof against the creation (i.e. mankind and jinn) – the old and young alike; the obedient and the disobedient; the righteous and the wicked. He did not specify the proof against anyone in exclusion of another one. Also all the other revealed laws were established as proof against all the other nations to whom they were revealed. The Sharee'ah is the judge- restrictedly and unrestrictedly; the [source of judgement] and the judge on all those who have reached the age of responsibility. It is the path attached to [what Allaah has ordained] and the Greatest Guide. And have you not seen the statement of Allaah [The Most

High]?!]

وَكَذَٰلِكَ أَوْحَيْنَا إِلَيْكَ رُوحًا مِّنْ أَمْرِنَا مَا كُنتَ تَدْرِي مَا الْكِتَابُ وَلَا الْإِيمَانُ وَلَٰكِن جَعَلْنَاهُ نُورًا نَّهْدِي بِهِ مَن نَّشَاءُ مِنْ عِبَادِنَا وَإِنَّكَ لَتَهْدِي إِلَى صِرَاطٍ مُّسْتَقِيمٍ

And thus We have sent to you (O Muhammad) Ruhan (an Inspiration, and a Mercy) of Our Command. You knew not what is the Book, nor what is Faith? But We have made it (this Qur'an) a light wherewith We guide whosoever of Our slaves We will. And verily, you (O Muhammad) are indeed guiding (mankind) to the Straight Path (i.e. Allah's religion of Islamic Monotheism)." [Soorah Ash-Shooraa. Verse 52]

He [peace be upon him] was the first to be guided to the Book and Eemaan, and then those who followed him. The Book is the Guide and also the Sunnah which was sent down upon him explains that guidance [i.e. the Sunnah and the Qur'aan explain each other]. All the creation [i.e. mankind and Jinn] are guided by it. Therefore, when this is the case, the Sharee'ah is worthy of being a decisive proof against them [i.e. against mankind and Jinn] and a beacon by way of which they are guided to the truth. Their nobility is established in accordance with how far they embrace its rulings- through acting upon them in speech, belief and deeds- and not merely due to the level of their intellects or their nobility amongst their people. That is because Allaah [The Most High] has determined nobility through Taqwa and no other than it. Allaah [The Most High] said:

إِنَّ أَكْرَمَكُمْ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ أَتَقْوَمُ - Verily, the most honourable of you with Allah is that (believer) who has At-Taqwa] [Surah Al-Hujuraat. Verse 13]

The one who is the firmest (in his or her) adherence to the Sharee'ah is more worthy of honour and nobility, but it is not possible for the one below this [i.e. the one whose adherence to the Sharee'ah is below that of the one who is firmest in adhering to it] to reach the highest level of honour based on his adherence to the Sharee'ah. Therefore, honour is (determined) in accordance with one's (adherence) to the Sharee'ah". (3)

Secondly, we'll now quote some statements of the reporter and comment on them. He stated: "**The man, who is British-born of Pakistani origin, alleges his parents began radicalising him from the age of five after falling under the influence of a fundamentalist branch of Islam known as Salafism**".

Comment: As for the term Fundamentalism, even though there is much dispute between the people regarding its meanings, however the meaning generally intended by those who use it is, "Strict observance of the teachings of the Qur'an and the Shari'a (Islamic Law)". Therefore, if this is what the reporter intend by the term 'Fundamentalist, then indeed Allaah [The Exalted] said:

فَلَا وَرَبِّكَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ حَتَّىٰ يُحَكِّمُوكَ فِيمَا شَجَرَ بَيْنَهُمْ ثُمَّ لَا يَجِدُوا فِي أَنفُسِهِمْ حَرَجًا مِّمَّا قَضَيْتَ وَيُسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا

But no, by your Lord, they can have no Faith, until they make you (O Muhammad) judge in all disputes between them, and find in themselves no resistance against your decisions, and accept (them) with full submission. [Surah An-Nisaa. Verse 65]

Abu Musa [may Allaah be pleased with him] narrated that the Prophet [peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him] said, "My example, and the example of what I have been sent with is that of a man who came to some people and said, O people! I have seen the enemy's army with my own eyes and I am a plain warner; so protect yourselves!' Then a group of his people obeyed him and fled at night proceeding stealthily till they were safe, while another group of them disbelieved him and stayed at their places till morning when the army came upon them and killed and ruined them completely. So this is the example of that person who obeys me and follows that truth which I have brought (the Qur'aan and the Sunnah), and the example of the one who disobeys me and disbelieves the Truth I have brought". [Saheeh Al-Bukhaari. Vol 9. Number: 7283]

Therefore, if this is what the reporter intend by the term fundamentalism, then indeed it is a praiseworthy deed in the sight of Allaah [The Exalted], but if he means those who advocate violence, then indeed this is the behaviour of the khaarijites innovators – ISIS, Al-Qa'idah, Jabhat An-Nusra and their ilk amongst the terrorists.

Thirdly, the reporter linked radicalisation to Salafiyyah! What is Radicalisation? It is the action or process of making someone become more radical (= extreme) in their political or religious beliefs (4), and Radical means "Believing or expressing the belief that there should be great or extreme social or political change".(5) This definition is ambiguous because not everyone who believes or expresses the belief that there should be Great or Extreme social or political change is to be considered blameworthy! Indeed, the Prophets and Messengers of Allaah [peace and blessings of Allaah be upon them], such as Nooh, Ibraaheem, Moosaa, Eesaa and Muhammad brought great changes and well-being, even though their opponents slandered, vilified and mocked at them, and even plotted to kill them. In the view of those hostile polytheists, the great changes desired by these noble Messengers – based on the commands and prohibitions of their Lord – was considered unpraiseworthy and radical, even though no sane person agreed with their absurd claims. Therefore, this word Radical cannot be linked to the term Salafiyyah because Salafiyyah is pure Islam. There has to be a distinction between the actions of misguided Muslims and what Salafiyyah calls to. The Prophets and Messengers brought perfect change – free from the actions of those who exceed the limits in religion and those who fall into sinful compromise and negligence. Listen here: <https://www.salafisounds.com/allaah-warns-against-extremism-and-negligence-by-abu-hakeem/>

What is Salafiyyah? Al-Allaamah Saaleh Al-Fawzaan [may Allaah preserve him] said: "Salafiyyah is to follow the Madhab of the Salafus Saaleh [pious predecessors] – the Sahaabah, the Taa'bi'een and the virtuous generations. Allaah [The Most High] said:

وَالسَّابِقُونَ السَّابِقُونَ مِنَ الْمُهَاجِرِينَ وَالْأَنْصَارِ وَالَّذِينَ اتَّبَعُوهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ وَرَضُوا عَنْهُ [

embrace Islaam of the Muhaajiroon (those who migrated from Makkah to Al-Madinah) and the Ansaar (the citizens of Al-Madinah who helped and gave aid to the Muhaajiroon) and also those who followed them exactly (in Faith). Allaah is well-pleased with them as they are well-pleased with Him]. [9:100]

And Allaah [The Most High] said about the Sahaabah:

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَهَاجَرُوا وَجَاهَدُوا بِأَمْوَالِهِمْ وَأَنْفُسِهِمْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَالَّذِينَ ءَاوَأُوا وَنَصَرُوا أَوْلِيَّكَ بَعْضُهُمْ أَوْلِيَّاءُ بَعْضٍ – Verily, those who believed, and emigrated and strove hard and fought with their property and their lives in the Cause of Allaah as well as those who gave (them) asylum and help, – these are (all) allies to one another [8:72] – up to His statement- [وَالَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا مِنْ بَعْدِ وَهَاجَرُوا وَجَاهَدُوا مَعَكُمْ] – فَأَوْلِيَّكَ مِنْكُمْ – And those who believed afterwards, and emigrated and strove hard along with you, (in the Cause of Allaah) they are of you]. [8:75]

Allaah [Glorified be He and free is He from all Imperfections] said in Surah Al -Hashar:

لِلْفُقَرَاءِ الْمُهَاجِرِينَ الَّذِينَ أُخْرِجُوا مِنْ دِيَارِهِمْ وَأَمْوَالِهِمْ يَبْتَغُونَ فَضْلًا مِّنَ اللَّهِ وَرِضْوَانًا وَيَنْصُرُونَ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ أُولَئِكَ هُمُ
الصَّادِقُونَ

وَالَّذِينَ تَبَوَّءُوا الدَّارَ وَالْإِيمَانَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ يُحِبُّونَ مَنْ هَاجَرَ إِلَيْهِمْ

(And there is also a share in this booty) for the poor emigrants, who were expelled from their homes and their property, seeking Bounties from Allaah and to please Him. And helping Allaah (i.e. helping His religion) and His Messenger (Muhammad). Such are indeed the truthful (to what they say); And those who, before them, had homes (in Al-Madinah) and had adopted the Faith, love those who emigrate to them.” [59:8-9]- up until His [The Most High] statement:

وَالَّذِينَ جَاءُوا مِنْ بَعْدِهِمْ يَقُولُونَ رَبَّنَا اغْفِرْ لَنَا وَلِإِخْوَانِنَا الَّذِينَ سَبَقُونَا بِالْإِيمَانِ – And those who came after them say: “Our Lord! Forgive us and our brethren who have preceded us in Faith]. 59:10

The Prophet [peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him] said, "This ummah will split into seventy three sects; all of them will enter the fire except one. They said, 'which is that (saved sects) O Messenger of Allaah?' He replied, 'those who are upon that which I and my companions are upon today'. The Prophet said, 'Adhere to my Sunnah and the Sunnah of the rightly guided Khulafaa after me'.

Therefore, salafiyyah is the Methodology that has been obligated on us to follow and we are to abandon all other methodologies that are in opposition to it. The [people of salafiyyah] are the saved sect, Ahlus Sunnah Wal-Jamaa-ah, and they are the aided group till the Day of Judgement. May Allaah include us amongst them.

However, ascription to this methodology [of the Salaf] requires [an acquisition of] knowledge of its fundamentals in order that the Muslim may adhere to it. [One is] required to have knowledge of the other methodologies that are in opposition to Salafiyyah in order to avoid them. Therefore, Salafiyyah upon the path of the pious predecessors has to be [followed] upon

knowledge and clear sightedness. It is not enough for the person to ascribe himself to [salafiyyah] whilst being ignorant of it or being in opposition to it. For that reason Allaah [The Most High] said: [وَالَّذِينَ اتَّبَعُوهُمْ يَأْحَسِنُونَ – And also those who followed them exactly (in Faith)].

They follow [them] with knowledge- they neither fall into extremism nor negligence. They neither exaggerate nor fail to give the affair its right- like those who ascribe themselves to the madhabs of the four imams [Abu Haneefah, Maalik, Shaa-fi'ee and Ahmad] whilst being in opposition to them in Aqeedah and Ibaadaat. And like the one who ascribes himself to the methodology of the Salaf, yet he either declares the Muslims to be disbelievers or rebels against the Muslim rulers, or he follows other directions towards extremism. This person is not a Salafi, rather he is named a khaariji or a Mutazili. Or like the one who ascribes himself to the methodology of the salaf, but speaks with the statement of the Mur'ji'a in the affair of Eemaan and Kufr. This is not salafiyyah. Therefore, it is obligatory to pay attention to this affair and not to mix the Salafi methodology with the other methodologies that are in opposition to it, and then say: "all these methodologies [including the salafi methodology] are not from Islaam." This is recklessness in speech, an oppressive judgement and deception against the people".(6)

Al-Allaamah Saaleh Al-Fawzaan [may Allaah preserve him] also said: "The one who wishes to isolate the ummah from the Salafus Saalih [pious predecessors] is one who wishes evil for the Muslims. He is one who wishes to change Islaam and he is one who wishes to initiate innovations and Mukhaalafaat (things that are in opposition to the pure Religion). It is obligatory to reject this one, cut off his argument and warn against his evil because the Manhaj of the Salaf must be followed and the Salaf must be taken as examples. The methodology of the pious predecessors must be followed and that is what is in the Book of Allaah and in the Sunnah of His Messenger as we have mentioned. The one who wishes to cut off the Khalaf of the Ummah from its Salaf is one who works corruption in the earth. It is obligatory to reject, refute his statement and warn against him. The shee'ah and those in agreement with them are the ones known for uttering such statements, so they are not to be given any consideration". (7) [Read: **A response to Western academics who categorise Salafis into Quietists, Politicos and Jihadists – and why this is a false categorisation-** By Shaikh Abu Khadeejah [may Allaah preserve him]: <https://www.abukhadeejah.com/a-response-to-western-academics-who-categorise-salafis-into-quietists-politicos-and-jihadists-and-why-this-is-a-false-categorisation/>]

Fourthly, the reporter stated that the extremist said about his parents, "They taught me to hate this country and the West, and not make friends with non-Muslims".

Comment: This affair enters into Al-Walaa Wal Baraa. The precise principle regarding this loyalty and allegiance is when a person loves and supports the religion of the disbelievers and their creed. Whoever loves a disbeliever due to his religion or creed, or helps a disbeliever due to his religion or creed, then indeed he has fallen into this type loyalty and allegiance. The second type of loyalty is related to dealing with them in trade, visiting them and they visit you, giving gifts to one another etc This does not remove a person from the fold of Islam, rather at times it is permissible, such as being kind to a disbeliever who is not at war with the Muslim

state, just as Allaah [The Exalted] said:

لَا يَنْهَاكُمُ اللَّهُ عَنِ الَّذِينَ لَمْ يُقَاتِلُوكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ وَلَمْ يُخْرِجُوكُم مِّن دِيَارِكُمْ أَن تَبَرُّوهُمْ وَتُقْسِطُوا إِلَيْهِمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُقْسِطِينَ

Allah does not forbid you to deal justly and kindly with those who fought not against you on account of religion and did not drive you out of your homes. Verily, Allah loves those who deal with equity. [Surah Al-Mumtahina. Verse 8]

And at other times, this loyalty is forbidden, such as imitating their specific traits [i.e. either their un-Islamic customs and habits, whether clothing, appearance, behaviour or religious practices]. The Prophet [peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him] said, “Whoever imitates a people is from them”. [Read more heres: <https://www.abukhadeejah.com/tag/imitating-non-muslims/>]

Sometimes this loyalty is recommended such as being kind to a disbeliever to draw his heart to Islaam and calling him to Islam, and at other times this loyalty is obligatory, such as kind treatment to non-Muslim parents. Allaah [The Exalted] said:

وَوَصَّيْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ بِوَالِدَيْهِ حَمَلَتْهُ أُمُّهُ وَهْنًا عَلَى وَهْنٍ وَفِصَالَهُ فِي غَامِنٍ أَن اشْكُرْ لِي وَلِوَالِدَيْكَ إِلَيَّ الْمَصِيرُ
وَإِنْ جَاهَدَاكَ عَلَىٰ أَنْ تُشْرِكَ بِي مَا لَيْسَ لَكَ بِهِ عِلْمٌ فَلَا تُطِعْهُمَا وَصَاحِبْهُمَا فِي الدُّنْيَا مَعْرُوفًا وَاتَّبِعْ سَبِيلَ مَنْ أَنَابَ إِلَيَّ ثُمَّ إِلَيَّ مَرْجِعُكُمْ فَأُنَبِّئُكُمْ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ تَعْمَلُونَ

And We have enjoined on man (to be dutiful and good) to his parents. His mother bore him in weakness and hardship upon weakness and hardship, and his weaning is in two years give thanks to Me and to your parents, unto Me is the final destination. But if they (both) strive with you to make you join in worship with Me others that of which you have no knowledge, then obey them not, but behave with them in the world kindly, and follow the path of him who turns to Me in repentance and in obedience. Then to Me will be your return, and I shall tell you what you used to do. [Surah Luqmaan. Verses 14-15]

A Muslim Helps Without Intending to Aid The Disbeliever’s Religion or Creed

Prophet Moosaa [peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him] helped the disbeliever who was from his nation against a person from the people of Firawn. Allaah [The Exalted] said:

وَدَخَلَ الْمَدِينَةَ عَلَىٰ حِينِ غَفْلَةٍ مِّنْ أَهْلِهَا فَوَجَدَ فِيهَا رَجُلَيْنِ يَقْتَتِلَانِ هَذَا مِنْ شِيعَتِهِ وَهَذَا مِنْ عَدُوِّهِ فَاسْتَعَاثَ الَّذِي مِنْ شِيعَتِهِ عَلَى الَّذِي مِنْ عَدُوِّهِ فَوَكَرَهُ مُوسَىٰ فَقَضَىٰ عَلَيْهِ قَالَ هَذَا مِنْ عَمَلِ الشَّيْطَانِ إِنَّهُ عَدُوٌّ مُّضِلٌّ مُّبِينٌ

And he entered the city at a time of unawareness of its people, and he found there two men fighting, – one of his party (his religion – from the Children of Israel), and the other of his foes. The man of his (own) party asked him for help against his foe, so Musa (Moses) struck him with his fist and killed him. He said: “This is of Shaitan’s (Satan) doing, verily, he is a plain misleading enemy.” [Surah Al-Qasas. Aayah 15] (8) Must read: <https://www.abukhadeejah.com/having-alliance-with-the-non-muslims-is-of-two-types->

[misunderstanding-this-affair-leads-people-astay/](https://www.abukhadeejah.com/treaties-with-the-non-muslims-do-they-necessitate-allegiance/) <https://www.abukhadeejah.com/treaties-with-the-non-muslims-do-they-necessitate-allegiance/>

Imaam Abdul Azeez Bin Baaz [may Allaah have mercy upon him] stated regarding the relationship between between a Muslim and a Non-Muslim: "He [i.e. the Muslim] must not oppress him – neither physically nor with regards to his wealth and honour. If the Non-Muslim is citizen in the Islamic state, a Mustamin or Mu'aahid, then his rights must be given. He must not be oppressed with regards to his wealth, such a theft, treachery nor deception".⁽⁹⁾ Must Read: <https://www.abukhadeejah.com/living-with-non-muslims-in-the-west-with-fine-conduct/>

Also read: <https://www.abukhadeejah.com/how-to-conduct-oneself-with-the-jews-christians-others-even-if-they-be-tyrants/>

Fifthly, the reporter stated that the extremist said about his parents, "They told me there is a war going on with Islam and I have to train and be ready to fight this country".

Comment: If the reported did not mention Salafiyyah in his article, we would have refrained from replying to his report, but we must defend Salafiyyah when slandered by the ignorant reporters, the spiteful militant secularists, ideologues and demagogues. Indeed, war and peace is not determined by individuals or groups of people, rather it is the responsibility of Muslim governments. **[Read here:** Jihaad in our times and the guidelines of Jihaad according to Islam – transmitted by Shaikh Abu Khadeejah from Al-Allaamah Saaleh Al-Fawzaan [may Allaah preserve both of them]: <https://www.abukhadeejah.com/salafi-shaikh-fawzaan-on-jihaad-in-our-times-and-the-guidelines-of-jihaad-according-to-islam/>

And with regards to the Muslim's relationship with the non-Muslim fellow citizens, then indeed the Salafis are the most ardent in safeguarding the honour and property of all the citizens. Salafi scholar, Imaam Muhammad Ibn Saaleh Al-Uthaymeen [may Allaah have mercy upon him] reminded the Muslims of the West as follows:

"Likewise I invite you to have respect for those people who have the right that they should be respected, from those amongst you and with whom there is an agreement [of protection from the non-Muslims]. For the land which you are living in is such that there is an agreement between you and them (i.e. you are at peace with them and not at war with them!!). If this were not the case they would have killed you or expelled you. So preserve this agreement, and do not prove treacherous to it, since treachery is a sign of the hypocrites, and it is not from the way of the Believers. And know that it is authentically reported from the Prophet (salallaahu 'alayhi wassallaam) that he said, "Whoever kills one who is under and agreement of protection will not smell the fragrance of Paradise."

Do not be deceived by those sayings of the foolish people, those who say: "Those people are Non-Muslims, so their wealth is lawful for us [to misappropriate]." For by Allaah! This is a lie. A lie about Allaah's Religion, and a lie in Islamic societies. So we may not say that it is lawful to be treacherous towards people whom we have an agreement with.

O my brothers! O youth! O Muslims! Be truthful in your buying and selling, and renting, and leasing, and in all mutual transactions. Because truthfulness is from the characteristics of the Believers, and Allaah, the Most High, has commanded truthfulness:

“O you who believe – fear and keep you duty to Allaah and be with the truthful”

And the Prophet encouraged truthfulness and said,

“Adhere to truthfulness, because truthfulness leads to piety, and piety leads to Paradise; and a person will continue to be truthful, and strive to be truthful until he will be written down with Allaah as a truthful person.”

And he warned against falsehood, and said, "Beware of falsehood, because falsehood leads to wickedness, and wickedness leads to the Fire. And a person will continue lying, and striving to lie until he is written down with Allaah as a great liar".

O my brother Muslims! O youth! Be true in your sayings with your brothers, and with those Non-Muslims whom you live along with – so that you will be inviters to the Religion of Islaam, by your actions, and in reality. So how many people there are who first entered into Islaam because of the behaviour and manners of the Muslims, and their truthfulness, and their being true in their dealings".(10)

The reporter stated about the extremist, "He also alleges that he attended study sessions led by Al Qaeda preacher Anwar Al-Awlaki, who was killed in a drone strike in Yemen".

Comment: The Salafiyyoon are foremost in refuting both Al Qaeda and Anwar Al-Awlaki.
Read: Terrorism Is Never Islamic: A Refutation of Terrorism Based on the Texts of the Quran and Sunnah, and the Sayings of the Scholars (eBook)-By Shaikh Abu Khadeejah [may Allaah preserve him]: <https://www.abukhadeejah.com/terrorism-is-never-islamic-a-refutation-of-terrorism-based-on-the-texts-of-the-quran-and-sunnah-and-the-sayings-of-the-scholars-ebook/>

The Ideological Origins of Al-Qaeda & ISIS by Shaikh Abu Iyaad [may Allaah preserve him]: <https://www.salafisounds.com/the-ideological-origins-of-al-qaeda-isis-by-abu-iyaad/>

Refutation of Anwar Al-Awlaki the Khaarijee- (short clip) by Shaikh Hasan As-Somali [may Allaah preserve him]– Salafi Sounds: <https://www.salafisounds.com/refutation-of-anwar-al-awlaki-the-khaarijee-short-clip-by-hasan-as-somali/>

To conclude, indeed this is what many of the reporters always fail to do because either they are deceitful and enemies of Salafiyyah or ignorant of what Salafiyyah is. Indeed, there is no doubt that in our era the media influences the behaviour of many people. The media can manipulate, persuade and influence public opinion, whether positive or negative. The media can influence the way people, religion, countries and organizations are viewed, manipulate as well as create role models. The media becomes an unquestionable reality for some people who were brought up by the media and thus neither can they critically distinguish between truth and half-

truth nor between certainty and conjecture.

Imaam Muhammad Ibn Saaleh al-Uthaymeen [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said: “Knowledge (Ilm) is to comprehend the reality of something as it truly is, with certainty. The levels of comprehension are six: Al-Ilm – Knowledge, which is to comprehend the reality of something as it truly is, with certainty. Al Jahlul Baseet- slight ignorance, which is absence of full comprehension. Al Jahlul Murakkab- Aggravated/compounded ignorance, which is to comprehend something in a way contrary to its true reality. Al Wahm – Delusion, which is to think that one comprehends something despite the presence of that which should cause you to realize that you are incorrect. Ash Shakk- Doubt, which is to think that you comprehend something, yet you are aware of something contrary to it which you think has the same possibility of being the truth. Dhann – Preponderant belief, which is comprehension of something, despite the presence of something which is contrary to it, but which is less likely to be true”. (11)

If you carefully examine the statements of many so called analysts who speak about religion, you’ll clearly notice how they concoct terms to distort Islam’s image either by concealing its true reality or attributing the deeds of the deviants to it. We constantly hear them seeking to attribute extremism to Islaam when the Khaarijites (terrorists of ISIS and their ilk) commit atrocities or seeking to distort its authenticity through the innovated practices and ideas of the Soofees, Shiites, philosophers and other deviants who ascribe to Islaam. This despicable behaviour of these so called analysts is nothing but an inherited satanic methodology from the ancient enemies of the Messengers. Allaah [The Most High] said:

وَكذَّأَلِكْ جَعَلْنَا لِكُلِّ نَبِيٍّ عَدُوًّا شَيْطِينِ الْإِنْسِ وَالْجِنِّ يُوحِي بَعْضُهُمْ إِلَى بَعْضٍ زُخْرَفَ الْقَوْلِ عُرُورًا وَلَوْ شَاءَ رَبُّكَ مَا فَعَلُوهُ فَذَرْهُمْ
وَمَا يَفْقَهُوْنَ

And so We have appointed for every Prophet enemies – Shayaateen (devils) among mankind and jinns, inspiring one another with adorned speech as a delusion (or by way of deception). If your Lord had so willed, they would not have done it, so leave them alone with their fabrications.” [Surah Al-An’aam: Verse 112]

وَلِتَصْغَىٰ إِلَيْهِ أَفئِدَةُ الَّذِينَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ بِالْآخِرَةِ وَلِيَرَضُوهُ وَلِيَقْتَرِفُوا مَا هُمْ مُّقْتَرِفُونَ

(And this is in order) that the hearts of those who disbelieve in the Hereafter may incline to such (deceit), and that they may remain pleased with it, and that they may commit what they are committing (all kinds of sins and evil deeds, etc.). [Surah Al-An’aam. Aayah 113]

Imaam Ibnul Qayyim [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said:

Allaah [Glorified Be He] stated that they aid one another in opposing the command of the Prophets with what some of them inspire others of adorned speech, so that the gullible and feeble minded people are misled by it. He [The Most High] stated the reason behind a perpetrator’s [adorned speech] and the reason why it is accepted by the people; then He [The

Most High] mentioned [in ayah 113 Al-An'aam] the effects it has on those ignorant souls. When those souls incline towards such adorned speech and become pleased with it, they carry out what it calls them to do -in speech and action. Therefore, ponder upon these verses and the sublime meanings they convey, for they clarify the roots of false principles and alert a person against them. And if you ponder upon the statements of the people of falsehood, you will indeed find them clothed with expressions and presented in a good light with sophisticated terms, which are quickly accepted by those deprived of sound discernment-to the extent that the wicked sinners would give [good] names to the greatest types of wicked deeds. (12)

Therefore, we say to the reporter: Either you are extremely ignorant of what Salafiyyah is or you are one of those devils amongst humankind who seek to extinguish the light of Salafiyyah. Do not speak about Salafiyyah or any subject matter related to the religion of Islam until you can precisely differentiate between truth and falsehood. Our Prophet Muhammad [peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him] said, "It is enough sin for a person to speak of everything that he hears".(13) Imaam Ibn Hibbaan [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said, "This narration contains a rebuke – that a person should not speak about (or narrate) everything he hears until he knows whether it is authentic or not, then he speaks about (or narrates) it. And he should not speak about (or narrate) that which is not authentic".(14)

Indeed, the above unambiguous proofs and clarifications by the Salafi scholars and students of knowledge clearly demonstrate that not only did the reporter transmit falsehood about Salafiyyah, rather he also fell into conjecture. This is expected from those who speak about Salafiyyah without knowledge. Allaah [The Exalted] said: [إِن يَتَّبِعُونَ إِلَّا الظَّنَّ وَمَا تَهْوَى الْأَنْفُسُ] – They follow but a guess and that which they themselves desire].

The one deprived of sound Eemaan and the sound creed sent down as revelation by Allaah- The Lord of the Aalameen, his affair is one of two: Corruption in Knowledge or Corruption in his Intent– corruption in knowledge occurs as a result of following conjecture and corruption in one's intent occurs as a result of following desires, or the person may combine both of them.

Another benefit derived from this verse is that the rectification or well-being of a person cannot be attained except by way of two affairs: Upright Knowledge and Upright Intent. This is why Imaam Ibnul Qayyim [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said in Miftaah Daarus Sa'aadah that a person is in need of two things: Sound Knowledge by way of which he is rightly guided and lofty aspiration by way of which he is urged towards that sound aspiration, because it maybe that a person has beneficial knowledge but not sound intent and aspiration. Therefore, one cannot be upright except by way of upright knowledge and intent. Sound knowledge is corrupted through following conjecture and sound intent is corrupted through following the desires of one's soul. (15)

Imaam Abdur-Rahmaan Bin Naasir As-Sadi [may Allaah have mercy upon him] said: And what is well known is that Allaah neither loves ignorance nor doubts, neither confusion nor

misguidance; rather He loves the religion, knowledge and certainty. The Muslims are agreed upon the fact that doubt and confusion are unpraiseworthy, and it is expected that a person who does not possess knowledge of something is obligated to keep quiet and seek knowledge via its sound sources. (16)

And Allaah knows best.

[Ref 1: <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/islamic>]

[Ref 2: <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/extremist>]

[Ref 3: Source: Al-Itisaam 3/434 slightly paraphrased]

[Ref 4: <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/radicalization>]

[Ref 5: <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/radical>]

[Ref 6: Source: An Excerpt from Al-Bayaan Li-Akh'taa'l Ba'dil Kuttaab. Vol 2 page:173-174. slightly paraphrased]

[Ref 7: Source: Al-Muntaqaa Min Fataawaa. page:11-12]

[Ref 8: Al-Walaa Wal Baraa. pages 114-. Publisher Daar Al-Istiqamah. 1st Edition 1427AH (2006)]

[Ref9: <https://binbaz.org.sa/fatwas/879/%D9%88%D8%A7%D8%AC%D8%A8-%D8%A7%D9%84%D9%85%D8%B3%D9%84%D9%85-%D8%AA%D8%AC%D8%A7%D9%87-%D8%A7%D9%84%D9%83%D8%A7%D9%81%D8%B1>]

[Ref10: <https://www.abukhadeejah.com/how-to-conduct-oneself-with-the-jews-christians-others-even-if-they-be-tyrants/>]

[Ref11: Sharh Usool Ath-Thalaatha- Explanation of the three fundamental principles. English Translation pages 37. By Shaikh Abu Talhah (may Allaah have mercy upon him and his wife Aameen)]

[Ref12: An Excerpt from As-Sawaa-iq al-Mursalah of Imaam Ibnul Qayyim: 2/438). Slightly paraphrased]

[Ref13: Muqaddimah Saheeh Muslim 1/10; Sharh Muqaddimah Saheeh Muslim' by Imaam An-Nawawi 1/74]

[Ref 14: Muqaddimah Kitaab Al-Majrooheen Minal Muhadditheen' page 60-64]

[Ref 15: An Excerpt from Sharh Kitaab At-Tawheed. Lesson 4. By Shaikh Abdur Razzaaq Al-Badr. Slightly paraphrased]

[Ref 16: An Excerpt from Al-adillatul Qawaatiq Wal-baraaheen Fee Ibaali Usoolil Mulhideen. Page 15. slightly paraphrased]