

Following the Imaams, the Importance of Taqleed and the Consensus of the Ummah upon the Compulsion of following the Four Imaams

Q: IIm-42:

1. What do the Ulema of Deen and the Muftis about a man in our city of Baruch who has adopted the ways of the Ahle Hadith. He raises his hands during every Rakaah of salaah and says Aameen loudly, our Hanafi brothers say that these are acts of Bid'ah. Is raising the hands and saying Aameen loudly acts of the Sunnah or acts of Bid'ah? Please explain with references.

2. This brother says that raising the hands is a Sunnah of Rasulullaah SAW. and the Khulafaa Raashideen and that the Hanafi book Hidaaya (vol.1 pg.379) proves thar Rasulullaah SAW. did it until the end of his life He also says that saying Aameen loudly is also proven in Hidaaya (Vol.1 Pg362.) and that both raising the hands and saying Aameen loudly' are acts of the Sunnah. Is raising the hands and saying Aameen loudly acts of the Sunnah or acts of Bid'ah? Please explain with references.

NOTE: It was discovered that the questioner himself became a Ghayar Muqallid and it is for this reason that the reply addresses him.

Answer: The question has been quoted (in the Urdu edition) just as the Question had written it (in Urdu). He has forsaken the Hanifa Madh'hab and become a Ghayr Muqallid (one who does not follow any Madh'hab). The status of this education is evident from the fact that in .r question of only twelve to thirteen lines. he has made twenty to twenty-five spelling errors. If he is this incompetent in the Urdu language that he cannot even write it properly, how will he ever be able to read and understand Arabic texts?

Hadhrat Imaam Ghazaali RAH. said. "After accepting Islaam and Imaam, it is compalsory for the general public to only to engage in their Ibaadah and day-to-day-activities they should never delve into academic matters because this has to be handed over to the Ulema. For a member of the general public to argue in an academic discussion is more detrimental to him than fornication and theft. This is because when a person without deep knowledge of the Deen enters into discussions concerning Allaah and the various aspects of Deen, the chances ate great that he may present an opinion that is al