



Verifying Knowledge in Islam: Why Trusting Scholars Matters

Description

Bismillahi wal Hamdullillah Was Salaatu Was Salaamu â€‹ala rasoolillahi

Ammaa baâ€‹d:

Ibn Abi Haatim mentions under the biography of Yusuf Ibn Khaalid As Samti:

â€‹ I refused to accept the statement of Yahya Ibn Maâ€‹een concerning him, wherein he referred to him as a â€‹ Zindeeqâ€‹ (Heretic) until a book that he wrote supporting â€‹ Tajahumâ€‹ (The aqeedah of the Jahmiyah) chapter after chapter, was brought to me. He rejected within it belief in the scales on the day of Judgement. It was then that I knew that Yahya Ibn Maâ€‹een did not speak except upon foresight and understanding!â€‹

(Al Jarh Wat Taâ€‹deel 4/2/222)

Similarly in our times, I remember as a young student in Madinah feeling shock when hearing that certain individuals we had respect for had been spoken against by our Mashaykh, but without fail when the writings of our mashaykh later reached us, we found their refutations to be exactly on point. And that continues to be the case, thus after many years we have grown to know that they do not speak except upon foresight and understanding!

May Allah shower his mercy upon those who have passed away and preserve those who remain!

Was Sallallahu âﷺ alaa Nabiyyaa Muhammad

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