
Consequence of the one who does not believe in the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)

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No. 157 – From Aboo Hurairah (رضي الله عنه)¹ from the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم)²:

'By Him in whose Hand is my soul; there is not a person who hears about me from this Ummah³, not a Jew, nor a Christian, then does not believe in me, except that he will be from the people of the Hell-Fire.'⁴

Shaykh Albaanee (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ)⁵ said:

'The hadeeth is clear in that whoever hears about the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and what he was sent with, and then it reaches that person in the way that Allaah revealed it to the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم), and does not believe in the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) then his path is to the Hell-Fire. There is no difference in this between a Jew, or a Christian, or a fire-worshipper, and the atheist.

My belief is that if many of the non-Muslims were granted the opportunity to become acquainted with the principles, beliefs and worship that Islaam came with, then they would hasten to enter into Islaam in crowds, as it occurred in the beginning of Islaam.

If only some of the Islaamic countries would send callers to the western countries, from those who have knowledge of Islaam and know its reality, and that they know what has attached itself to Islaam from superstitions, bida' (innovations) and lies. So that the one who calls to Islaam will be able to present it in a good manner to those he is calling, and this requires the caller to have knowledge of the Book and the authentic Sunnah, and he knows some of the common foreign languages. This is a matter which is honourable and it is something nearly lost. So this issue requires keen preparation, so perhaps they will begin this preparation.⁶

No. 3093 From Sa'eed bin Jubair (*Mursal*)⁷ that the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم):

'There is no-one who hears about me from this Ummah, not a Jew, nor a Christian, then does not believe in me, except that he will be from the people of the Hell-Fire.'

And Sa'eed bin Jubair said: 'I began to say: Where is the confirmation of that in the Book of Allaah?!' Sa'eed continued: 'It was very rare that I heard a hadeeth from the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) except that I found a confirmation for that in the Qur'aan; until I found this Aayah: [وَمَنْ يَخْفُرْ بِهِ مِنَ الْأَحْزَابِ فَالنَّارُ مَوْعِدُهُ]

¹ (رضي الله عنه) (rad iyallaahu `anhu) May Allaah be pleased with him

² (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu `alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him

³ Nation

⁴ Collected by Ibn Munda in 'Tawheed' and Muslim in his Saheeh, likewise Aboo 'Awaanah and Ahmad

⁵ (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah have mercy on him

⁶ Taken from Silsilah Ahadeeth as-Saheehah by Shaykh al-Albaanee (vol 1/157)

⁷ Mursal: A hadeeth whose narrator from the end of the isnaad, after the Taabi'ee, is missing; i.e. That a Taabi'ee says "The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said . . .". (Hadeeth Terminology. Translated by Aboo Talhah Daawood ibn Ronald Burbank (rahimahullaah).

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[but those of the sects (Jews, Christians and all the other non-Muslim nations) that reject it (the Qur'aan), the Fire will be their promised meeting-place]⁸ includes all the different nations.⁹

Shaykh Albaanee (رَحْمَةُ اللهِ) said:

'It is possible to include this hadeeth to be from what is a clarification and explanation of the saying of Allaah (تعالى)¹⁰: [وَمَا كُنَّا مُعَذِّبِينَ حَتَّى نَبْعَثَ رَسُولًا] [And We never punish until We have sent a Messenger (to give warning).]¹¹ along with the point where the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said: 'hears of me' i.e. that he hears about the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) upon reality as a human, a Messenger, a Prophet. So whoever hears about the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) upon other than what he (صلى الله عليه وسلم) was upon, other than what he (صلى الله عليه وسلم) was upon from guidance, light and excellent manners; due to some of the ignorant Muslims, or the misguided callers from the Christian evangelists and atheists, who present the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) to their people in other than his real way that he was well known for. So the likes of these people have not heard of the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم), and the Da'wah¹² has not reached them, so the warning mentioned in the hadeeth does not include them.

And this is like the saying of the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم): 'Whoever sees me in his sleep then it is as if he sees me in his wakeful state, since indeed Shaytaan cannot resemble me.'¹³ i.e. sees him in this real form and his characteristics which he was upon in his lifetime. So whoever really claims that he saw an old Shaykh with a white beard, then he has not seen the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم); because this characteristic opposes that which the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) was upon, from that which is known from his characteristics (صلى الله عليه وسلم).¹⁴

⁸ Soorah Hood [11:17]

⁹ Collected by Tabaree

¹⁰ (تعالى) Ta'aala (He, The Most High)

¹¹ Soorah al-Israa [17:15]

¹² Call to the Truth

¹³ Silsilah Saheeh No.1004

¹⁴ Taken from Silsilah Ahadeeth as-Saheehah (vol 6/3093)