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Shaykh al-'Abbaad and ignorant people warning against Shaykh al-Albaanee

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The Muhaddith of Madinah, Shaykh Abdul Muhsin al-'Abbaad (حفظه الله)¹, asked about ignorant people who warn against The Imaam, The Mujaddid, Shaykh al-Albaanee (رَجْمَهُ اللهُ)²

Questioner: What is your advice about people who slander Shaykh al-Albaanee (رَجْمَهُ اللهُ) and warn against him? And what should our stance towards such an individual be?

Shaykh Abdul Muhsin al-'Abbaad (حفظه الله): That is the strangest thing, the fact that Shaykh al-Albaanee is warned against, that a man who served the Sunnah is warned against, someone who spent his [entire] life examining and researching the hadeeths of Allaah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم)³, clarifying the authentic from what is not. What a person should do is supplicate for him, praise him, and benefit from his knowledge.

And the reality is that there are two people who someone working in the [field of] hadeeth cannot but refer back to, i.e., al-Haafidh Ibn Hajr⁴ and Shaykh al-Albaanee. The benefit from al-Haafidh Ibn Hajr in those things connected to hadeeth is colossal, and the benefit from Shaykh al-Albaanee in those things connected to hadeeth is colossal [too].

For this reason it means that the one who warns against Al-Albaanee is warning against becoming acquainted with the truth and accessing the Sunnah, because what Al-Albaanee did in connection to hadeeth was a preeminent service and complete diligence in [serving] the Sunnah, facilitating access to it and bringing it closer to comprehension for the students of knowledge.

So he is worthy of being complimented and supplicated for.

¹ (حفظه الله) May Allaah the Most High preserve him

² (رَجْمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

³ (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him

⁴ Haafidh Ibn Hajr al-Asqalanee (رَجْمَهُ اللهُ) who wrote the famous explanation of Saheeh al Bukhaaree called Fath ul-Baree also has a book of the names and status of narrators of hadeeth called Taqreeb al-Tahdheeb.

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