

The third fundamental principle:

Knowledge of your prophet Muhammad *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*

The Shaykh Saalih al Fawzaan *hafidhahullaah* mentions in his explanation:

Q1. That the three fundamental principles which the Imaam mentions include knowledge

- a) of Allaah
- b) of the religion of Islaam
- c) of the religion of the Jews and Christians
- d) of the last two prophets

Q2. That each of us are obligated to have knowledge of:

- a) economics and finance
- b) our Prophet Muhammad *sall Allaahu 'alaihi wa sallam*
- c) the places where our Prophet lived
- d) the names of all the Companions

Q3. That having knowledge of the Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam* includes:

- a) knowledge of how Revelation began
- b) knowing about each of the stages of his life
- c) knowing about the two Prophets that came after him
- d) accepting him as a Prophet but refusing to follow him

Q4. That learning about the lineage of the Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*:

- a) is an example of the forbidden type of 'Arab nationalism
- b) tells us that the 'Arabs are the only people who are able to teach the *deen* to others
- c) tells us that the 'Arabs were and continue to be a people of *Jaahiliyyah*
- d) none of the above

Q5. That studying the Seerah of the Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*:

- a) is something praiseworthy
- b) will lead a person to over exaggerating the status of the Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*
- c) can only be done by scholars who are trained to do it
- d) helps the Muslim in his following of the Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*

and he was Muhammad ibn ‘Abdullaah ibn ‘Abdul-Muttalib ibn Haashim from (the tribe of) Quraysh; and Quraysh were from the ‘Arabs; and the ‘Arabs are the descendents of Ismaa’eel, the son of Ibraaheem – the chosen beloved (*khaleel*) – may the most excellent *salaat* and *salaam* be upon him and upon our Prophet.

The Shaykh Saalih al Fawzaan *hafidhahullaah* mentions in his explanation:

Q1. That the name *Muhammad*:

- a) was the only name of the last Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*
- b) is a name which is not mentioned in the Qur-aan
- c) is the name by which the last Prophet is best known
- d) is the name that all Muslim males are obligated to take

Q2. That the name *Ahmad*:

- a) was from the names of the last Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*
- b) is like *Muhammad*, in that it implies having praiseworthy characteristics
- c) means “merciful”
- d) is one of the Names of Allaah that we know of from the texts of the Book and the Sunnah

Q3. That our Prophet Muhammad *sall Allaahu ‘alaihi wa sallam*:

- a) was *nabiyy ur rahmah*
- b) was *ar rahmaan*
- c) was *al ‘aaqib*
- d) was *al ilaah*

Q4. That after the coming of this Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*:

- a) the people are to await the Establishment of the Hour
- b) the people should wait for the next Sharee’ah to be revealed
- c) there will never come another prophet to this Earth
- d) there will never be any more people who will claim prophethood

Q5. That the lineage of the Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam* included:

- a) Musaylamah *al kadh-dhaab*
- b) Haashim

- c) 'Abd Manaaf
- d) Ismaa'eel ibn Ibraaheem

Q5. That the Quraysh:

- a) were the noblest of the tribes
- b) were from the descendants of Ismaa'eel *'alaihissalaam*
- c) were the only non 'Arab tribe in al Madeenah at the time of the *hijrah*
- d) were the only 'Arab tribe in Makkah at the time of the *hijrah*

Q6. That according to the most well known saying, the 'Arabs:

- a) are of two types
- b) include the Qahtaaniyyah
- c) are all descended from Gamaal Abdul Nasser
- d) include the offspring of Ismaa'eel

Q7. That some of the scholars divide the 'Arabs into:

- a) the *ahl ul 'arab* and the *ahl ul hind*
- b) the *'arab* and the *a'jamee*
- c) the *'arab baaidah* and the *'arab baaqiyyah*
- d) none of the above

Q8. That 'Abdul Muttalib:

- a) had as his real name Shaybah
- b) was given this name in reference to his uncle, Muttalib
- c) was the father of the Prophet *sall Allaahu 'alaihi wa sallam*
- d) was the name that the Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam* gave his first son

Q9. That from the sons of 'Abd Manaaf was:

- a) Haashim, who gave rise to the tribe known as Banoo Israaeel
- b) Muttalib, who gave rise to the tribe known as Banoo Umayyah
- c) 'Abd Shams, from whose progeny came 'Uthmaan *radi Allaahu 'anhu*
- d) Nawfal, from whose progeny came Jubayr ibn Mut'im

Q10. That the two sons of Ibraaheem 'alaihissalaam:

- a) were Ishaq and Nooh
- b) both gave rise to the tribe of Banoo Israaeel
- c) are the forefathers of all the prophets that came after them

d) both remained childless until they died

Q11. That the Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*' was born in the year:

- a) known as the year of the '*filfil*' (the year of the pepper)
- b) that Ibraaheem decided to attack the Ka'bah
- c) that Allaah caused the attackers of the Ka'bah to be driven away by birds
- d) of the *Hijrah*

Q12. That the people who attacked the Ka'bah but who were driven away:

- a) are the people referred to in Soorah al Masad (the 111st soorah)
- b) were attacked by birds who each carried two stones
- c) were made to be like stalks which have been eaten by cattle
- d) were from the Quraysh

Q13. That the day that the Prophet *sall Allaahu alaihi wa sallam*' was born:

- a) was a day when there emerged a light which illuminated the palaces of Shaam
- b) was legislated by Allaah to be a Day of Eid each year
- c) was an unremarkable day, just like any other day in history
- d) was a day of calm and quiet for the jinn and shayaateen