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Series of Questions Addressed to Eminent Scholar Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah
Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir through his Facebook "Fiqhi" Page

Answer to Question

Who is the Nusra Sought From?!

To: Ammar Samman

(Translated)

Question:

Assalam Alaikum Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barakatuh

May Allah bless you and guide you. My question to the Ameer, if you would be so kind, concerns seeking the Nusra (support).

Is presenting Islam as a civilizational project limited to areas of power within Muslim countries only? Or does it also extend to non-Muslim countries, as the Prophet Muhammad (saw) did?

I would appreciate it if our Sheikh could answer this question with a jurisprudential basis.

And I would appreciate it if you could publish the answer for the public, as this matter relates to our understanding of the Prophet Muhammad's (saw) method.

Your son and brother, Abu Muhammad Zaid.

Answer:

Wa Alaikum Assalam Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barakatuh

We have previously answered similar questions. I will quote for you what is relevant to your question from our answer dated 24/6/2021:

[[Question: Our Sheikh, I have a question please, it is known that the Prophet (saw) sought the Nusra from the tribes, but was Quraysh among the tribes from which Rasulullah (saw) sought the Nusra?

Jazak Allah Khair.

Answer:

Wa Alaikum Assalam wa Rahmatu Allahi wa Barakatuh,

Seeking the Nusra (requesting the support) should be from the one who responds and embraces Islam, and he is one of the people of power and protection, so that he can support Islam and establish the rule by what Allah has revealed. These two conditions must be met by the one from whom you seek Nusra. If he does not respond to Islam and embrace it, or he is not one of the people power and protection capable of effecting change, alone him and his tribe or with others, he will not be from the people of Nusra. Quraysh did not have that before the conquest. The people of power and protection in them who had the ability to change did not embrace Islam at that time; thus, the Messenger (saw) did not seek their support, but rather he (saw) used to call in Makkah to Islam, and those who embraced Islam were the weak and some of the powerful individuals without their tribes, so they were not able to change, like Omar and Hamza. Therefore, there was no asking for support from the people of Makkah because the two conditions were not met; rather, there was a call to Islam in Makkah, and there was no response to Islam from the people of power and protection in Makkah who were capable of effecting change; hence, there was no Talab An-Nusra (seeking support) in Makkah, but rather Makkah was opened by conquest.

forgiven nor are their excuses accepted. Therefore, if you wish that we take your back to our land and assist you against the Arabs, we can accept this responsibility” Rasulullaah (saw) said to them, «ما أسأتم الرد إذ أفصحتم بالصدق، إنه لا يقوم بدين الله إلا من حاطه من جميع جوانبه» **“Your reply has not been an evil one because you have spoken frankly. However, the only people who can establish the Deen of Allah are those who protect it from every angle.”** 24/6/2021] End Quote.

Third: As you can see, the Messenger (saw) was calling them to Islam and to support it, i.e., calling them to Islam before asking for their support. If they embraced Islam and responded sincerely and faithfully to the call for support, and if they were strong and capable of establishing the rule of Islam in their land, then he would ask for their support. But if they stipulated that they should rule after him (saw) or that they should fight with him against certain peoples to the exclusion of others, then it would not be accepted from them. And if they responded sincerely and faithfully, as we said earlier, he would ask for their support. That is why, at the Pledge of Aqaba, the Ansar asked him, “What will we get if we support you?” He said, “Paradise.” They said, “This is a great favor from Allah,” and they did not stipulate any worldly conditions for themselves.

In Ibn Hisham's Sira (1/446) - Chapter on the words of al-Abbas ibn Ubadah to the Khazraj before the pledge of allegiance: [قال ابن إسحاق: وحدثني عاصم بن عمر بن قتادة: أن القوم لما اجتمعوا لبيعة رسول الله ﷺ قال العباس بن عباد بن نضلة الأنصاري، أخو بني سالم بن عوف: يا معشر الخزرج، هل تدرون علام تبايعون هذا الرجل؟ قالوا: نعم، قال: إنكم تبايعونه على حرب الأحمر والأسود من الناس، فإن كنتم ترون أنكم إذا نهكت أموالكم مصيبة وأشرافكم قتلا أسلمتموه فمن الآن، فهو والله إن فعلتم خزي الدنيا والآخرة، وإن كنتم ترون أنكم وافون له بما دعوتموه إليه على نهكة الأموال وقتل الأشراف فخذوه فهو والله خير الدنيا والآخرة. قالوا: فإننا نأخذهم على مصيبة الأموال وقتل الأشراف. فما لنا [Ibn Ishaq said: Asim ibn Umar ibn Qatada told me: When the people gathered to pledge allegiance to the Messenger of Allah (saw), al-Abbas ibn Ubadah ibn Nadhlah al-Ansari, brother of Banu Salim ibn Awf, said: "O people of Khazraj, do you know what you are pledging allegiance to this man for?" They said: "Yes." He said: "You are pledging allegiance to him to fight against all people, regardless of race or color. If you think that if your wealth is depleted and your leaders are killed, you will surrender him, then do so now. By Allah, if you do, it will be a disgrace in this world and the Hereafter. But if you think that you will be faithful to what you have called him to, even at the cost of your wealth and the loss of your leaders, then take him. By Allah, it will be the best thing in this world and the Hereafter." They said: "We will take him even at the cost of our wealth and the loss of our leaders. **What will we gain from that, O Messenger of Allah, if we are faithful?**" He said: "Paradise." They said: "Extend your hand." He extended his hand and they pledged allegiance to him].

In conclusion: Support (Nusra) is sought from those who respond to Islam and embrace it... and who possess the power and protection to support Islam and establish governance according to Allah's law in their land, alone or with others. These two conditions must be met by those from whom support is sought... If they do not respond to Islam and embrace it, or if they do not possess the power and protection to bring change, whether alone with their tribe or with others, then they are not among those from whom support is sought... I hope this is sufficient, and Allah Knows Best and is Most Wise]. End Quote.

Your Brother,

Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah

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The Link to the Answer from the Ameer's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/AtaAboAlrashtah/posts/122129531499129051>

