

NINOWI –THE SHIAH MASQUERADING AS A SUNNI

QUESTION: Recently there was a foreign speaker who visited Durban by the name of: Muhammad bin Yahya An-Ninowi. He is apparently from Syria but currently residing in Atlanta, USA. Here is what I have found regarding him. If any of the respected Ulama have anything different, please do share it.

SHIAH ROOTS

Ninowi is a Shafi'e who studied under (among others) some Zaidi teachers too. The Zaidi's are a brand of the Shiah. A translator in U.K. by the name: 'Abdus Samad Clark mentioned a few days back on Social Media that Ninowi said in his presence: "Abu Bakr (radiyallahu'anhu) was wrong in waging war against the Bedouins who refused to pay Zakaat!"

His Mureeds are known to degrade Sayyiduna Mu'awiyah (radhiyallahu 'anhu) and his son; Yazeed.

I say, *Astaghfirullah!* before quoting. Amjad Qureishi commented on a social media that the Zaidi group of which Ninowi is a part: "Mu'awiyah, Amr bin Aas, Mugheerah bin Shu'bah, Yazid are all bad news. They aren't Muslims" (Na'uzhubillah)

Adam Nur then comments on this: "Marwan, the Lizard, son of a Lizard and the others..."
He (Adam Nur) comments again: "What about Uthman? The first Umayyad caliph?"

Have we ever found any of our senior 'Ulama being part of such groups in the first place, and if so, remaining silent on kufr statements like the above? Ninowi hasn't commented.

Barelwi link

He first came to our country a few years back as a guest of the Soofie Masjid in Riverside.

On his recent visit he was the guest speaker for Jumu'ah at the Grey street Masjid.

Whenever he goes to the U.K. he is only entertained and promoted by the Barelwis.

I heard a lecture that he delivered there in which he commenced after the khutbah with the words:

“Assalaatu Was Salaamu ‘alaika Ya Rasulallah”. I was mentioning to a fellow colleague that if this person had an Asian accent, and dressed with odd coloured kurtas, nobody would have paid any attention and everyone would've understood him to be a Barelwi. There would have been no need to caution anyone! It's just because of his sweet Arab-American accent that he has managed to fool innocent people. We follow deen, not accents.

Rejecting authentic Hadith

On his visit to Durban (and on other occasions) he clearly dismissed the Hadith about the 73 sects and said: *‘There is no sahih sanad for this in the dunya’*

This narration is classified as authentic by Imams Tirmidhi and Ibn Hibban (rahimahumallah)
An interesting thing is that a friend who was present says, that the question regarding this Hadith was posed by his own mureed from Cape Town. How shrewdly they tricked everyone!

People of Bid'ah generally have a plan for infiltration. This is just a part of his plot.

By negating that Hadith he wishes to portray harmony between all the sects and to discredit the fact that the Ahlus Sunnah wa Jama'ah have the correct version of Islam.

He also rejects one Hadith in Muwatta Imam Malik and other books.

The local threat

He is apparently setting up shop in Cape Town under the name: Madinah Institute”

Some youngsters from our province also plan to attend his course!

It is important that the 'Ulama caution their congregations against this speaker and discourage any form of contact with him and others like him.

Important caution

There are many corrupt scholars that claim to be students of senior Arab or non Arab 'Ulama. They use this as their draw card. When one analyses their conduct and manhaj, it becomes clear how far away they actually are from the way of those “claimed teachers”

Qari Tayyib Sahib (rahimahullah) mentions at the end of his book on *“The Maslak of the 'Ulama of Deoband”* that
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isn't just the mere teaching of syllabi textbooks, it's the personification of their outlook to Deen.”

We have several examples of people who studied in Darul 'Uloom Deoband itself, but

themselves never adopted that manhaj. The same principle applies to these scholars who align themselves to reputable 'Ulama/institutes for their personal motives of fame and acclaim.

May Allah Ta'ala protect us all.Ameen. Note: This is what has reached me via first hand report."
(End of the Brother's letter)

BEWARE! NINOWI IS A HIDDEN SHIA

***"If there is no zikr of Ali after the zikr of Allah and His Prophet in a nasheed, then there is no nasheed."* (Ninowi)**

The facts outlined by the brother in the above letter adequately expose the *nifaaq* of this Ninowi character. His rampant and flagrant promotion and indulgence in bid'ah practices, and his statements and the statements of his juhala mureeds regarding the Sahaabah, especially about Hadhrat Muaawiyah (radhiyallahu anhu) expose and damn him.

Recently, he was invited to propagate his philosophy of bid'ah and hidden shi'ism at a Durban Musjid. The text of the invitation issued lamentably by a Musjid board of trustees who are supposed to be part of the Ahlus Sunnah, reads:

"The Umhlanga Musjid Board take great pleasure in inviting you and your family to an evening of spiritual upliftment with Sheikh Muhammad bin Yahya Al-Ninowy and Maulana Vanker. The programme will start with Zikr and Qasaaid led by Sheikh Muhammad Carloo of Madina Institute in Cape Town, Qari Idrees Rajab and Maulana Ishaq Ximba, followed by Naseehat and Q & A by Sheikh Ninowy. Programme will start after Esha tonite at the Umhlanga Musjid. Esha jamaat at 7-15. Ladies facilities provided. The Honourable Sheikh will be conducting a workshop this weekend at the Reservoir Hills Islamic Centre on "Living Islam in The Modern Day". Please log on and register on www.islamicforum.org.za

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to be in the company of The Ahlul Bayt. We look forward to your esteemed presence. Shukran" (End of the invitation)

We do not know if this haraam, bid'ah programme organized by the duped Masjid Board had taken place or not. On contacting Maulana Vanker, the Imaam of the Masjid, he responded as follows:

" I would like to clarify the issue in question.

1. Sh. Ninowy did not come with his entourage to the Masjid. I normally do a program on Thursday nights after Esha.

2. The reason why I invited Sh Ninowy to the Masjid initially was to facilitate a meeting between him and Ulama and not for a formal lecture. Some Ulama wanted to meet him at a private residence so I arranged that for Thursday night.

3 There were a few people who began sending out messages that Sh Ninowy is delivering program at the Masjid, which was false. Whenever we have programs we send out messages and emails to our database. We sent out no messages or emails to the public but this message was sent out by private individuals to create fitna.

4 Sh Ninowy landed in Durban at 8.45. His host messaged me to say Sh has landed. I mentioned to his host that I'm still in Masjid; bring Sh to the Masjid" and from there we will go to a private residence. When he arrived at the Masjid our Durood programme was still on and I

requested him to share 1 hadith with the handful of people that were in Masjid. He spoke for 5 min sharing the hadith of "ad deenun nasi hah". That was it. We then proceeded to the residence were ulama who RSVP to meet the Sh. When we arrived at the private residence, not 1 Alim pitched yet they RSVP and meals were prepared. My only intention was to get the ulama to engage the sheikh one on one and nothing else.

The other issue I would like to clarify is sheikh did not speak about Ali r.a nor did he mention Yaa Nabi in the few min. that he spoke, which was alleged by some." (End of Maulana Vanker's response)

This matter needs to be investigated further to establish the factual position. Whatever the facts were pertaining to the invitation and the alleged meeting with some Ulama, the version of Maulana Vanker himself, confirms that:

- He (Maulana Vanker) had asked the host to bring the Bid'ati / Shiah Ninowi to his Masjid.
- Maulana Vanker did ask Ninowi to give a talk, be it five minutes.

Another important fact, is that Maulana Vanker was a party to a programme of Ninowi in Cape Town recently. Also, the fact that the Ninowi's host had contacted Maulana Vanker to inform him of the Bid'ati / Shiah's arrival, raises a sinister dimension. Maulana Vanker's association with this deviated clan is disturbing in view of the fact that he is the Imaam of a Sunni Masjid and a member of the Jamiatul Ulama KZN

Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said: *"When a faasiq is praised, the Arsh (of Allah) shudders."*
In another Hadith, Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said: *"Whoever honours a man of bid'ah, verily, he has aided in the demolition of Islam."*
Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) also said that the people of Bid'ah are *"Kilaabun Naar (Dogs of the Fire).*

Thus, Maulana Vanker and the Masjid's trustees had erred grievously in entertaining Ninowi. It was haraam to entertain him in any way. By their entertainment they are guilty of creating confusion and bestowing credibility to the Bid'ati who is in fact a Shiah masquerading as a Sunni.

MUSLIMS MUST BEWARE OF THE ENVOYS OF IBLIS WHO ARE MASQUERADING AS 'PIOUS' SCHOLARS WHILE SOWING THE SEEDS OF DHALAAL AND KUFR. NINOWI'S TROUPE OF SINGING CLOWNS ARE PART OF THE SINISTER PLOT TO CUNNINGLY SPREAD SHI'ISM.

IT IS NOT PERMISSIBLE TO ATTEND NINOWI'S PANTOMIME SHOWS. THESE SHOWS AND HIS CLOWNS ARE THE MEDIA FOR THE PERCOLATION OF SHI'ISM INTO THE RANKS OF THE AHLUS SUNNAH WAL JAMA'AH.

We also warn the Ulama to be alert and not to fall in the trap of meeting and discussing with Ninowi. There is nothing to discuss with him. The issue relevant to him and his clowns is not a valid Shar'i *ikhtilaaf*. His 'moulood' coonery, flagrant fisq of mixing with women in the public and the anti-Sahaabah statements are ample evidence for his deviation and exposure. The Ulama should not hesitate in exposing this character who is infiltrating the community with his false slogans and nafsaani singing and dancing.

There is a disturbing increase of an influx of shaitaan's legion into South Africa. It appears that Iblis has made South Africa his headquarters for promoting and propagating his baatil and kufr. May Allah Ta'ala save Muslims from the tentacles of these followers of Iblis. They are real shayaateen in human form.

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