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### A short reaction to the video of Ramzan al-Hanbali

This treatise is a ultrashort answer to recently published video of Ramzan al-Hanbali on the Youtube channel of One Dawah on Friday, August 4, 2023 in which he responded to the video published by Sunni Logic.<sup>1</sup> The video of Sunni Logic was a refutation against his earlier video.<sup>2</sup> Ramzan al-Hanbali mentioned me and our educational institution in this recently published video of him. He has called me a Dutch Ash'ari liar which is a ridiculous allegation. Thus, the right of reply has arisen for me. I would like to point out a few mistakes, contradictions and absurdities in the response of Ramzan al-Hanbali:

1. You initially reject anthropomorphism, but after that you continue to attribute limbs to Allah ﷻ, such as hand, face, eyes.
2. You get annoyed by the name Wahabi, but the scholars of Najd and Saudi Arabia are proud of it. See *al-Durar al-Saniyya* and the official website of Ibn Baaz. There this name is used with pride. As for the Name of Allah ﷻ, al-Wahhab, what does it have to do with it. Also one of the names of Allah ﷻ is al-Malik and He uses this Name in sura Yusuf and sura al-Kahf for unbelieving kings. There is also a sect like al-Jabriyya. This term is also used by Ibn Taymiyya and your other Imams, but Allah ﷻ is also called al-Jabbar. Is this supposed to be a problem now? It makes no sense what you say.
3. You say that no salafi scholar says that Allah ﷻ is body?! Then you are wrong! Ibn al-Qayyim quotes a hadeeth in *Zad al-Ma'ad*. The narration states:

فأصبح ربك عز وجل يطوف في الأرض

“Your Lord walks around on the earth.”

Then Ibn al-Qayyim says about this narration:

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=untvpvj5Hp0&t=575s>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c8D-9-zzX3Q>



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“This is a great and important narration.”

This, while the tradition has been declared weak by the scholars. Even Albani has declared it weak. How can you walk around on the earth without having a body and stature? This is just anthropomorphism. There are even more examples! Ibn Taymiyya says in his *Majmu' al-Fatawa* that Allah ﷻ will make the Prophet ﷺ sit beside Him. If you claim that a human being can sit next to Allah ﷻ, then you are giving Allah ﷻ a body, since man is a body. Ibn Baaz says that Allah ﷻ has five fingers. This can be found in the book *Masa'il al-Imam Ibn Baaz*. He also says to consider Allah ﷻ free from body is not the way of Ahlussunnah. Look at his official website. Ibn 'Uthaymeen says that there is some resemblance between Allah ﷻ and the Prophet Adam. See the book *Sharh al-'Aqida al-Wasitiyya*. He also says that body is not absurd to Allah ﷻ. Look in his explanation on *al-Sahih al-Bukhari*. Salih al-Fawzan says that Allah ﷻ has a right hand and a left hand, but the left hand is also a right hand. See the book *I'ana al-Mustafid*. So you are talking nonsense!

4. You quote again and again about *yad*, *'ayn*, *wajh*, but the discussion is not about that. We do not deny these attributes for Allah ﷻ. The discussion is about ascribing limbs, forms and bodies to Allah ﷻ by taking the ambiguous words literally.
5. You speak humiliatingly about the slip of the tongue in the title of Imam al-Lalikai's book and then you say that grammar knowledge is a requirement to speak about 'Aqida. The person who did this slip of the tongue cannot speak Arabic and he is a zealous Muslim who wants to learn the language. In addition, the video is not Arabic or no grammatical parsing is done. It's just a book title. You're exaggerating this slip of the tongue. This slip of the tongue is not a disgrace to him, but you are a selfmade ustadh who founded Sibawayh Institute. It's just a disgrace to you if you make grammar mistakes. And you do! You read the *tamyīz majrūr* (*sab 'īna alfi 'ābidin*), while *tamyīz* should be *mansūb*



(*sab'īna alfa 'ābidin*). The video is on your Youtube channel.<sup>3</sup> You should look in the mirror before you judge others.

6. You cite quotes from the book *Kitab al-Sunna* attributed to Abdullah ibn Ahmad. This book is a hoax and is full of absurdities. The fact that you refer to this book says enough about you and your religiosity.
7. You're acting really weird. First you deny that there is literalism and figurativeness in the Arabic language and then you reaffirm it. This confusion probably has to do with Ibn Taymiyya's attitude, for he absolutely denies figurativeness.
8. You say that not even a quote can be made interpreting the ambiguous properties. I wrote a whole article about this: *Silencing the crooks who claim that the pious predecessors did not allow ta'wīl at all* in which you can find more than twenty quotes about the topic. The article is available on our website.<sup>4</sup> You miss the mark again!
9. You say also that not even a quote can be made saying that the Salaf left the meaning of ambiguous attributes to Allah ﷻ. Have you never heard the famous saying of the Salaf:

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“Let it go as they came.”

10. You say the screenshots in the Sunni Logic video are from a website. All quotes are from al-Maktaba al-Shamela which is used by all scholars and researchers worldwide. What is wrong with that? It's about the content and not the posture!
11. You say that Imam al-Bukhari's interpretation about *ḍahk* (laugh) does not appear in *al-Sahih al-Bukhari*, but Imam al-Khattabi says it does. He is one of the first interpreters of *al-Sahih al-Bukhari* and saw the oldest manuscripts of it. You don't even dwell on al-Khattabi and emphasize Imam Ibn Hajar and Imam al-Bayhaqi, two Ash'ari scholars. It is true that Ibn Hajar says that he did not see this interpretation in the manuscripts he had, but this just shows that there is such a claim and possibility. What makes you prefer Ibn Hajar over al-Khattabi!? In addition, al-Khattabi is much earlier than Ibn Hajar. And Ibn Hajar says about the same word, namely *ḍahk*, that it should be taken figuratively, but you

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.youtube.com/shorts/fJYcCZQk5k>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.madrasah-darulerkam.nl/t-kennisatelier/artikelen>



also ignore that, because it is not to your advantage. This is exactly what is meant by cherry picking in the Sunni Logic video!

