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Obey Allah and Obey the Messenger



Bird's Eye View of Hadith

Session 1 – Introduction and Importance of Hadith

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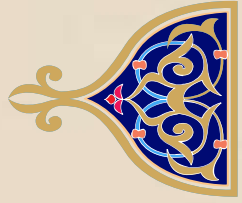
About the Sessions



Objectives



- ❖ Recognizing the Significance of Sunnah
 - Understand the profound importance of embracing the Sunnah enriching your understanding of Islamic teachings.
- ❖ Learning basic Hadith Terminology
 - Learn the essential terminology used in the field of Hadith, facilitating your engagement with this integral aspect of Islamic knowledge.
- ❖ Exploring Prominent Hadith Collections
 - Gain familiarity with the major books of Hadith that meticulously preserve authentic narrations, enhancing your ability to access and reference authoritative sources.
- ❖ Grasping Fundamental Principles for Hadith Interpretation
 - Develop foundational principles necessary for comprehending and contextualizing Hadith, enabling you to approach these teachings with a well-informed perspective.
- ❖ Immersing in Select Ahadith
 - Immerse yourself in a curated selection of Ahadith, allowing for a deeper exploration and understanding of their timeless wisdom and guidance.

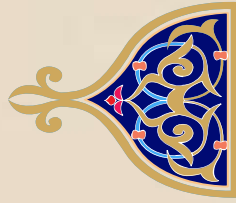


Sessions Overview

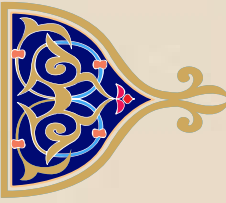


- ❖ This course comprises seven (7) distinct sessions, each offering a few essential aspects related to Hadith.
- ❖ Each session is structured to last approximately one hour.
- ❖ Every session will involve an in-depth analysis of a carefully selected Hadith, facilitating a profound understanding of its message and relevance.





Seven Sessions



- ❖ Session 1: Introduction and the Significance of Sunnah
 - In this initial session, we lay the foundation by understanding the importance of the Sunnah in conjunction with the Quran
- ❖ Session 2: Understanding Hadith
 - Session two delves into the concept of Hadith itself, providing a clear understanding of its nature and relevance
- ❖ Session 3: Classification of Hadith
 - In session three, we delve into the classification of Hadith, categorizing them based on their authenticity and significance
- ❖ Session 4: The Stages of Hadith
 - Session four guides us through the various stages in the transmission and documentation of Hadith, shedding light on their historical journey
- ❖ Session 5: Exploring Hadith Collections
 - In session five, we embark on an exploration of the rich tradition of Hadith collections, uncovering their role in preserving Islamic knowledge
- ❖ Session 6: Sahih Bukhari and Muslim: Pinnacle of Authenticity
 - Session six shines a spotlight on the renowned Sahih Bukhari and Muslim, elucidating their exceptional status as reliable Hadith collections
- ❖ Session 7: Manners of learning Hadith and Conclusion
 - Our final session, session seven, discusses the manners and etiquette of learning Hadith while culminating the course with a conclusion





Key Learnings Goals



- ❖ Understanding the significance of Sunnah
- ❖ Comprehending the nature of Hadith
- ❖ Knowing the Hadith classification
- ❖ Familiarity with Hadith collections
- ❖ Adopting proper etiquettes for learning Hadith
- ❖ Applying Hadith knowledge
- ❖ Engaging in informed discussions





**Begin with Correct
Intention**



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Reward of Deeds Depends on Intention

❖ حَدَّثَنَا الْحُمَيْدِيُّ عَبْدُ اللَّهِ بْنُ الزُّبَيْرِ ، قَالَ: حَدَّثَنَا سُفْيَانُ ، قَالَ: حَدَّثَنَا يَحْيَى بْنُ سَعِيدٍ الْأَنْصَارِيُّ ، قَالَ: أَخْبَرَنِي مُحَمَّدُ بْنُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ التَّمِيمِيُّ ، أَنَّهُ سَمِعَ عَلْقَمَةَ بْنَ وَقَّاصِ اللَّيْثِيِّ ، يَقُولُ: سَمِعْتُ عُمَرَ بْنَ الْخَطَّابِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَلَى الْمَنْبَرِ ، قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ ، يَقُولُ: " إِنَّمَا الْأَعْمَالُ بِالنِّيَّاتِ ، وَإِنَّمَا لِكُلِّ امْرِئٍ مَّا نَوَى ، فَمَنْ كَانَتْ هِجْرَتُهُ إِلَى دُنْيَا يُصِيبُهَا أَوْ إِلَى امْرَأَةٍ يَنْكِحُهَا ، فَهِجْرَتُهُ إِلَى مَا هَاجَرَ إِلَيْهِ "

❖ Narrated 'Umar bin Al-Khattab: I heard Allah's Messenger ﷺ saying, "The reward of deeds depends upon the intentions and every person will get the reward according to what he has intended. So, whoever emigrated for worldly benefits or for a woman to marry, his emigration was for what he emigrated for." Sahih al-Bukhari 1

❖ <https://sunnah.com/bukhari:1>



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Importance of Sunnah



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Some Terminologies

❖ Quran

- Literal word of Allah revealed through Jibril AS.

❖ Seerah

- Biographical account or biography of the life of the Prophet ﷺ.

❖ Sunnah

- Actions, saying, approvals and disapprovals of the Prophet ﷺ.

❖ Hadith

- Recorded reports or narrations of the actions, saying, and approval of the Prophet ﷺ.



Necessity of Sunnah

❖ Six things to understand

1. Allah commands us to obey the Prophet ﷺ in the Quran.
2. The Prophet ﷺ did receive revelation outside the Quran.
3. The sayings of the Prophet ﷺ are needed.
4. The hadith sciences being 'manmade' does not make it especially unreliable.
5. Most hadith being non-definitive does not mean we are not required to follow them.
6. There are wisdoms for Allah not putting everything in the Quran.



1. Allah's Commandment

❖ Obey Allah and Obey Messenger

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- Mentioned at least five times in the Quran
- Two separate commands; Obey Allah and Obey the Messenger

❖ Love of Allah is in the following of His Messenger

قُلْ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تُحِبُّونَ اللَّهَ فَاتَّبِعُونِي يُحْبِبْكُمُ اللَّهُ وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ ذُنُوبَكُمْ وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ

- Say, 'O Prophet,' "If you 'sincerely' love Allah, then follow me [3:31]

❖ Allah and His Messenger ﷺ - Ultimate authorities

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَأُولِي الْأَمْرِ مِنْكُمْ ۚ فَإِنْ تَنَازَعْتُمْ فِي شَيْءٍ فَرُدُّوهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَالرَّسُولِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ ۚ ذَٰلِكَ خَيْرٌ وَأَحْسَنُ تَأْوِيلًا

- O you who have believed, obey Allah and obey the Messenger and the leaders among you. And if you disagree over anything, refer it to Allah and the Messenger [4:59]



1. Allah's Commandment

❖ The Prophet ﷺ - Final Judge

فَلَا وَرَبِّكَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ حَتَّىٰ يُحْكِمُوا فِيمَا شَجَرَ بَيْنَهُمْ ثُمَّ لَا يَجِدُوا فِي أَنفُسِهِمْ حَرَجًا مِّمَّا قَضَيْتَ وَيُسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا

- But no! By your Lord, they will never be 'true' believers until they accept you 'O Prophet' as the judge in their disputes, and find no resistance within themselves against your decision and submit wholeheartedly. [4:65]

❖ The Prophet ﷺ - An excellent example to follow

لَقَدْ كَانَ لَكُمْ فِي رَسُولِ اللَّهِ أُسْوَةٌ حَسَنَةٌ لِّمَن كَانَ يَرْجُوا اللَّهَ وَالْيَوْمَ الْآخِرَ وَذَكَرَ اللَّهَ كَثِيرًا

- Indeed, in the Messenger of Allah you have an excellent example for whoever has hope in Allah and the Last Day, and remembers Allah often [33:21]



2. The Prophet Received Other Revelation

- ❖ The Prophet ﷺ received other revelations in addition to the Quran
- ❖ He spoke not from his own inclination

مَا ضَلَّ صَاحِبُكُمْ وَمَا غَوَىٰ ۚ

وَمَا يَنْطِقُ عَنِ الْهَوَىٰ ۚ

إِنْ هُوَ إِلَّا وَحْيٌ يُوحَىٰ ۚ

- Your companion [Muhammad] has not strayed, nor has he erred, Nor does he speak from [his own] inclination. **It is not but a revelation revealed [53:2-4]**

- ❖ The Prophet ﷺ never spoke from his desires

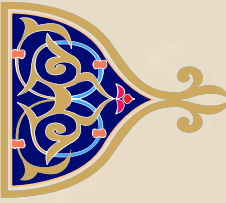
- ❖ Example:

- Allah says He legislated the qiblah to Jerusalem, but no such verse exists in the Quran. So, it was something given to the Prophet ﷺ outside the Quran.





3. Importance of the Sayings of the Prophet ﷺ



- ❖ Just the generational practice is not sufficient.
- ❖ We need written record of the sayings of the Prophet ﷺ.
- ❖ As long as the transmission is authentic we are required to follow.



4. Both Quran and Sunnah are preserved

- ❖ Some people criticize the sciences of hadith as being manmade.
- ❖ However, even the sciences of the Quran are manmade. After all, the Quran was written by men, compiled by men, carried to the different lands by men, and memorized generation to generation by men.
- ❖ Allah says in the Quran «Indeed, it is We who sent down the Reminder and indeed, We will be its guardian.» (15:9)
- ❖ Although some people said «Reminder» here means Quran, the word itself is broad enough to include hadith.

4. Both Quran and Sunnah are preserved

- ❖ Allah protected both the reminder in the Quran and the Sunnah.
- ❖ He protected the Sunnah by creating scholars who memorized the ahadith, created a science to classify them, authenticated the authentic and weakened the weak, and collected them into the many collections we have today.
- ❖ So, both the Quran and Sunnah were preserved by the hands of men with Allah's power guiding the process.
- ❖ The only difference is that the Quran is mostly definitive while the ahadith are usually non-definitive, but both must be followed.

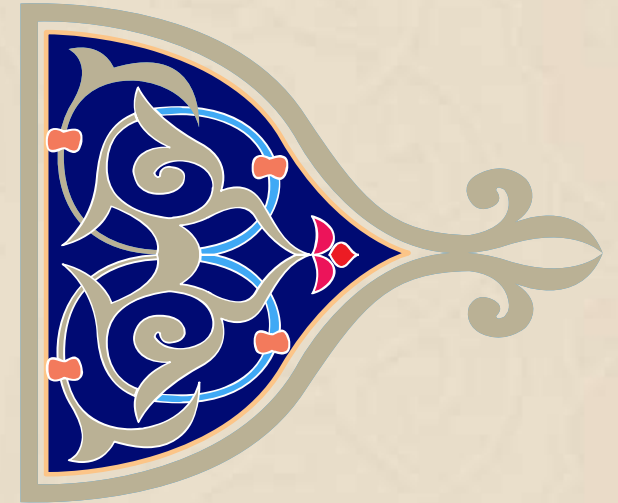
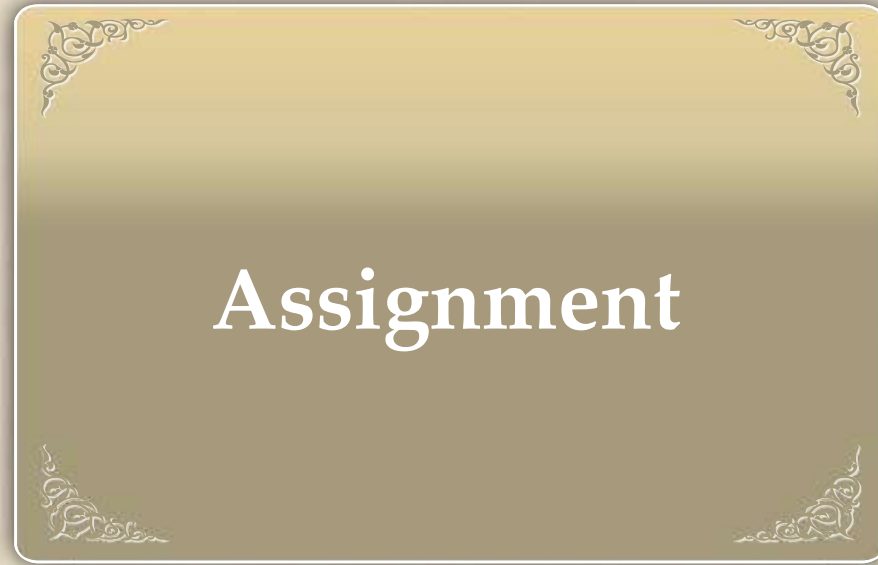
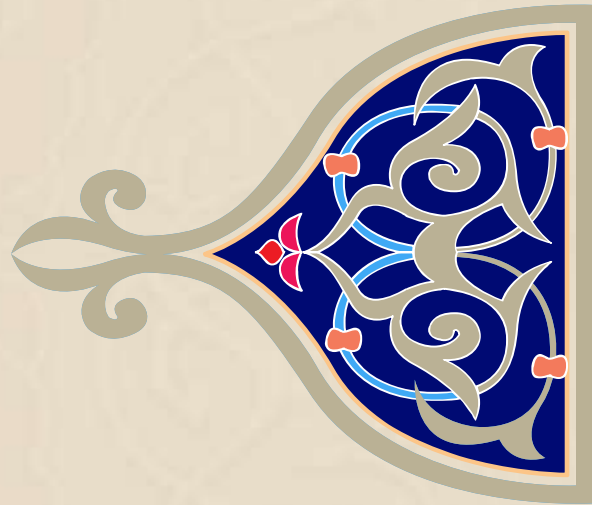


5. Definitive and Non-Definitive

- ❖ Definitive knowledge is that knowledge which is known to be true with zero doubt.
- ❖ Non-definitive knowledge is that knowledge which is known to be true but with the possibility of some doubt. It can still be strongly proven, but it has some room for doubt.
- ❖ The Quran's transmission is definitive.

6. Wisdoms of Having the Sunnah

- ❖ Why not the details mentioned in the Quran?
 - It is not a legal textbook
 - It was sent down as a concise book of guidance and point to the correct direction (like the Sunnah)
- ❖ Does the Quran contain everything?
 - Allah says «And We have sent down to you the Book as **clarification for all things** and as guidance and mercy and good tidings for the Muslims.» (16:89)
 - **Clarification everything** meaning it also refers to the Sunnah
- ❖ Allah gave the Prophet ﷺ a high status
 - Obligating people to follow his sayings and actions is one way Allah raised the Prophet ﷺ's mention and status.



Memorize the Hadith

إِنَّمَا الْأَعْمَالُ بِالنِّيَّاتِ

Inna mal 'aamal ul bin niyyath

The reward of deeds depends upon the intentions



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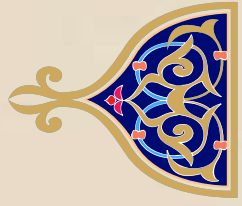


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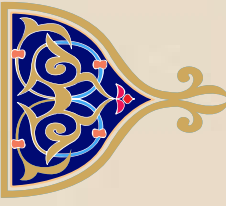


- ❖ Session 2: Understanding Hadith
 - Session two delves into the concept of Hadith itself, providing a clear understanding of its nature and relevance





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أَسْتَغْفِرُكَ وَأَتُوبُ إِلَيْكَ

Glory is to You, O Allah, and praise is
to You. I bear witness that there is
none worthy of worship but You. I
seek Your forgiveness and repent to
You.



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