

Serious errors in Sayyid Qutb's Tafsir "Fi Thilalil-Quran" (In the Shade of the Qur'an)

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Be warned from reading Sayyid Qutb's In the Shade of the Qur'an

Abou Bakr as-Siddeeq (radiallaahu `anhu) was asked a question about an ayah from the Book of Allaah and he said in reply, "Which earth will carry me? Which sky will shade me? If I say about an ayah from the Book of Allaah other than what Allaah, the Perfect and Most High, intended." [At-Tabari 1:78]

Shaykh Muhammad Ibn Saalih al-'Uthaymin (rahimahullaah) was asked about the books of Sayyid Qutb, particularly Fi Thilalil-Quran (In the Shade of the Qur'an) and Ma'alim fit-Tariq (Milestones). The shaikh answered:

"My statement – may Allaah bless you – is that whoever is sincere to Allaah, His Messenger, and his brother Muslims, then he should encourage the people to read the books of those who have preceded us, from the books of tafsir (explanation of the Qur'an) and other than (the books of) tafsir. These books contain more blessings, are more beneficial and are much better than the books of the later ones.

As for the tafsir of Sayyid Qutb – may Allaah have mercy upon him – then it contains great calamities, however we hope that Allaah pardons him. It contains great calamities..."

[From the Cassette: Aqwaal ul-Ulamaa Fee Ibtal Qawaa'id wa Maqaalaat Adnaan Ar'oor, and checked by Shaikh Ibn Uthaimen himself on 24/4/1421H.] Shaikh 'Abdullaah bin Muhammad as-Dawaish in his book Al-Mawrid uz-Zilaal fit-Tanbeeh alaa Akhtaa'a az-Zilaal

Counted in Qutb's tafseer 181 errors in 'Aqidah.

Wallaahu Musta'an. Here are some of Qutb's errors in 'aqidah:

1. Qutb believed in the evil, Kufr-laden ideology of wahdatul wujood [Aoodhubillaah!], which Shaikh Ahmad an-Najmee (rahimahullaah) called the "greatest of kufr," and about which Shaikh al-Fawzaan (hafidhahullaah) said: even Iblees himself distinguished between The Creator and His creations

2. Qutb believed in the likewise dangerous **ideology of hulool** [Aoodhubillaah!]

3. Qutb made **takfir** of the Muslim Ummah; hence Shaikh `Ubaid al-Jabiree's statement: **"Sayyid Qutb is the flag-bearer of takfeer in this time."** [Aoodhubillaah!]

4. **Qutb denied Attributes** of Allaah [Aoodhubillaah!]

5. **Qutb claimed the Qur`an was created** [Aoodhubillaah!]

6. **Qutb criticized Prophet Moses (`alayhi allam)** [Aoodhubillaah!]

7. Qutb's speaking with **Hurriyatul I'tigaad – that a person can believe in whatever religion he wishes** [Aoodhubillaah!]

8. Qutb **denied that Jesus (`alaihi sallam) was raised to the heavens** [Aoodhubillaah!]

9. Qutb **ridiculed Uthman bin `Affan** (radiAllaahu `anhu) [Aoodhubillaah!]

10. **Qutb's mockery of the Prophets!** [Aoodhubillaah!]

11. **Qutb's claim that Islam is a mixture of Communism and Christianity!** [Aoodhubillaah!]

12. Qutb's calling for the abolition of parts of the Sharee'ah! [Aoodhubillaah!]

13. Qutb's takfeer of Mu'awiyah, 'Amr bin al-Aas, Abu Sufyaan and the Bani Umayyah (radiallaahu 'anhum)! [Aoodhubillaah!]

14. Qutb's denial of al-'Uluww and al-Istiwa' and al-'Arsh upon the way of the Jahmiyyah! [Aoodhubillaah!]

15. Qutb rebelled against the ruler ...

Shaikh Muhammad Amaan al-Jaamee (rahimahullaah) said,

The book ath-thilaal of Sayyid Qutb is a tafseer that is not a tafseer based upon narrations, not a tafseer from the language. Rather it is a composition containing a confused mixture of the ideas of the Ash'arees, the ideas of "Wahdatul Wujood" and the ideas of the Soofees, and he was an Ash'aree about which there is no dispute.

[A lecture: Answers to questions about the manhaj of Ahlus – Sunnah wal – Jamaa'ah in calling to Allah. Cassette no. 1. Jeddah 4/1413H]

Qutb's massive errors in 'aqidah can be found below (along with scholarly refutations):

1. Shaikh Ibn Baaz refuted Qutb's tafsir

2. Shaikh Muhammad Amaan al-Jaamee warned of the severity on Qutb's statements

3. Shaikh 'Ubaid al-Jabiree warned of Qutb and his books

4. Shaikh Salih as-Suhaimee on Sayyid Qutb

5. [Shaikh Salih al-Fawzan on Sayyid Qutb](#)

6. [Shaikh Abdul-Muhsin al-Abbaad on Sayyid Qutb](#)

7. [Shaikh Saalih Aal ash-Shaikh on the Exaggeration of Sayyid Qutb](#)

8. [The Mistakes and Innovations of Sayyid Qutb](#)

9. [Declaration that Qutb was an Innovator, Some Scholars' inclination toward Takfeer of Qutb, & Shaykh Ismaa'eel al-Ansaaree's Takfeer of Qutb](#)

10. And there's much more, from Shaikh al-Albani and others [here](#):

Shaikh Muwaffiq-ud-Deen (Ibn Qudaamah, rahimahullaah) has mentioned the forbiddance of looking into the books of innovators and he stated:

"The Salaf used to forbid others from sitting with the innovators, looking into their books and listening to their speech."

(Al-Adaab-ush- Shara'eeyah (1/232))

[Prohibition of Sitting with, Listening to, Reading material of People of Innovation](#)

May Allaah protect the ummah from his fitnah ameen!