
The First thing Allaah Created

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"Indeed the first thing that Allaah created was the Pen, He ordered it to write everything that would come to pass."¹

In this Hadeeth, is a rebuttal of what people pass on, to the point that it has become a creed that is firmly planted in a lot of their hearts; it is that the light of Muhammad was the first thing Allaah the Glorified created. There is no basis for its authenticity, and the chain for the Hadeeth of 'Abdur Razaq is not known, and we may write about it specifically in Silsilat al-Ahadeeth ad-Da'eefah in the future Inshaa'allaah.

It also consists of a rebuttal on the claim that the Throne was the first creation, and there is no textual evidence to support this on the authority of the Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم)², it was only said by some scholars such as ibn Taymeeyah through Ijtihad derived from evidence, so taking by this Hadeeth, and other Ahaadeeth of its meaning, is more rightful. It is textual evidence on the issue, and there is no Ijtihad in the presence of direct textual evidence as is well known.

Interpreting this Hadeeth in saying that the pen was created after the throne is false, this type of interpretation is only valid if there is clear textual evidence that the Throne was the first of all creation unrestrictedly, including the Pen. However, this textual evidence is absent, so this interpretation is not permissible.

¹ Silsilah Ahadeeth as-Saheehah hadeeth no. 133

² (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him