

Series of Questions Addressed to Scholar Sheikh Ata Bin Khalil Abu Al-Rashtah,  
Ameer of Hizb ut Tahrir through his Facebook Page (Fiqhi)

**Answer to Question**

**The definite answer to the ones that say that we are not obligated to follow the method of the Prophet (saw) in reaching power and building a state**

**To Ahmad Abu Eid**

(Translated)

**Question:**

Assalamu alaikum...our Sheikh...is it possible to give me a definite answer to the ones that say we are not obligated to follow the method of the Prophet (saw) in reaching power and building a state?

**Answer:**

Wa Alaikum Assalam wa Rahmatuallahi wa Barakatuhu,

In short, the definite answer is as follows:

Ask the one who says we are not obligated to follow the method of the Prophet (saw) in reaching power:

1- Ask him which evidence he looks for when he wants to make *wudu*? Does he not look for the evidence concerning *wudu*? Or does he, for example, look for the evidence of *hajj*? He will answer you that he will look for the evidence concerning *wudu*...

Then ask him if he does not look for the evidence concerning *siyam* (fasting), when wanting to know the rules of *siyam* (fasting)? Or does he look for the evidence concerning jihad to know how to fast? He will answer that he will look for the evidence concerning fasting when he needs to know the rules of fasting.

Then ask him if it is not correct that he looks for the evidence of *salah* (prayer), when he wants to know the ruling concerning *salah* (prayer)? Or does he look for the evidence concerning *zakat*? He will answer that he looks for the evidence concerning *salah* (prayer).

**It is thereby clear that he for the ruling of any issue will look for its evidence in the Shariah.**

Now, ask him concerning the establishment of the state, does he not look for *Shari'* evidence reported from the Prophet (saw) about how to establish the state? He does not, for example, look for the evidence concerning jihad, prayer or fasting...rather he looks for the evidence concerning the establishment of the state, **and the Prophet (saw) established the state once by asking for *nusrah* in the interaction stage. Hence the method of establishing the state is by seeking *nusrah*.**

The question now is whether seeking *nusrah* is *fardh* (obligatory), *mandub* (encouraged) or *mubaah* (permissible)? If seeking *nusrah* is *fardh* then we are obligated by this method in establishing the state, by studying this issue we find that:

It is an obligation (*fardh*) to seek *nusrah*, the evidence for this is that the Prophet (saw) did not change this method despite the hardship he faced when seeking it. He sought it from Thaqif and they answered him severely by making his feet bleed...and the Prophet (saw) did not change it to another method, rather he (saw) continued to seek *nusrah* from the tribes. He sought it from Bani Shayban, Bani Amer and so on, all in all he sought it some ten times, without any positive response. Still he did not change the method to another despite the hardship lying in it. **In the usool (fundamentals of fiqh) the repetition of the same thing while enduring hardship because of it, is an indication that the issue is *fardh*.**

Hence to seek *nusrah* is *fardh* ...and it is the only method the Prophet (saw) followed in establishing the state, and he continued using it until Allah (swt) honoured him with the Ansaar who gave him *bayaah* (swore allegiance) in the second Aqabah, from there he emigrated to Al-Madinah where he established the state.

This is the answer in short for the one who has a heart or listens and bears witness, yet the stubborn one's argument is refuted because he is satisfied to look for the evidence concerning wudu, fasting and prayer so that he might make wudu, fast and pray...and he does not look for evidence concerning the acts he does not want to perform, while it is obligatory upon him, if he is sane, to be satisfied to look for the evidence concerning the establishment of the state if he intends to establish a state. **There is only one evidence from the Prophet (saw) delivered to us by his acts and sayings and that is the seeking of *nusrah*, which he performed in the end of the interaction stage...and this method is *fardh*. This is in short the definite and adequate answer to the method we use in establishing the state.**

In the end I bid you Salam and ask Allah (swt) to open the gates of goodness for you.

**Your brother,**

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