Why don't you discuss these things with popes and cardinals? Why don't you make a debate between you and rabbis? The Lord of Heaven says if you say something, you must have proof. As the Lord of Heaven, Allāh Almighty said, "*qul hātū burbānakum*" [27:64], "bring your proof!"

Yes, bring it and we may look. You can say, "We are looking at the Pole Star and seeing so many things," but if I say that the moon is closer and easier to be seen, how can you say that the moon and its position is nothing but when we look at the Pole Star, it is true?" Which kind of mentality will accept this? You may say we are looking at the Pole Star. They are looking and saying such things. What about the moon? They are saying, no, no, we don't accept the Moon. This is the highest ignorance, the last point, the last horizon for their lack of understanding.

No kind of mentality will accept their claims. They say we are looking at the Pole Star and so many people are going and coming. And we are saying look at the moon and they say, there is nothing there. How can this be?

According to their calendars, Jesus Christ was sent as a miraculous being 2000 years ago, and you accept everything that he did and say it is miraculous. And we can see where he went, where he sat down, with whom he was speaking, discussing or declaring his prophecy. You are saying so many things. What about if they look and see the moon also? They are saying so many things about Venus or Mars, but when you look here it is much clearer. Why do you say, no, it is not true, and when you look so far away claim that it is true? Which mentality can accept this?

And you are calling everybody, "Come and accept that this person was a miraculous being!" And we believe also, but not as you understand. The Lord of Heaven may create without a father. He created Adam and Eve with no father or mother. He only said, "Come into existence!" and one man and one woman appeared.

Why do you insist that Jesus Christ is the son of the Lord? Who said this? Do you think that Abraham, peace be upon him, said about Jesus Christ, "Oh people, I am going, but from my generation a new prophet will come who is the son of our Lord"? Which holy book said this? None of them. Do you think that Moses said this? No. How can you claim such a thing? But people can't accept something which is wrong. They are saying, who is against our understanding is wrong. But reality cannot be changed. You can dress it up in something but those clothes will never change its personality or identity.

That was a man and this is a man also. The first man, without a father or a mother, the Lord of Heavens created him, Sayyidinā Adam. Sayyidina Mūsā come from a mother and a father. All prophets came from Mum and Dad. And our Prophet, the Seal of Prophets, came from a man and a woman. What is special about Jesus Christ? If you say that he is the son of God, why was he not mentioned in Adam's holy book?

Why was he not mentioned in Noah's book, how is he not mentioned in Abraham's book, why is he not mentioned in Jacob's book, why is he not mentioned in Ishāq's or Ismail's books, why? Why is the Lord of Heaven hiding him? [to be continued]



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Dastūr yā Sayyidī, Madad yā Sultān. Allābu akbar, Allābu akbar, Allābu akbar, lā ilāba illā llāb, Allābu akbar, Allābu akbar wa lillābi l-ḥamd. Madad ya Sultān al-awliyā. Alfu ṣalāt, alfu salām 'alayka yā sayyidi l-awalīn wa-l-akbirīn. Isbfā' lanā, we are asking for their intercession, yā Rasūlullāh.

Sayyidinā Muhammad 🕮 be given honour that no one has ever been given.

As-salāmu 'alaykum, from east to west, for the whole of Mankind. We are asking for forgiveness for everyone from Allah Almighty because they are all also our Lord's deputies. Some of them are trying to reach the real position of being a deputy, some of them are zalimu *n-nafsi*, they are not thinking about it, they are drunk.

Oh our Lord! Accept our *manzala*, excuse, You know everything, and we are running to You. Where are you going to find Him? [Laughs] We say that we are running to our Lord, but where can we find Him?

That is something that very, very few people may understand and know, and they may run. Oh our Listeners! Marhaban! Good evening! Marhaban! Be happy! Why should you not be pleased? Oh our listeners, are you drunk? This is the third night of the New year, are you still drunk? Are you

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not intending to come back to yourselves? Drunk people run away from themselves, leave themselves and run to find themselves. That is drunkeness. Where are you? Are you in the West, or in the East, or in the North, or the South? Where are you? What do you want to find? Yes, everyone wants to find something, but what?

As-salāmu 'alaykum, our listeners! I am a weak servant, perhaps the weakest servant. But it is a responsibility for everyone in existence, for His honour we are running to Him to find ourselves. Oh our listeners, did you find yourselves? Oh, marhaban Salafi 'ulamā'! Did you find yourselves?

It is a simple question, why are you getting angry so quickly? We are also asking the *Wabhabi 'ulamā'*, do you think that you can find yourselves? Yes, it is a simple question I am asking, and I need an answer. No one can answer that question if he has not reached the level of *ma'rifab*, which is not just knowledge but above knowledge.

Yes, I would like to know where I am, do you think that you know where you are now? You are getting angry. They are letting a weak servant ask so many questions to you. I am not claiming to be something, but I want ask you that question. Where are you? Do you know about yourself, who you are? Who are you?

You may say, "We are servants of our Lord," and I am saying you are liars! You may ask, "Why?" Because you are servants of your egos, not servants of Allah.

We are not servants, myself included. I am not a servant to my Lord as He likes. Therefore, I am asking for forgiveness. Are you asking for forgiveness daily? I don't think so. You may say, "We can't find the time for making *istighfar*, to say *astaghfirullah*." Have you not read the Seal of Prophet's sayings, *ahadīth*? What was he saying?

He said, "Oh my companions, oh my ummah, my nation, even I am making 70 times *istighfar*, I am saying *astaghfirullāh* 70 times daily." He used a specific number, but you think that there is no number. There must be a number. Numbers are important – "*`alayha tisʿata ʿashara*" – that means *raqm*, numbers, have a secret. Therefore, Allah Almighty says,

'alayha tis'ata 'ashara – [74:30 Over it are Nineteen].

Why does it say this? Why don't you ask, "Oh our Lord, You are saying only *tis'ata 'ashara*, 19 angels, why don't you make the number 20?" Shaykh Hisham Effendi, why stopping there *tis'ata 'ashara*? One is absent?

Number one, 'Abdu r-Rawuf. – "Yes, Sir!" – Number two, Isḥāq. – "Yes, Sir!" – Number three, Bahā'huddīn. – "Yes, Sir!" – Number four, Shaykh Hishām. – "Yes, Sir!" – Number five, Nabīl, – "Yes, Sir, I am here." 19, where is 19? "Nineteen, I am here." Who is that one? Nineteen is Nizamuddīn. Then, where is number 20? Is he absent? Is there no one to complete the 20? That is the question.

They are making me address those people who say we are doctors, or theologians or *'ulamā'*, not ordinary *'ulamā'*, but above the *'ulamā'*, we are Salafi *'ulamā'*. What are the Salafi *'ulamā'* saying to what I am asking?

Why do the numbers stop at 19 and not continue on to 20? The Lord of Heavens says 'alayha tis'ata 'ashara.

Is that the end of numbers? That means that there are secrets with every number, and up to 19, each one has a secret. The secret of one can't be known by two, and the secret of two can't be known by three, and three's secret can't be known by four, and four's secret can't be known by five, and also the secret of seven, can't be known by six, and six's secret can't be known by five! *Allābu akbar*, *Allābu akbar*! Why do they bring this?

And we must say A'ūdbu bi-llāhi mina shshaitāni r-rajīm, bismi llāhi r-raḥmāni r-raḥīm, oh our Lord, protect us from falling into shaytanic traps. Yes, Subḥān Allah, Sulṭān Allah, Subḥān Allah, Sulṭān Allah!

The Prophet was saying, "I am also asking for forgiveness 70 times daily." Why didn't he say 60 times, or why not 80 times? Why didn't he complete a 100 times, and if a 100, why not completing a 1000 times?

Secrets within secrets, hidden treasures in every number. And also, each atom, *dharrab*, has a number. You cannot find any atom without a number. *Allāhu akbar Allāhu akbar Allāhu akbari l-akbar. Subḥān Allāh.*

And Wahhabi 'ulamā' have only learned to say, shirk, harām bid'ab and kufr. Leave that and enter the secrets that are hidden in Unseen Oceans! Do you think that amoung the countless kinds of fishes in an ocean, one fish is the same as another one? Are all of their existences the same? Why are there so many kinds of fishes and creatures in the oceans, for what?

Why are there not only sharks, or only whales? Why are there so many kinds of fishes and each one is different. Why are not all of them the same? Yes, if you say, "we are 'ulamā'," sometimes someone is sent to you to bring your knowledge down to zero. Don't say we are salafi 'ulamā' but you may say "we are *tālibu l-'ilmin*." That is true. And also, for other non-Muslim believers, who don't follow Islam, I am asking them, "What do you know about the realities of Heaven?" In your holy books, you have some knowledge about Heaven, tell me! His holiness the Pope, or his holiness the Chief Rabbi, what do you think is written about the seven heavens in your holy books, say! Say! It is written.

And then I am asking non-Muslims and their chiefs, their heads – not leaders –, chiefs, who are claiming, "we are on the top level of heaven." I am asking, "Do you know of any difference between your understanding and Islamic understanding? Or is Islamic knowledge about Heaven different? Or does Islam also have the same understanding of Heaven? Do you think that you know differently, or in a different way, from that which the Holy Qur'ān brought about seven heavens?"

In all holy books the seven heavens have been mentioned. What do you say, Your holiness the Pope, or Your holiness the Chief Rabbi, about the Seal of Prophet's knowledge which he brought from Heaven about the heavens? What is the difference between your understanding or between your holy Books and the holy Qur'ān? What do you say? Can you find any difference? If you cannot find any, why don't you say *lā ilāba illā llāb Muḥammadun Rasūlullāb*? Why don't you declare this? What is the matter?

Who sent Jesus Christ also sent Noah, Who sent Noah, also sent Abraham, Who sent Abraham, sent Ishāq, Who sent Ishāq, sent Ismā'īl, Who sent Ya'qūb, sent Ayyūb, Who sent Ayyūb, sent Noah.

Yes, O people, you must try to be humble, and you must accept that your level is too low for such knowledge. But there is no excuse not to declare this because what the Holy Bible, the Old Testament, the New Testament and the Psalams brought from Heaven, is mentioned also in the Holy Qur'ān.

Leave the messengers, and just look at the holy books. If you say that the Old Testament, and the New Testament are holy books, what is your proof that the Holy Qur'ān is not one of them? Why?

Which way of thinking, or what kind of learning said to you that the Holy Qur'ān didn't come from Heaven? What is your proof? We are saying the Old Testament and the New Testament are from Heaven. We are accepting this and declaring this. What about the third one? Therefore we are speaking about numbers. Therefore, I am shouting at Salafi *'ulamā'*.