



## THE CAUSES FOR DIFFERING AND SPLITTING

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**The questioner says:** We here in Britain have had an increase in disturbance and an increase in Islamic groups and parties here also. Also there are those who call to Jihaad and those who calls to his (own) path. There are those make takfeer and call to working with the kuffaar and other that. Also those call to entering elections and many movements. So what is our stance and position and how do we give dawah and who should we give dawah to?

**The Answer:** the Prophet صلى الله عليه و سلم said:

"whoever Allaah wants good for He gives him understanding of the religion"

The individual who wants to speak regarding the religion (sharee'ah) it is a must that he is knowledgeable of that which he (wants to) order with and he (also) must knowledgeable of that which he wants to prohibit. He must (also) be someone wise (hakeem) in that which he orders with and that he is wise in that which he prohibits. This division which is present is in all places in every country from the (different) countries. This is something emanating from ignorance or following of desires.



As the Messenger صلى الله عليه و سلم when he was asked about the save group he said:

*" The Jews divided into 71 groups and the Christians divided into 72 groups and this ummah will divide into 73 groups, all of them in the fire except one. They said who is that group and he said: whoever is upon what I and my companions are upon today"*

An individual will not be upon what the Messenger صلى الله عليه و سلم and his companions were upon until he learns knowledge.

There is a difference between an individual who is described with knowledge from the angle of reality and from the one who claims knowledge.

Just as I mentioned in the beginning of this speech, this splitting is something emanating either from ignorance or following of desires. And so therefore Allaah is One and the messenger is one and Quran is one and the religion all of it is one and there is no division in it. So it is obligatory that the affairs which are agreed upon is also what (the people) gather together upon and the affairs which the people differ in they (should) search (the truth) regarding it. But none searches these affairs except the one who is qualified to do so. The one who is qualified in knowledge which will give him insight for looking into the legislative evidences and with Allaah is the success.

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