


## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

 HAYKH Sa'īd 'Abd al-Laṭīf Foudah is a leading scholar of Islamic theology [*ilm al-kalām*], logic [*manṭiq*] and legal theory [*uṣūl al-fiqh*], and one of the most meticulous experts of our times on the creed of Ibn Taymiyya.



Shaykh Sa'īd was born in 1967 CE in the city of Haifa, Palestine, and moved at a very young age with his parents to Amman, Jordan, where he still lives and teaches today. The Shaykh's education began at a very early age. He first studied jurisprudence of the Shāfi'ī school, Arabic grammar, and read most of the Qur'an with Shaykh Ḥusayn al-Zuhayrī—may Allah have mercy upon him.

Following this, Shaykh Foudah was sent to the expert of canonical readings of the Qur'an, Shaykh Sa'īd al-'Anbaṭāwī—may Allah have mercy upon him. He memorized *Tuḥfa al-Atfāl* and *al-Jazariyya* with him, both in *tajwīd* (Qur'anic elocution), and also read the Qur'an to him and heard him read it many times to his students. After this, Shaykh Foudah memorized over two thirds of the Qur'an, *al-Kharīda al-Bahiyya*, and *Jawhara al-Tawḥīd* under his tutelage. During that time, Shaykh Sa'īd al-'Anbaṭāwī was not teaching the science of *tawḥīd* (Divine Oneness) to anyone besides Shaykh Sa'īd, because of the focus and desire his student had in that subject. Once, he brought [Aḥmad] al-Dardīr's explanation of the *Kharīda* and requested Shaykh Sa'īd to summarize it so it could be of some benefit to the students. By Allah's grace, Shaykh Sa'īd did that and presented it to his teacher who then requested that he start teaching it to the students of knowledge. Under him Shaykh Sa'īd also studied the basics of the recitation of the Warsh canonical reading by memorizing some small didactic texts, and read Sūra al-Fātiḥa, al-Baqara, and the beginning of Sūra Āl-'Imrān to him in Warsh.

Shaykh Sa'īd went on to meet the Shaykh of the Shādhilī Sufi order in Jordan, Shaykh Aḥmad al-Jamāl, who had made firm the Sunni way against those that have deviated from it. Under him, Shaykh Sa'īd studied approximately three fourths of *Kitāb al-Ikhtiyār* of al-Mawṣilī in the tradition of the Ḥanafī school of law.

From amongst his other teachers are the former Mufti of Jordan, Shaykh Nūḥ 'Alī Salmān al-Quḍāh, with whom he has studied parts of the *Sharḥ al-Minhāj* of Imam al-Nawawī.

Shaykh Sa'īd also met the verifying scholar Shaykh Ibrāhīm Khalīfa who is well versed in the sciences of *tafsīr* (explanation of the Qur'an), legal theory, logic, rhetoric, and grammar upon the way of the early scholars. He has given the Shaykh an *ijāza* (formal authorization) in numerous sciences such as *tafsīr*, the explanation of Hadith, the science of *tawḥīd* and its major works, the science of *uṣūl*, logic, rhetoric, and other sciences. He said that he had not given an *ijāza* (certificate) of its likes to anyone before him. In this *ijāza*, he ordered Shaykh Sa'īd to stand against the innovators and those that oppose the people of the Sunna.

There are many other Shaykhs that Shaykh Sa'īd has met and has a strong connection with such as: Shaykh 'Abd al-Hādī Kharsa and Shaykh Adīb Kallās—may Allah have mercy upon him—in Syria, Shaykh 'Abd al-Qādir al-'Ānī (from Iraq)—one of the students of Shaykh 'Abd al-Karīm al-Mudarris—may Allah have mercy upon him, the Mufti of Egypt, Shaykh 'Alī Jumu'a, Shaykh 'Abd al-Bā'ith al-Kittānī and Dr. 'Umar Kāmil. He has also met the virtuous Shaykh Muhammad Sāliḥ al-Gharsī of Turkey and has written correspondence with Shaykh Wahba al-Ghawjī of Syria—may Allah have mercy upon him— who lauded him and his works and requested that he write some books in defence of the way of *Ahl al-Sunna* and refute some who have attacked Imam al-Rāzī. He has also had a long and warm relationship for years with the virtuous Shaykhs; Ḥabīb 'Umar bin Ḥafīz, Ḥabīb 'Alī al-Jifrī, and other scholars of Yemen.

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HAYKH Sa'īd Foudah has written more than one hundred books on various topics, most of which have not yet been published. These topics include creed, theology, legal theory, the explanation of Hadith and refutations of those who differ from the way of *Ahl al-Sunna wal-Jamā'a*, as well as debates with non-muslims. Shaykh Sa'īd has also written numerous articles and annotated and introduced many books upon the way of *Ahl al-Sunna wal-Jamā'a* which have been published on the internet.

These are some of the titles that have been published:

- ❖ Al-Adilla al-'Aqliyya 'alā Wujūd Allāh bayn al-Mutakallimīn wal-Falāsifa
- ❖ Aṣḥāb al-Nār wa-Maṣīruhum
- ❖ Bayān al-Zā'if min Muḡhālatāt Amīn Nāyif
- ❖ Buḡūth fī 'Ilm al-Kalām
- ❖ Al-Dalīl al-Kawnī 'alā Wujūd Allāh Ta'āla
- ❖ Al-Farq al-'Aẓīm bayna al-Tanzīh wal-Tajsīm
- ❖ Faṭḥ al-Wudūd bi-Sharḥ Risāla al-Sayyid al-Sharīf al-Jurjānī fī Waḥda al-Wujūd
- ❖ Hāshiya 'alā Sharḥ al-Maḡalli 'alā al-Waraqāt
- ❖ Hāshiya 'alā Sharḥ Ṣuḡhrā al-Ṣuḡhrā lil-Imām al-Sanūsī fī 'Ilm al-Tawḥīd
- ❖ Ḥusn al-Muḡājaja fī Bayān 'an Allāh lā Dākḡil al-'Ālam wa-lā Khārijahu
- ❖ Al-Kāshif al-Ṣaḡhīr 'an 'Aqā'id Ibn Taymiyya
- ❖ Kifāya al-Sā'ī fī Fahm Maqūlāt al-Sijā'ī
- ❖ Minaḡ al-Wadūd fī Bayān Madhḡab Waḡda al-Wujūd
- ❖ Maqālāt Naqdiyya fī al-Ḥadātha wal-'Ilmāniyya
- ❖ Mawqif Ibn Rusḡd al-Falaysūf min 'Ilm al-Kalām
- ❖ Mawqif Imām al-Gḡazālī min 'Ilm al-Kalām
- ❖ Mawqif Ahl al-Sunna min Ikhtilāf bayna al-Gḡumārī wal-Saqqāf
- ❖ Al-Mawqif, Muqaddima li-Ikhtiṣār Kitāb Mawqif al-'Aql wal-'Ilm wal-'Ālim min Rabb al-'Ālamīn wa-'Ibādīhi al-Mursalīn li-Shaykh al-Islām Muṣṭafā Ṣabri

- ❖ Mukhtaṣar Sharḥ al-Kharīda al-Bahiyya lil-Imām al-Dardīr fī 'ilm al-Tawḥīd
- ❖ Al-Muyassar fī Sharḥ al-Sullam al-Munawraq fī al-Mantiq al-Akhḍarī
- ❖ Mustaqbal al-'Allāqa ma'a al-Shī'a
- ❖ *Naqḍ al-Risāla al-Tadmuriyya li-Ibn Taymiyya*  
[*A Critique of the Palmyran Creed*  
*Deconstructing Ibn Taymiyya's Theology of Resemblance*]
- ❖ Ta'īd al-Mantiq
- ❖ Tafnīd al-Usus al-Nazariyya wal-'Amaliyya lil-Ilḥād
- ❖ Al-Taḥbīr fī Tafsīr Thalātha Āyāt min al-Dhikr al-Ḥakīm
- ❖ *Tahdhīb Sharḥ al-Sanūsiyya* [*Umm al-Barāhīn*]  
[*A Refined Explanation of the Sanūsī Creed*  
*The Foundational Proofs*]
- ❖ Al-Sharḥ al-Kabīr 'alā al-'Aqīda al-Tahāwīyya
- ❖ ***Sharḥ Risāla Ibn Kamāl Pāshā fī al-Ikhtilāf bayna al-Ashā'ira wal-Māturīdiyya***  
[*A Commentary upon Ibn Kamāl Pashā's*  
*The Differences between the Ash'aris & Māturīdis*]
- ❖ *Rafa al-Ishtibāh 'an Kulliyya Lafz al-Ilāh*
- ❖ Rūḥ al-Uṣūl fī 'ilm al-Uṣūl

Edited and annotated:

- ❖ *Risāla fī Radd 'alā Ibn Taymiyya fī Mas'ala Ḥawādith lā Awwal laha lil-Imām al-Ikḥmīmī*
- ❖ *Misbāḥ al-Arwāḥ fī Uṣūl al-Dīn lil-Imām al-Bayḍāwī*
- ❖ *Risāla fī 'Aqā'id lil-Imām 'Alā al-Dīn al-Bukhārī*
- ❖ *Ta'liqāt 'alā Kitāb al-Maḥṣūl fī 'ilm al-Uṣūl*  
lil-Imām Abū Bakr b. al-'Arabī
- ❖ *Ta'liqāt 'alā Ajwiba al-Juwaynī 'alā As'ila 'Abd al-Ḥaqq al-Ṣaqqallī*
- ❖ *Al-Durra al-Farīda fī Sharḥ al-'Aqā'id*  
lil-Shaykh 'Alwān al-Ḥama