

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Omar Suleiman (May Allah Guide Him)

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Deviations in Aqeedah

1. Ash'ari and Sufi Leanings:

Omar Suleiman has expressed views aligning with **Ash'ari and Sufi-influenced theology**, which contradicts the **Salafi creed of Ahlus-Sunnah wal-Jama'ah**. He has **avoided affirming Allah's Attributes (Sifaat) in a manner befitting His Majesty** as upheld by the early Salaf.



Evidence from the Salafi Manhaj:

The Salaf emphasized affirming Allah's Attributes as they are, without **tahreef (distortion)**, **ta'teel (denial)**, **takyeef (speculation)**, or **tamtheel (comparison)**.

Allah says:

لَيْسَ كَمِثْلِهِ شَيْءٌ وَهُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْبَصِيرُ "There is nothing like Him, and He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing." (Surah Ash-Shura 42:11)

Shaykhul-Islam Ibn Taymiyyah (رحمه الله) refuted **the Ash'aris and their distortions of Allah's Names and Attributes**, saying: "The Ash'ariyyah reject what is established in the Qur'an and Sunnah, replacing it with their intellect, leading to deviation from the correct path." (Majmoo' al-Fataawa, 5/34)

His Opposition:

- He avoids **affirming Allah's Attributes properly**, leaning toward an **Ash'ari or philosophical approach** that **negates Allah's characteristics in a manner not practiced by the Salaf**.
- He praises **Sufi figures like Rumi and Al-Ghazali**, whose mystical doctrines contradict the pure Islamic creed, specifically al-Asma wa Sifat.
- He is the founder and leader of **Yaqeen Institute**, which has openly defended and propagated deviant theological stances.

2. Interfaith Engagements That Compromise Tawheed:

Praising and Cooperating with Kuffar in Religious Affairs:

Omar Suleiman has repeatedly **praised non-Muslim religious leaders** and **engaged in interfaith dialogues in a way that compromises Tawheed**.

Warning from the Messenger of Allah

مَنْ تَشَبَّهَ بِقَوْمٍ فَهُوَ مِنْهُمْ "Whoever imitates a people is one of them." (Abu Dawood 4031, Hasan)

His Opposition:

- He has engaged in **interfaith prayers** where he **compromises the exclusivity of Tawheed**.
- He has praised and collaborated with **Christian and Jewish leaders** in ways that imply **religious equivalence**, contradicting the finality of Islam.
- The Salaf strictly warned against participating in **bid'ah (innovations)** and **interfaith compromises** that blur the distinction between Islam (the truth) and other religions.

Shaykh Muhammad ibn Abdul Wahhab (رحمه الله) said: "One of the greatest nullifiers of Islam is approving of the ways of the disbelievers and participating in their religious events."

By engaging in these activities, Omar Suleiman **normalizes interfaith compromise**, which leads to weakening the exclusivity of **Islamic Tawheed** in the hearts of Muslims.

Political Activism & Liberal Alliances

3. Violating Walaa' wal Baraa' (Allegiance and Disavowal):

Omar Suleiman actively engages with **liberal, secular, and even anti-Islamic groups**, showing open cooperation with movements that **contradict the principles of Islam**.

Evidence:

لَا تَتَّخِذُوا الْيَهُودَ وَالنَّصَارَى أَوْلِيَاءَ. بَعْضُهُمْ أَوْلِيَاءُ بَعْضٍ "Do not take the Jews and the Christians as allies. They are allies of one another." (Surah Al-Ma'idah 5:51)

His Opposition:

- He aligns with **leftist and progressive groups** that promote **LGBTQ ideologies, feminism, and secular liberalism**, compromising core Islamic principles.
- His **participation in political protests and marches with groups that support blatant disobedience to Allah** contradicts the command to maintain **walaa' (loyalty to the believers)** and **baraa' (disavowal of disbelievers and sinners)**.

Shaykh Salih Al-Fawzan (حفظه الله) warns: "Participating in the systems of the disbelievers, aligning with their movements, and supporting their principles that oppose Islam is a major form of deviation."

Omar Suleiman's **support for LGBTQ-friendly politicians and alliances with secular feminists** is not just a mistake, but a **betrayal of the Islamic stance on morality**.