Weekly Question & Answer Session
with The Noble Shaykh Ḥasan ibn ‘Abd Al-Wahhāb Marzūq al-Bannā (رحمه الله)

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The following are the questions presented to the Shaykh with the corresponding minute marker from the audio:

1. There is a brother here from Columbus, Ohio who said, “The debt that I have is $32,000 (6%) in my name. However, under my mum’s name, she took out a debt with the intention that I pay it to the bank which is about $100,000 at about 7.8% interest. And then my parents took out another loan of $129,091 to build their house and after many mistakes, they currently owe about $140,000 on it. Also, the same loan from my brother for his school which is about $60,000. Currently the payments for the loan share about $800 under his mother’s name which about $650 goes to interest. He adds a lot of details, but what we care about is that he owes a loan of $32,000 and his mother borrowed another $100,000 in his name for him to finish school; this was before Islām. And towards the last part of college when he became a Muslim he took the last part of that loan.”

2. I was born into a Christian family but all praise is for Allah, I was guided to Islām and I’ve been a Muslim for a number of years now. My cousin’s wife recently told me that she is interested in Islām; they have a 4 year old son, and her husband is against her becoming a Muslim. What advice do you have for her O Shaykh in the situation where she is married to a Christian man and has
Christian family who are all against her becoming a Muslim, and things will become very difficult for her if she decides to accept Islām. [00:28:35]

3. Many Muslims in the U.K. face having to pay ḥarām car insurance in the case where having a car is not a necessity, according to the Qurʾān and Sunnah. Shaykh al-Uthaymīn outlined the conditions of necessity in one of his fatāwa, and most of the brothers do not meet these conditions when they buy their cars, for example; they can easily use public transportation so they are not compelled to buy a car. We are aware that paying ribā and signing ribā based contracts, bring some under the curse of Allāh. So, it must be a complete necessity that one purchases a car in the first place, because he will have to do this major sin, to abide by the law of the land. I would appreciate if you could share with us the ruling on this matter and warn the brothers from this. [00:40:15]

4. O Shaykh, what should I do if my parents and grandmother are against my niqāb and they want me to remove it and say that it is only the Sunnah? Personally, I hold the opinion that the niqāb is wājib upon me, but I do not say it is wājib upon everyone else. I am very sad because I fear that I am disobeying my parents, but I also fear that if I remove it, because they say so, that I’m disobeying Allāh and have obeyed them and not Allāh. [00:48:12]