

Weekly Question & Answer Session

with The Noble Shaykh Ḥasan ibn ‘Abd Al-Wahhāb Marzūq al-Bannā (حفظه الله)

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

1. I was born and raised in the States, where we pay government and state taxes. I have a tax debt is it obligatory for me to pay it although there is no law established that people must pay taxes? [00:00:42]
2. May Allāh bless you Yā Shaykh, in Kitab At-Tauhid, Hudhaifa saw a piece of twine on a man's hand then cut it off and recited the verse ‘Most of them believe in Allāh and still practise Shirk’ (12:106). Did this man commit major or minor shirk. As it states in important issues that Hudhaifa reciting the verse was a proof that companions used to recite the verses dealing with major shirk to condemn minor shirk? [00:03:00]
3. A sister goes to university in a city that is twenty minutes away from the city where she resides in, is this classed as traveling and does she need a mahram. Please may I get a clarification as there are many sisters whom travel up to up one hour or one and an half hour to other cities for universities as it is normal here in the United Kingdom? [00:28:04]





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4. If I did not know *zakāt* was obligatory on gold and because of this I did not pay it for three years for my gold. Should I pay the *zakāt* for the three years gone or would **Allāh** forgive me because I did not know. I am a student at university and I am not working at the moment as the gold is not mine and it belongs to my wife? [00:37:16]
5. Is it permissible to write children stories about *Islāmic* subjects. These stories are about people who do not really exist and these stories have never occurred. The stories are meant to replace the stories of the *kuffār* that contain inappropriate language and images of living things. These books are about prayer, good behavior, visiting the mosque and other things which encourage the children to do good? [00:39:46]
6. How do we answer to non *muslims* that ask us about death penalty for apostasy, *BārakAllāhufik*? [00:43:35]
7. There are a lot of *aḥadīth* and sayings of the *Salaf* may **Allāh** be pleased with them about the benefits of fasting the winter period. Does this mean it is permissible for us to fast almost the entire month during the winter period. I kept looking for a *fatawa* but no avail and the reason why I asked if we can fast the whole entire month is because of the *aḥadīth* of *Sha'bān*. Which states that it is always an act of *sunnah* to observe *sawm* in the whole of this month or most of it? [00:51:25]

