116375 - The Shi’ah claim that the Sahaabah did not attend the funeral of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him)

the question

The shais claim that the companions were not at the funeral of the prophet? is this true? and if its not where was they? are they hadiths to support this?.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

One of the most hateful characteristics that a person may have is that of lying. Hence the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said concerning it: “Beware of lying, for lying leads to wickedness and wickedness leads to Hell. A man may continue to tell lies and endeavour to tell lies, until he is recorded with Allaah as a liar.” Narrated by al-Bukhaari (6134) and Muslim (2607).

None of the groups that claim to belong to the ummah of Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) is known to tell lies more than the Shi’ah. This is something that has been well known about them from ancient times. The imams referred to that in their books hundreds of years ago, and they still have this hateful charcateristic.

Shaykh al-Islam Ibn Taymiyah (may Allaah have mercy on him) said:

The scholars are agreed, on the basis of reports and chains of narrators, that the Raafidah (the Shi’ah) are the most mendacious of groups and that the lies among them are ancient. Hence the imams defined them as being distinguished by the fact that they are liars.

Imam Maalik was asked about the Raafidah and he said: Do not talk to them and do not narrate from them, because they tell lies.

Imam al-Shaafa’i said: I have never seen anyone who bears false witness more than the Raafidis.

Yazeed ibn Haroon said: You can narrate from any man of innovation (bid'ah), provided that he is not active in calling others to his innovation, except al-Raafidah, because they are liars.

Shareek al-Qaadi said: Acquire knowledge from everyone you meet except the Raafidah, for they fabricate hadeeth and take that as their religion.

This Shareek is Shareek ibn 'Abd-Allaah al-Qaadi, the qaadi of Kufah, one of the peers of al-Thawri and Abu Haneefah. He is one of the Shi'ah who said with his own tongue: I am one of the Shi'ah, and this was his testimony concerning them.

These reports are proven; they were narrated by Abu 'Abd-Allaah ibn Battah in al-Ibaanah al-Kubra by him and others. End quote from Minhaaj al-Sunnah al-Nabawiyyah (1/26-27).

The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) died on 12th Rabee' al-Awwal 11 AH, after the sun had passed its zenith, and he was buried on the Tuesday night, after all the people of Madeenah had offered the funeral prayer for him, as Abu Bakr al-Siddeeq (may Allaah be pleased with him) said: Some people came in and said takbeer and offered the (funeral) prayer and said du'aa', then they left; then others came in and said takbeer and offered the (funeral) prayer and said du'aa', then they left, until all the people had come in. Narrated by al-Tirmidhi in al-Shamaa'il (p. 338) and classed as saheeh by al-Albaani in his review.

None of these Sahaabah who offered the funeral prayer for the Messenger (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) and were in Madeenah on that day should be thought of as having done anything but attend the funeral of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him). This is something so obvious as to need no proof or evidence. The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) was dearer to them than their spouses, fathers, mothers and children; he was even dearer to them than their own selves, as Anas (may Allaah be pleased with him) said: No person was dearer to them than the Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him). Narrated by al-Tirmidhi (2754) and classed as saheeh by al-Albaani in Saheeh al-Tirmidhi.

But some people's hearts are filled with hate and resentment against Islam and its people, so they fabricate lies against them and slander them falsely, although they (the Sahaabah) are the best of

people after the Prophets and Messengers of Allaah, according to the testimony of the Messenger (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) who said: “The best of people are my generation, then those who come after them, then those who come after them.” Narrated by al-Bukhaari (2652) and Muslim (2532).

The one who slanders, denigrates and reviles them is in fact slandering the Messenger (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him), for they are his companions, students and supporters, and they are the dearest of people to him.

There are reports which show that they attended his funeral, and the matter is too clear to need any evidence, as stated above.

It was narrated that Anas ibn Maalik (may Allaah be pleased with him) said: The day that the Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) entered Madeenah was the brightest of all, and the day on which he died was the darkest of all, and as soon as we had finished burying the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him), we felt that our hearts had changed.”

Narrated by al-Tirmidhi (3618) and classed as saheeh by Ibn Katheer in al-Bidaayah wa’l-Nihaayah (5/239).

Faatimah (may Allaah be pleased with her) said, when the people came back from burying her father (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him): O Anas, how could you bear to cover the Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) with earth? Narrated by al-Bukhaari (4462).

So where did these people get this fabrication?

But it is no wonder that they denied something that is well known and that no Muslim should be unaware of, and they denied that the Qur'aan is preserved, and they claimed that it was distorted and that something was taken away from it, and they impugned the honour of the Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him), and they reviled his Companions in the worst

manner, even though their virtue is mentioned in the Holy Qur’aan and the mutawaatir ahaadeeth from the Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him), on which the ummah is unanimously agreed. It is no wonder that those who denied these things would come up with a fabrication like this. “And Allaah encompasses them from behind! (i.e. all their deeds are within His Knowledge, and He will requite them for their deeds)” [al-Burooj 85:20]; “And those who do wrong will come to know by what overturning they will be overturned” [al-Shu’ara’ 26:227].

We ask Allaah to support His religion and cause His Word to prevail, and to defeat falsehood and its people.

May Allaah send blessings upon our Prophet Muhammad and all his family and companions.

And Allaah knows best.