

## Meaning

إِنْكَارُ مَا أَثْبَتَ اللَّهُ لِنَفْسِهِ مِنَ الْأَسْمَاءِ وَالصِّفَاتِ

**Rejecting the Names and Attributes which Allaah has affirmed for Himself**

## Explanation

**Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al Uthaymeen**

*Ta'teel* has the meaning "emptying" and "abandoning", just as in His statement, He the Most High:

**...a well which is *mu'attalah*...**

Soorah al Hajj (22) aayah 45

Meaning: empty and abandoned.

And what is meant by *ta'teel*<sup>1</sup> is:

Rejecting the Names and Attributes which Allaah has affirmed for Himself, whether that be all (of them) or a portion (of them), and whether that is done by *tahreef* (distortion) or through outright rejection – all of this is called *ta'teel*.

So the *ahl us sunnah wal jamaa'ah* do not make *ta'teel* of any of the Names of Allaah nor of any of the Attributes of Allaah nor do they deny them; rather they affirm them with a complete affirmation.

## Taken from

*Sharh ul 'aqeedatil waasitiyyah* of Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen *rahimahullaah* page 72  
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<sup>1</sup> In this particular instance, i.e. by Ibn Taymiyyah *rahimahullaah* in *Al Waasitiyyah*