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INTRODUCTION

All praise is due to Allah, the Lord, Creator, and Sustainer of all things. May He raise the rank of and grant peace to the final seal of all of His Prophets and Messengers, Muhammad, and all of his respected family and noble companions.

As we approach Ramadhaan, the month of fasting, the month of the Quran, the month of *taqwa* (piety), the month of Divine Forgiveness and nearness to Allah, we beg our Gracious and Merciful Lord that He bestow upon us sincerity, understanding of His Magnificent Book, the Quran, and actions and statements that He loves and is pleased with.

We praise Allah and thank Him for the tremendous level of success we enjoyed with last year's Ramadhaan lessons. They were held locally at al-Masjid al-Awwal in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and broadcast live internationally. Thousands of workbooks, in print and on Kindle, were distributed all over the world. Thousands of people attended the daily live broadcasts or downloaded the lessons. We ask Allah to accept from us and all of them!

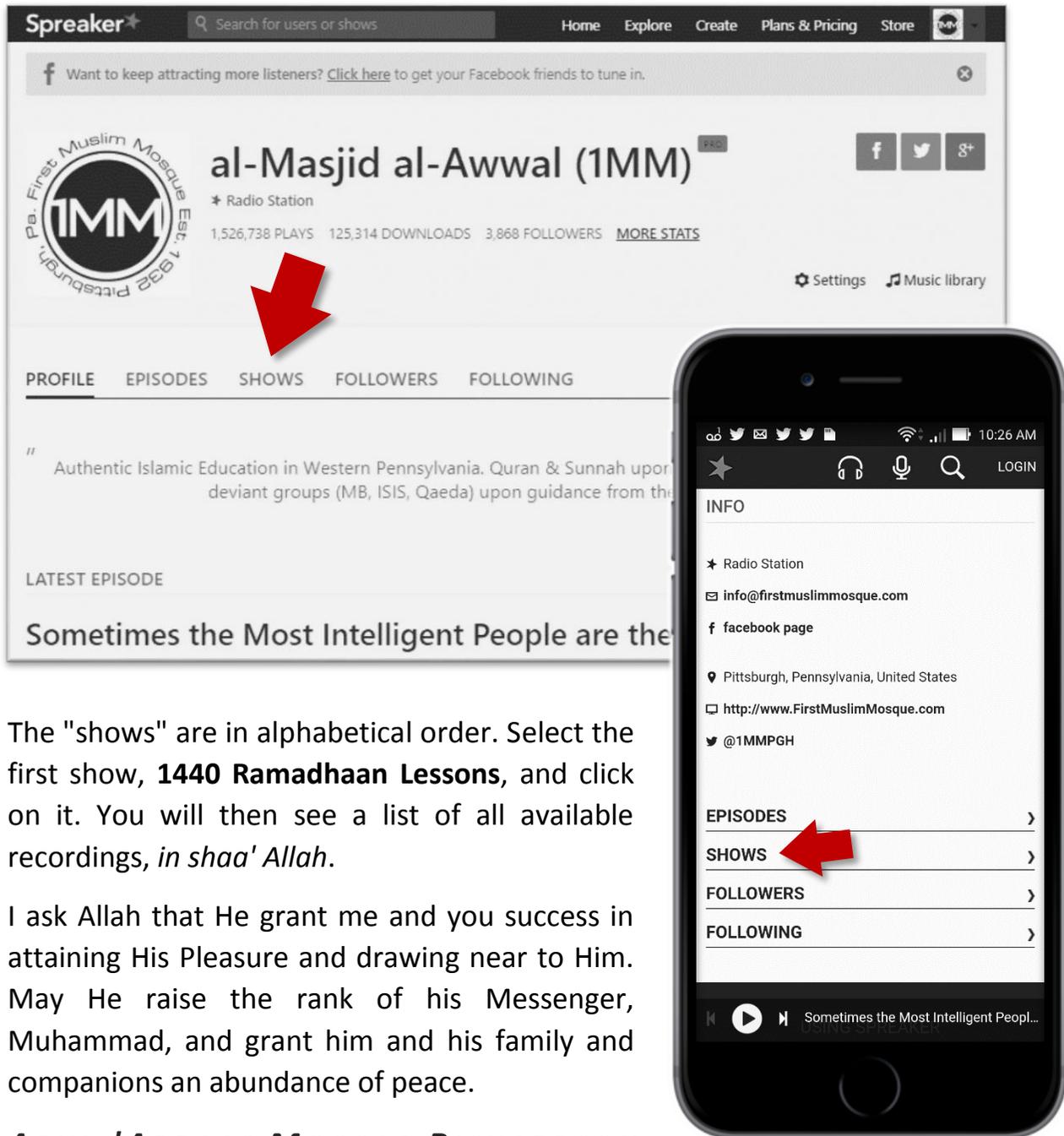
We listened carefully to feedback and planned this year's lessons to build on the best of last year.

While many students truly enjoyed the Arabic Language modules with each lesson last year, a considerable number of people struggled to get benefit from them. So Arabic enthusiasts: We have bad news and good news for you! The bad news is that we have removed the Arabic modules from within this year's Ramadhaan lessons. However, the good news is that we are preparing a new resource, a complete study course of the classic *Aajurroomiyyah* Primer, with workbook and recordings, slated for publication in 1441, *in shaa' Allah*.

This year's Ramadhaan Lessons, like last year's, are another mix of various topics of importance: Creed, Methodology, *Fiqh*, Manners, etc., presented as either *Tafseer* of Quranic passages or explanations of Hadeeth narrations. A heavy focus is given to reminders and admonitions throughout; the influence of and reliance upon the works of Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al-'Uthaymeen (may Allah have Mercy on him) should be apparent. Additionally, this year's lessons include an interesting new feature: A daily *fatwa* (edict) from the *Fatwa* Collection of Shaykh 'Abdul-'Azeez ibn Baaz (may Allah have Mercy on him). An index of the *fatwa* topics has been provided on page 128.

It is important to note that this workbook was not designed for independent self-study. To maximize your benefit from these lessons, attend in person, or download or listen to the recordings of the live 1440 Ramadhaan Lessons, and follow along using this workbook. Here is how you can benefit from the live broadcasts and/or their recordings:

Go to www.Spreaker.com/radio1mm and click on the "SHOWS" menu, as illustrated below:



The "shows" are in alphabetical order. Select the first show, **1440 Ramadhaan Lessons**, and click on it. You will then see a list of all available recordings, *in shaa' Allah*.

I ask Allah that He grant me and you success in attaining His Pleasure and drawing near to Him. May He raise the rank of his Messenger, Muhammad, and grant him and his family and companions an abundance of peace.

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1.1 QURANIC PASSAGE & TRANSLATION

﴿وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ آمِنُوا كَمَا آمَنَ النَّاسُ قَالُوا أَنْزِلْنَا كَمَا آمَنَ السُّفَهَاءُ أَلَا إِنَّهُمْ هُمُ
السُّفَهَاءُ وَلَكِنْ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١٣﴾ وَإِذَا لَقُوا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا قَالُوا آمَنَّا وَإِذَا خَلَوْا إِلَى
شَيْطَانِهِمْ قَالُوا إِنَّا مَعَكُمْ إِنَّمَا نَحْنُ مُسْتَهْزِئُونَ ﴿١٤﴾ اللَّهُ يَسْتَهْزِئُ بِهِمْ وَيَمُدُّهُمْ فِي
طُغْيَانِهِمْ يَعْمَهُونَ ﴿١٥﴾ أُولَئِكَ الَّذِينَ اشْتَرُوا الضَّلَالَةَ بِالْهُدَىٰ فَمَا رَبِحَت تِّجَارَتُهُمْ
وَمَا كَانُوا مُهْتَدِينَ ﴿١٦﴾﴾ (البقرة)

When it is said to them, "Believe as the people have believed," They say, "Should we believe as fools do!?" Nay, it is they who are actually the fools, yet they do not even know. When they meet up with the people who believe, they say, "We [also] believe." Yet when they go off in secret to their devils, they say, "We are really with you; we were only mocking [the believers]." Allah ridicules them and increases their misguided transgressions in which they stumble about aimlessly. Such are those who have purchased misguidance with the guidance [they had], and so their trade earned no profit, nor were they rightly guided. (2:13-16)

1.2 TAFSEER BENEFITS

- 1) When it is said to "them"
- 2) Definition of hypocrisy
- 3) Why we learn the attributes of hypocrites

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12) Mockery as a divine Attribute	
13) Respite given to transgressors	
14) "Those are the ones..."	
15) The greatest loss ever	
(18:103-106)	
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1.4 FATWA: Shaykh 'Abdul-'Azeez ibn Baaz (may Allah have Mercy on him) was asked the following question. Listen and summarize his answer in the box below.

Question: How many witnesses are required to establish the sighting of the crescent moon of Ramadhan?

Shaykh Ibn Baaz replied:

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2.1 HADEETH & TRANSLATION

عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ، عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ، قَالَ: «تَجِدُونَ النَّاسَ مَعَادِنَ: فَخِيَارُهُمْ فِي الْجَاهِلِيَّةِ خِيَارُهُمْ فِي الْإِسْلَامِ إِذَا فَقَهُوا؛ وَتَجِدُونَ مِنْ خَيْرِ النَّاسِ فِي هَذَا الْأَمْرِ، أَكْرَهُهُمْ لَهُ، قَبْلَ أَنْ يَقَعَ فِيهِ، وَتَجِدُونَ مِنْ شَرِّارِ النَّاسِ ذَا الْوَجْهَيْنِ، الَّذِي يَأْتِي هُوَ لَاءَ بُوْجِهٍ وَهُوَ لَاءَ بُوْجِهٍ.» (مُتَّفَقٌ عَلَيْهِ)

On the authority of Aboo Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him): The Prophet (may Allah raise his rank and grant him peace) said: "**You will find the people to be different types: The best of them in *Jaahiliyyah* (the pre-Islamic era of ignorance) are the best of them in Islam, so long as they have gained understanding [of Islamic rulings and principles]. You will find that from the best of the people in this affair are those who hated it the most, before they entered into it. And you will find that among the worst of the people is the two-faced person; he comes to these people with one face, and to those people with a different face.**" (Agreed upon)

2.2 BENEFITS OF THE HADEETH

1) Aboo Hurayrah
2) Agreed upon
3) Like different rocks/minerals (literally)
4) Muslims are on different levels of knowledge and religiosity. (Hadeeth)

5) The importance of gaining <i>Fiqh</i> (understanding) (Hadeeth)
6) "Those who hate it the most" (Hadeeth) (Athar)
7) Two-facedness detailed in Quran 2:14
8) A specific punishment in the Hereafter for two-facedness (Hadeeth)
9) Playing both sides of the fence
10) The extent of the evil sown by such a person
11) He is more evil than either party he pretends to be with
12) The legal testimony of a two-faced person (2:282) (Hadeeth)
13) Understanding what some people consider a clash (Hadeeth)
14) How to improve our character, in light of this discussion

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2.3 LEARN AN AUTHENTIC SUPPLICATION: The following supplication was collected by al-Haakim, al-Bayhaqee, and others. It was classified as authentic by al-Albaanee in *Saheeh al-Jaami' as-Sagheer* (no.1285).

O Allah! I seek refuge with You from incapability, laziness, cowardice, stinginess, senility, harshness, heedlessness, poverty, humiliation, and abjection.

I also seek refuge with You from destitution [of the soul], disbelief, disobedience, division, hypocrisy, and desiring to be heard or seen.

And I seek refuge with you from deafness, being mute, insanity, leprosy, skin disease, and the worst of illnesses.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْعَجْزِ وَالْكَسَلِ،
وَالْجُبْنِ وَالْبُخْلِ، وَالْهَرَمِ وَالْقَسْوَةِ، وَالْغَفْلَةِ
وَالْعَيْلَةِ، وَالذَّلَّةِ وَالْمَسْكِنَةِ؛

وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ الْفَقْرِ وَالْكَفْرِ، وَالْفُسُوقِ،
وَالشَّقَاقِ، وَالتَّفَاقِ، وَالسُّمْعَةِ، وَالرِّيَاءِ؛

وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ الصَّمَمِ وَالْبَكَمِ، وَالْجُنُونِ،
وَالْجُذَامِ، وَالْبَرَصِ، وَسَيِّئِ الْأَسْقَامِ.

2.4 FATWA: Shaykh 'Abdul-'Azeez ibn Baaz (may Allah have Mercy on him) was asked the following question. Listen and summarize his answer in the box below.

Question: Is it permissible to ignore the moon sightings and rely solely upon scientific calculations to plan the beginning of Ramadhaan?

Shaykh Ibn Baaz replied:

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LESSON 3

THE CHANGING OF THE QIBLAH DIRECTION

3.1 QURANIC PASSAGE & TRANSLATION

﴿ سَيَقُولُ السُّفَهَاءُ مِنَ النَّاسِ مَا وَلَّاهُمْ عَن قِبَلَتِهِمُ الَّتِي كَانُوا عَلَيْهَا قُلِ لِلَّهِ الْمَشْرِقُ وَالْمَغْرِبُ يَهْدِي مَن يَشَاءُ إِلَى صِرَاطٍ مُسْتَقِيمٍ ﴿١٤٢﴾ وَكَذَلِكَ جَعَلْنَاكُمْ أُمَّةً وَسَطًا لِتَكُونُوا شُهَدَاءَ عَلَى النَّاسِ وَيَكُونَ الرَّسُولُ عَلَيْكُمْ شَهِيدًا وَمَا جَعَلْنَا الْقِبْلَةَ الَّتِي كُنْتَ عَلَيْهَا إِلَّا لِنَعْلَمَ مَن يَتَّبِعُ الرَّسُولَ مِمَّن يَنْقَلِبُ عَلَى عَقْبَيْهِ وَإِن كَانَتْ لَكَبِيرَةً إِلَّا عَلَى الَّذِينَ هَدَى اللَّهُ وَمَا كَانَ اللَّهُ لِيُضِيعَ إِيمَانَكُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ بِالنَّاسِ لَرءُوفٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿١٤٣﴾ ﴾ (البقرة)

The fools among men will say: "What has turned them away from their *qiblah* (direction), the one they used to face?" Say: "To Allah belongs the East and the West. He guides whomsoever He wills to a straight path." As such We have made you a balanced nation, to be witnesses over the people, and so the Messenger would be, over you all, a witness. And We have not made the previous *qiblah* you faced except as a matter through which We make known those who follow the Messenger from those who turn on their heels. It was indeed a huge matter [of difficulty], except upon those whom Allah has guided. And Allah would not allow your faith to be lost. Verily, Allah is indeed Ever Compassionate, Ever Merciful. (2:142-143)

3.2 TAFSEER BENEFITS

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| 1) Who are the "fools among men"? |
| 2) Allah foretells their statement before they utter it. |
| 3) The previous <i>qiblah</i> |
| 4) "To Allah belongs the East and the West" |

5) "A straight path"
6) Preparing someone for what is coming
7) Explaining some matters by <i>Ruboobiyyah</i> alone
8) Guidance is of two basic types: (28:56) (42:52)
9) The virtue of those guided back to the original <i>qiblah</i> (3:96)
10) The meaning of this Ummah being balanced In creed: In <i>Fiqh</i> :
11) Muslims as witnesses over Mankind
12) The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) as a witness over us
13) The definite article in the wording: "THE Messenger"
14) "We make known those who..."
15) The meaning of following
16) "From those who turn on their heels"
17) The meaning of "your faith"

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18) The Creed of *Ahlu-Sunnah* about *Eemaan*

19) Two Names and their Attributes

A)

B)

20) Being tested through Allah's Rulings

A)

B)

C)

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21) The general obligation of following:

(33:36)

(4:65)

(24:51)

22) Faith makes difficult tasks easy

23) Our actions are preserved and not lost

24) An example of abrogation (*naskh*)



3.3 FATWA: Shaykh 'Abdul-'Azeez ibn Baaz (may Allah have Mercy on him) was asked the following question. Listen and summarize his answer in the box below.

Question: What if someone starting fasting in a land that began fasting with a moon sighting, and then traveled to another land where they began fasting after a full 30 days of Sha'baan, and then he ends up fasting 31 days because of this?

Shaykh Ibn Baaz replied:

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