



## Bismillah Ar-Rahman Ar-Rahim

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Does saying the phrase «أشهد أنّ عليّاً ولىّ الله» in the Azan abrogates it? Shi'a scholars do not consider it as a part of Azan, but do not forbid saying it either (by reasoning based on verse 55 of Surah Al-Ma'eidah). Is Mr. Khorasani's opinion the same?

## Answer to question: 1

Saying «الشهد أنّ عليّاً ولى الله» in Azan, like saying «الشهد أنّ عليّاً ولى الله» in it is innovation, and if it is said without believing in its particularity, then it actually is talking in the middle of Azan which is considered to be abominable, and this is a law that has not been unknown for the former Shi'a scholars; as Muhammad ibn Ali ibn Babawayh (D. 381 AH), known as Shaykh Saduq, in the book "Man la yahduruhu al-Faqih" (vol. 1, page 290), has considered saying this phrase in Azan to be from the innovations of "whom may be cursed by God" who have falsely made themselves among the Shi'a.



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