Ahlul Hadeeth
A Attributive Name and Consensus
(50 Statements Concerning the Ahlul Hadeeth)
Part 1 (1-10)

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We are presenting 50 statements from the pious predecessors which prove the title and distinguishing and attributive name of Ahlul Hadeeth that it is absolutely correct and there is consensus upon it.

(1) Imaam Bukhaari
Imaam Bukhaari said concerning the victorious group, “ie they are the Ahlul Hadeeth.”

Imaam Bukhaari has mentioned from Yahyaa ibn Sa’eed al-Qattaan concerning a narrator, “He was not from the people of hadeeth.” (Ahlul Hadeeth)

(2) Imaam Muslim
Imaam Muslim said concerning disparaged narrators, “They are accused (ie disparaged remarks pertaining to hadeeth.) according to the Ahlul Hadeeth.”

Imaam Muslim further said, “We have explained the madhab of Ahlul Hadeeth and its people.”

Imaam Muslim said concerning, Ayoob as-Sakhtiyaanee, Ibn A’un, Maalik ibn Anas, Shu’bah bin al-Hajjaaj, Yahyaa ibn Sa’eed al-Qattaan, Abdur-Rahman ibn Mahdee and those who came after them as, “They are the Ahlul Hadeeth.”

(3) Imaam Shaafi’ee
Imaam Muhammad bin Idrees as-Shaafi’ee said concerning a week narration, “Something similar is not established according to Ahlul Hadeeth.”

Imaam Shaafi’ee also said, “Whenever I see a man from the Ashaabul (People/companions) of Hadeeth then it is as if I have seen the Prophet alive.”

(4) Imaam Ahmad ibn Hanbal
Imaam Ahmad ibn Hanbal was asked concerning the victorious group, he replied, “If the victorious

Masalah al-Ihtijaaj Baa ash-Shaafi’ee Lil-Khateeb (pg.47),
The chain is authentic, al-Hujjah Fee Bayaan al-Muhajjah (1/246)

At-Taarekh al-Kabeer (6/429), adh-Dhua’faa as-Sagheer no.281

Saheeh Muslim, al-Muqadimah (pg.6) before the first chapter, another edition (1/5)

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Saheeh Muslim, al-Muqadimah (pg.22) Chapter the correct deduction of al-MAanAan, another edition (1/26), another edition (1/23)

As-Sunan al-Kubraa of Baihaqee (1/260), the chain is authentic

Sharf Ashaabul Hadeeth of Khateeb (no.85) the chain is authentic.

Ma’arifah Uloom al-Hadeeth of Haakim (pg.2 no.3) the chain is good and Ibn Hajr authenticated it in Fath ul-Baari (13/293) under hadeeth (no.7311)
group are not the Ashaabul Hadeeth then I do not know who are.”

(5) Imaam Yahyaa ibn Sa’eed al-Qattaan
Imaam Yahyaa ibn Sa’eed al-Qattaan said concerning Suleimaan bin Tarkhaan at-Taymee, “Taymee according to us is from amongst the Ahlul Hadeeth.”

Concerning another narrator of hadeeth, Imraan bin Qudaamah al-Ummee, Yahyaa al-Qattaan said, “but he was not from the Ahlul Hadeeth.”

(6) Imaam Tirmidhee
Imaam Tirmidhee said about a narrator by the name of Abu Zaid, “and the man Abu Zaid is unknown according to Ahlul Hadeeth”

(7) Imaam Abu Dawood
Imaam Abu Dawood as-Sijastaanee said, “According to the normal Ahlul Hadeeth.”

(8) Imaam Nasaa’ee
Imaam Nasaa’ee said, “and there is benefit for the people of Islaam and from them are the Ahlul Hadeeth the one with knowledge, fiqh and Quraan.”

(9) Imaam Ibn Khuzaimah
Imaam Muhammad ibn Ishaaq bin Khuzaimah al-Neesaabooreee said concerning a hadeeth, “We have not seen any differences amongst the Ahlul Hadeeth and this report is authentic in terms of being narrated.”

(10) Imaam Ibn Hibbaan
Haafidh Muhammad bin Hibbaan al-Bustee established the following chapter heading for a hadeeth, “In mentioning the hadeeth by which some of the Mu’attilah (those who deny Allaahs attributes) censure the Ahlul Hadeeth because they are deprived from divine guidance in relation to its correct meaning.”

Musnad Alee bin Ja’ad (1/594) hadeeth no. 1354 and the chain is authentic, another edition (no. 1314), al-Jarh Wat-Ta’deel of Ibn Abee Haatim (4/125) and the chain is authentic.

al-Jarh Wat-Ta’deel (6/303) the chain is authentic.

Sunan Tirmidhee (no.88)

Risaalah Abee Dawood Ilaa Makkah Fee Wasaf as-Sunnah (pg.30), manuscript form (pg.1)

Sunan Nasaa’ee (7/135 no 4147),at-Ta’aleeqaat as-Salafiyyah (no.4152)

Saheeh Ibn Khuzaimah (1/21 no.31)

Saheeh Ibn Hibbaan, al-Ehsaan (no.566), another edition (no.565)
At another instance Haafidh Ibn Hibbaan mentioned the following attribute of the Ahlul Hadeeth, “They act upon the Sunnah, defend it and annihilate its opponents.”

Saheeh Ibn Hibbaan, al-Ehsaan (no.6129), another edition (no.6162) also refer to (1/140 before hadeeth no (61)