

Meaning of وَالِدٌ and أَبٌ

The respected Shaykh Dr. V. Abdur Rahim, حَفِظَهُ اللهُ was asked:

Question

I would love to see an explanation of the difference between أَبَوَانِ and وَالِدَانِ.

Answer

The Shaykh replied (quote):

The two words أَبٌ and وَالِدٌ have the same meaning, but each has its own area of emphasis.

While the second word emphasizes the biological aspect, the first refers more to the emotional relationship.

(End quote)

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