

اللغة العربية

«أَبُو الْحَسَنِ»



Question

Why is the **أَلْ** sometimes added to a name when used with Abū?

e.g. Why is someone called **أَبُو الْحَسَنِ** not **أَبُو حَسَنِ**

or **أَبُو الْقَاسِمِ** not **أَبُو قَاسِمٍ** ?

Faḍīlat al-Shaykh Dr. V. Abdur Rahim (حفظه الله) replies:



وعليكم السلام

I have mentioned in the lesson that the definite article «أل» may be added to a proper name to suggest that he possesses the quality that the word literally means, e.g. العَبَّاس.

The proper names الْحَسَن and الْحُسَيْن are instances of this phenomenon.

But in the case of the names of the two sons of ‘Aliyy رضي الله عنهم, the definite article is almost always used with them.

But there are others with these names who have their names without «أل», e.g.:

7 : كِتَابُ الْإِيْمَانِ , in al-Bukhāriyy, حُسَيْنُ الْمُعَلِّمِ

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