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Abul Fadhl, Ibn Naasir¹ held firm to the madhhab of Imaam Ahmad in ‘Aqeedah (beliefs) and upon the manhaj (methodology) of the Salaf as-Saalih (righteous predecessors). He was harsh with the people of innovations, refuting them and rebuking the Soofees from them.

Al-Haafidh Ibn Naasir – rahimahullaah- exposed the lies and forgeries of Ahmad al-Ghazaalee², the Soofee, when he narrated from Muhammad bin Taahir al-Maqdisee, his statement: Ahmad al-Ghazaalee was a sign from amongst the signs of Allaah in lying. He connected to this world by preaching. I heard him one day in Hamdhaan saying:

¹ He was Abul Fadhl, Muhammad bin Naasir bin Muhammad bin ‘Alee bin ‘Umar al-Selaamee, al-Baghdaadee. His ascription is to the city of Selaam in Baghdaad. He was born in the year 467 Hijrah to a known Muhaddith of his time who passed away while ibn Naasir was young. He wrote many works including Manaaqib al-Imaam Ahmad. He studied under many of the notables of his time including Abil Qaasim ibn al Basree, Abee Taahir bin Abis-Saqr, ‘Aasim bin al-Hussayn, Ismaa’eel bin as-Saamirqandee, and Abee Mansoor al-Khayyaat. His students include Abul Qaasim Ibn ‘Asaakir, Aboo Taahir as-Salafee, Aboo Sa’ad as-Sam’aanee, Abul Faraj Ibnul Jawzee, and Taaj al-Kindee. He was praised by many of the people of his era. As-Sam’aanee said of him: “*Abul Fadhl was the Haafidh of Baghdaad in his time, and he was knowledgeable of the texts of the Hadeeth and their chains.*” Aboo Moosa al-Madeenee said about him, “*He was from the people of Hadeeth of his time in Baghdaad.*” (Siyaar A’laam an-Nubalaa 20/265)

² This is not the famous Aboo Haamid Muhammad al-Ghazaalee, author of Ihyaa ‘Uloom ad-Deen

“I saw Iblees in the middle of this bond prostrating to me”

I said to him, *“Wayhak! Verily Allaah – ‘azza wa jall – ordered him to prostrate to Aadam and he turned away!”*

He said: *“By Allaah, he prostrated to me more than 70 times, so I knew that he did not return to the religion and beliefs”*

He said: And he used claim that he saw the Messenger of Allaah (salallaahu alaihi wa salam) with his eyes and not in his sleep. And he used to mention on the minbar (pulpit) that whatever caused problems for him, he would see the Messenger of Allaah (Sallallaahu alaihi wa salam) and ask him about that problem and he would point him to what is correct.

He said: And one day I heard him speaking about some of the scholars. When he came down I asked him about it and he said, *“I put it at its time”*. He said: And he has from these Ignorant statements and idiocies.

