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It is not possible for there to be rapprochement between the Sunnis and Shi ' ah

On the basis of your knowledge of the history of the Raafidah, what is your opinion on the principle of rapprochement between the Sunnis and them?.

Praise be to Allaah.

Rapprochement between the Raafidah and the Sunnis is not possible, because their beliefs are different. The belief of Ahl al-Sunnah wa ' l-Jamaa ' ah is Tawheed or the oneness of Allaah and devoting worship sincerely to Allaah alone, and that no one can be called upon alongside Him, no angel who is close to Him and no Prophet who was sent, and Allaah is the only one who knows the unseen. It is part of the belief of Ahl al-Sunnah to love the Sahaabah (may Allaah be pleased with them all) and to be pleased with them, and to believe that they are the best of Allaah's creation after the Prophets, and that the best of them are Abu Bakr, then ' Umar, then ' Uthmaan, then ' Ali (may Allaah be pleased with them all). The Raafidis are the opposite of that, so it is not possible to reconcile between them, just as it is not possible to reconcile between the Jews, Christians and idolaters and Ahl al-Sunnah. Similarly it is not possible to achieve rapprochement between the Raafidis and Ahl al-Sunnah, because of the difference in beliefs as we have explained. End quote.