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Taken from the works of Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ)

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

With regards to a person putting into practice his testimony (that Muhammad (صلى الله عليه وسلم)<sup>1</sup> is the Messenger of Allaah) and how the person might fall short in doing that, Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ)<sup>2</sup> states:

As for that which reduces the implementation of this testimony, then it is:

1) Carrying out an act of disobedience.

So the act of disobedience causes a reduction in the implementation of this testimony because through your act of disobedience, you have departed from following the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم).

2) Innovating in the religion that which is not from it.

This is because you have sought to draw close to Allaah with that which neither Allaah nor His Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) legislated. So innovating in the religion is, in reality, an act of mocking Allaah because you have sought to draw close to Him with something which He did not legislate.

(Al qawl ul mufeed (1/71) of Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ))

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<sup>1</sup> (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him

<sup>2</sup> (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

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