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Shaykh al-Albaanee (rahimahullaah)¹ mentioned in *Silsilah*, “‘Aaishah, the Mother of The Believers (rad iyallaahu `anhaa)², that the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)³ said, “Indeed the devil comes to you and says, ‘Who created you?’ He says, ‘Allaah.’ He says, ‘So who created Allaah?’ So when one of you finds that [i.e., such whisperings], let him read, ‘I believe in Allaah and His Messengers,’ for verily that will leave him.”⁴

From Aboo Hurairah (rad iyallaahu `anhu)⁵ who said, “The Prophet of Allaah (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said, “The devil comes to one of you and says, ‘Who created such and such? Who created such and such? Who created such and such?’ Until he says, ‘Who created your Lord?’ When he reaches that [level], then let one seek refuge with Allaah and refrain from such thoughts.”⁶

“The people are about to question each other, such that one of them will say, ‘(This saying of yours that) Allaah created the creation (is well-known), so who created Allaah, the Mighty and Majestic?’ When they say that, then say, ‘Allaah is One. Allaah is the Self-Sufficient Master. He begets not, nor was He begotten. And there is none co-equal or comparable to Him.’ Then let him spit [dry-spit] to his left three times and seek refuge from the Devil.”⁷ [Trans. note: the additions in parentheses () were taken from *Awn al-Ma’bood*.]

Shaykh al-Albaanee (rahimahullaah) said, “These authentic hadeeths show that it is incumbent upon the one to whom the Devil has whispered by saying, ‘Who created Allaah?’ to turn away from arguing with him and instead answer him with what has been reported in the aforementioned hadeeths.

And the summary is that he should say:

أَمَنْتُ بِاللَّهِ وَرُسُلِهِ
اللَّهُ أَحَدٌ اللَّهُ الصَّمَدُ
لَمْ يَلِدْ وَلَمْ يُولَدْ
وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ

Āmantu billāhi wa rusulihī.
Allāhu Aḥad. Allāhus-Ṣamad.
Lam yalid, wa lam yūlad.
Wa lam yakullahū kufuwan aḥad.

‘I believe in Allaah and His Messengers.
Allaah is One. Allaah is the Self-Sufficient Master.
He begets not, nor was He begotten.
And there is none co-equal or comparable unto Him.’

¹ (rahimahullaah) (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ) May Allaah have mercy on him

² (rad iyallaahu `anhaa) May Allaah be pleased with her

³ (صلى الله عليه وسلم) May the peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him

⁴ *Silsilah* 116 *Hasan*

⁵ (rad iyallaahu `anhu) May Allaah be pleased with him

⁶ Bukhaaree and Muslim, *Silsilah* no. 117

⁷ *Silsilah* 118 *Hasan*

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Then spit to his left three times and then seek refuge with Allaah from the Devil and finally refrain from drifting away with the whisperings.

And I believe that whoever does that, out of obedience to Allaah and His Messenger, being sincere in that, then the whisperings will certainly leave him. And his devil will be vanquished, due to his saying (صلى الله عليه وسلم), “... **for verily that will leave him.**”

And this noble, prophetic instruction is more beneficial and more final in terminating the whisperings than logical argumentation in this issue. For indeed argumentation rarely benefits in issues such as it.

And what a pity it is that most people are ignorant of this precious, prophetic instruction!

So take heed, O Muslims! And become acquainted with the Sunnah of your Prophet, and act upon it—for verily, in it is your cure and your honour.”⁸

⁸ *Silsilah*, vol. 1, pp., 233-236.