



Third question from Fatwa No. (3535):

Q 3: What is the ruling on offering Salah behind a clean-shaven Imam who also mocks bearded men and orders them to shave it off?

A: It is not permissible to mock a bearded man as he grows his beard in compliance with the command of the Prophet (peace be upon him) thereof. Moreover, the mocker should be advised and instructed

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that mocking people who grow their beards is a great sin which a person is warned against as they may be judged as apostates. Allah (may He be Exalted) says: ﴿ Say: "Was it at Allāh (Exalted and Sublime), and His Ayāt (proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.) and His Messenger (peace be upon him) that you were mocking?" ﴾ Make no excuse; you have disbelieved after you had believed. ﴾

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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