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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

Shaykh Saalih al-Fawzaan (حفظه الله): Thus innovation varies. And all of it is evil. It should not be taken lightly, saying: “This is a mild innovation.” Do not take innovation lightly, because it is like a spark from a fire. If it is left alone it will burn all that is around it. And if it is extinguished the people will be saved from its evil; innovation is like this. Thus is upon the Muslims to be cautious concerning the innovator. And do not have a good thought about him.

Meaning, do not be deceived by what they display; thus saying: “These are the people of worship, these are the people of repentance, these people soften the hearts, these are the people who remember Allaah.” Rather as long as he is an innovator then do not be deceived by him.

¹ (حفظه الله) May Allaah the Most High preserve him