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## Dealing with relatives who are upon innovation

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

**Question:** How do you interact with the people of innovation if they are from kinsfolk and near relatives?

**Shaykh Saalih al-Fawzaan** (حفظه الله)<sup>1</sup>: Interact with them by showing kindness to them if they are in need and assist them. Connect the ties of kinship. As for following them, this is not permissible. Do not obey them in the innovation, and do not follow them upon the innovation, but show them kindness according to their rights. But do not follow them upon the innovation. It is also obligatory upon you to advise them. And presenting them with clarity is from their rights they have upon you. Advise them against the innovation and clarify it to them; because perhaps they believe it is not innovation rather it is from the Sunnah!! You explain this to them.

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<sup>1</sup> (حفظه الله) May Allaah the Most High preserve him