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The errors of the scholar and those of the daa'ee

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

Question: May Allaah treat you well, the questioner says: "Is there a difference between the error of the scholar and the error of the caller; and their mistakes? And is there is a difference between the mistake in creed and Minhaj and opposing the consensus, and the mistake in Fiqh? And as it relates to refuting the errors, how is it to be done, may Allaah preserve you?"

Shaykh Saalih al-Fawzaan (حفظه الله)¹: It is obligatory to be firmly grounded in knowledge; (this goes) for the caller and for every Muslim, that he become firmly grounded before he speaks and before he acts. It is a must that he become firmly grounded in that which he says and does; this is so that he does not fall into error. And if he does err then it is upon him to return and retract from that to that which is correct.

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