

12044 - He recites the soorah after al-Faatihah quietly so that the congregation can recite al-Faatihah

the question

After reciting al-Faatihah in Jumu'ah (Friday) prayers, the Imaam recites part of the following soorah in a low voice, so that those who believe that it is obligatory for members of the congregation to recite al-Faatihah can do so. Then the imaam recites the rest of the soorah out loud. Is this bid'ah?

Detailed answer

We put this question to Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al-'Uthaymeen, may Allaah preserve him, who answered as follows:

Yes, this is bid'ah. And Allaah knows best.