

**[PROVISIONAL TRANSLATION FROM PERSIAN]**

[Translator's notes appear in square brackets]

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[The excerpt below is from the section of the article that pertains to the Baha'i Faith]

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Questioning Ayatollah Khamenei about Bahaim

Question 328: Please answer the following questions:

1- What has been decreed for the Muslim students with regard to association, companionship, and shaking hands with students who are the followers of the perverse Baha'i sect, either boys or girls, Mokallaf<sup>1</sup> or not, inside or outside of school, in elementary, high school, or pre-university?

2- How should the professors or teachers treat students who publicly announce that they are Baha'is, or whether we know they are?

3- What has been decreed for the use of the facilities used by all students, such as water fountains, faucets and ewer with a spout, soap, and the like, with the understanding that the hands and body become wet.

Answer: All members of the perverse Baha'i sect are condemned for being unclean. If they touch anything, it is essential that all the rules about cleanliness are followed. However, the treatment of Baha'i students by principals and teachers should be based on Islamic laws and ethics.

Question 329: Please guide us on how to deal with this perverse Baha'i sect and their presence of its followers in Islamic community.

Answer: All the believers should confront the deceitfulness and immorality of the perverse Baha'i sect and prevent others from deviating and joining them.

Question 330: Sometimes some of the followers of the perverse Baha'i sect bring us foods or other things, can we use them?

Answer: Avoid any contact with this perverse, misguided sect.

Question 331: A large number of Baha'is live near us and come to our houses. Some say that they are unclean and others say they are clean. This group of Baha'is demonstrate good ethics. Are they unclean or clean?

Answer: They are unclean and the enemies of your religion. So, my dear children, definitely avoid them.

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<sup>1</sup> [Mokallaf: Becoming of age to perform spiritual obligations]