

**« Abd Allāh b. Yazd al-Fazār »**

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‘Abd Allāh b. Yazd al-Fazār is known as the most prominent Ibādī kalām theologian in the 2nd/8th century. The influence of his theological thought has remained strong among Ibādīs in the Maghrib until modern times. Recently two manuscripts containing several texts either composed by him or quoting responses to questions posed to him have come to light in Algeria. One of the texts is a fragment of a Kitāb al-Futūḥ in which he is questioned about the legal status of the territory of Islam and of its residents. Al-Fazārī describes the territory of Islam as an abode of monotheism as well as hypocrisy where precautionary dissimulation may legitimately be practiced by Muslims. In defining true Islam, he goes beyond earlier Ibādī doctrine by stipulating sound belief in addition to action in accordance with Qur’anic law