



Ask Our Imam

Connecting The Creation To The Creator



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QUESTION:

Is it permissible to use the term 'Mawlana' for scholars and others? Isn't this term specific to Allah?

ANSWER:

In the Name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.
As-salāmu 'alaykum wa-rahmatullāhi wa-barakātuh.

Essentially, the term "Mawlana" encompasses a wide range of meanings, including but not limited to: the Lord, the Owner, the Master, the Bestower, the Emancipator, the Helper, the Beloved, the Follower, the Neighbour, the Cousin, the Ally, the Leader, the In-law, the Servant, as well as many more meanings. Furthermore, this term has been employed by the Prophet himself, along with other prophets and revered predecessors. Consequently, its usage is considered permissible.

And Allah Ta'ālā Knows Best
Zayd Imran

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