Truth on the tongue of Umar (r)

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A Hadith states that Rasulullaah (SAW) said, "Verily Allaah has placed the truth on the tongue of Umar." (1) This tells us that nothing contrary to the truth will come from the tongue of Hadhrat Umar (RA). Therefore, why should he not be a criterion for good and bad?

There is also another narration in which Rasulullaah (SAW) said, "There has been Muhaddathoon in the previous nations (people whose tongues are inspired with the truth). If there is any Muhaddath in my Ummah, it is definitely Umar."(2)

Imaam Tahtaawi (RH) reports a Hadith in which Rasulullaah (SAW) says, "Many things will be initiated after me and those that I love the most are the ones that Umar shall initiate. You people should therefore adhere steadfastly to that which Umar initiates."(3)

- 1) Tirmidhi, as quoted in Mishkaatul Masaabeeh (Pg.554).
- 2) Mishkaatul Masaabeeh (Pg.554).
- 3) Imaam Tahtaawi (RH)'s commentary to Maraaqil Falaah, Pg.239.

SubhanAllah, look at the third Hadith. How many times have we heard that Taraweeh is 8 Rakaats, it was Umar(RA) who introduced 20 rakaats. And how many times have we said that we must follow the Sunnah of The Khulafa e Rashideen. We hear the same thing about Talaq by the same people, they say that it was Umar who said 3 talaqs is 3 not 1 talaq. SubhanAllah!

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