

THOSE WHO CAN SHOULD DO THE HAJJ DUTY

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Thank Allah today is the first of the month of Zul Hijja. The hajj (pilgrimage) is near. The hajj worship is fard (obligatory). Of course, many people today do not realize it or do not have the means, and they do not sign up for the hajj duty. It is alright if a person signs up for the hajj duty and does not win the lottery. What is important is for the person to sign up for the hajj duty. The intention is important. They would be entering that road. Allah forbid if the person dies due to old age, there would be no responsibility for the hajj duty on their shoulders. You signed up for hajj and your intention was on stand-by.

However, for people who have the money and are healthy but do not go to hajj or do not give importance to it, just like there will be a punishment for not fulfilling the obligatory namaz (prayer), there is a similar punishment for not going to hajj.

There is no need to go to hajj if the person does not have money and intends to borrow. If the person has money but says, "I do not have the time any day now," then they are under a sinful burden (wabal). It carries both a penalty and they would be deprived of a great reward. Doing a nafila (supererogatory) worship does not compensate for a fard. Doing a fard has a hundred thousand rewards. Whether you do a nafila or not, it neither has a penalty nor a sinful burden. When you do not do a worship that is fard, that time it has a penalty. Fard worships are Allah's commands. We should not take Allah's commands lightly.

Many people go to umra (minor pilgrimage). Prayer is every day. Ramadan and fasting is a worship done once a year, while hajj is a worship done once in a lifetime. People are not aware this is a worship done once in a lifetime. People go to umra. Umra is a nafila worship. A person who has money and goes to umra within a year, needs to again go to hajj in the same year. If they do not go, they would be under a bigger sinful burden. They collect a limited amount for hajj, and that is for whoever gets lucky.

When Ibrahim (AS) built the Kaaba with Ismail (AS), Allah Glorious and Exalted be He said, "Call the azan. Everybody from everywhere will come for the hajj." Ibrahim (AS) called the azan. Whoever heard the call from people who are to come until the Day of Judgment, they have certainly went to hajj and have become hajjis. This is also a kismet. Even if a person cannot go to hajj, the intention is important so let them make the intention.

If the person is meant to go they will go. Otherwise an obstacle appears, something happens, and they cannot go. The hajj drops from being a sinful burden.

Allah has made worship fard to everybody according to their strength. The sick person cannot fast. The hajj is not fard on the person who has no money. There is also an excuse for the person who is not healthy. It is alright if that person does not go either. These people can send others as a substitute for themselves. It would not be right taking Allah's commands lightly. Allah did not send people to this world to build buildings and decorate them. He created us so we may worship. We can still do other things next to worship. The main thing is our worshipping Allah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

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