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Wearing Amulets is Forbidden even if They are from the Qur'aan

Question:

What is the ruling on wearing amulets and placing them on the chest, or under the pillow, bearing in mind that these amulets contain Qur'anic Verses only?

Answer:

The correct position is that wearing amulets, even if they are from the Qur'aan or from *Hadiths* is forbidden. This is because it was not reported from the Prophet *sallAllaahu `alayhi wa sallam*, for any means to attaining an end which is not reported from the Messenger *sallAllaahu `alayhi wa sallam* is invalid and is not to be taken into account, because it is Allaah, the Almighty, the Majestic Who causes all effects, and if this means is unknown to us either from the Islamic law or from practical experience, then it is not permissible and is not to be considered as a means of attaining an end. Amulets, according to the most reliable view, are forbidden, whether they are from the Qur'aan or from other than the Qur'aan. When a person is afflicted by anything, he should find someone to recite over him, as Jibril recited incantations over the Prophet *sallAllaahu `alayhi wa sallam* and he used to recite incantations over his Companions, may Allaah be pleased with them, and this is lawful.

Shaykh Muhammad bin Saalih al-Uthaymeen

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