



Fatwa no. 20316

Q: Attached is a copy of a Du'a' (supplication) distributed by some immigrants to be said in Safar. The Du'a' includes: "O Allah! By the virtue of the status of Al-Hasan, his brother, grandfather, and father, spare us the evil on that day and what takes place on it, O All-Sufficient One! (So Allâh will suffice you against them. And He is the All-Hearer, the All-Knower.)

Allah (Alone) is Sufficient for us, and He is the Best Disposer of affairs (for us) and there is neither might nor power except with Allah, the Most High, the Most Great.

O Allah! We ask You by Your Beautiful Names, Perfect Words, and the honor of Your Prophet, our leader Muhammad (peace be upon him), to protect us and save us from Your affliction, for You are the Only One Who wards off afflictions. O Reliever of distresses! Relieve our distress and remove from us the distresses which have been destined for us in this year, for You are Omnipotent over all things." I hope Your Honor will examine this Du'a'.

A: This is an innovated Du'a' in terms of being specified to be said at a certain time.

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It also includes Tawassul (supplicating to Allah by virtue of the status of...) by Al-Hasan, Al-Husayn, the honor of the Messenger (peace be upon him), and names which are given to Allah although they are stated neither in the Qur'an nor in the Sunnah (whatever is reported from the Prophet). It is not permissible to name Allah (Glorified be He) except with what He has named Himself in His Book or revealed to His Messenger Muhammad (peace be upon him). Tawassul by people or by the virtue of their status in Du'a' is a Bid'ah (innovation in religion), and every Bid'ah is misguidance and a means to Shirk (associating others with Allah in His Divinity or worship). Accordingly, the circulation of this Du'a' should be prevented in addition to getting rid of any of its copies. It seems that it is innovated by the Shiites.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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