
Is it allowed for a Muslim woman to kill herself for fear of being raped?

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Questioner: Okay, O Shaykh, regarding what is happening in Bosnia and Herzegovina, may Allaah protect it and the Muslims from evil, some Bosnian Muslim women have started to kill themselves and commit suicide when they come to know that the unbelievers or the Serbs are going to commit fornication with them, is that allowed?

Shaykh al-Albaanee (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ)¹: It is not allowed.

Questioner: Even in their case?

Shaykh al-Albaanee (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ): It is not allowed.

Questioner: And the solution, what is it, they should defend themselves?

Shaykh al-Albaanee (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ): Yes.

Questioner: Even if it leads to fornication being committed with them?

Shaykh al-Albaanee (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ): The answer to this has already finished: even if.

Al-Hudaa wan-Noor, 594.

¹ (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him