

HOLIDAYS VS HOLY DAYS

Rasulullah ﷺ narrates from his Rabb the Exalted that He said, **“By my honour, I will not make My servant suffer two life spans of fear nor afford him two life spans of carefree existence. If My servant feared me in the world, I will relieve him from fear on the Day of Resurrection. If he did not fear Me in the world, I will make him know fear on the Day of Resurrection.”** (Ibn Hibbaan)

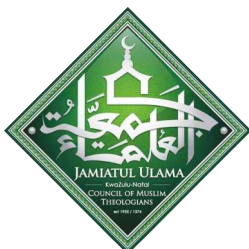
This Hadith provides clear direction for the way we should spend our holidays and further how to live our lives. We face constant invitations towards temptations and giving ourselves over to fun and good times without care or concern. The Hadith is a solemn reminder that those “good times” are not without a cost.

We often hear the phrase, “We only live once.” bandied around, driving people to fulfill their every low desire. However that statement is far from reality. We will certainly live again and that life will be determined by how we lived in this world.

Allah Ta’ala states, **“As for him who rebelled and preferred the life of the world, his abode will be the Blazing Fire. But as for him who feared the Standing in front of his Rabb and forbade the lower self its desires, then certainly Jannah will be his abode.”** (Quran S. 79, V. 37-40)

Give thought to how you spend your holidays, for eternal success lies with those who will transform their holidays into “Holy Days”.

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