

Superstition and the month of Safar

Rasoolullah ﷺ has stated:

“There is nothing evil about the month of Safar.” Bukhari

Believing that the month of Safar is inauspicious and particularly that its first 13 days are ill-fated or that it is harmful to marry, propose or travel, etc. during these days are superstitions which are contrary to the teachings of Islam. Such superstitious beliefs have no basis in Islam and stem from pagan beliefs.

Another superstitious action that every Muslim must abstain from is the reading of horoscopes, astrological predictions and consulting those who practice this craft. It is likely that many of us have not realised how hated a practice this is in Islam, nor the extent of Rasulullah's ﷺ condemnation of this act.

Rasulullah ﷺ has stated:

“He who goes to a fortune-teller to ask him about something, his Salaah will not be accepted for forty days.” Muslim

“He who goes to a soothsayer or a fortune-teller and believes in his predictions, then he has disbelieved in the revelation sent to Muhammad ﷺ.” Targhib

A true Muslim firmly believes that all conditions, whether they are adverse or favourable, come directly from Allah Ta'ala. Specific days, months or phenomena have no bearing on our lives.

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