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## Forbidding the evil harshly during Hajj and hitting someone

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**Questioner:** During tawaaf for Umrah [as part of Hajj] someone tried to prevent an incorrect act, which was that someone else was touching and kissing the standing place of Ibraaheem [Maqaam]—but the way he stopped this act was with harshness and he raised his voice and also hit [the other person]. Can the Hajj of this person be regarded as a correct and valid one [mabroor]? Bearing in mind that the person asking the question has repented to Allaah, and is ardently waiting for an answer? He hit the other person ... it reached such an extent that he hit the other person ...

**Shaykh al-Albaanee** (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ):<sup>1</sup> Was the one who was performing Hajj the one who struck [the other person] or the one who was hit?

**Questioner:** Both of them ... it was during tawaaf.

**Shaykh al-Albaanee** (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ): Namely, they were both performing Hajj?

**Questioner:** Yes. It was during the tawaaf of the Umrah [which is part of Hajj at-Tamattoo], one of them disapproved of what the other was doing but he didn't respond so he hit him.

**Shaykh al-Albaanee** (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ): Naturally, this is not compatible whatsoever with the Prophet's (عليه السلام)<sup>2</sup> saying ... in fact, [it is not compatible whatsoever with] the verse, "So whoever has made Hajj obligatory upon himself therein there is [to be for him] no sexual relations and no disobedience and no disputing during Hajj,"<sup>3</sup> since firstly, enjoining the good and preventing the evil shouldn't be done with cruelty or harshness, especially when most people do not know [the truth].

We should regard the people as being ill and that they are in need of being treated with kindness, sympathy and mercy and not with cruelty or harshness. This is as a general rule. So what is situation when we are, firstly, talking about [such harshness occurring during] Hajj, and, secondly, [that it occurred] in the Masjid al-Haraam?

There is no doubt that this action of his has nothing at all to do with a correct Hajj [mabroor].

Al-Hudaa wan-Noor, 386.

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<sup>1</sup> (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

<sup>2</sup> (عليه السلام) (alaihis-salaam) Peace be upon him

<sup>3</sup> سورة البقرة - Soorah al-Baqarah [2:197]