

# Islam Question & Answer

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## 11998 - Putting items that one wants to keep safe at the tombs of awliyaa' ("saints") so that they will guard them

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### the question

Some people put items which they want to keep safe at the graves of righteous people, thinking that they will guard them, so that they will not be stolen or take

### Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

Believing that the dead can guard items that are placed at their tombs is blatant kufr and shirk, associating others with Allaah in His Lordship (Ruboobiyyah). Whoever dies believing this deserves to spend eternity in Hell. Placing items that one wants to keep safe and other things at tombs to be guarded or to receive barakah (blessings) - all of these actions are not permitted at all. And Allaah knows best.

And Allaah is the Source of strength. May Allaah bless our Prophet Muhammad and his family and companions, and grant them peace.