

2373 - Giving talaaq (divorce) three times at once is bid'ah

the question

Could you please let me know according to the Shafi mishep, if a man can give his wife Talaaq tree(3) times at once.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allaah.

Giving talaaq (divorce) three times at once is bid'ah, and goes against the aayah (interpretation of the meaning): "... When you divorce women, divorce them at their 'iddah (prescribed periods)..." [al-Talaaq 65:1]. If a Muslim wants to divorce his wife, he should divorce her according to the Sunnah, which is to give one talaaq at a time when his wife is taahir (not menstruating) and he has not yet had intercourse with her following her period, or when it is clear that she is pregnant. According to the Shaafi'i madhhab and the majority of other madhhabs, giving three talaqs at once counts as three separate talaqs and is irrevocable, and the couple cannot remarry until the woman has been married to and divorced from another man. Other scholars say that three talaqs given at once count as only one talaq.

And Allaah knows best.