

34638 - Being careless with the aim of dying in the land of the Two Holy Sanctuaries (al-Haramayn)

the question

Many pilgrims who come to the land of the Two Holy Sanctuaries expose themselves to things that could cause death, seeking thereby to die in the land of the Two Holy Sanctuaries. They do that by being careless and not taking precautions to protect themselves, such as deliberately staying out in the hot sun, exposing themselves to traffic danger, and other kinds of threats to life. What is your opinion on that?.

Detailed answer

I advice my brother pilgrims and others to beware of this carelessness and to keep away from causes of danger as much as possible, because Allah says (interpretation of the meaning):

“And do not kill yourselves (nor kill one another). Surely, Allah is Most Merciful to you”

[al-Nisa’ 4:29]

“and do not throw yourselves into destruction”

[al-Baqarah 2:195]

And the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: “Whoever kills himself with something will be punished with it on the Day of Resurrection.”

And there are many similar verses and hadeeths.

May Allah help us all to do that which pleases Him and bless us and all the Muslims with understanding of His religion and make us steadfast in adhering to it.