

## 7191 - What is hijrah?

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### the question

How can we make hijrah for the sake of Allaah nowadays?

### Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

Hijrah (migration) for the sake of Allaah means moving from the land of shirk to the land of Islam, as the Muslims moved from Makkah – before its people became Muslim – to Madeenah, because it had become the city of Islam after its people had pledged their allegiance (bay'ah) to the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) and asked him to make hijrah to them. So Hijrah means migrating to join other Muslims. Hijrah may also take the form of moving from one land of shirk to another land of shirk where evil is less prevalent and there is less danger to the Muslims, as when some of the Muslims migrated from Makkah, at the command of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him), to Abyssinia (Ethiopia).

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