

## Ruling on attending Christmas events

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

**Question:** "And also brother Aboo 'Aisha al-Fadhli from Kuwait asks and he says: "Virtuous Shaykh, with this Gregorian month having entered, the Christmas celebrations of the Christians and their festivities commence; what is the ruling on joining them in their celebrations whether in form of holding them (these celebrations), attending them, exchanging gifts or offering congratulations?"

**Shaykh Saalih bin Fawzaan al-Fawzaan [May Allaah preserve him]:** "All of this is impermissible. It is impermissible to join them (the Christians) in them (their celebrations) and to attend them.

Allaah the Mighty and Exalted says:

**[And (the slaves of the Most Beneficent (Allaah) are) those who do not witness falsehood.]<sup>1</sup>**

Meaning they don't attend the festivities of the disbelievers, because attending them means approving them and being pleased with wrong-doing (Munkar), and this is impermissible, and (also) to congratulate them (the Christians) in them. All of this is impermissible because they are newly introduced festivities, they are not even legislated in the religion of the Christians itself. However they (the Christians) themselves introduced them. Yes."

**السؤال:** أيضا الأخ ابو عائشة الفضلي من الكويت يسأل يقول فضيلة الشيخ مع دخول هذا الشهر الميلادي تبدأ احتفالات النصارى بالكريسمس وأعيادهم ، ما حكم مشاركتهم في احتفالاتهم سواء بعملها أو حضورها أو تبادل الهدايا فيها أو التهاني ؟

**الجواب:** لا يجوز كل هذا ، لا يجوز مشاركتهم و حضورها ، الله -جلّ وعلا- قال : ( وَالَّذِينَ لَا يَشْهَدُونَ الزُّورَ ) ، يعني لا يحضرون أعياد الكفار ، لأن حضورهم فيها إقرار لها ورضى بالمنكر وهذا لا يجوز ، ولا تهنتهم فيها ، لا يجوز هذا كله ؛ لأنها أعياد مبتدعة ، حتى في دين النصارى ، ماهي بمشروعة ، إنما هم ابتدعوها

<sup>1</sup> Soorah al-Furqaan [25:72]