



The third question of Fatwa no. 4160

Q 3: What is the ruling on slaughtering an animal for guests even though Allah (Exalted be He) says: (...and that on which Allâh's Name has not been mentioned while slaughtering, (that which has been slaughtered as a sacrifice for others than Allâh) ?

A: It is permissible to slaughter an animal for a guest and the name of Allah is mentioned upon slaughtering it and it is not included in the general saying of Allah (Exalted be He): (...and that on which Allâh's Name has not been mentioned while slaughtering, (that which has been slaughtered as a sacrifice for others than Allâh) The Ayah (Qur`anic verse) refers to what is offered for other than Allah (Exalted be He)

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like slaughtering for the dead and the like, as a means of drawing closer to them. However, slaughtering for guests aims at serving them generously; not worshipping them, for the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) ordered Muslims to entertain guests generously.

May Allah grant us success. May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions.

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