



The fifth question from Fatwa no. 4306

Q 5: When a person becomes ill with hallucinations, people start to say that he is possessed by jinn (creatures created from fire). They bring a shaykh who recites the Qur'an upon him until he restores his consciousness. Is this true or not? Also is it true that chanting certain incantations can prevent a husband from being able to have sexual intercourse with his wife?

A: Firstly: Jinn is a kind of Allah's creatures which is mentioned in the Qur'an and Sunnah (whatever is reported from the Prophet). They will be held accountable for their actions on the Day of Judgment. Believers among them will enter Jannah (Paradise), and those who are Kafirs (disbelievers) will enter the Hellfire. It is true that humans may be possessed by jinn. Du`a' (supplication) and reciting Ayahs (Qur'anic verses) over the person possessed by jinn are permissible.

Secondly: Chanting incantations on the wedding night or upon conclusion of the marriage contract in order to prevent the bridegroom

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from being able to have intercourse with his wife is a kind of prohibited magic. Islam has prohibited this kind of magic and has prescribed the death penalty for anyone who practices it.

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

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