



The first question of Fatwa no. 10561

Q 1: I carefully consider Allah's punishment and warnings but my determination to do good deeds is weak. When I read the books of the Salaf (righteous predecessors), I find that the Prophet (peace be upon him) and his Sahabah (Companions) used to do all kinds of good deeds. They wept for their deficiency and placed themselves in the ranks of the disobedient in hope of forgiveness. Then, what should I do to attain Jannah (Paradise), escape hell fire, and be resurrected with the pious people?

A: Fearing Allah's punishment and warning is praised in Islam. It strengthens righteousness and causes a person to abide by Allah's commands and avoid His prohibitions. So direct your heart solely to your Lord and fear Him sincerely to increase your determination in obeying Him and avoiding disobedience. Recite the Qur'an frequently with consideration and contemplation to heed its lessons and make it your way of life.

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Likewise, read the biographies of the Prophet and his Sahabah to see examples of their actions and engage in the way of good deeds.

May Allah grant us success, powerful spiritual energy and good actions.

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

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