



The first question of Fatwa no. 9610 :

Q 1: A person testifies that there is no god but Allah and that Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah, and offers Salah (prayer) on time, however, he invokes (calls upon) other than Allah. When that person dies, is it permissible to attend his funeral or not?

A1: Invocation is a form of worship. Thus, directing any of it to anyone or anything other than Allah is a major form of Shirk (associating others with Allah in His Divinity or worship) which takes one out of the fold of Islam. Allah the Exalted says (what means): **﴿And whoever invokes (or worships), besides Allâh, any other ilâh (god), of whom he has no proof; then his reckoning is only with his Lord. Surely! Al-Kâfirûn (the disbelievers in Allâh and in the Oneness of Allâh, polytheists, pagans, idolaters) will not be successful.﴾** (Surah Al-Mu'minun, 23: 117). Allah also says (what means): **﴿"And invoke not besides Allâh, any such that will neither profit you nor harm you, but if (in case) you did so, you shall certainly be one of the Zâlimûn (polytheists and wrong-doers).﴾** (Surah Yunus, 10: 106).

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Thus, it is not permissible to offer the funeral prayer over those who do so, or attend their funeral if they die before repenting to Allah.

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

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