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## Janaazah for the one who commits suicide

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the Name of Allaah the most Kind the most Merciful

**Question:** Is it permissible to pray over the one who commits suicide, and is it permissible to shroud him? Also, is it permissible to bury him in the graveyard of the Muslims? And is he considered an apostate from Islaam?

**Shaykh Ibn Uthaymeen** (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)<sup>1</sup>: The one who commits suicide, the person who kills himself—and with Allaah refuge is sought—it is the same whether he commits suicide with a machine or tool, or by fire, or by jumping from something high or by any other means, the point is that he kills himself. And it has been authenticated that the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ)<sup>2</sup> said:

من قتل نفسه بشيء فإنه يعذب به في نار جهنم خالدًا مخلدًا فيها أبدا

**Whoever kills himself with something; then verily he will be tortured with it in the fire of Hell, remaining therein forever.**

We ask Allaah for safety and security. But despite this, he is prayed upon because he is a Muslim. But if the Imaam—and he is the leader over the general populace—or the Imaam of the Masjid, the one who has repute in the community, if he himself decides he will not pray over him, to make an example to others; then there is nothing wrong with him not praying over this person, and he tells the others to pray over him. And he is buried with the Muslims because he is a Muslim.

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<sup>1</sup> (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

<sup>2</sup> (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him