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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

Question: I read in an Islaamic book that whoever has some need and wants it fulfilled should read Soorah Al-Fatihah (Opening Chapter of the Qur'aan) forty times after Maghrib (Sunset) Prayer. Once finished and before leaving, one's request will undoubtedly be fulfilled - In'sha'allaah (if Allaah wills). Is this saying correct?

Answer: It is not permissible for a Muslim to recite Al-Fatihah forty times to have some needs fulfilled. This is one of the newly-invented Bid`ahs (innovations in religion). It is not correct that the need of a Muslim who reads it will be fulfilled; rather, it is part of the promotion of this Bid`ah and a confusion for the common people.

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

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